

Changes Brought About in TB Crusade Include Even Manners

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New York—(UPI)—The tremendous changes the 54-year-old anti-tuberculosis crusade has brought about include even our manners.

Anyone who now coughs in public without covering his mouth with a handkerchief or at least with his hand, definitely is ill-mannered. Spitting has been made so vulgar

that even the word offends some ears.

More and more mouth-kissing in confined to losers and spouses because of a prejudice implanted by the early crusaders. It used to be everyone mouth-kissed parents, aunts, uncles, cousins, and even good friends. Now it is the cheek which is polite to kiss and anyone who kisses a child on the mouth runs the risk of

getting slugged by an indignant mother.

It was drilled into our grandparents or parents that tuberculosis is a communicable disease which is communicated by intimate contacts between people and by the sputum of the TB victim. This knowledge was taken very seriously 50 years ago when tuberculosis was feared like the plague and was, indeed, "the white plague."

Sanitation a Gospel

Sanitation was a gospel for the anti-tuberculosis crusaders and the good their preachings brought about, in cutting down the TB rate and also that of other communicable diseases, is incalculable. But their principal weapons were to find the persons who harbored active tubercle bacilli, isolate them, treat them in special hospitals or sanitariums, and to improve general living conditions since tuberculosis was known to thrive among the undernourished who are crowded together in filth.

There was no specific treatment, really. What was done, in the main, was to build up the body defenses against the bacilli (whatever the defenses are) and give them the best possible chance to win out. This was done by keeping patients in beds for months at a time while fattening them with body-building foods. Surgical techniques, such as lung collapse and removal of diseased parts of the lungs, came later.

'Pure Air' Cure

It worked, although why it worked was not apparent for some time. For a while "pure air" and dry air or cold air were thought to be curative, and sanitariums were located in mountains or deserts. Patients were forced to stay in beds on open, snowy, windswept porches, swathed in blankets and furs.

Sanitariums were being built at a tremendous rate. In 1900 there were less than 10,000 beds for the tuberculosis; by 1953, which was the crest year, there were 108,000 beds, 83 per cent of them in sanitariums. In 1900 there was one bed for every 18 tuberculosis deaths that year. In 1953 there were five beds for each tuberculosis death.

Slowly it was understood that bed rest arrested tuberculosis in most cases, and it didn't matter where the bed was as long as the patient was confined to it. By the time the first "wonder drug" capable of killing tubercle bacilli came into wide use in 1947, both the death rate and the "new cases" rate were well below what they had been in 1900.

The drugs have accelerated the pace but they have brought new and difficult problems with them. One is that the public has more confidence in them than the tuberculosis physicians who use them.

More Vets Said Attending School

Salem—More veterans are attending school under the state of Oregon veterans' educational benefits program this fall than at any time since the program started in 1945, Franklin G. Reynolds, educational officer for the state department of veterans' affairs, reported today.

A total of 1,298 World War II and Korean veterans are currently drawing benefits under the program, compared to the previous high of 950 in the fall of 1957, Reynolds said.

At the same time, he warned that World War II veterans have only until June 30, 1959, to start training under the program. There is no deadline for Korean veterans.

Reynolds said one of the big reasons for the current popularity of the state's program of educational assistance to war veterans is the liberalized amendments provided by the 1957 legislature.

Nearly 1,300 veterans have used the program who would not otherwise have been eligible. Of these, 850 are World War II veterans who entered the program after the 1957 legislature extended their deadline from Dec. 31, 1956, to June 30, 1959.

Another 444 are Korean veterans who were not eligible until the 1957 legislature removed the requirement that their service had to be in the Korean theater to be eligible.

Court Records

DISTRICT COURT
Raymond D. Golden, defective lights, \$10.
Almon F. Archer, no rear vision, \$10.

William S. McMichael, inadequate emergency brake, \$6.
Doyle W. Smith, no public utilities commission permit, \$5.

Wheldon F. Biddle Jr., overload, \$56; overheight, \$5.
Charles N. Fletcher, unnecessary noise, \$15.

Joe E. Hall, inadequate emergency brakes, \$5.
Michael G. Feiss, failure to make traffic stop, \$10.

Roy E. Wohlford, transportation of trees without a bill of sale, \$5.
Carroll J. Hamilton, failure to dim lights, \$7.50.

Andrew J. Whisman, leaking and sifting load, \$6.
Robert A. Wilcox, transportation of trees without a bill of sale, \$5.

Richard W. Scitt, overload, \$4.
David W. Kreer, violation of basic rule, \$15.

CIRCUIT COURT
Lula May Marsh vs. Roger C. Marsh, divorce decree.

Hettie M. Dement vs. Ray S. Dement, divorce decree.
Ralph L. Thornburg vs. Helen L. Thornburg, divorce decree.

Lila Elson vs. Franklin J. Elson, divorce decree.
Mary Berry vs. William Albert Berry, divorce complaint.

Pearl Fauley vs. Vance Raymond Fauley, divorce decree.
MARRIAGE LICENSE

APPLICATIONS
Glen Edward Schloe and Jacqueline Inez McCleary, both of Medford.

John Wesley Reeder and Rita Marie McCleary, both of Medford.
William W. Patton and Shirley Roberta Douglass, both of Medford.

WRIGLEY WIDOW DIES
Pasadena, Calif. —(UPI)—Mrs. Ada E. Wrigley, widow of chewing gum millionaire William Wrigley Jr., died Tuesday.

Mrs. Wrigley, about 90, had been in a coma for nearly 11 years and was cared for 24 hours a day by private nurses at her mansion here.

Quotes From the News

By UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL

Vanderberg Air Force Base, Calif.—(UPI)—Maj. Gen. David Wade, commander of the First Strategic Air Command Missile division, on the United States' successful launching of a 10,000-mile-an-hour Thor missile:

"We can't say how pleased we are that it got off. It was every bit as successful as we hoped it would be. We are real proud."

Washington—President Eisenhower, proposing an extension of the present high school term:

"I really believe we could do well by including what we call junior college, or certainly something near it, so that they (students) can enlarge themselves to the extent of their capability in a good high school system even if they never have the urge or opportunity to go to college."

Washington—Sen. Styles Bridges (R-N.H.) on the impending liberal-conservative struggle for GOP leadership of the Senate:

"I still want to avoid a fight and am hopeful that something can be worked out. Now it's up to this other (liberal) group."

School News

Phoenix High School

Edited by Ginger Martin

The shop classes of the PHS are busy. The sophomores and seniors are working on their second projects in the metal department, the juniors are studying animal nutrition, and the freshmen are learning how to tie various types of knots and splices. To complete this project each student will have made a rope halter by the end of the year.

Besides the class work, they are building stock trailers, horse trailers, and feeders for people in the community. The shop members are also making stock trailers and cargo trailers for the chapter.

Discussions at the Student Council meeting Dec. 9 included the subject of raising school spirit. It was decided that the class yelling the best and loudest throughout the whole pep assembly instead of just during competition yell would be awarded Cy, the PHS pirate mascot.

All students are also urged by the Council to take a more active part in supporting the team as they enter the basketball season.

Dorcas Johnson attended the TAP Teenage Program banquet at the Medford hotel Dec. 6.

Dorcas represented the Future Teachers of America chapter which will again sponsor the March of Dimes Drive at PHS. About 15 high school students were present.

During the program, different ways to encourage students to participate in the March of Dimes drive were discussed. Afterwards a movie was shown on the results of virus diseases and on birth effects on children.

The FFA members, Miss Katherine Carter, FFA adviser, and Mrs. Mary Offutt, Spanish and English IV instructor, toured the Bear Creek Packinghouse Dec. 2. They discovered how to fix and pack fancy boxes, pack and assemble fruit, and make decorations. They also learned the history of the Bear Creek packing house.

Boxes of chocolate candy are being sold by the PHS as students. Proceeds from the

Lebanon Oil Well Bubbling

Lebanon—(UPI)—An oil well near here which was labeled a bust after tests revealed no commercial quantities of oil or gas began bubbling Tuesday and pump crews were recalled by the Lim County Oil Development company.

The well was said to be a failure Monday after completion of tests at the 2,300 to 4,300 foot level but gas and some oil were reported bubbling upward Tuesday through the mud with which the casing had been stopped up.

The crews had been en route to California but were brought back to pump out the well and make another test.

sales will help pay for the FFA banquet and various activities of the year.

One whole shelf in the PHS library is now devoted to mathematics books. Some of the interesting ones are the six volumes of "Functional Mathematics," "Business Mathematics," "Math in Daily Use," "Basic General Mathematics," "Refresher Arithmetic," and "Higher Arithmetic."

The FHA sponsored a cake walk Friday, Dec. 12. Beautiful cakes were won by happy contestants.

Girls' Triple Trio furnished the musical part of the program at the PTA. This group, under the direction of Harry Kannasto, provided various numbers for the Christmas Carnival, sponsored by the PTA Saturday, Dec. 13, at the Community hall.

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Murder Trial At Klamath Falls

Klamath Falls—(UPI)—The first degree murder trial of Myron Barkley, 26, Chiloquin, opens in Circuit Court here today. He is charged in the fatal shooting of his half-brother, Eldon Cress, 20, Sept. 5 during a drinking spree.

Cress was killed with a 30-30 rifle in a cabin the two men shared.

Cress and Barkley drove along U. S. Highway 97 earlier in the night about the same time that a woman tourist, Mrs. Helen Frances Fredrickson, Minneapolis, Minn., was wounded fatally while asleep in a car headed toward Bend. The woman's husband, Carl, and another couple in the car, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Crawford, Oakland, Calif., discovered her death when they arrived in Bend.

When arrested Barkley told Klamath county sheriff's deputies he and Cress had been shooting out the window of their car with a rifle as they drove along.

The woman's death was not an issue in the trial which opens today.

Deck Hand Falls Into Willamette

Portland—(UPI)—A deck hand from a tugboat fell into the Willamette river at launching of the motor tanker Alaska Standard Tuesday but the man grabbed a line and was pulled aboard another tug.

Ken Stanenko, 34, was reaching for a line when he pitched into the cold water. The operator of another tug, Warren Fox, slackened a line so Stanenko could grab it and the man was hauled aboard.

ACTRESS TO MARRY

Hollywood—(UPI)—Actress Sheree North and Dr. Gerhart R. Sommer, a Beverly Hills psychoanalyst, will be married tonight.

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