

Meeting at Chicago Hotel Completely Changes Life for Dr. Andrew C. Ivy

Editor's note: Following is the third in a series of five articles on a cure for cancer, written by Delos Smith, United Press science editor.

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New York — What happened in the Drake Hotel in Chicago on March 26, 1951, is utterly unbelievable—yet it happened.



From that day until this one, life has been anything but the same for the man of science, Andrew C. Ivy, and for the whole of organized cancer research.

On that day at the Drake, Dr. Ivy held a private meeting to which he invited scientific colleagues, some wealthy laymen who were benefactors of science, and office-holding politicians. The 65-year-old scientist wanted to tell them—privately—about what he felt he had found out concerning Krebiozen's biological activity against cancer in men.

The colleagues he wished to interest in joining the research. The rich laymen were to see a promising scientific outlet for benefactors. The politicians were to be impressed with the important role the Durovic brothers were playing in cancer research, for they were in the country on visitor visas which were soon to expire.

If this meeting had been really private, there probably would have been no Krebiozen controversy, in Ivy's opinion.

Another Meeting Held

In the same hotel at the same time, there was another meeting—"a press conference"—called by the business man who had been Dr. Durovic's interpreter and guide in this country, and a partner. Their interest was legitimate if commercial. They thought Durovic had "a miracle drug" and were pressuring the Durovics for the commercial rights.

Somewhere Ivy's meeting and this other meeting got merged. All was confusion which resolved into fiasco. The net result was that news went out from Chicago that day that the famous Dr. Ivy had found a cure for cancer. That word, "cure," in relation to cancer, does to anyone who knows anything about cancer, what a red flag does to a bull.

You may well be killing a

man if you tell him there is an easy "cure" for his cancer and divert him from the tried treatments which might save him. Morally and ethically, whether from the medical viewpoint or any other, it is outrageous. Ivy agrees wholeheartedly with this, and he has proven conclusively that he was in no way the author of the "cure" report.

But the storm was unleashed. Cancer patients and their relatives and doctors were roused to veritable frenzy—they thought the "cure" news was backed by the eminent Dr. Ivy. There is question that the medical and scientific atmosphere had been made hostile because there was not the slightest evidence that Krebiozen was a "cure"—the evidence was that it seemed to be "biologically active."

Take-Off Point

Ivy hadn't yet published anything. "I wasn't ready for publication," he said. He was investigating from a theoretic take-off point which his opponents agree is sound. That take-off point is that the body seems to have chemical defenses against cancer—whatever they are. How else can you explain such well-documented phenomena as far-advanced malignancies disappearing on their own without any treatment?

That happens in one in every 50,000 to 100,000 cases, and so is quite rare. But less rarely, cancers will grow for a while and then stand still for periods ranging from months to many years. Ivy had always maintained that the answer to cancer, if it were ever found, would be found in the natural chemical defenses when they were discovered and understood.

Believing that, Durovic's thesis had made sense. Durovic said he had "stimulated" the anti-tumor chemistry of the horse by injecting a microorganism which causes tumor-like growths in cattle. Durovic had isolated from the blood of 2,000 horses so "stimulated" a white powder which he wanted to find out was the specific anti-tumor chemical compound, the chemistry of the horse had produced for protective purposes.

Fortune From Publicity

But the facts which stood out after the "cure" publicity, was that Ivy's investigative methods had been unorthodox (as they had been frequently in the past), and two persons—the Durovics—owned both the only existing supply of the substance and the secret of how to make it and

so stood to make a fortune from the publicity.

The council of pharmacy and chemistry of the American Medical Association moved in to answer the prime questions: Was Krebiozen active against cancer? Dr. Paul L. Wermer, then secretary of the council's committee on research, assembled the records of 100 cancer patients who had received Krebiozen from seven cancer specialists. These specialists reported that

in 98 of the 100 Krebiozen had shown no effect whatever. The report was published in the AMA Journal, in September, 1951. Carefully and scientifically detailed, it is an impressive document and most cancer specialists that Krebiozen is worthless. But rather than ending the controversy, it really began it. What had happened was nothing to what was going to happen.

Tomorrow: The AMA report didn't shake Dr. Ivy.

Is That So?

By **EUGENE BURNS**
Ranger-Naturalist

Every outdoorsman should know how to prepare food over a campfire. Nothing fancy, but the main staples—mainly meat and vegetables. Having done my share of this, and having watched experts, here are some camp-side tips that will come in handy. Good for the kitchen, too.

When you buy sliced bacon, cut the package in half. Half



slices fry with less curling. Or dust the bacon slightly with flour before you put it into the frying pan.

When you take sliced bacon from the cooler and it sticks together, roll the whole package crosswise. When you unroll it, the slices will separate without breaking.

For variety, the next time you're doing a thick steak or a roast beef, spread a thin coating of mustard over the top to add zest to the flavor.

To roast wieners at a picnic over an open fire, place them in a wire, popcorn popper and shake them until they are brown.

Leave your boiled ham in the water it was boiled in until it is cold—makes it juicy and tender.

If you buy a canned ham, take it over to the meat department and have the butcher open the can and slice the ham by machine. Tie it back together with a string; cover it with pineapple, then bake it. Avoids the messy job of slicing and the flavor will be improved because the juice

from the pineapple has permeated the slices.

To keep hamburgers from sticking to the pan when you fry them, sprinkle the pan first with salt.

Opposite Is True

The practice of searing meat before roasting is based on the belief that searing prevents the escape of meat juices and thus cuts down on shrinkage. Not so, says Jane Stewart who has written that fine book *Encyclopedia of Household Hints* (Gilbert Press, N.Y.). Actually the opposite is true. Meat that is seared at the beginning of the roasting period actually shrinks considerably more than meat that is not seared, due to the loss of fat.

For indoor cooking, Jane advises: "Start the meat in a cold oven and roast it at a moderate temperature (300 to 350 degrees). Basting is unnecessary. A roast should be placed in a pan fat side up; then the fat will melt into the meat and do your basting."

To tenderize a tough steak, rub it on both sides with a mixture of vinegar and olive oil and let it stand for two hours. This will not affect the flavor. Always use tongs instead of a fork to turn a steak. Piercing the meat lets the nutritive blood escape.

When you prepare tough cuts of meat or fowl for a stew, add a teaspoonful of sugar to the stew pot and you will find that the meat gets tender much more quickly.

Extremely Perishable

For the deer hunter, remember that the liver, kidneys and sweetbreads are extremely perishable—use them the first day if possible.

When cooking livers, use a sharp-tined fork and pierce them. This will keep the liver from popping and splattering. If you like sweet pickles, you can save money by buying sour ones. Drain the juice from the quart bottle, quarter them and replace them in the jar with two cups of sugar and two tablespoons of salad oil. Screw the cap on tightly and turn them upside down every day for four or five days. You'll find them crisp and good tasting.

To keep meat in hot weather, wet a clean cloth with vinegar, wrap it around the meat, and put it on the ice.

Above all, don't use detergents to wash your cast-iron skillets. Detergents with their grease-dissolving qualities ruin the finish of a carefully seasoned pan. Then the food sticks. Instead, rinse it out with hot water and wipe it with a sponge.

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BLM Stockpile Rock for Roads

Portland—Bureau of land management will stockpile hard rock surfacing material to be used by timber operators in building access roads required by timber contracts with the federal agency which administers the O and C lands of western Oregon.

Oregon State Supervisor Virgil T. Heath announced today that the bureau has concurred in awarding contracts totaling \$66,280 for production of crushed rock for use on access roads in O and C forest areas. The contracts were awarded by the bureau of public roads. Heath said this was the first time that the bureau has stockpiled surfacing rock for its timber sale roads.

"There are some areas of the O & C where hard rock is unobtainable without a long truck haul," Heath said. "These hauls may run as high as 30 miles and this makes it uneconomical for the small timber operator to bid on timber where he is required by the terms of sale to build an access road. We hope to give the small operator more opportunity to bid on these tracts by reducing the amount he has to invest."

The contracts awarded by BPR went to F. H. McEwen, Eugene, for \$21,620, to produce rock for timber roads in the Esmond creek area and to Umpqua Navigation company, Reedsport, for \$40,660 to stockpile rock in the Smith river drainage.

Heath said the bureau also has concurred in the awarding of a \$28,160 contract to Morse Brothers, Harrisburg, for oiling 11.4 miles of the Smith river road from Spencer creek to the mouth of the West Fork. This is the highest class logging road in the Coos Bay forest district and gets considerable public use, Heath said.

Portland — Circuit Judge James R. Bain has denied a defense motion for a directed verdict of acquittal in the conspiracy trial of Clyde C. Crosby, international representative of the Teamsters Union in Oregon.

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June Sales of Bonds Show Decline Here

June sales of United States Series E and H savings bonds in Jackson county dropped \$36,881 in June compared to previous June receipts, according to State Director George W. Minnaugh.

A total of \$81,475 was received this June compared to \$118,356 the previous June.

Sales in Jackson county through June 30 of this year dropped \$147,149 to \$493,020 compared to \$640,169 for the same period a year ago.

As of June, 40.9 per cent of the county quota has been reached, Minnaugh said.

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