

New Penicillin Said Versatile Against Ills

WASHINGTON (AP) — The recent development of synthetic penicillin may open the way to more potent drug weapons against a variety of maladies, even including cancer, a scientist said today.

The possibility was raised by Dr. Henry Welch, chief of the Antibiotics Division of the Federal Food and Drug Administration, in an address prepared for the seventh annual symposium on antibiotics. Medical scientists from the United States and 22 foreign countries are attending.

Through chemical sleight-of-hand, Dr. Welch said, it might be possible to take the basic component of the new man-made penicillin and build it into innumerable substances having the safety features of penicillin but far more versatility than it has against disease germs.

Experimenters already have shown that various forms of the new synthetic penicillin can be made by altering the "side-chain" attached to the basic structure, Dr. Welch said.

"Perhaps here we have a key that in the near future may open the door to a broad-spectrum penicillin, to antifungal penicillins, antiviral penicillins or even to penicillins active against tumor cells by the correct manipulation of the 'guiding side chain,'" he added.

Expanding in an interview, Welch said it might be possible to link the basic structure of the synthetic penicillins to certain chemical components of some of the newer and more versatile natural antibiotics.

These newer drugs, he said, attack more and different varieties of germs than any of the penicillins — but all can produce undesirable side effects. Conceivably, he said, the undesirable characteristics of the newer drugs could be eliminated by linking them with the new penicillin base.

A number of antibiotics have been developed which can fight cancer cells, but most of them are far too toxic to use, Welch said. He added that if the cancer-attacking component of such drug by combination with a synthetic penicillin base, it might then be possible to give patients large quantities of such drugs without causing harm.

Tar Completes Trip To Tahiti

PAPEETE, Tahiti (AP)—Dayton John Lalonde, 35, can't get enough of the sea. After a 4-year Navy hitch in World War II, 10 years in the Merchant Marine and another 4-year Navy enlistment, he sailed for Tahiti June 4, the day after he got his discharge at Los Angeles.

This time he was on his own 20-foot sloop, the Craig J. He was alone. He made it to Tahiti in 144 days.

He plans to sail from here for Samoa, Fiji, New Zealand and perhaps Australia.

Admiral George Dewey, hero of Manila Bay, was the son of Dr. Julius Dewey, who founded an insurance company.



CHILOQUIN STUDENTS make good use of the new asphalt walkway adjoining the street leading from the school to town. The strip was completed recently by the city of Chiloquin and the Klamath County Road Department. Students formerly had to walk on the street or in the borrow pit. A double yellow line marks the sidewalk area and motorists are asked to stay to the east of the line.

British Wartime General Criticizes Ike

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower never had a golf club in his hands from the start of the invasion of Europe until the defeat of Germany, the White House says.

Eisenhower was Supreme Allied Commander in Europe at the time.

In a book published Monday, Viscount Alanbrooke, wartime chief of the British general staff, criticized Eisenhower's leadership during the period before the critical Battle of the Bulge in November 1944.

Alanbrooke wrote that there was a "very unsatisfactory state of affairs in France with no one running the land battle. Eisenhower, though supposed to be doing so, was on the golf links at Rheims—

entirely detached and taking practically no part in running the war."

This did not say in so many words that Eisenhower was playing golf, but it has been generally interpreted that way.

Eisenhower made no reply to the charge, and at first his press secretary, James C. Hagerty, said he never would have any comment on Alanbrooke's book.

But Thursday, at a White House news conference, Hagerty was told a reporter had checked into the matter and found that Eisenhower played very little golf during the war.

Hagerty hesitated, then said: "Well, I think I can say this: Somebody has exaggerated it. From the time the Allies landed in Europe until the victory was won the President didn't have a golf club in his hands, much less play at a golf course."

The invasion was in June 1944, and Germany surrendered the following May.

Another White House official, who was with Eisenhower then, noted that both in England and France Eisenhower's headquarters were located on ruined golf courses.

The golf course at Rheims was not playable at all.

Worship of trees was a common practice among many ancient peoples.

Neuropsychiatric Director Gives Views Of Criminals

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Portrait of a criminal:

Emotionally immature, aggressive, impulsive.

These are certain character traits common to almost all criminals says Dr. John G. Torney, a psychiatrist and director of the neuropsychiatric division of Quarter Sessions Court here.

Dr. Torney has examined over 4,000 criminals since 1953.

"Almost all criminals are emotionally immature," says Dr. Torney. "They approach adult situations in a childish way."

"When a child wants something he cries until he gets it. When a criminal wants something, he uses whatever means are most readily available. He is not willing to put off satisfaction of the need until it can be done in a socially accepted way."

On aggressiveness, Dr. Torney says: "Criminals have no respect for the rights of others. They think only of themselves and they often become violent when they can't

have everything their own way."

The third character trait, impulsiveness, means criminals act without thinking of the consequences to themselves or to others, explains Dr. Torney.

Dr. Torney said that criminals behave the way they do because they have not developed the social controls necessary to avoid crime. He said that most of the time this is because of environmental influences — the home and the school.

"Sometimes the battle to instill social responsibility in a child may be lost by the time the child is nine years old," declares Dr. Torney.

"In too many cases we have found that a person behaves in a criminal manner because he is allowed to grow up willful, selfish and unrestrained and not because he is insane or mentally impaired in some other way."

"If we made parents do their job properly by punishing them for their failures there would be fewer criminals."

Analysis Of Balloting Gives GOP Little Hope

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Republicans' analysis of Tuesday's local elections gives them little encouragement for hopes of regaining control of the House in 1960.

Although the scattered elections

offered little advance light on next year's contest for the presidency, with some exceptions they seemed to reconfirm today a situation disappointing to the GOP:

The Republicans still are hurting politically in the cities. Their own strategists had said an urban revolt led the Democratic congressional landslide in 1958.

Officially, leaders of both parties claimed the results augured well for their side.

Democratic Chairman Paul M. Butler said the elections reaffirmed what he called a mandate given his party in 1958 and demonstrated the "vigorous good health of the Democratic party as it prepares the momentous campaign of 1960."

Sen. Thurston B. Morton (R-Ky), the Republican National Chairman, sized it up this way:

"Modest Republican net gains in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and Ohio. Roughly a stand-off in Connecticut. In Indiana, Republicans had a statewide gain of six mayoralties, but despite this net figure, showed net losses in cities of 25,000 and over."

"In my own state of Kentucky an expected Democratic split did not materialize and the Democrats won the election according to form."

"All in all I think the Republicans have every reason to look confidently toward 1960."

Republicans long ago gave up any practical hope of regaining control of the Senate next year. They believed, however, if they could increase their urban strength a win by their presidential nominee could bring the House

back under their management.

But Tuesday's returns indicated the Republicans were staging a noteworthy comeback only in upstate New York cities. There Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller took a personal hand in the successful campaign to return Auburn to GOP control.

Republicans replaced nine Democratic mayors in the state while losing control of four city halls.

This was interpreted generally as an indication that Rockefeller's state income tax increase was not as unpopular as the Democrats supposed.

Outside of New York, however,

the Republican picture bore mostly a gloomy tint.

Jubilant Actor Breaks Ankles

CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex. (AP) — Mike Cline, an aspiring actor, felt he had a rosy future.

He had several contacts lined up in New York and the money to finance an assault on the big city stage.

Feeling exuberant, he went on a little outing with a friend and misjudged a joyful leap from a bridge abutment.

Now Mike wants to know if anyone has a part for an actor with two broken ankles who'll have to tread the boards in a wheel chair.

Eloise Journey To Be Probed

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Was 9-year-old Evelyn Rudie's cross-country jet flight a runaway or a publicity stunt?

Los Angeles police will try to learn the answer when she returns from Washington. Police Chief William H. Parker said Thursday. He said the young actress will be questioned by a juvenile officer.

A city ordinance makes it a misdemeanor to give police a false report.

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