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MILK IS IMPROVING; LESSNES DANGER OF TYPHOID DISEASE

Conditions Found Where Milk Is Produced Were Dangerous to Health

STATE DEPARTMENT FINDS

As a result of the intensive educational campaign, inaugurated by the State Board of Health, mention of which was made in these columns a short time ago, the purity of the milk supply of the Eastern Shore is showing decided improvement, both in the raw and pasteurized milk; the bacterial count, as well as sediment tests, have shown marked improvement in the places where the prescribed methods and regulations that have been suggested by the Board were put into actual use.

The Shore has four modern, well equipped pasteurization plants for the distribution of pure milk, viz: Chestertown, Easton, Cambridge and Salisbury, each of which is regularly inspected.

Milk to be safe for use as food, in any way—family, bakers, candy makers, infants and invalids, should be properly pasteurized to prevent typhoid fever, epidemcis and the contraction of diseases that are often traceable to unclean and impure milk.

The State Board of Health, has taken an additional step in the right direction, aside from their intensive campaign of education the people in proper measures to be employed in handling milk, from the farms to the consumers, to assure cleanliness and purity, by drafting a specific ordinance, containing laws and regulations for milk dealers, that have been adopted by several of the towns through the efforts of the town commissioners.

If all of the towns on the Shore would adopt such an ordinance, and enforce it, dealers in milk would be forced to provide clean, santiary milk for all and the health of children and adults would be under specific regulations and it would be quite possible to trace the source of epidemics or diseases in the human, caused by polluted or impure milk.

The board will be glad to co-operate with all town commissioners on the Shore and stand ready to furnish a copy of the ordinance that has been adopted by the several towns, also submit evidence of the good that has resulted from such adoption.

It is earnestly hoped that commissioners will take enough interest in this vital subject and request information which will be cheerfully furnished, by communicating with the State Board of Health, Baltimore, Md.

How Does Your Milk Stand?

When milk is tested for purity it is examined by instruments wheih count the number of bacteria which it contains. In the case of unpasteurized milk which has a count of 100,000 or less, the milk is considered as being "standard" while pasteurized milk should not contain more than 30,000 to 50,000, while in some places the count is held as low as 12,000.

Consider now for a minute, milk which is passed by the health authorities as being harmless can contain as high as 100,000 bacteria count, Such a large number seems to the lay mind to be an enormous quantity of bacteria to be permitted to pass inspection as being healthful. But wait. Remember, 100,000 is passed as being permissable.

On a recent inspection in Cambridge one milk dealer, delivering unpasteurized milk in that city, was found to have such filthy milk that the bacteria count was NINETY MILLION, plus, the bacteriologist having stopped counting when he reached that number. What is the count of the milk you use?

In Denton there are four prominent dealers. When their milk was tested it was found that the bacteria count was 2,700,000, 35,000,000, 335,000 and 28,000,000.

Be it said to the credit of the Denton dealers, that when told what to do and how to do it, all agreed to follow the health officers instruction and endeavor to bring their milk under the standard requirement.

In Hurlock the milk has been tested twice. The first test showed the five dealer's milk to have bacteria in the following quantity: 387,500; 126,000; 1,200,000; 2,200,000 and 65,000 and the sediment test showed two dealers had a rating of D, the lowest, 1 had C and 2 had B.

Shortly after the first test the Hurlock milk was tested again and this time all had brought their milk below the standard test except one: 64,000; 43,500; 81,000; 45,700 and 210,000, while the sediment test gave forth an improvement there being 2B, 2C and only 1D.

In a small town near Denton two tests were made from the milk, one showed 875,000 and the other 1,780,000 At this farm the inspector found that all the milk cans, pans, strainers, etc. were washed in cold water from a well which was 20 feet from the barnyard which had manure over a foot deep in it. No hot water was used in the washing of the milk utensils and the sieve through which the milk was poured was so filthy that holes were punched in it from time to time to let the milk pass through!

When such things are told it is a mystery that there is not more typhoid than there is.

Is it not time for the town fathers to get busy and pass the ordinance suggested by the State Board of Health.

CONTEST CLOSES SATURDAY AT 10 P M

The American Union and Upper Dorchester News Big "Everybody Wins" Campaign comes to its final close this Saturday Night (Sept. 1st) at 10: o'clock.

The ballot box, locked and sealed, is now in The Farmers and Merchants State Bank, Denton, Md. where it will remain until the Campaign closes Saturday evening, where candidates, and their friends, may deposit their final subscriptions, with the money in CASH (a check for more than the amount of a ten year subscription will not be accepted) for each and every one, and votes up until 10: o'clock, the LAST hour.

The Advisory Board will supervise the details of the final count.

Each Contestant must call at the office of the American Union, Denton, Md. and O. K. the count of the votes received in the First and Second Periods as recorded by the Campaign Manager. Upon the O. K. of each contestants vote certificate, the certificate will be dropped into the box, which will represent the total amount of votes secured by each contestant up to the close of business last Saturday night. The Board will then add to the vote cirtificates enclosed in the Ballot box, the subscription and votes contained therein, in order to determine the winners.

As usual in subscription campaigns, it is expected that the amount of money contained in the box will greatly exceed the total amount turned in by contestants up to this time.

Because of the extremely high vote value of the five year subscriptions, it is certain that they will be in the marjority. One five year subscription is worth twenty six times more than a one year subscription. In fact five yearly subscriptions entitle the contestant to 50,000 votes, while one five year subscription (the same amount of subscription money) is worth 260,000 votes—a balance in your favor of 210,000 votes.

Contestants should figure also that there is a vast difference in the value of the first and second prizes—$880 difference, to be exact.

It is better to win the $1195.00 JEWETT by a million or more votes too many than to miss getting it by a few thousand votes.

Put all the subscriptions you possibly can in the box—especially the five year subscriptions. Supreme effort is required now. Pay no attention to the rumors or gossip about what someone else is going to do. Its what you do that counts. Get right down to business every minute from now until 10: o'clock Saturday night.

In closing the Campaign, The American Union and Upper Dorchester News wishes to thank those who have participated in any way—for your cooperation — we are deeply grateful. The Campaign has been conducted along the fairest and impartial lines. No one has at any time been given any advantage. No one knows nor can any one predict what the outcome will be. Saturday night at 10: o'clock will tell the story.

Immediately after that hour the ballot box will be opened and the final count will begin. The winners will be announced as soon thereafter as possible by bulletin in front of The American Union Office.

STANDING OF CANDIDATES

At the close of the Second Period, August 25th.

W. C. Beckwith, Denton
Miss Eleanor Bell, E. New Market
Mrs. William Bullock, Denton
Mrs. Ida D. Plummer, Hurlock
Miss A. V. Windsor, Hurlock
Rev. Levi K. Ziegler, Denton
Mrs. Della Wright, Denton
Miss Marian Brinsfield, Reids Grove
Mrs. Mary Trazzare, Denton

Other candidates did not make regular reports.

SCHOOLS TO OPEN SEPT. 10 IN COUNTY

The Caroline County white schools will open for regular work on Monday, September 10th at 9 o'clock.

In order that everything may be in readiness for the opening and work of the schools on Monday September 10th, teachers will be at their schools on the Friday preceding to check up books, go over grading of pupils, adjust scheldules, etc., so that no time may be lost on the day of the opening.

As the State law reads—Every child, before being admitted to any public school shall produce a certificate from a regular physician that he has been properly vaccinated—all parents having children to start to school should attend to this matter at once if not already done.

Children should take last year's report cards along on the first day in order to secure proper classification. This is especially important if a pupil is changing to another school or from the 7th Grade to High School.

Seventh Grade pupils that have been promoted to high school should take their certificates.

As pupils in high school grades may choose some elective subjects, it will be very advisable for parents to have a conference with the principal immediately after the opening of the school.

For the first time in several years the number of candidates for teachers' positions has exceeded the demand, being but a few resignations this summer, however several of the teachers hold second or third grade certificates.

Owing to the demand from patrons of rural schools for better school facilities three new transportation routes have been established during the summer—viz, bus for high school pupils from Marydel, Henderson, Goldsboro to Greensboro instead of establishing high schools at Marydel and Goldsboro; bus route from Thawley's to Hillsboro; wagon route from Poplar Neck to Preston, making in all 13 routes. Requests have been made for others but the Board has been unable to comply.

A teachers' meeting of 2 or 3 days will be held next week for the purpose of enabling the teachers to make a better start at the opening of schools.

Because of summer school work lasting six weeks being done by one-fourth of the teachers each year, it is found necessary to hold institutes as in the past.

Lewis Adams, in charge of repairs, has been repairing the buildings during the summer and is now engaged in cleaning the rooms and oiling the floors. This plan has been in effect now three years and has resulted in not only a financial saving of several hundred dollars a year to the county, but has enabled the buildings to be kept in better shape.

In addition to repairing buildings, Mr. Adams has been engaged in delivering anthracite coal to the various schools of the county with the result that the next season'ssupply of coal is on hand in nearly all of the schools.

The Board of Education has been able to purchase its coal cheaper in car lots and thereby save considerable to the county each year by this plan.

Marydel — Maud Hummer, prin., Virginia Thomas.
Henderson—G. M. Wingate, prin., Grace Rutter, Henrietta McMahan, Ruth Cole, Elsie Bilbrough.
Bee Tree—Edith Richard
Goldsboro — Bertha Shull, prin., Lillie E. Doty, Minerva Reber.
Balto. Corner—Mrs. Sadie Crouse.
Moore's—Grace Stufft.
Greensboro—Paul C. Phillips,Mary Lankford, Myrtle Lankford, Helen, Wine, Elsie Roe, Mrs. L. C. Weaver, Virginia Davis, Gertrude Morgan, Blanche Chaffinch.
Barcus—Katherine Beatty.
Bridgetown—Anna Lynch.
Garey's—Mrs. Katherine Spence.
Camp Grove—Bernice Hendricks.
Burrsville—Mrs. Mary Raughley.
Lidens—Bertie Sparks.
Central—Mrs. Hester Wyatt.
Caroline High—A. Leonard Leary, prin., Mrs. E. E. Pippin, Elizabeth J. Walker, Stephanie M. Ford, Carlotta Kinnamon, Mildred Nuttle, Ralph Horsey, Mrs. Mary B. Rairigh, Mrs. Elizabeth Stone, Ruth Noble.
Denton Pri.—Laural Melvin, prin., Louise Short, Sadie Allen, Hilda Cade.
Williamson—Nellie West.
Oaks—Dorthy Beaumont.
Williston—Elizabeth Cannon.
Willoughby—Lola Willoughby.
Andersontown—Mrs. Lulu R. Kelly
Hickman—Hazel Brown.
Harmony—Elizabeth Bryan, prin., Mildred Collins.
Smithson—Elsa Rieck, prin., Adela Rieck.
Preston—H. A. Kinhart, Katharine Cox, Mrs. Mary Elzey, Louise Nuttle, Mrs. Elva Butler, Lillian Cox, Iris Messick, Mrs. Pearl Wright, Helen Kemp.
Choptank—Rebecca Hurst.
Hubbard's—Helen Briscoe
Bethlehem—Alma Baker
Federalsburg—B. C. Willis, prin., Mary E. Davis, Margaret Custis, Elsie Sullens, Blanche Jackson, Victor Fritz, May Thompson, Hilda Elben, Louise Stevens, Mrs. Susan Griffith, Hilda Covey, Miriam J. Todd.
Hickory Hill—Mrs. Bessie Bradley.
Houstans Branch—Clara B. Noble.
Nichols—Mrs. Alice Howard.
Hillsboro—Mrs. Josephine Blades, Ethel Eveland.
Cedar Grove—Eva Williamson.
Ridgely High—F. A. Stayer, prin., Mrs. Mary D. Wooters, Mildred Massey, Mrs. Mamie Smith, Emma Ent, Mrs. Alma T. Clarke, Mary Laird.
Ridgely Primary—Mrs. S. E. Parsons, prin., Maude Ford, Mrs. Grace B. Johnson, Mrs. Charlotte Stayer.
Furmans Grove—Blanche Laird.
Laurel Grove—Mrs. Mary J. Howard.
Concord—Mrs. Alice Hignutt
Smithville—Mrs. Anna Robinson.
Chestnut Grove—Mary L. Detwiler.
Friendship—Mrs. Orath Taylor, Margaret Cook.
American Corner—Mrs. Grace Sullivan.
Howard's—Mrs. Alice Trice.

PALACE THEATRE TO REOPEN SATURDAY

For the past two months the Palace Theatre has been undergoing repairs and remodeling and will be open again for business on Saturday night, September 1st with a Paramount picture "Manslaughter" as the feature.

Several months ago the pleasure house was sold at public sale by the Denton Amusement Company and was purchased by Senator Lawrence B. Towers, who has seen to the remodeling and redecorating of the building putting it in first class shape and making of it a first-class playhouse.

The entire interior has been gone over. A new wooden floor has been laid on the main floor, all first class chairs have been put in place and a choice location in the centre of the house has been filled with 54 plush seats.

Two heavy posts have been placed under the balcony which is now arranged with the old wooden benches and which will hold in the neighborhood of 150 persons. In placing the chairs on the main floor, instead of having an aisle down the middle and one on each extreme side, the house is divided into three sections with two aisles running down the middle of either side of the house.

The old ticket booth which was in the centre of the lobby has been removed and a door put in its stead, giving three entrances at the front, while the ticket booth is now at the right side of the lobby, the ticket seller being located in the downstairs office.

All the walls have been painted with the delicate terra cotta shade with decorations along the side in blue, while a new metal ceiling in blue, with artistically arranged draperies at the windows, gives the interior a very pleasant and homey appearance. Along the side walls and in the lobby are new electric fixtures having double candle holders mounted with small round, frosted globes, which give forth a diffused light, while in the centre of the ceiling is an indirect lighting dome.

On either side at the front the passageways to the stage have had artistic railings placed, while the mirrowed screen has been reset in such a way, with a good black background that better pictures will result. The screen is so fixed that it can be removed whenever the stage is used for any theatrical performance.

Mr. Marc Bryant, who has leased the playhouse for two years will have an all-Paramount program during September. September 3-8 is known all over the United States as Paramount week and special shows will be given.

CHAUTAUQUA TICKETS SELLING RAPIDLY

Tickets for the Swarthmore Chautauqua which is to be held here September 8 to 13, are selling rapidly, it is reported from the ticket committee. Members of this committee report that the majority of persons seen buy their tickets when called on the first time, which is a great help to those selling and to those in charge.

This year's program is exceptionally good and promises a rare treat to those who live in this community to secure high class entertainment at a very modest price.

Season tickets this year are only $3.00 while the children's ticket is but $1 up to the age of 14 years. Between the age of 14 and the time boys and girls leave school a new ticket, called the Youth's ticket has been added, which sells for $2.

Misses Ella Carter and Elizabeth Pastorfield met the Juniors last Friday afternoon and told them of the work the Juniors are going to do this year and gave them their envelopes to keep the money in that they earn toward their ticket. A kite flying tournament for the Juniors this year is an added feature and is attracting the attention of the boys and girls.

Don't forget the dates, September 8 to 13 and to buy your ticket early.

Movies for Univ. of Md.

Stark and Edwards, of Baltimore, moving picture photographers are in town today taking pictures of Senator Lawrence B. Towers in connection with a series of pictures for the benefit of the University of Maryland which will soon be shown over the state.

M. BATES STEPHENS

Funeral services for Dr. M. Bates Stephens, State Superintendent of Education from 1900 to 1920, who died late Friday at the Maryland General Hospital, were held at 3 p. m. Monday from the residence of Mr. T. Pliny Fisher, a close friend of Dr. Stephens, at Denton, Caroline County.

The Rev. Mr. James A. Dudley, pastor of Methodist Protestant Church, here, conducted the funeral services, assisted by the Rev. Mr. A. N. Ward, President of the Western Maryland College and the Rev. Mr. Anstine. Rev. Mr. Ward is a former pastor of the local M. P. Church and a close friend of the deceased and preached the funeral sermon. Messrs. Holloway, Huffington, and North, state supervisors of schools attended the funeral services. Burial was made in the Denton Cemetery and the services at the grave were in charge of Temple Lodge A. F. and A. M. No. 128

Went To Florida.

Last winter Dr. Stephens went to Florida, and on his return visited Mr. and Mrs. Marion J. Woodford, of Baltimore, relatives. He was taken ill with stomach trouble and remained at the Woodford home. Complications following his illness caused his death.

Becoming State Superintendent of Education in 1900, Dr. Stephens was reelected at the expiration of each of his terms till 1920, when he was succeeded by Dr. Albert S. Cook Even in 1920 the State Board of Education reelected him.

Succeeded By A. S. Cook.

In the face of much criticism, however, because of this action was taken at a meeting at which three new members of the board had just been appointed by Governor Ritchie were absent, the board rescinded its action and elected Dr. Cook.

Dr. Stephens was the Democratic candidate for the State Senate from Caroline County in 1921, but was defeated by Lawrence B. Towere, Republican.

Born in that fertile farming district of Caroline County known as Tuckahoe Neck, Dr. Stephens attended the public schools of the village until he completed the prescribed course and then spent two years in the Greensboro Academy, of which Prof. James E. Carroll then was principal.

Attended Dickinson College.

He entered Dickinson College in 1881, where he won the degree of master of arts. Dr. Stephens began his career as the teacher of the village school at Burrsville, which was his home. He was then elected principal of the Greensborough Academy, where he taught for a year.

It was while teaching this school that he was elected secretary, treasurer and examiner of the Caroline School Board. He held this position continuously during both Democratic and Republican administrations from 1886 to 1900.

He registered as a law student with the late Marshall S. Mutchler, who died shortly thereafter, but found a public education so attractive that he abandoned the idea of practicing law. When the Legislature of 1900 created the new office of State Superintendent of the Education Gov. Walter Smith appointed him to that position.

Headed Sshool Law Body

Dr. Stephens was chairman of the committee of eleven which drafted the revised school law passed by the Legislature of 1904. In 1902 the honorary degree of doctor of philosophy was conferred on him by Washington College, Kent County.

Criticism of Dr. Stephens became widespread early in 1920, following the preliminary report of the Russell Sage Foundation on its comparative study of the State School systems. This report showed what many persons considered an alarming percentage of illiteracy in the state and that Maryland was near the bottom of the list of States in the matter of educational standing.

Charges also were made that Dr. Stephens had failed to make the most of the School law passed in 1910, then described as a model.

Exempted from Requirement

When this law was enacted it was provided that the State Superintendent of Education should be a graduate of a standard college, or the equivalent, and have had not less than two years of special academic and professioal graduate preparation in a standard university, or the equivalent, but that those prescribed qualifications should not apply to Dr. Stephens as the incumbent or affect his eligibility for reappointment.

In 1918 the "or the equivalent" was stricken out and the prescribed collegate and university training was left standing without qualification, but again it was provided that the law should not effect Dr. Stephens' tenuare in ojce or his eligibility for reappointment.

Dr. Stephens had many friends who rallied to his support in the face of the attacks of his critics. And Dr. Stephens fought back hard. In a lengthly statement he endeavored to prove the injustice of the Russell Sage Foundation report and criticized Governor Ritchie for appointing two residends of Baltimore to the State Board of Education, maintaining that they lived in an entirely different educational sphere from the people of the counties.

Honored At Meeting.

After his defeat for the State superintedency, friends and former associates in the school held a big open-air meeting in Denton on June 27, 1920, to honor him. Superintendents of the schools in 21 counties were present, and with them was Dr. Cook, who had been elected his successor.

Col. A. W. Sisk, of Preston, Caroline Co., presided at the meeting, and tributes were paid Dr. Stephens by the county superintendents and former governor Emerson C. Harrington. On behalf of the county superintendents, Dr. Cook presented Dr. Stephens with a silver service.

Dr. Stephens' only business connection at the time of his death was a director of the Denton National Bank He was a member of the Methodist Protestant Church of Denton and Temple Lodge of Masons, which had charge of the funeral.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Nellie R. Stephens, and a sister, Mrs. Nora S. Davis, of Crisfield.

ENTHUSIASM SHOWN IN FIRE ENGINE FRI.

Meeting in Fire Rooms Was Enthusiastic and Gives Encouragement

COMMITTEE APPOINTED

Everywhere throughout the town this past week where several men would get together you would hear the conversation turn to. "Well, what do you think about a fire engine?"

Interest in a fire engine for Denton became general following the meeting last Friday evening in the rooms of the Denton Volunteer Fire Company when that organization invited the Town Commissioners and all business men of the town interested to be present to discuss ways and means of securing such equipment.

Denton's Volunteer Fire Company has been formed about one and a half years, during which time they have held two carnivals and have added to the equipment which the town had, 500 feet of new hose, a hook and ladder truck and equipment, put the three hose carts in good condition by adding necessary equipment, purchased equipment for its active members, purchased and erected an electric fire siren and taken in a large number of prominent local business and professional men as honorary members.

The company, under the direction of Chief Anderson and President Roe are now ready, they believe, to go a step farther and purchase an engine and motor, which will give them higher pressure in case of a big fire.

Various methods of securing the necessary money for the purchase of this additional equipment were talked over and it is thought that good progress has been made toward creating a desire for an engine. Meetings which will be called from time to time in the near future will probably bring forth some definite, concrete way for the procuring of the funds for the purchase of an engine for the fire boys.

A committee composed of Messrs. S. L. Tribbitt, J. H. Nichols, John Carter and T. Alan Goldsborough was appointed to meet with the Town Commissioners to devise means whereby the necessary money can be secured to purchase an engine.

Think it over Citizens. Do you want the firemen to have good equipment to fight fires which may take in your property?

Wanted an Underwood typewriter in fair condition. The price must be cheep. The American Union, Denton.

Chautauqua Season Tickets Are Great Money-Savers

Child's $1 Youth's $2 Adult's $3

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