

Many Unsuspecting People Have Syphilis

Treatment Will Stop The Spread Of Loathsome Disease

All Domestic Servants Required To Have Health Examinations Made

There are many people who have syphilis who do not suspect it, according to a statement made before the Rotary Club last Friday by Dr. C. N. Sisk, head of the district health department. About ten per cent of the cases are contracted by unsuspecting persons.

He continued his remarks by saying: "There are evidences that syphilis has existed since the earliest history of the human race, however, because of its close relation to reproduction it has been considered improper to speak of it in the unhesitating manner that we have considered other communicable diseases. The disease is transmitted largely through sex relation, however, it may be transmitted through kissing and by coming in contact with infected utensils and linens. Many cases are on record as having been transmitted to children by contact with an infected nurse. The disease is generally painless in all its manifestations and all external evidence of the disease readily disappear under modern treatment. For this reason it is difficult to convince a victim of the disease that a long course of treatment is necessary to effectually cure the disease. Its beginning is frequently so insignificant as to result in 30 per cent of individuals suffering with it to be unable to state an accurate date of onset. The initial lesion of the disease consists of a more or less insignificant nodule of ulceration at the site of contact. With or without treatment this lesion will heal within a few weeks, and without treatment will be followed by a series of secondary lesions consisting of a general eruption over the body, sores in the mouth, and enlarged glands. Eventually after a period of years without treatment this secondary or most infectious stage of the disease will pass through a third stage of latency which usually continues until the individual dies as a result of the effects of the disease upon the heart or some other vital organ, as during the course of the disease every organ or structure of the body may be involved. The most lamentable thing in connection with syphilis is the fact that it may be transmitted to offspring and result in physical and mental deformity in children. Effective remedies have been discovered so that practical assurance that cure may be assured victims of the disease provided treatment is begun early, and continued over a sufficient period of time. The most difficult thing in connection with the treatment of syphilis is to convince individuals that even though all external evidences of the disease readily disappear it is necessary to continue treatment regularly for a period of two years.

That syphilis can be eradicated, or reduced to a minimum has been demonstrated in Norway, Sweden, and Denmark, where a few years ago the case incidence was equal to that of 10 per cent in the United States at this time. Though quarantine and enforced treatment in these countries the incidence has been reduced to one-half of one per cent. Under the leadership of the Surgeon-General of U. S. Public Health Service, and supported by the entire medical profession, there has recently been launched throughout the United States a campaign for the eradication of syphilis in this country. Unfortunately a great majority of victims of the disease come from an economic strata of our population financially unable to secure the necessary long course of treatment, and morally indifferent to

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DR. C. N. SISK

their own welfare and the welfare of their family and neighbors. Fortunately in North Carolina there has been on the statute books since 1917 a law requiring that all syphilitics receive treatment either at the hands of the private physicians or at public expense until cured. In response to a resolution passed by the Haywood County Medical Society in January of this year, the county health department has established clinics for the treatment of syphilitics unable or unwilling to secure treatment by the family physician. A clinic is operated at the City Hall in Canton on Friday morning, and at the health department office in Waynesville on Friday afternoon of each week, where cases are accepted for treatment without cost when referred by the private physicians, or by the welfare department. It is intended that these clinics eventually develop to the point of having all cases of syphilis in the county under treatment either at the clinic or by the private physicians. The law permits a private physician to handle a case entirely by number obviating the necessity of the name of the individual becoming public. However should an individual refuse to continue treatment by the family physician until cured, it becomes the duty of the physician to report the individual by name to the health department in order that proper legal procedure may be taken to guarantee the removal of the hazard from society.

An act passed by the General Assembly of North Carolina during 1937 requires that all domestic servants presenting themselves for employment shall furnish their employer with a certificate from a practicing physician or public health officer of the county in which they reside certifying that they have been examined within a period of two weeks of the time, and showing freedom from all contagious, infectious, or communicable diseases, and showing the non-existence of any venereal disease that might be transmitted. The employing public can assist in promoting this campaign for the eradication of syphilis, and at the same time protect themselves and family against contracting a loathsome disease by requiring all domestic servants to present them with a health certificate as provided in this law. Many instances of syphilis in domestic servants in Haywood

county have been discovered in this way. In the event an employer is informed that a servant has syphilis the servant should not be penalized by being summarily discharged, but should be required to secure treatment regularly, and for a period of time suggested by the physician, as the fact is definitely established that a syphilitic while under treatment is incapable of transmitting the disease. By following this course individuals would be promoting the campaign for eradicating syphilis, and would not impose an unnecessary hardship upon the individual or themselves.

The small end of the eggs of a Killdeer bird always point toward the center of the nest.

Work Of Former Waynesville Citizen To Be Broadcast

Mrs. Harry C. Etheridge, of Franklin, Ohio, the former Ethel Jones, of Waynesville, daughter of the late Col. S. A. Jones, who is the author of several children's books, has recently had a script accepted by the National Broadcasting Company.

It will be heard in one of the popular "Smoke Dreams" programs, which are scheduled for next fall.

Mrs. Etheridge has also recently had a number of her poems accepted by popular magazines, several now appearing in current issues and others to be published at later dates.

Harry Elderidge, Jr., her son, edits a sportman's column on the Franklin

(Ohio) Chronicle, and his wife writes a column for the woman's page of the paper.

One-fourth teaspoon of vanilla to each cup of milk when making hot chocolate or cocoa, will improve the flavor.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Monday, May 16, 1938, at eleven o'clock A. M. at the court house door in Waynesville, Haywood County North Carolina, the undersigned will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash, the following lands and premises, lying on the waters of Sorrells Branch, in Waynesville Township, Haywood County, North Carolina, to-wit:

Northeast corner of the bridge below Jerry Patton's house, running up the thence crossing the branch S. 44 E. 28 1/2 poles to a pine; thence N. 44 deg. E. 14 poles to a stake; thence S. 44 deg. W. 28 1/2 poles to the BEGGINS' NING, containing Two and one-half acres.

Sale made pursuant to power of sale conferred upon the undersigned trustee, by deed of trust executed by Chas. P. Patton and wife, Emma Patton, dated July 19, 1928, and recorded in Book 26, page 42, Book of Deeds of Trust of Haywood County, North Carolina. This the 15th day of April, 1938. J. R. MORGAN, Trustee. No. 736—April 21-28-May 5-12.

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New Air Chief



Dennis Mulligan

New director of the federal bureau of air commerce is Dennis Mulligan, one-time army pilot and former lawyer, who succeeds Fred Page, Jr., who resigned to join Northwestern university's faculty. The shift revived rumors that there was dissension over policies within the department.

History of Beginnings

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