Presents Proof Sun Will Cause Cancer Immunity

Pittsburg.—Preventing cancer by sunlight may be possible if scientists can learn more about how the sun's rays affect the body. Evidence that exposure to sunlight does produce cancer immunity in some cases, was presented by Dr. Frank L. Apperly, Medical College of Virginia, at the recent meeting of the American Association of Pathologists and Bacteriologists.

Cancer mortality in the United States and Canada grows less, Dr. Apperly finds, as the amount of sunlight increases across the continent and as more people are exposed to sunshine, for example, where more of the population is engaged in farming or other outdoor occupation.

Differing from some other scientists who believe sunlight holds the key to cancer prevention, Dr. Apperly does not believe it necessary to have skin cancer in order to become immune to other forms of cancer.

Animals Studied

Besides statistics of cancer deaths in various climates, Dr. Apperly cited animals studied by other scientists which, though not completely applicable to humans, have a bearing on the question.

"We may be able to reduce our cancer deaths," Dr. Apperly stated, "by inducing a partial or complete immunity by oxposure of suitable skin areas to sunlight or the proper artificial light rays of intensity and duration insufficient to produce an actual skin cancer.

"The study of the effects of sunlight on the living organism, and of those conditions in the skin which modify its action, may produce results of inestimable value."

The aftermath of a prolonged bout of heavy drinking is likely to be an inflammation of the pancreas which may result in death, Dr. Eugene Clark, assistant medical examiner, New York City, warned.

The disease is more likely to occur in habiaual drunkards than in those who occasionally become intoxicated, Dr. Clark found. It bears "as striking a relationship to long continued heavy alcoholic indulgence as does cirrhosis of the liver," he said.

The frequency with which inflammation of the pancreas and alcoholism are associated is indicated from the fact that 27 of the reported cases were found in about 150 consecutively autopsied of acute and shronir alcoholism dying in Bellevue Hospital.

Hardening of the arteries is due fundamentally and directly to undernourishnent of the walls of the arteries, in the opinion of Dr. W. C. Hueper, New York City. Support for his theory appeared in experiments in which he treated rats with the chemical, erythrol tetranitrate. In the experiments Dr. Hueper reported, the rats after treatment with this substance developed sclerotic or hardened arteries of the heart, lung, kidneys and certain other organs.

A chemical that sounds the call-to-arms when disease germs invade the body, mobilizing the germ-fighting white blood cells, has been isolated, Dr. Valy Menkin, Harvard Medical School, announced.

Leukotaxine, another substance discovered by Dr. Menkin, allows the white blood cells to pass through the blood vessel walls into an injured area. The new chemical, however, is what mobilizes the white cells from the bone marrow into the blood, Dr. Menkin reported.

A triple-gland play may be responsible for changes in the fat content of the liver. Dr. Warren C. Corwin, Squibb Institute for Medical Research, reported studies showing that a line-up of thyroid, adrenal and pituitary glands is probably involved, though scientists previously have believed only the pituitary and adrenal glands controlled fatty changes in the liver.

FAMILIAR SCENE AT THE FARMVILLE COUNTRY CLUB—COMING IN ON THE NINETH GREEN.

Congressman Warren Answers P. O. Inquiry

Mr. John B. Lewis, Secretary
Chamber of Commerce
Farmville, North Carolina

My dear John:

I am in receipt of your letter of May 11th stating that you are having inquiries about the possibility of a federal building for Farmville; that you have noted that several towns with less business activity than Farmville are securing federal buildings and that according to your reollection an allocation was made for a building at Farmville several years ago.

There has never been any allocation for a building at Farmville. Your town only became a Second Class office in 1936 and shortly thereafter I was successful in getting Farmville and Plymouth placed on the eligible list for a federal building after the law was extended and money appropriated.

Although at various times I have carefully pointed out in the papers and written many citizens the system under which federal buildings are erected, it is quite natural that you should receive inquiries as Farmville is on the eligible list.

In 1934 Congress passed a two-year federal building program, and at the end of the firt year it was extended to a five-year program. The Post Office Department, of course, selects the towns where the buildings are to be erected, based solely on receipts.

Under this five year program the following buildings or additions were constructed in our district:

1934 Elizabeth City—Additions.
1935 Washington—Additions.
1936 Greenville—Additions.
1937 Williamston—Additions.
1938—Ahoskie.

The law expired in 1938 and since then every effort to renew it has been defeated. You probably saw in the paper within the last week that a contract would be let for the building at Ahoskie. That is true and it is probably the last contract that will be let in our state for any building for which funds were allotted in 1938. The reason why the money which was credited to Ahoskie has been withheld was because the government had to enter a condemnation suit for the site.

During the present session of Congres a strong effort was made to renew the building program for two more years. Nothing could have suited me better as had we been able to pass such a law the only remaining eligible towns in our district would have been provided for. Farmville now stands No. 1 on the eligible list and Plymouth is No. 2. The President was urged to recommend another program but he has been quoted as being very much opposed to it at the present time.

No public building can be erected anywhere in the United States until it has first been authorized by law and until money has been appropriated. The five-year program that has now expired provided for one eligible building in each Congressional district of the nation. On account of the fact that our debt limit has now been reached and especially on account of the serious foreign situation which is requiring vast expenditures for national defense in this country, we can get no encouragement about the extension of the federal building program.

All I can say to you is that if the law should ever be renewed, then Farmville will get a building during the first year. While in our district there are only two eligible towns I know of, districts in the country that have as many as ten to twenty eligible towns. While there is widespread interest in another public building bill hardly anyone thinks it would stand a chance in Congress and everyone believes that if one could be passed that at this time it would be vetoed by the President.

Neither Farmville nor Plymouth were ever eligible to be considered during the five year program. I was only successful in getting the two towns placed on the eligible list in the hopes that the program would be extended. I realize that this is a rather lengthy letter but I will appreciate it if you will carefully read it to the Chamber of Commerce and publish it in the Farmville Enterprise so that the citizens of Farmville may have the correct facts about the matter.

With all good wishes,
Sincerely,
LINDSAY C. WARREN.

CHICKEN DINNERS POISON.

York, Pa.—Roast chicken dinners which forty-one people ate at a restaurant stand resulted in the serious ilness of all of the dinners. A virulent toxic agent in the chickens is responsible for their illness.

IMPROVEMENT

To improve their soils, farmers of Macon County have already ordered and had delivered this year 6,000 tons of lime, 50 tons of triple superphosphate, and 280 tons of superphosphate.

ONE-FIFTH

The U. S. Department of Agriculture estimates that one-fifth of all factory workers reemployed since 1932 have gone back to work because of increased purchases of farm families.

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Lancaster, Pa.—When William P. Driendle got his marriage license to wed Miss Dorothy J. Herr, he paid for it with fifty new Jefferson nickels.

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