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CITY RECEIVING HOSPITAL NEEDED

Physicians Point Out Necessity
for Central Place for Care
of Emergency Cases.

COST WOULD BE SLIGHT
OVER PRESENT EXPENSE

Plan Suggested by Drs. Zan and
Biersdorf Contemplates
County Paying Its Share.

Portland is in great need of a receiving
hospital, according to City Physician

J. C. Zan and City Health Officer H. R. Biersdorf. They say no other city with as large a population as Portland on the Pacific coast is without such an institution. They say that at this time, on the eve of the Lewis and Clark exposition, provision for caring for emergency cases is much more necessary than ever before.

They are of the opinion that the city and county should share the expense, and believe that the cost of maintenance, in addition to what the city and county now pay for emergency cases, would be very slight.

According to the plan proposed no additional physicians will be necessary for the first year. The work could be done by the county physician, the city physician and assistant and the city health officer. At the present time the city and county pay a large sum each month for hospital expenses for emergency cases, all of which would be cared for at the receiving hospital. The medicines to the poor which are now dispensed at some drug store would be given out from the dispensary connected with the receiving hospital, resulting in a great saving. The money

thus saved could be applied to the salaries for nurses. An ambulance would have to be purchased, and horses and a driver would have to be in readiness for service, but it is believed that the ambulance could be made almost self-supporting.

It is estimated that to establish and equip an emergency hospital with beds, operating tables, instruments, ambulance and horses would not exceed \$1,000 and that the cost of maintenance, over the expense now incurred for emergency cases, would not exceed over \$200 a month. This divided between the city and county would be a small item.

The plan will be presented to the board of health at the next meeting by Dr. Biersdorf. He will ask that the proposition be submitted to the county commissioners, asking them to confer with the city board of health in establishing an emergency post in this city.

"I believe it is absolutely necessary to have an emergency hospital," said Dr. Biersdorf yesterday. "The city is growing so fast and we are having so many cases which demand immediate attention that it is impossible to handle them to good advantage. We have an

large territory to cover as San Francisco, and they have three fully equipped stations for emergency cases, while we, with 150,000 people, have none.

"I am in favor of a joint city and county hospital established in the center of the city and fully equipped. Two nurses, an ambulance and driver and beds and operating tables will be necessary. I believe we can equip a hospital for \$1,000, and the cost of maintenance over and above what the present cost of handling emergency cases will be very small. We will save the hospital bills, which are very large, and also the dispensary bills to a large extent. We could also make our ambulance nearly self-supporting.

"I feel that we should take immediate steps to carry out this project in order to have everything in working order by the time visitors arrive in Portland."

Dr. Zan was a little emphatic in his assertions. He deplored the fact that such a large and rapidly growing city should be without one.

"I believe that the best plan for an emergency hospital in this city would be for the city and county to co-operate in establishing and maintaining one. By doing so the cost would be slight. The hospital should be centrally located where all emergency cases could be treated. The dispensary should be there also, instead of having it at some drug store. A great saving could be made.

"The health departments of the city and county unite, and no additional physicians would have to be employed. Enough could be saved from hospital and dispensary bills to pay the nurses. I believe that after the hospital is established we can run it with very little additional expense to the taxpayers."

THE PACIFIC MONTHLY.

Magazine Devoted to This Section
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That Portland and the Oregon country is forging to the front and that the people of the east are anxious to learn something about this wonderful section, is evident from the large number of inquiries received by the Commercial club and the publicity department of the Lewis and Clark exposition for literature on Oregon. Another evidence is the increase in circulation of the Pacific Monthly, a magazine devoted to the interests of this section. The publishers state that they are getting so many requests that it is impossible to supply the demand, particularly for the issues of August, September, October, November and December. These requests for the magazine have come from Washington, D. C., Illinois, New York, Colorado and in fact nearly every state east of the Rocky mountains. The requests for the December number will total nearly 5,000 more than the number printed. For January, 15,000 copies are being printed and there are indications that this will not meet the demand.

The magazine also shows that eastern business firms are realizing its importance, for N. W. Ayer & Sons have just closed a contract for advertising, which is the largest contract ever signed by the magazine. The January number of the Pacific Monthly will be one of rare interest. It has been increased 22 pages, of which 16 will be devoted to the reproduction of some remarkably fine and artistic full-page views of the Columbia river, taken by Mrs. Sarah H. Ladd. This will be a forerunner of six special editions to be issued during 1905, all of which will be handsomely illustrated. The magazine is doing much for this territory and deserves the unqualified support of every loyal and progressive citizen of Portland, which it is now receiving to a very encouraging degree.

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