

PERILS OF TWILIGHT SLEEP'S USE SHOWN BY LOCAL M. D.'S

New Method of Producing Painless Birth Not Indorsed by Physicians.

DRUGS USED ARE MENACE

As Matter of Fact, Original German Method Not Employed Here at All, It Is Declared.

Although numerous articles have appeared in the newspapers and magazines exploiting what is termed the wonders of the so-called "Twilight Sleep," men high in the medical profession condemn the use of the drugs scopolamine and morphine in producing "Twilight Sleep" at childbirth.

There are a few physicians of the "take-a-chance" kind in Portland who have administered hyocin-morphine in obstetrics, but they are engaged in a dangerous practice and fail to realize the possibilities of disastrous results according to the physicians making more or less of a specialty in obstetrics.

These doctors say that the articles appearing in such magazines as McClure's, the Ladies' World and Metropolitan are misleading and lead the public to believe that "Twilight Sleep" is applicable and highly successful, when, as a matter of fact, it is dangerous to both the mother and baby.

They also say that the so-called "Twilight Sleep," as practiced in this country and in Portland, is not "Twilight Sleep" at all, although the women believe they are getting it when morphine, scopolamine, or similar drug is used. One doctor says that, as handled here, the case is not even good imitations of "Twilight Sleep."

Many Voices Object. Dr. George B. Storey condemns it in its present use, as does Dr. Edmund J. Labbe and Dr. A. N. Creadick, of this city, and Dr. Victor C. Vaughn, president of the American Medical Association; Dr. J. Whitridge Williams, professor of Johns Hopkins University, of the medical schools, and many other noted experts.

"The use of scopolamine, morphine and similar drugs in producing what is now called 'Twilight Sleep' is dangerous," said Dr. Storey yesterday. "The methods are not new but a new name has been given to the old methods in use here are not the true technique of the 'Twilight Sleep.' The true thing is an elaborate affair. It is done only under the most favorable surroundings, in hospitals especially fit for it, with sound proof and light proof rooms, where psychologists are employed to examine women before the operation begins.

"The doctors using scopolamine and morphine and other drugs in 'Twilight Sleep' are playing with things which are not at all necessary. Their explanations to women are often misleading.

"If the publicity concerning its use continues, women are going to demand from the physicians who can not do it properly and to hold their business they will do it with disastrous results.

"The most high up in the profession want 'Twilight Sleep,' but they want it approved first. They are not trying to do it, but want to have its value determined. In the meantime, physicians are becoming more conservative every day.

Morphine Is Substituted. "The doctors who are practicing what they term 'Twilight Sleep' methods give morphine and the women believe they are getting 'Twilight Sleep' when in a matter of fact they are not getting even a good imitation of it. This is what Dr. Victor C. Vaughn, president of the American Medical Association, says on the subject:

"The anaesthetic action of scopolamine was first demonstrated in this country. So far our specialists in this line are not satisfied that the use of scopolamine is free from injurious effects. This conclusion is based not only on observations made in this country some years ago, but upon recent observations in Freiburg. The women of this country can be sure that the medical profession here is fully alive to everything which may safely eliminate human suffering and share even to a small extent the pain of the physiological function of childbirth. Up to the present time the profession is not convinced that this drug, either alone or combined with morphine, is free from danger either to mother or child, or both."

Admits Drug Is Dangerous. Dr. Edmund J. Labbe of this city says that all doctors agree, even those

TELEPHONE MEN TENDER BANQUET TO C. H. MOORE



Standing, left to right—W. C. Hickok, P. J. Houlton, L. F. Bishop, E. S. Higgins, Fred Spoerl, D. J. Butcher, W. C. Barbour, E. A. Shepard, W. H. Dancy, H. N. Durstan, W. C. Pickford, O. C. Brill, P. Bacon, F. W. Sinclair. Seated at table, left to right—W. D. Moore, W. J. Phillips, J. A. Halliday, C. H. Moore, J. H. Corcoran, J. R. Davies, F. H. Shea, G. A. Lime.

at Freiburg, that they are dealing with a dangerous drug.

"My experience with the so-called 'Twilight Sleep' has been very limited," he said yesterday. "It has been limited because of the numerous reports of the dangers and because I have seen, in the practice of others, babies born in whom the spark of life burned very dimly, and indeed, in one case went out altogether after birth. All agree, even the doctors at Freiburg, that they are dealing with a dangerous drug which to be effective must be given very close to the poisonous line, so that every moment a patient is under its influence is an anxious moment for the physician, who for this reason must be in constant attendance prepared to act promptly should the poisonous effects appear, as they frequently do.

"The article in McClure's and other similar magazines have been misleading, as they have not warned the public of the dangers, and have led the public to believe that 'Twilight Sleep' is applicable and successful. Amnesia was obtained in nearly if not all cases, where as a matter of fact complete successful sleep is obtained in less than 50 per cent of them. Many cases become violently delirious.

Articles Arouse Interest. "I am glad the articles have been written. They have stimulated thought among the laity as well as the profession for improvement in obstetrics. Anything which can make for more comfort for the mother at such a time should have our most interested attention, but let us in so doing not add to the dangers of an already anxious moment."

Here are the views of Dr. Williams of Johns Hopkins Medical School:

"We have used the scopolamine and morphine in two separate series of cases at the Johns Hopkins hospital. But in neither series were the results satisfactory, nor did they in any way approach the claims made for the treatment. We expect to do more with it next year. In the meantime my own experience and conversation with Professor Kronig, do not make me feel that the method really constitutes a great advance over those which are in use by American physicians."

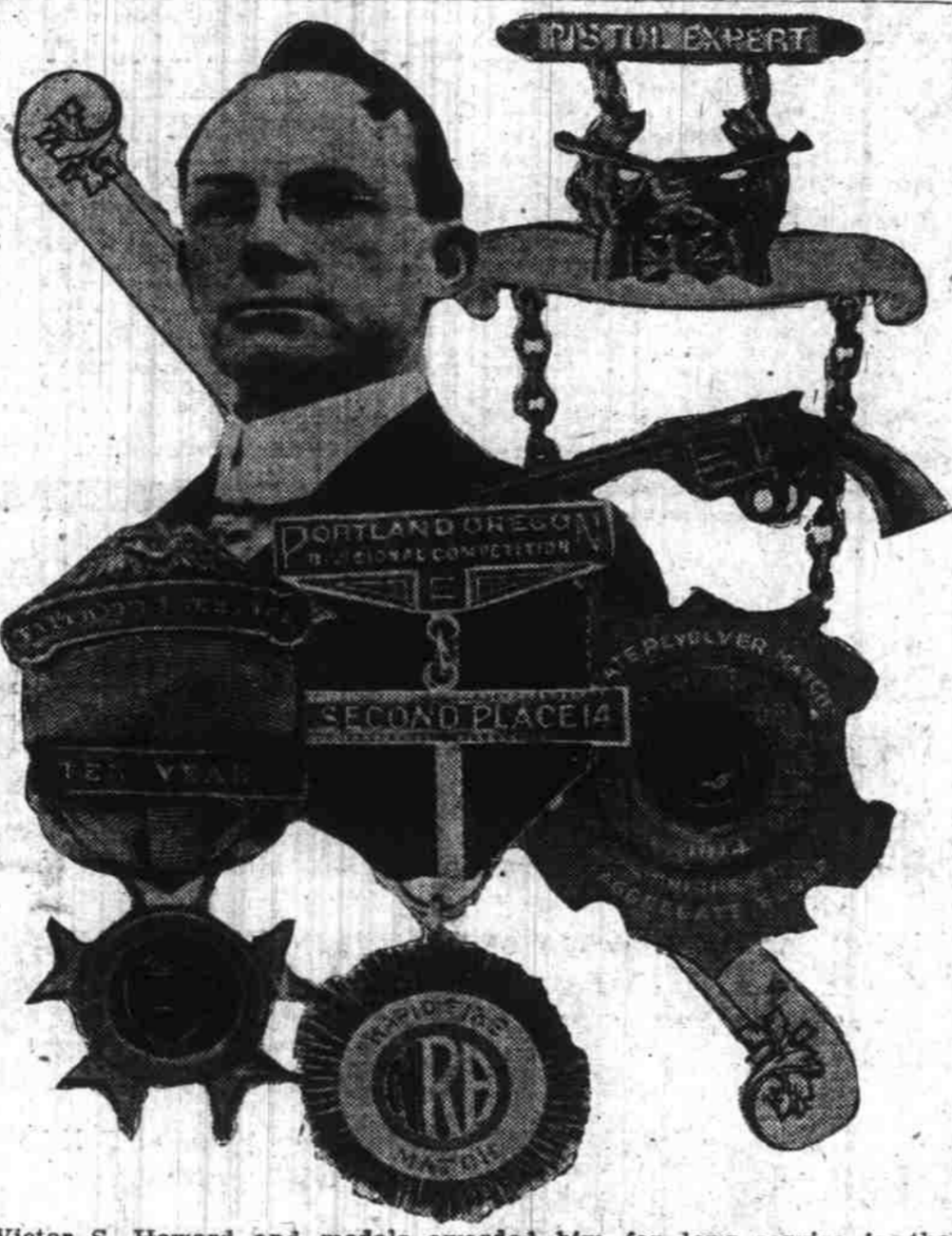
Dr. A. N. Creadick of this city says that a far more urgent need in Portland in handling obstetric cases is a matter of fact, instead of the use of the so-called "twilight sleep."

Preparation Found Unreliable. "A few daring practitioners in Portland," he said, "have administered hyocin-morphine in obstetrics, but they find in doing much of this that the American preparation is unreliable. It is a far more urgent need in this city is a well-equipped fireproof maternity home, where rich and poor alike may be rendered all the assured benefits known to science."

"Unquestionably the travails that women bear speaks volumes against the present methods in the practice of obstetrics. It has been watched with keen regret the publicity campaign of McClure's, the Metropolitan and other magazines advocating scopolamine-morphine treatment. Certain advances are made in medicine and surgery, but are made slowly and after due analysis and care before they are attempted on the better class of patients in private practice.

"Advocates of the new (?) method

GUARDSMAN WINS 4 MEDALS



Victor S. Howard and medals awarded him for long service in the Oregon National Guard and for expert shooting with the pistol.

Victor S. Howard, quartermaster sergeant of Company C, Third Infantry, Oregon National Guard, was presented last Tuesday night, by Captain D. E. Bowman, with four medals. The first is a gold and silver medal for 10 years' faithful service in the O. N. G. The second is a silver medal for second place in a match held under the auspices of the National Guard Rifle Association last year, at the Clackamas range, in which were contestants from the National Guards of the different Pacific coast states and the Hawaiian islands, and also from the regular army. Sergeant Howard tied with three army sergeants in first time, and in shooting out this tie again tied with one of his contestants. The third trial was necessary. Sergeant Howard was the only National Guard contestant to come up with the army crack shots. The third is a silver medal for pistol shooting against all comers, he again crowding up close to the regulars. The fourth is a gold medal as expert pistol shot.

He has twice been a member of the Oregon teams that contested in the national contests and his work has had much to do with Oregon passing every state in the Union last year. In private life he is an optometrist and has practiced in this city for 12 years.

admit that it requires special facilities in the way of sound proof delivery rooms and semi-darkness, yet they say that practitioners are criminal in allowing ordinary patients to suffer.

FIGHT FOR LIFE ENDS IN RESCUE OF 11 SAILORS

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American launched a lifeboat, which rowed to the side of the foundering Victoria. They stood by until 13 had been taken off. The women were thrown bodily into the lifeboat. But when Captain Urrachua was asked to go, he shook his head.

"I will stay with my ship," he said. Thereupon 10 others announced that they would remain also. At that time the Victoria had 10 feet of water in the hold.

Quit Stinking Vessel. Two hours later, at 10.30, when the Victoria's engines were flooded and hope of getting her beached abandoned, Captain Urrachua and his companions launched their lifeboats. A few minutes afterwards the Victoria plunged and disappeared. The survivors headed for land by dead reckoning and took turns hauling on the oars in the gale until, one by one, they sank exhausted. Hope had been abandoned when the Flyer appeared at 4 P. M.

The Victoria left San Diego and recently came under American registry. The American is of the American-Hawaiian Steamship line.

Those rescued by the Flyer were: Jose Urrachua, captain; Jesus Wilson, mate; Arturo Hernandez, quartermaster; Luciano Rubalcaba, quartermaster; Frank Otto, steward; Manuel Ojuna, chief engineer; Manuel Yiga, assistant engineer; Jose Sanchez, stoker; Manuel Ramirez, seaman and Juan

Happenings of the Day Along Pacific Coast Told in Brief

San Francisco, Cal.—Jesse W. Liffenthal, president of the United Railroads, has refused today to hold further meetings with committees from discharged employes or union representatives.

Juneau, Alaska.—Saloon men and leaders of the wet forces of Juneau and Douglas see disaster for their cause in the ruling of Judge Jennings who today ordered that a census be taken of every resident within two miles of the saloon district of these two cities and announced that unless a majority of those enumerated in this census vote for saloons at the election to be held May 24, he will refuse to issue licenses.

San Francisco, Cal.—In circumstance pointing to a suicide pact, the bodies of Mrs. Arline Blotte, 39 years old, a lady's maid employed by Mrs. Charles G. Huse, wife of a wealthy Mendocino rancher, residing at the Fairmont, and Hans Knudsen, were found in a gas filled room here Saturday. The woman was dead and the man was taken to the central emergency hospital, where he is believed to be beyond recovery. Knudsen rented the room last night and shortly after was joined by the woman.

Los Angeles, Cal.—A pedigree book for human thoroughbreds, with the first registration of eugenic Americans ever made, will be started at the San Francisco exposition under the auspices of the Race Betterment foundation. This was the announcement made in Los Angeles Saturday by Dr. J. H. Kellogg, of Battle Creek, Mich., founder of the race betterment movement, surgeon of note and vegetarian, who is en route to the exposition city.

San Francisco, Cal.—Mrs. Kate D. Osborn, divorced wife of Lloyd Osborn, the author, today filed suit against the estate of the late Mrs. Fannie Stevenson, widow of Robert Louis Stevenson, for a guarantee of

\$100 a month annuity, promised by Stevenson's widow before her death, on behalf of her son, Osborn. The estate is to be distributed next week at Santa Barbara and Mrs. Osborn desires to insure payment.

Increase in Livestock. According to the latest reports of the

department of agriculture, there has been a marked increase during the past year in the numbers and value of every class of livestock on farms and ranches in the United States. The value of this livestock is now estimated at \$5,949,252,000, an increase of \$75,024,000 over the valuation of a year ago.



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Tomorrow we introduce the latest novelties in high top boots, beautifully shaped with long, tapering lines of aristocratic suggestion and rather high curved heels. But the dominant style note is the manner of lacing; there are models that lace directly up the back, models that show the side lacing, and for the more conservative are models that lace in the front.

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