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**COUNTY HEALTH NEWS**

A few reasons why we should build an Eastern Oregon Tuberculosis Sanatorium:

Geographically about two-thirds of the state of Oregon lies east of the Cascade mountains. More than 175,000 people live in this territory. For the last six years an average of 79 per year of these Eastern Oregon people have died of tuberculosis.

The National Tuberculosis association, which has had extensive survey experience, states that a careful search in any community will uncover approximately seven living active cases of tuberculosis for each annual death. There are then, without doubt, some 500 active cases of tuberculosis in Eastern Oregon.

The chances for recovery of any tuberculosis patient are greatly in-

creased by at least a few months of sanatorium care, and yet there is nowhere in Eastern Oregon a hospital that makes provision for the care of tuberculosis patients—a few ex-service men go to Walla Walla—but if the rank and file of all the rest of Eastern Oregon patients get sanatoria care at all they must cross the mountains and go to the state sanatorium in Salem.

This institution, which has increased its capacity from time to time, has still only 190 beds with which to serve the needs of the whole state. It has always a long waiting list (44 on September 14, 1926). In the last 6 years it has admitted 933 patients, while, entirely for lack of space, 422 other patients who also applied for care were never admitted at all. These patients who did not get in would at all times have filled another institution half the size of the state sanatorium.

Also we know that many patients who need and want sanatorium care never make application because of this long discouraging waiting list. Surely then the whole state needs a substantial increase in its provision for sanatorium care for tuberculosis patients. Eastern Oregon patients are asking that this addition shall be made over on their side of the mountains where they can have care more promptly when they need it without going such great distances from their families.

It must be remembered that the location for this sanatorium will be selected by the State Board of Control, that it will admit only patients who have been in Eastern Oregon at least a year, and that every sanatorium bed that we provide in Eastern Oregon will relieve the pressure at Salem just that that much and so will help the Western part of the state.

The Southern Oregon Conference for Seal Sale workers will be held in Medford this year for the first time, thus providing information and advice to the many hundreds of workers in Klamath, Jackson, Josephine, Coos and Curry counties. This is a one day institute on October 16 conducted by Mr. Arthur J. Strawn, supervisor of Field Service of the National Tuberculosis association. On September 21 two health group meetings were held: one, the Medford group association held interesting meetings; the Medford group at the home of Mrs. B. G. Burgess, and the Ashland group at the Civic Club house.

**HOMEMAKER'S INSTITUTE**

Mrs. Jessie D. McComb, Home Demonstration Agent Leader for the Oregon Agricultural College Extension Service, announces that now college is in session details of the program for the Homemaker's Institute, to be held in Medford, October 20th to 23rd, are assuming shape. The program will be announced here in the near future.

Local details are also being worked out and cooperation is met with on every side. The plans of the Home Economics Advisory Committee include hostesses each day to receive those attending, introduce them to each other and make all feel at home. Each day a different club will furnish the hostesses. At the close of the afternoon program tea will be served, this is planned to encourage a social hour and help various groups to become acquainted.

Miss Snedcor has volunteered her services and has promised some attractive stage settings, of which we shall hear more before long.

The two floral societies will see that the inspiration of flowers is not lacking. In short we feel assured of a very successful institute.

**OF INTEREST TO WOMEN**

Twenty dollars a month is the average wage of women motor-bus conductors in Japan.

An aged woman who died recently in London was followed to the grave on her 13 children, 66 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren.

For wet weather wear, milady can now buy fine transparent rubber stockings to wear over ordinary silk stockings as a protection against mud spots.

Seven women were among the more than one hundred competitors in the international six-day motor-

cycle road race held recently in England.

Miss Rosalind Wheeler, an American who went to London as a war worker, is now one of the most prominent real estate dealers in the British metropolis.

The only woman ever nominated for vice president of the United

States was Miss Marie C. Brehm, of California, who was the choice of the prohibition party for that office in 1924.

Every time Steve Donoghue, the great English jockey, wins a race a certain old lady hangs a flag out at her window. She is Steve's mother, and she never misses backing her son's horse in a big race.

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