

Dr. Ivy, With His World Threatening To Collapse, Stuck Up for Krebiozen

Editor's note: Following is the fourth in a series of five articles on Dr. Andrew C. Ivy and Krebiozen as a cure for cancer.

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New York—The AMA's anti-Krebiozen report would have shaken a man of less faith than Andrew Conway Ivy.



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this reporter: "I live for one reason—to help people."

That has nothing to do with whether he is right or wrong about Krebiozen, but it is a measure of the man. There he was, a top man of medicine and science, with his world threatening to collapse. His friends told him to accept and recant. Otherwise he would be destroyed. He pulled back not one iota.

And this despite the fact that Dr. Durovic had dissolved the only existing supply of the white powder in mineral oil and had divided the oil into 200,000 ampules. That meant it would be extremely difficult if not impossible to obtain the kind of minute chemical analysis which would reveal what Krebiozen was, chemically, and which exact science requires—as a matter of course.

Ivy said this was the only time he was tempted to "pull out." Durovic said he had done

it "thoughtlessly," with the idea of preserving the powder's potency.

Storm At University
The Chicago Medical Society, a constituent part of the AMA, was moving to punish him for allegedly violating a cardinal medical ethic — promotion of a "secret remedy." A storm was rising at the University of Illinois whose president, Dr. George D. Stoddard, was displaying a lively interest in Ivy's

activities.

Stoddard appointed a committee of medical professors versed in cancer, to evaluate all Krebiozen-treated cancer cases which now numbered several hundred. It reported Krebiozen had "no curative value," which Ivy had never claimed, but "we cannot state it is entirely devoid of biological activity." It said the prime question was "the nature of the material" and until that question was answered, no

further attention should be given to it.

Stoddard appointed another committee to undertake as thorough a chemical analysis as was possible of a substance dissolved in one of its own solvents, which meant it was utterly dissolved. As they have consistently, the Durovic insisted upon iron-bound protection of their commercial rights which this reporter does not imply is wrong — there is pirating in the highly

competitive pharmaceutical industry. The Durovics judged the protection offered as insufficient and they did not supply ampules for analysis.

Ivy Makes Appeal

Stoddard's reaction was to restrict further Krebiozen research on university premises. Ivy appealed to the Illinois Legislature, on the grounds that Stoddard struck at academic freedom. A legislative commission began an investigation of what by now was "the Krebiozen affair" in March, 1953.

The Ivy-Durovic side put into the commission record this charge: Dr. J. J. Moore, treasurer of the American Medical Association, conspired with the two business men either to get commercial control of Krebiozen or suppress it by ruining the Durovics. Moore, it was charged, had influenced Wermer into distorting and even "faking" parts of the AMA's 100-case report. Stoddard, it was added, was drawn into the "conspiracy."

As set forth in the record, this charge struck the reporter as exceedingly flimsy. But only the commission was qualified to judge and the 12 of the 14 members who attended the final meeting, unanimously cleared Drs. Moore and Wermer of the conspiracy charge, as well as the businessmen and Stoddard. The commission had high praise for the integrity and selfless devotion to mankind of Ivy who, meantime, had lost his post as university vice president.

Stoddard had had it abolished. As to the Durovics, the commission found that in the absence of any evidence to the contrary, it could not conclude they were "other men of good character." Only Stoddard was criticized—for having been "unlucky." A few months later the university trustees forced him to resign.

Hole in Report

But all this is what Ivy calls "a side-show." On the scientific side, Ivy opened a hole in the 100-case report by showing that 24 of the 100 cases came from a young physician who said he was a "cancer expert" but had been in practice less than three years, and besides 23 of the 24 had been the cases of another physician who did not agree with his appraisal.

If those 24 are thrown out, 76 remain. They came from six physicians who are or were (one has since died) unquestionably cancer experts whose integrity is no more challengeable than Ivy's is. This reporter knows that these physicians have not changed their original views in the least. You can't blame medical doctors for not wanting to be quoted in a nasty controversy over a life-or-death matter, but Dr. Alton Ochsner of New Orleans, whose forthrightness matches his standing as a cancer expert, permitted himself to be quoted.

He and his associates treated 21 advanced carcinoma patients with Krebiozen. "In not a single instance could we note any ef-

fect, either subjectively or objectively," he said. "Because of this and because of the experience of other similar investigations, I became convinced that Krebiozen has no effect on cancer. I feel quite sure Krebiozen is absolutely without value and should not be used."

Tomorrow: Dr. Ivy's maximum claim.

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Pennsylvania Man Gives Music Lessons To Kids in Truck

Chicago—Music lessons in a truck is the solution to ever-increasing crowded music facilities in public schools devised by Anthony Cotroneo, music supervisor of the Laura Lemer Joint Schools of Homer City, Pa.

The truck, originally bought to transport band instruments, was pressed into service when classrooms could not be secured for practice sessions.

Cotroneo teaches in his truck classroom particularly at the

Lucernemines, Gracetown and Risinger elementary schools where he instructs potential future band members. Senior band members also practice in an orthodox spot — a busy first floor hallway in Homer City.

With music programs in many schools outgrowing facilities even faster than other departments, other music supervisors have solved this problem in other unusual fashions. They teach elementary and high

school students in boiler rooms, beside swimming pools and in locker rooms. Playing in these locations results in interesting acoustical effects, of course, but pupils are glad to be able to practice wherever possible.

Multiple Uses

Students at Dunham School in Maple Heights, Ohio, practice in a multi-purpose auditorium which is also used as lunchroom, gym and assembly hall.

Volume as well as lack of space determines practice location for members of the Dunham School band of Scarborough, Me. Drummers originally used the cafeteria for practice, but, being a bit loud, they now practice in the school bus. Nearby, for Oak Hill School Music students, a stockroom serves as practice room. And Elwood Bessey Junior High School clarinetists fill their gym locker room with music.

Quotes From the News

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Washington—Sen. George W. Malone (R-Nev.), on the nature of a filibuster:
"A filibuster is an argument to which you do not subscribe. If you like it, it is a profound debate."

El Paso, Tex.—Mrs. Mena Katz, of Los Angeles, one of two passengers injured when a DC8 veered sharply to avoid another plane:
"I thank God we had a good pilot and we are all still alive."

Washington—New York Giants President Horace Stoneham, explaining the possible move of his baseball team to the West Coast:
"The city of New York can't support three major league clubs."

Warton, England—English test pilot Rowland P. Beaumont, after unofficially breaking the world speed records at speeds well beyond 1,100 m.p.h. in a new super-secret electric jet fighter plane:
"It is a pilot's airplane . . . without vices . . . it obviously is going to be a very potent fighting weapon."

Singapore—John Fell Stevenson, youngest son of former Democratic candidate Adlai Stevenson, on the virtues of his Harvard roommate, Prince Karim, the new Aga Khan:
"I have the utmost confidence in his ability. He is very conscientious and a hard worker."

Snake BOUNTY
Newington, Conn.—Miss Lorraine Pisk, a runnerup in a beauty contest, now is concerned with bounties instead of beauties. Miss Pisk works in the town clerk's office where one of her duties is to pay \$1 for each poisonous snake. She says, "I try not to scream when the boys bring them in."

Air Conditioners To Be Made Available for Hire

Chicago—Air conditioners will soon be available for hire by offices and business firms all over the nation, the Leasing Corporation of America said.

Herbert B. Wolf, LCA president, said his firm has designed a renting plan whereby customers sign a lease for two, three or five years and pay at a fixed monthly rate.

Wolf said the rates are based on the size and wiring required to install the air conditioner and the cost to maintain it.

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