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work planned that will raise the standard of medical and surgical work in the district where it is applied and no assurance of permanence. The latter criticism being the most serious one, for we all know that in a democracy and especially in a poor democracy such as we have in the South, (poor in the financial sense), the people object very much to paying taxes and many good movements are often defeated before they have had time to get well established and prove their worth. There is no feature of the Rockefeller plan that would last beyond a year or so should the people of the county, under reactionary political leadership, decide to discontinue the work.

THE SANDHILL PLAN

The plan we would like to work out here in connection with our hospital, is not subject to this criticism. Whether our plan were carried on or not by the people there would always be a permanent health center left with so many strong friends made by actual service rendered, that it could not well be discontinued. For that matter the hospital is now running and growing gaily in strength and influence, without county and State support and without any feature of the plan we have in our minds yet developed except the school inspection work. The work it is doing and has done will stand very close comparison with any work accomplished by the Rockefeller plan.

The only work that has been done in Moore County that parallels any of the Rockefeller work is the inspection of the school children of the county. That was done as efficiently last year as it could be done in that every child was carefully examined, card catalogued and, in the case of those found with defects, a card was sent to the parents describing the defects and advising immediate treatment. So far this parallels the Rockefeller School Inspection Unit, but in our case only a beginning has been made, now the real work for the children begins. We offer them a hospital where they can get their defects corrected at reasonable prices, their tonsils removed for \$10 and their adenoids for \$7 and back of that we offer them the organized physicians of the territory already beginning to specialize and fully prepared to take care of any emergency that may arise.

This hospital has saved a great deal of life in the section that would have been lost had it not been here. Though it is a question whether a county in which there is a large city with a well equipped hospital needs such a hospital as ours in its rural districts there is no question that such an institution as ours is an imperative need in a county that is seventy miles from the nearest city with an adequate hospital. In the opinion of all who have seen our hospital here develops the need for it is greater by far than the need for the Rockefeller plan and another grave defect of that plan is that it does not take into consideration whether the county it seeks to operate in is equipped with a means of correcting the trouble or not.

The hospital has given many of the country patients a new idea of cleanliness and sanitation and has taught them

how to take care of themselves when they are sick. It has sent out and is sending out every day, men, women and children cured of their troubles and with a new knowledge about what caused their troubles and a determination to correct those causes. Whether any additional work is done or not what has been done will justify the hospital's existence and it will continue to grow in influence and accomplishment.

Now the plan in mind by the Trustees for health work in Moore County to supplement and make more effective the work of the hospital is briefly this (1) employ a whole time health officer for the county who will also be resident physician of the hospital (2) take up through him the life extension work and the infant hygiene work as outlined in the Rockefeller plan and make a beginning at the soil pollution work. This unit would be handled by dividing the county into small units and tackling only as many units per year as could be conveniently handled and at no great expense. Especial emphasis should be put upon the correction of defects found through the hospital and the development of the hospital as a permanent health educational center in the county.

Our Boy Next Door

I didn't vote for Wilson; I never liked him much;
The golden pinched glasses gave a sort of dudish touch.
I didn't like his methods—disliked his friends still more—
But one thing that has changed me was
THE BOY NEXT DOOR.

My life's been pretty happy, I've had a lot of joys,
There's been just one draw back; I never had no boys,
But I've got a little daughter, and I know she has a store
Of love and trust, and longing for
THE BOY NEXT DOOR.

But when the fateful day arrived that we knew we'd got to fight,
I forgot the way I voted, for our President was right.
I couldn't go to battle; I'm too old, and stiff and sore,
But the first one that enlisted was
THE BOY NEXT DOOR.

And by God, I'm right behind him, with every cent I've got,
To buy him food and shelter and powder, guns and shot;
And if God will just watch o'er him and send him back once more,
I expect that I'll be daddie to
THE BOY NEXT DOOR.

And there's lots of us old fellows, too old to go and fight,
And with no sons to represent us and battle for the right.
But we can give our money as we never did before.
And love—and hope—and courage to
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