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il Health Activities Throughout Kent County

BOARD OF HEALTH LAUNCHES VIGOROUS FIGHT ON COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

During the month of April two cases of typhoid fever were reported in Still Pond. The usual epidemiological investigation was made and it was found that the source of the disease was from the drinking water supply. Typhod vaccine was administered to the contacts in the home and directions were given on the proper methods to be used in correcting the water supply and the sewerage disposal.

A suspected case of infantile paralysis was reported from the vicinity of Still Pond. The case was sent to the Johns Hopkins Hospital, kept under observation and was finally diagnosed as some disturbance of the nervous system which was not infantile paralysis.

One case of tuberculosis was reported in April and one in May. This is the smallest number of tuberculosis cases reported in one month. A Tuberculosis Clinic is held at the Health Center every other month where individuals suspected of having the disease or in contact with the disease may be examined free of charge.

Eleven cases of social disease were reported during April and May five of which came in through the free clinic operated by the State in Chestertown.

A small epidemic of measles occurred during April most of which were centered in the vicinity of Millington. All the large cities in the Eastern part of the United States have had an epidemic of this disease since the first of the year and it was to be expected that such an epidemic would extend itself to the rural communities.

Three cases of diphtheria were reported. Two occurred in the camp of asparagus cutters on a farm near Galena. These cases were visited and quarantine measures advised although it was difficult to get the cooperation of the family, who were Polish people. Both of the children were given the antitoxin but the remaining members of the families refused the immunizing dose of antitoxin. The third case occurred in a home in Galena. Following a visit to this home antitoxin was supplied and a number of children in the nearby school were given toxoid.

One case of scarlet fever was reported in the vicinity of Blacks Station. Quarantine measures were advised in this home.

Ten cases of chicken pox and thirteen of pneumonia were reported.

CLINICS

A Pre-natal Clinic was held on April 3rd by Dr. E. P. H. Harrison, Jr., assisted by Doctors F. B. Hines and F. W. Smith. Five patients were examined.

A Pre-school Clinic was held by Dr. George R. Jones on April 10th. Following the clinic Dr. Jones administered Toxod to a number of elementary and pre-school children in the Galena and several other nearby schools.

A Tuberculosis Clinic was held by Dr. Seth Hurdle on April 2nd. The Tuberculosis Clinics are maintained through the sale of Chrstmas Tuberculosis Seals and affords people in contact with those having tuberculosis an opportunity to have a chest examination by a specialist.

A Social Disease Clinic is operated by Dr. H. G. Simpers each week. This clinic has been in operation for about four years and a large number of people are treated each week. During April and May 119 treatments were given and thirty-nine blood tests taken.

Dr. F. A. Holden held his usual Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat clinics each week. This is the only clinic that is not entirely free. Certain cases are free when certified to by the nurses or health officer. All of those able to pay are charged by Dr. Holden personally.

National Negro Health Week

Considerable time was given to the preparation and conducting of the National Negro Health Week activities which occurred in April. During that period several extra clinicians were assigned to the county. Dr. W. A. Marshall conducted a series of preschool clinics among the colored group. Dr. Catherine Goodson also assisted in holding several clinics. The program for National Negro Health Week opened on the night of April 2nd with a parade followed by a mass meeting at the colored church. The outstanding event was the presentation of a plaque by Dr. Roscoe C. Brown of the United States Public Health Service for winning first award for three successive years in National Negro Health Week activities. A number of state and federal health officials were present at this meeting.

Inter-Chamber Health Conservation Contest

During April word was received by the local committee on health of the Kent County Chamber of Commerce announcing the award to Chestertown in the Inter-Chamber Health Conservation Contest. Chestertown was given second place in the list of cities in its population group of 20,000 and under. Palo Alto, California was the leading city. Palo Alto is a city of some 14,000 people and has a well equipped health department. This makes three years in succession that Chestertown has won a high award in the Health Conservation Contest. Next year the county as a whole will be entered in the Rural Health Conservation Contest.

STATISTICAL—Births 37, White 23, Colored 14. Deaths 40, White 20, Colored 20.

CAUSES OF DEATHS—Premature birth 1. Pneumonia 2. Carcinoma of Stomach 1. Paralysis 1. Pernicious Anemia 1. Uremia 2. Chronic Brights Disease 2. Arterioscleroses 3. Heart Disease 7. Struck by Lightning 1. Diabetes 1. Hemiplegia 1. Acute Indigestion 1. Brights Disease 1. Cerebral Hemorrhage 1. Paresis 1. Nephritis 2. Still birth 5. Apoplexy 1. General debility 1. Coronary Thrombosis 1. Tubreculosis 1. Angina Pectoris 1. Leukaemia 1.

MIDWIVES—Number visited 10. Total midwives under supervision 30.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES — Measles 49. Scarlet fever 1. Diphtheria 3. Chickenpov 10. Tuberculosis 2. Pneumonia 13. Syphilis 11. Typhoid fever 2.

PRESIDENT OFF TOURING OCEAN

WILL BE FIRST PRESIDENT TO VISIT HAWAII

President Roosevelt turned to the open sea Monday, striking out on his historic journey to the American possessions of the Atlantic and Pacific.

From Hampton Roads, the President went to the high seas, stopping briefly at Haitti Thursday, landing at Puerto Rico Friday to travel across the island.

A gay flotilla of small craft surrounded the Houston in midstream at Annapolis and shrieked farewell to the happy President, bent eagerly on his sea vacation.

A band on the destroyer Gilmer hailed the Commander-in-chief aboard the Houston with the Star Spangled Banner.

Mr. Roosevelt stood at attention and sailors manned the rails. A few moments later the Houston was under way, with the last flickers of sunset glowing over the shores of old Annapolis.

Franklin, Jr., and John, sons of the President, were aboard with him. Mrs. Roosevelt and James, their oldest son, waved farewell from the dock with a crowd that gave the President a rousing send-off.

The 13,000 mile route that lay ahead will take the President to Cartagena, Colombia, South America and Hawaii—the first visits by a President of the United States to South America and Hawaii—and thence to the American west coast.

The Fire Company was called out Monday evening to a chimney fire on Mr. Ackerman's farm near Fairlee.

A. S. Turner, Jr., Assumes Chair

The gavel, symbolic of the presidency of the Chestertown Rotary Club, changed hands Monday night when A. S. Turner, Jr., assumed office as head of the organization, succeeding Stephen R. Collins, who had held the post for the past year.

After a brief report by the new president on his trip to the convention of Rotary International held last week in Detroit, his first official act was the naming of the various committees which will handle the activities of the club during the next year.

NOTES ON SPORTS

On Christmas and the Fourth of July the oldsters become young again. On Wednesday many fathers, feigning boredom, found great delight in setting off the fireworks for Junior. In fact it is Dad's only real opportunity to make much of a fuss about the house.

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An old and cherished friend of ours, who furnished many incidents and episodes which were copied in this space, has passed on. Mr. Walter Strong leaves this earth a pleasanter, happier, gayer spot because he lived on it, gave laughter, enjoyed its pleasures to the fullest. He kept the spirit of youth within him to the end, and, if we can but follow his example in that to the end, our life will be the better because he showed us the way.

Though there is always sorrow when a cherished friend passes, it is not sacriligious to his memory that at this time we recall with a glowing pleasantness and peace of mind the joy that his presence brought to this small world of ours.

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Down at Betterton "Reds" Smith is planning Thursday evening amateur bouts for the recreation of resort guests, and for the physical development of "Reds" Smith's battlers.

The fights will take place in an improvised ring near the bowling alleys on the pier near the Ericsson Line Wharf. No admission will be charged.

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The waterbugs will be out in force on the Chester River today. The much-talked-about outboard motorboat derby, from Crumpton to Chestertown, will provide more thrills for the entrants than for the spectators.

However this morning the trials off the public wharf in Chestertown will offer some fun to watchers. Then, the finish of the race, when the little craft come skimming under the bridge at 3.30 this afternoon. will give something to look at.

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The Betterton Beach Club is fully organized and ready to function. The plans at present call for a swimming meet every other Sunday. with the first contest to take place on the fifteenth.

With only two more golf matches the Chester River stick-wielders look like a cinch for the championship without a defeat to mar their record. Last Sunday Preston came to town to be defeated 23 to 1. Cambridge and Easton yet remain on the list, and then, the championship.

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Boat-building seems to be coming back into affluence. Everywhere we go there are boats being built, remodelled or painted. Every available garage must have housed someone's dream of the perfect water craft during the past winter, for they've surely blossomed out during the heat wave.

BARGAIN HOMES

If present plans to stimulate construction mature, a typical home that would have cost $9,500 in 1929 will cost less than $7,000 in 1934, according to the American Builder. Financing charges will be 18 to 25 per cent less. Real estate costs will be lower. by as much as 50 per cent in some cases. And more efficient equipment and better planning will also produce substantial dividends for the home-builder.

During depression construction has stood still—but architects and designers haven't. The five-room home of today has the same efficiency as the six-room home of a few years back, due to better arrangement. New methods have been evolved, new ideas created. That means that the home-builder gets a better break than he ever got before.

There isn't an industry that wouldn't benefit from stimulated domestic construction. Insurance, steel, electric, railroad, lumber, paint, cement—every time a home is built money is released that goes into their coffers and thence to the pockets of workers. It is reliably estimated that a potential $1,500,000,000 of capital exists that could, under favorable circumstances, be turned into the channels of home construction. If that is done, unemployment and hard times generally will take a serious set-bback.

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