

'Wonder' Drug Neomycin Quickly Cures 2 Men Believed Hopelessly Ill

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 29 (AP)—Doctors at Pennsylvania hospital reported today one of science's newest "wonder" drugs—neomycin—has been given to humans for the first time.

Two male patients suffering from urinary tract infections were administered the drug, the hospital said, with complete cures effected after six days.

Neomycin is a drug-brother of a streptomycin. Both are made from the same material—a soil fungus.

First Use

Treatment of the two patients was supervised by Dr. Garfield G. Duncan, director of the division of medicine at Pennsylvania hospital.

"The drug had never been given to humans before," Dr. Duncan said. "It was administered successfully only on experimental animals. We weren't sure, and still aren't, whether it would have harmful toxic effects on humans."

The two patients, both reported near death, agreed to risk possible after-effects on chance the drug might work.

Dr. Duncan said he couldn't distinguish any visual difference between neomycin and streptomycin. Both drugs look exactly the same. "The difference, actually, is in the method of extraction from the soil microbe known as streptomyces fradiae," Dr. Duncan said.

Sufferers

The two patients who underwent successful neomycin treatment were Ralph Pitzer, 47-year-old Biglerville, Pa., fruit grower, and Alfred Jones, 64, of Philadelphia.

Treatment was in Pennsylvania hospital's Benjamin Franklin clinic, Pennsylvania hospital, oldest in the United States, was founded in 1751 with the aid of Benjamin Franklin. Dr. Duncan said he decided to try neomycin after treatment using penicillin, aureomycin, streptomycin and chloromycetin.

"The other drugs partially cleared up the infection but couldn't kill all the organisms that was causing the illness," Dr. Duncan said, adding:

"Neomycin will be used in a very wide range of disorders but I wouldn't be able to tell in advance what it might cure or not."

Last Resort

"We will use it only in cases in which streptomycin or other known anti-biotic drugs prove ineffective. That's the only excuse to use it

until we know more about neomycin."

Pitzer, fighting a 105-degree fever, was given his first intra-muscular injection of neomycin September 3. He showed immediate improvement.

Other injections were given at four-hour intervals. Within 14 hours all signs of the germ had vanished. Injections were continued for five more days at six-hour intervals. Pitzer said the only discomfort he experienced was at the point of injection.

Today Pitzer is working regularly and taking no further medication. Jones first received treatment September 13. Six days later neomycin injections were halted.

Caution

Eight pharmaceutical firms are manufacturing neomycin but only in minute quantities because its final effect on humans is still not known. Says Dr. Duncan: "It appears certain that neomycin is another step forward in the battle against disease."

Business Only. Says Roosevelt

PORTLAND, Nov. 29 (AP)—John A. Roosevelt turned on the famous family smile here today—but it was for customers.

"I'm not in politics—I am interested only in business and that keeps me plenty busy," the youngest son of the late president explained in dodging political questions.

He was here to help boost the sales of a hair waving preparation made by a firm he heads and to visit his niece, Mrs. Van H. Seagraves and her infant son.

Ex-GI Returning Past Favors

PORTLAND, Nov. 29 (AP)—Ex-GI Dave Epps greeted a displaced family here yesterday, friends from his war service years in Italy, and took them home to Sweet Home.

Epps explained he met Leo and Helen Glavan, their son, age 21, and daughter, 19, while he was a sergeant in the 15th air force. He was a frequent dinner guest at their home while stationed in Bari, Italy.

The Glavans originally were from Yugoslavia and were in Italy. Nine years as displaced persons, Epps said he would give them jobs at his furniture business.

Santas Face Prospect Of 'Schooling'

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 29 (AP)—There's no escape from education. Santa Claus is even being exposed to the niceties of historic book learnin'.

With the Christmas rush coming on, the Masquers club of Hollywood has opened a school for Santa Clauses.

The pros include Dr. Glen Holland, associate professor of psychology at UCLA. He lectures to the undergraduate Saint Nicks on "How to Get Along With Children."

Twice weekly the Santas attend singing classes which stress Yuletide favorites such as "Jingle Bells" and "Silent Night."

Ralph Murphy, Masquers president, has called up some of the club's expert thespians to teach narration and the legends of Christmas.

A Max Factor makeup expert, with a full stock of beards, is also on the faculty.

Adrian Awan, education director of Kriess Kringling kollege, says diplomas will be issued to about 20 students during full dress graduation exercises—not caps and gowns, either.

There's no tuition fee, admission being by invitation only. Oh, yes; the guy with the straight-A marks graduates Santa cum laude.

Mayor O'Dwyer In Hospital

NEW YORK, Nov. 29 (AP)—Mayor William O'Dwyer, apparently suffering from nervous and physical fatigue, has entered a hospital for a rest.

His physicians said he should have no visitors for the time being. The 59-year-old mayor was taken to Bellevue hospital last night after an examination at Grace Mansion, his official residence, by Dr. Edward Bernicker and Dr. Clarence De la Chapelle.

They said he evidently was suffering from "almost complete nervous and physical exhaustion" and ordered an "absolute and complete rest."

NOT ENOUGH FIRES

SPOKANE, Nov. 29 (AP)—North Idaho timber owners won't pay a special fire assessment this year, R. A. Billings of Newport, Idaho, told the joint meeting of the North Idaho Forestry association and the Idaho Forest Practice committee of the Western Pine association yesterday. The reason — not enough fires.

HIGH SCHOOL News and Comments

By Flo Ann Perkins



El Rodeo staff members are busy trying to meet deadlines by taking home room pictures this week of the freshmen and sophomores. Photographer Frank Bridge will also begin this week to take pictures for advertisers in the annual and he has started the photography for the Krater pictorial section for the Christmas edition.

The El Rodeo subscription campaign is about to close and the price of subscriptions is being raised December 6, from \$2.75 to \$3. However, all this week the books will still be on sale for the original price.

This was the second day of the KUHHS whiskerino contest with exactly 17 days left for the boys to grow beards to qualify for the prizes being offered by the K club. The contest ends with a dance on December 16 where some of the boys will be rewarded for their efforts.

There is no more football for KUHHS this year, but basketball is now coming into the limelight with the first game for the Pelicans scheduled this coming Friday and Saturday nights in Redding. Then the first home games will be those of the 20-30 invitational tournament to be held on Pelican court next week. The first basketball pep assembly has been scheduled this Thursday with Nick Long acting as master of ceremonies. The team leaves early Friday morning for the California town.

One of the Christmas projects for the senior Tri-Hi-Y girls will be that of making the Christmas happy for some family. The group voted yesterday to prepare a Christmas complete with clothing, toys, Christmas trees and parties for the children in a large family who need help. The fifty girls are making plans including parties of their own to make rag dolls and other toys.

RAIL TERMINAL

WALLA WALLA, Nov. 29 (AP)—Work will get under way soon after the first of the year on construction of new Union Pacific railway terminal facilities at Hinkle, Ore., company officials said today.

Japs Approve U.S. Method In Ward Release

TOKYO, Nov. 29 (AP)—The Japanese, to whom the use of force once was second nature, are impressed by the United States' handling of the Angus Ward case.

Most are in favor of the American manner of handling the case. Others, however, feel force should have been used to get Consul General Ward and members of his staff out of Mukden's Communist hands. The Japanese were most interested in the moral pressure exerted on the Communists by the United States in its appeal to 30 nations to express concern to the Reds about the treatment of Ward and his consular staff.

Peace Interest

Since Japan has forewarned war and armed force she is interested in any peaceful method which might be able to influence the actions of another country. To Japan, the American appeal was a new approach to an international issue.

Hachiro Arita, once foreign minister of Japan, wrote a Tokyo newspaper today that this American action "gives the Japanese government a suggestion" as to how it might get some action from China's Reds on the repatriation of Japanese still in their territory.

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OKLAHOMA CITY, Nov. 29 (AP)—Dan Vinson will be "dad" and Santa Claus both to about 300,000 kids this Christmas.

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