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America's Maternity Death Rate
In the United States the death rate for mothers in child-birth is 6.5 per thousand cases, the highest rate of the twenty-two nations for which data are compiled.

Both the ignorance and the carelessness lie against the doctors who are handling nearly all the maternity cases here, who undertake such practice with inadequate training in hospitals, and who fail to give to their cases that super-care against infection which is their constant habit in surgery.

Of the deaths 40% are attributed to puerperal septicemia; 25% to toxemias; the remainder to the hardships of pregnancy and labor. The first, septicemia, one authority calls an "absolute waste of life; the second is largely preventable; and the third may be mitigated where the attending physician knows his business.

On the point of the insufficient training of doctors just out of college, the writer refers to the system of supervised midwife practice in the Scandinavian countries where "the woman who is to be licensed as a midwife must come into intimate contact with or conduct at least one hundred cases of labor during her one or two-year training period."

To get back to the maternity death rate. The lesson of the statistics is clear: the handling of obstetrical cases ought to be confined to those doctors who have had long and thorough training in the study and practice of obstetrics. The profession itself should have more rigorous standards before allowing unskilled men to attempt to care for such cases.

An Omitted Paragraph

PACIFIC coast papers carried accounts of the killing of a woman bootlegger in Herrington, Kansas, by a sheriff who had clung to her car after a wild night ride, and who fired only after she threatened him with a pistol.

Brodie is Home

DIDNT we say Editor Brodie of Oregon City was a diplomat? He devotes his full column to reply to some recent comments of The Statesman anent the gubernatorial situation, not to say whether he was for Patterson, nor whether he had visited Salem, or would visit Salem, nor even whether he was engaged in the role of missionary to the editorial guild to make Oregon safe for the status quo.

BITS for BREAKFAST

By R. J. HENDRICKS

Hon. C. B. Moores—Continuing his reminiscences of early day Salem: "Two full generations have gone over the long trail since the little kid from Uncle Joe Cannon's town stepped off at the steamboat landing at the foot of Trade street in Salem in March, 1853, and trudging up that street turned north for the first time at the junction of Trade and Commercial. The field of reminiscence is too great and the time is too limited to review all of the interesting experiences of the intervening days. Thirty days instead of 30 minutes would hardly suffice. For more than the scriptural limit of time I have been a witness of all the various phases of Salem's development. I have seen her expand from only a few hundred to more than 20,000."

"On July 24, 1854, I stood on the top of an adjacent and uncomfortably warm brick kiln listening to the address of Governor A. C. Gibbs at the laying of the corner stone of 'Waller hall.' On October 21, 1867, I marched in procession to the sound of martial music from Oregon Institute to the taking of formal and permanent possession of 'Waller hall.' In October 1867, I attended the laying of the corner stone of the state capitol, and in November, 1890, the dedication of the Odd Fellows' temple, and on May 30, 1901, the laying of the corner stone of Salem's government building, and on December 16, 1908, the laying of the corner stone of Eaton hall, and last, but not least, the unveiling of the equestrian statue of 'The Circuit Rider' on the 19th inst., directly opposite 'Waller hall' on the university campus."

"This is a crowning tribute to an element that was dominant in the pioneer days, and it will, more than any other outstanding sign, perpetuate the 'memories of Salem' for many generations to come."

"If any old time Salem Rip Van Winkle, who went to sleep 50 or 60 years ago, should now reappear his first inquiries would not be about the pioneer statesmen and ministers, and actors and journalists of the early days. Concerning them he could refresh his memory, and review their accomplishments, in the standard histories of the state. He would be interested in hearing of the men and women he had met in the every day walks of life, and who had shared with him in the daily tasks and daily pleasures of a common companionship. Their station or their occupation in life and their morals and lack of morals would not greatly concern him, but he would display a consuming interest in a discussion of their social qualities, their escapades, their eccentricities, and their outstanding relationships to the interesting local happenings of 'Auld Lang Syne.' What he would ask, has become of the old time local political bosses? How did the Jones boys 'come out,' and whom did the Smith girls marry? What has become of Bill Chambers and Eph Olinger and Frosty Price and the rest of the drivers of the horse propelled taxicabs of the past? Only Eph Olinger of Hood River now remains."

"How are our old friends of the colored contingent? What has become of Painter Johnson, and Dan Jones the barber, and old man Bayless, and 'Nigger Jack,' and Johnny Jones, and Jack Bonter and Sam Brooks and those two old stewards, Tom David and H. Gorman, who used to constitute the motive power that made the wheels go around in the old printing press of the Oregon Statesman? All of them, except Tom Davis, who, at 86, is now a

DALLAS CHURCH TO OBSERVE BIRTHDAY

DALLAS, Nov. 22.—The First Presbyterian Church of Dallas will celebrate the 40th anniversary of the organization Sunday, Nov. 24. Rev. B. J. Kimber of Grants Pass and former pastor of the church will deliver an address in the morning. A short church history will be given by Mrs. Ora B. Cosper and Mrs. M. M. Ellis will relate the history of the Woman's missionary society. Greetings from former friends and pastors will be read.

The newly organized choir under direction of Mrs. Gilbert P. MacGregor will give appropriate numbers with a solo by Mrs. Arthur Fink. In the evening the present pastor, Rev. James A. Smith will speak on "How It Feels to be Forty." A reception will be held at the close of the service with the following committees in charge of arrangements: Invitation, Mrs. C. H. Henkle and Mrs. Mildred Stratton; Reception, Mrs. M. M. Ellis, Mrs. G. J. Van Orsdal, Mrs. Ora Cosper, Mrs. Frank Lynn, Mrs. Mark Hayter, Mrs. Harry Woods, Mr. Andrew Muir and Mr. Willis Simonton; decorations, Mrs. Frank Johnson, Mrs. C. W. Henkle and Mrs. E. V. Dalton; refreshments, Mrs. E. V. Dalton, Mrs. S. E. Whitworth, Mrs. John Voth, Miss Genevieve Coad, Mrs. Ray Kingsbury, Mrs. Elbert Parrish, Mrs. John Cery, Mrs. C. L. Lorimer, Mrs. C. L. Lermer, Mrs. J. E. Johnson.

Roberts Club Is Entertained by Mrs. John Osborn

ROBERTS, November 22.—An enjoyable afternoon was spent Thursday when Mrs. John Osborn entertained the members of the G. T. club with a luncheon followed by a social hour. Yellow chrysanthemums were used and tall yellow tapers as table decorations. The decorations of mums decorated the living room. Present were, Mrs. Alice Coolidge, Mrs. C. D. Quest, Mrs. B. D. Fidler, Mrs. Bud Stutsman, Mrs. S. C. Davenport, Mrs. N. P. Kugel, Mrs. Forest Edwards, Mrs. Roy Rice, Mrs. George Higgins, Mrs. Robert Judson and Mrs. H. B. Carpenter.

B. Gladdem Dies At Silverton

SILVERTON, November 22.—Benjamin Gladdem, 68, died at the home of his sister, Mrs. K. Furness, Thursday morning at 6 o'clock following a stroke on Tuesday. Mr. Gladdem was found unconscious in the barn at 11:00 o'clock Tuesday morning. Mr. Gladdem who has no other relatives than Mrs. Furness, has been making his home with his sister for the past few years. He has lived at Silverton for about 12 years.

St. Paul's to Hold Special Services

Services will be held Thanksgiving morning at 9 o'clock at St. Paul's church. The choir will sing the Choral Eucharist by Merbecke. This will be the only service in St. Paul's church Thanksgiving day.

Circle Planned

First Spiritualist church will hold a circle at the home of George Stoddard, 1420 N. 14th Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Edith Howard Scott of Eugene will be in charge.

PROPOSAL FOR SUPPLIES

Sealed bids will be received up to 2 o'clock, December 10, 1929, at the office of the undersigned for furnishing to the various state institutions and departments supplies consisting of drygoods, clothing, furnishings, groceries, shoes, hardware, brooms, drugs, stationery, crockery, plumbing etc., for the semi-annual period ending June 30, 1930. Specifications and schedules will be furnished upon application to the undersigned.

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT FOR THE COST OF IMPROVING RURAL AVENUE FROM HIGH STREET TO YEW STREET.

Notice is hereby given that the Common Council of the City of Salem, Oregon, will at or about 7:30 p. m., on the 2nd day of December, 1929, or at any subsequent meeting of the said Council thereafter, in the Council Chamber of the city hall of Salem, Oregon, proceed to assess upon and against each lot or part thereof or parcel of land liable therefor in its proportionate share of the cost of improving RURAL AVENUE FROM HIGH STREET TO YEW STREET, in the City of Salem, Marion County, Oregon. All persons interested in the said assessment are hereby notified to appear before the said Council at said time and place and present their objections, if any they have, to said assessment, and apply to said Council to equalize their proportionate share of same. By order of the Common Council.

KEIZER LADIES AID HAS ALL DAY MEET

KEIZER, Nov. 22.—An all day meeting of the Keizer Ladies' Aid was held at the home of Mrs. Roy Nelson on Wednesday. Assisting the hostess in serving a bountiful dinner was Mrs. J. A. Gardner.

The Ladies worked throughout the day on numerous articles for the coming bazaar. Present were Mrs. J. A. Gardner, Mrs. C. A. Poole, Mrs. C. W. Becroft, Mrs. F. E. Evans, Mrs. C. E. Moody, Mrs. Mildred Palmer Irma Keefer, Mrs. G. N. Thompson, Miss Rae Kinkaid, Mrs. David Saucy, Mrs. E. T. Hall, Misses Alta and Mary Hall, Mrs. Arthur Holden and Mrs. W. E. Savage, Mrs. Ben Claggett, Miss Lois Keefer.

Article Sent in Telling of Two Diseases of Foot

Editor's Note: The Statesman contained an editorial Friday, calling the attention of the public to certain diseases of the foot, which have become prevalent, but which have not been known. The editorial referred to foot ringworm and to plantar wart. These are not the same thing, but different diseases.

Ringworm of the Foot.—Tinea—Epidermophytosis—often called Trench foot, dhotie itch, gym itch, athlete's foot, eczema, soft corns, cracked toe webs, and many other names, some of them not complimentary is a disease of the skin caused by a fungus infection and can be had on any part of the body except the hair.

The feet are most affected because they come into contact with the fungus offender. The feet also offer an ideal habitat for the growth of the fungus. The feet are usually warm and moist and are deprived of sunshine and ventilation to the delight of said fungus.

The disease, taken early, is very easily cleaned up. But allowed to run on it is more stubborn and requires longer to affect a cure. Radium and surgery are not used in the treatment of epidermophytosis.

The ten rules already printed in The Statesman are very good and can hardly be added to for the prevention of this disease. Plantar Wart.—This is a verruca or wart on the sole of the foot and is not very common. It is much the same as a wart on the hand but being under pressure from the weight of the body it doesn't extend much above the surface of the skin.

A papilloma is very frequently mistaken for a wart. This growth resembles a wart in appearance but the make up is entirely different. A papilloma is always caused by some injury. This tumor is not contagious and is not malignant. It can be eradicated without discomfort to the patient. The common site for a papilloma is on the under side of great toe, the base of the foot and the heel.

A stone bruise, a thorn, stepping on a tack or pebble causes an injury to the papilla layer of the skin, with the result in many cases that in about three months there is formed a tumor containing nerves and blood-vessels. This is a papilloma. It grows very readily and in from one to two years may attain the size of a dime or even a quarter. There can also be more than one—in fact I removed eighteen from the sole of one foot.

Papillomas are very painful when they have attained some size and they never go away without treatment. There are many treatments that are used successfully in eradicating them. Chiefly the stronger acids—radium, carbon dioxide, snow pencils, electricity in several forms, surgery, etc.

Beginning at 2 o'clock Friday and lasting until a closing session Sunday afternoon a State Young People's Institute will be held in the two Salem Congregational churches.

Rev. Fred Grey of Seattle will be assisted on the faculty by Rev. Harry Johnson of Portland, Rev. H. C. Stover and Rev. C. E. Ward of Salem. Young people of high school and college age are expected from all over the state.

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