

Mysterious Inherited Birth Defect Diagnosed at March of Dimes Center

Mrs. Elliott Bishop Jr. of Hanover, Mass., is certain that her daughter, Mary, is a miracle child.

Every mother thinks her child is special in some way, but Mrs. Bishop may have more reason than most. Mary came into the world with a rare hereditary birth defect—so rare that it was four years before her parents found someone able to diagnose it.

The condition is Ellis-van Creveld syndrome, and Mary suffers from its major effects, dwarfism and congenital heart disease. At birth, doctors doubted she would live more than six weeks.

"We were told that if she survived she would have to be placed in an institution. She would never be able to lead a normal life," Mrs. Bishop says. That was seven years ago.

Today, Mary attends a public school in Hanover where she is a class leader, gets good grades and, despite her short stature, is very active at play. "She even helps with chores around the house," Mrs. Bishop says. "She's a miracle child. She fooled the doctors."

Much of the credit for Mary's progress must go to the medical team at the March of Dimes-financed Birth Defects Center at Boston Floating Hospital for Infants and Children. This team diagnosed Mary's condition and now supervises her care. She had undergone successful heart surgery at the same hospital before the center was established.

Mrs. Bishop is very proud of her daughter's progress, but she can also tell a parallel story of tragedy in her family.

"When Mary was born in October 1961 it was a great shock to us," Mrs. Bishop recalls. "My pregnancy was normal; our first child, Dominica, who was born in 1958, has always been normal and healthy. There had never been any health problems in my family or my husband's."

"When Mary came and we thought she wouldn't live we almost despaired. At that time the doctors did not know what Mary had. They told me there was only a slight chance that we would have another baby with the same problems. They thought perhaps it would be good for my morale to have another baby."



MARY BISHOP, 7, Hanover, Mass., opens wide for Dr. Murray Feingold, director of the March of Dimes-financed Birth Defects Center at Boston Floating Hospital for Infants and Children. Mary was born with Ellis-van Creveld syndrome, which caused heart defects and dwarfism, as well as dental defects.

"Kathleen, our third daughter, was born January 22, 1963. She was like Mary. On April 1st of that year, Kathleen died of heart failure."

In 1965 the Bishops went to the March of Dimes Birth Defects Center where they were told that Mary had the Ellis-van Creveld syndrome. Once doctors had recognized the condition, they were able to advise the young couple about their chances of having another baby with similar disorders.

"The risk for us was very high, and we decided not to have any more children," Mrs. Bishop says.

Dr. Murray Feingold, director of the Birth Defects Center, points out that chances are

usually one in four that an offspring will inherit characteristics of the syndrome. This condition is particularly common among the Amish; but, as in the Bishop family, it is not confined to that group.

"When Mary was born, little was known about the syndrome," says Mrs. Bishop. "I think there were only 32 reported cases in the country. Now, of course, more is known and more cases are being reported."

"The information came a little late to help us in planning our family, but I hope others will be able to get proper diagnosis and genetic counseling so they can avoid the kind of tragedy we experienced."

Salem Scene

by Everett E. Cutter

NEW LEGISLATORS RELISH EXPERIENCE

The excitement of challenge, devotion to constituents and respect for the quality of legislators in general are just three points forming a common bond between two new lawmakers here.

Sen. Sam Dement, 48, represents Coos and Curry Counties in the upper chamber. Rep. Jack Ripper, 48, represents Coos County in the House. Sen. Dement is a Republican and Rep. Ripper is a Democrat, so they can be expected to have their differences of opinion.

Their first-term impressions are similar on many counts, however, and perhaps reflect aspirations and frustrations of all freshman legislators.

One of those frustrations, according to Rep. Ripper, is the newcomer's handicap of not always knowing every implication of bills before him. He admits to a lot of night study.

"Old-timers recognize the same old bills, introduced session after session," he says. "Often they act on them without the extensive debate you might expect—this is sometimes startling."

If the veteran lawmakers sometimes move too swiftly for newcomers, they are also able allies in showing them the ropes. Both Sen. Dement and Rep. Ripper have made a point of getting acquainted, in following certain bills through the legislative process, with seniors in their opposite chambers.

Both, for example, are sponsoring specific bills in the interest of their districts. Teaming up with others from their area, they introduced legislation to allow government negotiation with the state forester for industrial and domestic water supply development in the Elliott Forest area.

"I feel I am fortunate in getting to know many House members of both parties, who are cooperating to give this Senate-passed bill their consideration," says Sen. Dement. Similarly, Rep. Ripper feels he is doing well on four bills for his area, passed by the House and now following the route through Senate committee.

High in their list of "freshman impressions" is their regard for co-workers. Sen. Dement is pleased "to find them of higher quality than I anticipated." Rep. Ripper terms their educational level as "certainly a cut above the average, and it hasn't always been that way."

Both men receive many letters from home. Rep. Ripper recently mailed out 1,200 questionnaires on the "hot" issues—sales tax, sex education, abortion, 18-year-old vote—and says he is getting better than 50 per cent response.

The best thing, he says, is the fact that "one of every 10 respondents writes me a letter, telling me how pleased he is to be asked. It brings people a lot closer to a feeling of participation in the governmental process."

Sen. Dement, a Myrtle Point cattle and sheep rancher of pioneer descent, agrees that correspondence from the people he represents carries weight in the decisions he must make.

"A lot of form letters come in, especially on emotional issues such as fluoridation, 18-year-old voting and sex education," he says. "It's obvious that the signer didn't really write them, and we take them with a grain of salt. On the other hand, a thoughtful personal letter prompts me to give an issue more consideration."

And to emphasize the value of legislative correspondence: "On one bill, I knew certain people were against it, but that some others from my area were for it. I also knew that the latter had been encouraged to contact me, but they didn't and so I couldn't be sure what they thought."

Their inaction indicated they didn't care, and I voted against the bill.

Both the Republican senator and Democratic representative are apprehensive about the forthcoming sales tax election. Each for his own reasons, voted against referral of the issue. Both express relief that it is going to be finally decided.

Rep. Ripper, a North Bend Junior High School history teacher, claims he ran for office because of the lack of tax reform action taken by the 1965 and 1967 legislative bodies. Right or wrong, he says, "we have at least done more than the last two legislatures

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Catchable Trout Set for Planting In Preparation for Opening April 19th

When the general trout season opens April 19, anglers in all areas of the state should make fine catches, the result of heavy plants of catchable trout set to be made in most stream systems and many lakes and impoundments.

During the spring and summer more than 2½ million good-sized trout will be stocked, with large numbers released in most waters just prior to the opening. The number produced for the coming season is an increase from the past several years and brings the total allocations to the high level of 1964.

Rainbow trout make up the bulk of large trout on the production schedule, although good numbers of cutthroats will also be available to fishermen. Most of the trout run over 8 inches in length and some will exceed the 10 to 12-inch mark.

Coastal streams will not be stocked until just prior to May 24 because of the delayed opening on these streams. Some streams in eastern Oregon will also be stocked later because of the spring snow runoff which usually puts these streams out of shape for angling. Lowland lakes along the coast will receive good plants for the April 19 opening, as will most streams in the Willamette Valley, central Oregon, and numerous waters in both northeastern and southeastern Oregon.

As usual, the largest plants of legal-sized trout are scheduled for waters in the heavily-

fished northwest region. More than 1,306,000 trout, mostly rainbows, will be released into waters of the north coast and Willamette basin. Almost all streams big enough to wet a fishing line will receive some plants of trout, with heavy plants made in popular fishing waters.

In the northwest region a total of 87 streams and 49 lakes and impoundments will be stocked with catchable trout. Most of the coast streams will be planted with cutthroats, although some will receive both cutthroats and rainbows. Lakes and inland streams will be stocked mainly with rainbows.

Catchable trout allocations for Region II, which includes the Rogue and Umpqua basins and other waters in southwest Oregon, total about 403,000.

Again, coastal streams will be stocked primarily with cutthroats, while other waters will be planted with rainbows. In this region, 26 streams and 12 lakes will receive the bulk of these fish.

Central Oregon anglers will have about 432,000 catchable trout on which to test their fishing skill. These trout will be stocked in lakes and streams from the Columbia area southward to the Klamath basin. A total of 28 popular fishing streams and 13 lakes and impoundments will be planted through the summer, with large plants scheduled for the opening weekend.

In northeastern Oregon, 23

streams and 23 lakes and impoundments are on the stocking schedule. Stream stocking in this area will follow the spring runoff, since the thaw usually puts most rivers out of shape for good angling during the early part of the season. About 229,000 good-sized rainbows will go into the waters of northeastern Oregon.

In the dry, southeast region of the state, 14 streams and 6 lakes and reservoirs are scheduled to be stocked. Plants in these waters total 113,000, all rainbows. Most impoundments and lakes in the high plateau country are stocked heavily with fingerling trout (instead of legal), which come into the sport fishery as good-sized fish late in the season and the following summer.

The plantings include only the trout reared to catchable size. Fingerling trout production will total another 20 million, almost all of which are stocked in lakes and impoundments.

Survey of Area Being Planned For Next Week

A number of residents in this area will be visited by Bureau of the Census interviewers during the week of April 13 as part of the monthly survey on employment and unemployment conducted in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Labor, according to Director John E. Tharaldson of the Bureau's regional office in Seattle.

Local households to be visited are part of a scientifically selected sample of all U. S. households. In addition to questions about employment there will be some questions about work experience throughout 1968.

Additional supplementary questions will be asked in a small number of households to complete two surveys started last month—one to determine family and personal income levels in 1968 and the other to learn the number of Americans who have moved since a similar survey was conducted in the spring of 1968.

Information about individual households is kept confidential by law. Results of Bureau surveys are published only as statistical totals.

Bureau interviewer who will visit local residents are: Mrs. Patricia H. Baker, 911 Huron Court, S. E. Salem, Ore. 97302.

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