

Cancer, Claiming 250,000 Yearly, Slowly Giving Way To Scientists

Editor's note: The "five great killers" are heart disease, cancer, cerebral hemorrhage, pneumonia and influenza and diabetes.

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—CANCER—

Q. How Great a Killer is Cancer?

A. Cancer is our second greatest killer—last year it destroyed 250,000 lives.

Q. What Causes Cancer?

A. Cancer is a disease characterized by uncontrolled growth and spread of cells.

Q. What Are the Outstanding Symptoms?

A. The ACS has evolved seven danger signals for the detection of cancer:

- 1. Unusual bleeding or discharge; 2. A lump or or thickening in the breast or elsewhere; 3. A sore that does not heal; 4. Persistent change in bowel or bladder habits; 5. Persistent hoarseness or cough; 6. Persistent indigestion or difficulty in swallowing; 7. Change in a wart or mole.

Q. How Can Cancer Be Prevented?

A. It can be prevented to a certain extent by removal of potentially cancerous lesions and by removing workers from exposure to known carcinogenic agents present in certain industries.

Q. How Can It Be Most Effectively Treated?

A. Only by radiation or by surgery can cancer be cured. The ACS chemotherapy program fills us with hope because, with the use of chemicals, as in the case of leukemia, lives are being prolonged for months, even years.

Q. What Progress Has Been Made in Curing Cancer?

A. In the last few years cancer

has changed from a disease of despair to a disease of hope. Today one of every three victims is being saved.

is fast improving. Men who work in those fields say that in a few years they will have new easier cures for cancer.

Ohio Traffic Deaths Reduced During 1956

Columbus, O. — (U.P.) — Ohio reported 2,013 persons killed in traffic injuries in 1956, a 3 per cent reduction in the number of fatalities for the previous year.

Western Bankers Woo New Customers by Dressing Up Standard Checking Service

San Francisco—(U.P.)—Western bankers are wooing new customers by dressing up the old standard checking services in a new glamour garb.

Some are trying to attract the ladies by offering them their choice of check books in six pastel colors. Others will imprint your name and address on the checks for free.

Bankers admit there isn't much profit in the check servicing end of the business. But they figure that if they once get a new customer of a streamlined checking service chances are excellent that he will eventually make use of other services that are more

profitable to the bank. First Western Bank & Trust Co. has begun an aggressive campaign for new checking account customers.

This involves authorizing the bank to transfer automatically a certain amount from the checking account to savings account each month.

Honors for rock bottom check charges, however, go to the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation in San Francisco, a California state bank and agency of the parent bank incorporated in Hong Kong.

A spokesman said its policy of making no charge, nor requir-

Typical American Said Paying Out One-Third Of Income for Taxes

New York—(U.P.)—The average American is paying out one-third of his income in taxes.

He probably has not calculated or realized this because so many of the taxes are hidden. They are included in the cost of things he buys.

The Tax Foundation has figured that this will be the true load in federal, state and local taxes—direct and hidden—for these average-bracket wage-earners in 1957:

Table with 3 columns: Income, Percent, Increase. Rows for Total Taxes Of Income Over 1956, \$3,500, \$4,500, \$8,000.

The foundation said that while most Americans squawk about taxes, they would probably yell even louder if they realized that the only source of taxes is people and the individual tax-

payer is really paying much more for government than he thinks he is.

The foundation pointed out that "every red cent that government spends must come from the taxpayer."

The fact of the matter is that corporations do not pay taxes—they collect them.

The big federal tax bite, amounting to 52 per cent of corporate earnings, is passed along in the form of higher prices, because no company could afford to absorb those taxes and stay in business.

The result, according to the foundation, is that you—and you alone—pay taxes.

There are 100 taxes in the price of an egg, 116 in a man's suit, 151 in a loaf of bread, 600 in the cost of a house.

Taxes Passed On

In addition to federal income and Social Security taxes, some 31 states have income tax laws and some 33 have retail sales taxes of from one to 3 1/2 cents on each dollar of goods and services purchased.

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce says the average taxpayer didn't start earning any money for himself until Feb. 1. He worked through January for Uncle Sam.

The chamber said the average taxpayer—the \$5,000-a-year man with a wife and two children—spends 22 working days earning enough money to pay off his income taxes alone.

Thieves Invade Hives; Bees Starve To Death

Goshen, Ind. — (U.P.) — Thieves invaded the bee hives of Paul Christophel during the winter and stole 50 pounds of honey that the bees needed for food to tide them over until spring. The bees starved to death.

The time of William P. Odom's flight of 19,645 miles around the world in 1947 was 75 hours, 5 minutes, 11 seconds.



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