

### RESUME OF HEALTH WORK FOR YEAR SHOWS ACCOMPLISHMENTS, NEEDS

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It seems suitable at this time to give you a brief summary of the work accomplished in public health nursing for the year 1940, with stress placed on the work that still needs to be done.

The service as you know is divided into various parts, and in order to make this report clear, each service will be discussed separately.

#### 1. Communicable Disease Control

Smallpox vaccinations and diphtheria immunizations have been offered to the county in previous years. This past year, these were given to the school children of Irrigon, Lexington, Ione, Heppner and Hardman. The pre-school children obtained the immunizations at the child health conferences held in Boardman, Heppner, Hardman and Ione.

These immunizations should be available to each child at each conference—school and pre-school. In this way, we will never relax in our communicable disease control.

Typhoid immunizations will be offered to the people of Boardman every two years. The next inoculations will be due in the year 1941.

#### 2. Tuberculosis Control

Tuberculosis tests were offered to Boardman, Irrigon, Lexington, Pine City and Alpine school children; and next year it is planned to do the test in Ione, Hardman, Eight Mile, Liberty, Twin Pines, Matteson and Heppner schools—the first, third, sixth, eighth and tenth grades in Heppner. In this way, everyone in the county will have had an opportunity to take the test every three years.

At the present writing, there are no patients from Morrow county in the Eastern Oregon State Tuberculosis hospital. One patient was admitted to the sanitarium during 1940.

We must always be alert for new cases and never relax our educational program.

#### 3. Maternity Service

A small proportion of pre-natal cases were visited during the year 1940.

The Morrow County Health association purchased three books, "Mother and Baby Care in Pictures." Two of these books were placed in the libraries at Ione and Heppner. One is to be used by the nurse to lend to the mothers desiring to learn more about care of themselves and their babies.

Mothers' classes should be taught

in various parts of the county. These would prove of great value to mothers and mothers to be, with the addition of what might be gained from group discussion and activity.

#### 4. Infant and Pre-School

This appears to be a field of great opportunity for a nurse. Mothers of infant and pre-school children in Morrow county are anxious to learn how to properly care for their children.

Dr. M. Carter Davis was added to the staff of the board of health for the purpose of helping with child health conferences throughout eastern and central Oregon. Morrow county had two sets of these during the year 1940. Plans are to have four of these a year, each time the nurse is in the county. Children under eighteen months may attend each time. Those over eighteen months every other time.

Many home visits have been made to give further assistance to mothers in their homes.

#### 5. School Hygiene

Physical inspection of the children in the first, fourth, seventh and tenth grades were offered to the children in Irrigon, Ione, Lexington, Heppner and Hardman. It is planned to follow this program yearly with the examination of the children in all the schools every three years.

Dental inspections were given to the children of Heppner only. This activity should be made available to all school children in the county.

Immunizations should be offered at each school clinic.

Teachers may assist in the health activities by doing vision testing, daily classroom inspections and correlating health education into regular classroom subjects.

#### 6. Morbidity Service

Bedsides nursing should be taught to a reliable member of the family by the nurse when possible. All these cases should be referred by the doctor.

Home hygiene and care of the sick classes have been planned for 1941. It is hoped that these classes will prove of great value to the people of the county.

#### 7. Crippled Children's Service

With the cooperation of the state public welfare commission, two clinics for crippled children were held in Pendleton the past year. Two children received hospital care during the year, with several children from Morrow county attending the clinics.

A six months service is only a minimum service for Morrow coun-

### ONE NEWS

#### Masonic Orders Install at Ione

By MRS. ELMER GRIFFITH  
Locust chapter, O. E. S., held installation of officers Friday evening in the presence of members and invited guests. George Ely was installing officer, and Margaret Blake, Martha Dick and Jennie McMurray as installing organist, marshal and chaplain, assisted him. Those installed were Anna Smouse, worthy matron; Henry Smouse, worthy patron; Lena Lundell, A. M.; E. R. Lundell, A. P.; Elaine Rietmann, conductress; Mildred Lundell, A. C.; Orral Feldman, organist; Ruby Roberts, treasurer; Lola McCabe, chaplain; Ruth Mason, secretary; Beulah Mankin, marshal; Helen Long, Adah; Dorothy Smith, Ruth; Fannie Griffith, Esther; Mabel Krebs, Martha; Marjorie Baker, Electa; Roxy Krebs, warder; George N. Ely, sentinel. Shirley Smouse was the flower girl, and H. V. Smouse presented the past matron's pin to the retiring matron, Beulah Mankin.

Mrs. Margaret Rietmann is seriously ill at her farm home, following.

We have just merely made a beginning in the work that may be accomplished in the county. The cooperation of the county has been excellent, otherwise so much could not possibly have been accomplished in a six months service. Thanks to the Red Cross for their kind cooperation, to Mrs. Clara Gertson, Mrs. Lucy Rodgers, Mr. Turner, Miss Rose Liebbrand, and Judge Bert Johnson; also to the women of the American Legion auxiliary for their splendid assistance and interest in the child health conferences.

ing a severe attack on Monday morning.

Mrs. Eunice Keithley is a patient at the hospital in Heppner where she is being treated for pleurisy.

Clarence Harris, an employee at the Standard station, returned Sunday from a visit with relatives at Arbuckle, Cal.

The Willows HEC will meet with Mrs. George Krebs for an all day meeting Friday, Jan. 17. There will be a pot luck dinner at noon. A white elephant sale will be held in connection with the meeting and each one is asked to bring something for this sale. Installation of officers will also be held.

The committee which solicited funds for the community Christmas tree, which was not held because of so much illness, wish to report that the money will be held for next Christmas. Those who collected the money did not keep a complete list of the donors, so it would not be possible to return the contributions. Seven dollars and sixty-five cents was held over from last year, and sixty dollars and thirty-five cents was donated this year, making a total of \$68.

The Ione Masons have completed the installation of their officers which was delayed by illness. The new corps is Elmer Griffith, master; E. M. Baker, S. W.; E. E. Hummel, J. W.; E. R. Lundell, treasurer; Bert Mason, secretary; George N. Ely, S. D.; R. L. Ekleberry, J. D.; John Krebs, S. S.; Alex Huber, J. S.; Walter G. Roberts, marshal; W. J. Blake, tyler. The Masons enjoyed an oyster stew after lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clark returned Thursday from Los Angeles where they spent the Christmas holidays with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Pomerantz. Their son Lowell came

some with them for a few weeks vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Davidson and three children departed Sunday for their home in Los Angeles, after a visit here with Mr. Davidson's mother, Mrs. Ella Davidson.

Miss Linea Troedson, a teacher in the Portland schools, returned to Portland Sunday to resume her duties.

Mrs. Albert Lindstrom of Morgan is suffering from an injured foot.

Bert Mason, Jr., left Sunday for Corvallis after spending the holidays with his parents. He is a junior at O. S. C.

The Union Missionary society met last Thursday in the Congregational church parlors. Mrs. Dale Ray and Mrs. W. J. Blake were hostesses.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Heliker returned Saturday from Portland, where Mr. Heliker had his foot placed in a new cast, and received treatment.

The Womens Topic club will meet Friday, Jan. 10, at the home of Mrs. J. E. Swanson.

Katherine Griffith left Sunday for Monmouth, to reenter school there.

Mrs. Dwight Misner, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Fred Mankin, was called east Tuesday by news of her husband's illness, and left on the streamliner from Pendleton. Mr. Misner is at Grand Rapids, Mich., and is ill with flu. They live at Thornton, Wash.

Miss Helen Doherty of Heppner is spending a few days as the guest of Mrs. Fred Mankin.

Robert Rietmann, who has been enjoying a sightseeing trip to the Hawaiian islands, returned home Sunday.

License to wed was issued at the clerk's office last week to Edna Carol Stephens of Morrow county and Clarence H. Shoenberger of Grant county.

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