

A SHOT OF PREVENTION — IS WORTH A LOT OF CURE!

An Editorial

In Spring, when a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love, his mother's thoughts are of a rich, green lawn and a colorful flower garden, and his father is probably anticipating blistered hands and a sore back. The green thumb season is upon us.

Father's grumbling aside, gardening is good exercise and a relaxing hobby. But gardening can also expose a person to an extremely painful illness or even death, from tetanus.

Tetanus, more commonly known as lockjaw, is due to a deadly poison produced by a micro-organism that is found almost everywhere. Many persons carry the germ in their intestines and so do many cattle, horses and other domestic animals. Soil can be a source of tetanus infection, especially if it has been treated with animal fertilizer.

Dr. Hollis S. Ingraham, State Health Commissioner, says: "Many people think that tetanus results only from a cut by a rusty nail or similar object. This is a dangerous fallacy because tetanus can result from a very slight wound or scratch. The tetanus germ needs only a very slight break in the skin to enter the body."

Deaths from tetanus have resulted from such things as a peck from a chicken, an insect bite, a scratch from a rose bush thorn or a small crack in the skin. Some disease-causing wounds have been so slight that the patient was unable to recall any injury and no trace of the wound remained when the patient was examined.

Puncture wounds like those caused by a nail or a splinter, a gunshot wound or particles from an explosion are particularly dangerous. These wounds carry the tetanus organisms deep into the body when dead or dying tissue and the absence of oxygen provide an ideal environment for growth of the disease. Crushing injuries and burns are also favorable for development of tetanus.

Gardeners are only one group whose activities make tetanus a special hazard. Other common occupations which result in a high risk of tetanus, designated by the State Health Department as "High-risk" groups, are policemen, firemen, carpenters, military personnel, fishermen, hunters, industry workers, farmers, housewives and children.

In acute infections of tetanus, the period necessary for the germs to grow and cause symptoms varies from five to ten days. Initial symptoms may include pain or tingling around the wound and restlessness, irritability, stiff neck, fever, considerable sweating, a tightness of the jaw and mild stiffness in the arms and legs.

When the disease is further advanced, spasm of the facial muscles and jaw muscles occur. The muscle spasms progress to include the extremities, back and abdomen. The spasms are extremely painful and easily precipitated by noise, movement or touching the victim. In later stages, the spasms cause difficulty in breathing and swallowing. Death is most commonly caused by pulmonary complications.

But no one need die from tetanus. The disease is completely preventable with proper immunization. Three injections of tetanus toxoid are needed, the first two, a month apart and the third, six months to one year later. A booster shot every ten years thereafter maintains adequate protection. When an injury occurs which might result in tetanus, a booster should be given.

Tetanus toxoid is relatively painless and free of reaction. The tetanus antitoxin often administered following an injury sometimes causes a painful reaction not associated with the tetanus toxoid immunization.

Dr. Ingraham states: "Adequate immunization with tetanus toxoid is the most satisfactory solution to the dangers of tetanus". Routine, universal immunization is the most desirable goal, but special emphasis should be placed on immunizing those in "high-risk" occupations and pre-school children."

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50 YEARS AGO

April 26, 1918

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Harold Dawson is working in J. P. Cannon Co. Clothing Store in place of Chas. Foster.

Officer Daniel Burdick, 72, of East Valley, who died last week is survived by his wife, four daughters and a brother. Interment was in Alfred Rural Cemetery.

Daniel Lee Cunningham, 56, died Wednesday, April 24, at his home in East Valley. His wife, five sons, a daughter, a brother and a sister survive. Interment was in Alfred Rural Cemetery.

Miss Maudie Early and Iola Langhorne were week-end guests at the E. H. Gamble home in Independence.

Mrs. Charles Baker of Andover, spent a few days last week with her daughter Mrs. Frank Holmes of South Hill.

Almerian Clair, 63, died at his home on Barney Street Friday, April 19th. Two brothers survive. Interment was in East Valley Cemetery.

Cashier J. M. Brundage has returned to Andover after spending the winter in Miami, Florida and visiting at the home of his brother in Kansas.

E. R. Crandall, M. A. Crandall, E. E. Clarke and W. D. Clarke were in Hornell Thursday attending a meeting of the Allegany-Steuben Breeder's Association.

Mrs. Amy Travis, Misses Fannie Spaulding and Carrie White, who accompanied the body of Capt. Travis from Washington, D. C., returned Friday to the city.

Mrs. N. M. Lanphear of Railroad Valley visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Green Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Nellie D. Walsh of Hornell, who is employed at the Cameron Law Office, spent the week-end with her mother.

Isaac Smith and daughter, Sadie have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Herrick of Wellsville for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Bloss were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hunt of Wellsville.

Mrs. Elizabeth Knox of Wellsville, is spending a few days guest of her daughter, Mrs. Mae Greene.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Peers and family of Cameron Mills were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Talbot.

40 YEARS AGO

April 27, 1928

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The cheese factory at Karr Valley, owned and operated by D. E. Brasted for twenty years, has been closed on account of lack of patronage.

Miss Ruth Robinson, who has been teaching at Gloversville, the past two years, has signed a contract to teach at East Orange, N. J., the coming year.

L. E. Jordan has purchased of Mrs. H. N. Foulke of Hornell, the Trainer building on Main St., occupied by Fisher Bros. Grocery.

Harry Buchholz of South Hill visited his brother at Warsaw last week. Miss Fanton of Hallsport was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Buchholz during his absence.

Mrs. Joe White and son, Edwin of Lawrence Pa., spent a couple of days last week with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Sherd Austin.

Mrs. A. C. Frisbey was pleasantly surprised last Thursday April 19th when a number of her friends gathered to help her celebrate her 90th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wentworth have been in Canistota this week, called there by the illness and death of his mother, Mrs. A. R. Wentworth, who died Saturday, April 21st.

John W. Deming has returned from Raleigh, N. C., where he has been passing the winter with Prof. and Mrs. Leon Cook.

Mrs. Michael Dougherty and Mrs. G. M. Lynch of Hornell, left Sunday for Hackensack, N. J., to attend the wedding of their niece, Miss Ruth Elmer Lynch to Dr. Vincent P. Butler of Jersey City.

Miss Emma Moran was called to Pittsburgh Pa., Thursday by the illness of her aunt, Miss Mary O'Donnell.

P. J. Dougherty and daughter, Margaret, returned home Wednesday from Wilkes Barre, Pa., where they were called by the death of a relative, James Caffery.

Mrs. Leo Snyder has been visiting friends in Buffalo this week. Miss Rebellen Casey returned to Buffalo, Tuesday, after passing a week guest of her mother, Mrs. Ellen Casey.

Mrs. Harold Griswald and son, Jimmie of Hornell, spent Tuesday and Wednesday with her brother, Mrs. P. J. Dougherty on Chestnut Street.

Mrs. Carrie Loughlen is passing a week with her daughter, Mrs. E. A. Guttinger of Hornell.

Mrs. John Jones and sister, Mrs. William Fadden were guests of friends in Hornell Friday. Mrs. Fadden left for her home in Buffalo that evening.

30 YEARS AGO

April 29, 1938

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Patrick Bates, 74, died at his home in Hartsville Monday, April 25. Three brothers and a sister survive. Interment was in St. John's Cemetery.

Gerald Haas was elected President of the newly organized Andover Rod & Gun Club at their meeting Friday night. Other officers are: A. L. Bloss, Vice President; R. E. Shaft, Secretary; George Sackett, Treasurer; Robert Common, Director three years; John Lever, Director two years; and C. C. Backus, Director one year.

A fine representation of members of the Andover Fire Department and their wives gathered at the Childs' Restaurant last Thursday evening for a get-together dinner held for the purpose of organizing a ladies Auxiliary to the local department.

Mrs. Charles Clarke and Miss Lucille Clarke of Independence, were visiting Miss Florence Frantier at Little Valley from Wednesday until Friday.

S. W. Clarke of Independence is attending a Dairymen's League meeting in New York City this week.

Miss Orpha Green of Andover has been spending a few days at the home of her sister, Mrs. Wilmer Atwell of Elm Valley.

Kenneth Vars of the Bowman Technical School at Lancaster, Pa., is passing a two weeks vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Vars.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wenz returned Monday from passing the winter at St. Cloud, Florida. They will spend some time at their home on Center Street.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Higby spent Saturday and Sunday in Perry with her mother, Mrs. H. E. Burgett.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Wetzel and son, Charles of Port Leyden visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Chase from Wednesday until Friday.

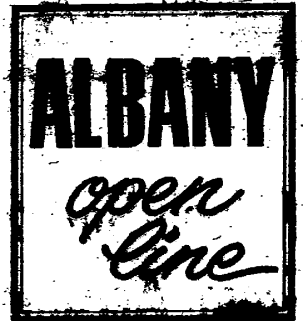
Mrs. William Pease passed the week-end in Hornell with her sister, Mrs. William Nelson. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Updyke and William Pease motored up Sunday for dinner.

Miss Nancy Jane Tucker returned to her home in Rochester Sunday after spending the week at the home of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Baker.

Miss Florence Mulholland of Buffalo spent the week-end at the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. James Mulholland.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Burgett of Newark, N. J., were overnight guests of his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Higby Tuesday and also guests at the home of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Burgett.

Miss Irene Marie Lynch returned Sunday from Buffalo where she had been visiting relatives this past week.



By Alex Rankin

Rockefeller time Gov. Rockefeller should have done to the night of the Albany Development Corporation, if he hadn't done it.

The governor is the step closer to finding out just how wide the governor's crack is open and turned it down the power structure of local governments around the state — from the biggest city to the smallest village.

The corporation is the governor's method of eliminating slums and rebuilding cities.

The governor admitted he stole the idea from State Sen. H. Douglas Bauslag, Pulaaki Republican, who in turn got it while serving as chairman of the Joint Legislative Committee on Housing and Urban Development.

Recently the governor rammed his corporation — twisted may be the better word — through the Legislature.

When the Assembly refused to buy it and voted it down, Rockefeller called the right people. Three hours later the Assembly met, ignored the first vote and approved the program.

Rockefeller admitted the next day he had twisted a few more. The governor said he asked Assemblymen to renege their votes "as a personal favor to me, although it might not be in the best interests of their constituents — frankly, that's the logic I put it on."

There are two new ideas in the corporation plan:

1. It allows private industry to use public money and credit, and 2. It allows the nine-member corporation to override local objections to specific projects. This is the crack in the local government power structure and it is an important one.

And all the screams and cries about home rule which will be heard are a little misleading in that they don't tell the whole story.

Local political campaign rhetoric has already begun to harp on the idea that the corporation is another example of the state telling local governments what to do. But there is more to it.

In most local governments the real source of power in the community is the ability to say who builds what, where.

It is the ability to decide that this firm, and not that one, will build a certain kind of building — say middle-income housing as opposed to low-income housing, on a certain site — one in the middle of a city as opposed to out in some village.

Power structures are built around this ability.

Politicians who can influence local zoning boards are men to be reckoned with.

This is not to say such power is always evil.

One recalls the zoning boards in one central New York county which used this power to make real estate developers set aside so much of every tract for parks and recreation.

The press release from the real estate developer always said the park land was a "gift" to the town or village.

Now a new layer has been added to this structure — the Urban Development Corporation. In theory it could upset many arrangements.

But in practice it will be tested first by the calibre of men whom Rockefeller appoints to serve it. Then it will be tested by the kind of decisions these men make.

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