

## Value of Doctor in Health of Public

Family Doctor has Unique Place in Health Betterment.

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In the care of the sick, besides the physician, there are engaged, practical and trained nurses, druggists, cooks, dietitians, orderlies, ambulance drivers, hospital record clerks, x-ray and lab-

oratory technicians, anaesthetists, physical therapy technicians and thousands of social workers. Each of these are specialists in their respective duties. The physician is, of the entire lot, the only one who understands the whole problem of the care of the sick. He is the master mind. He is probably the most highly trained man in our civilization. It is only after a high school education, 6 years in a medical school, one or two years as an intern in hospital and from three to five years in further post-graduate work that he is qualified for a specialty. The cost of his education, including lost earnings, may reach the sum of \$15 to \$20,000.

By training and by experience, he is the only one in the group who is presumed to know the nature of the patient's illness, the tests necessary to be made for making diagnosis, the various types of treatment required and the chances of the patient's recovery under the treatment administered. It is only the physician who is concerned with all the aspects of the care of the sick. All the others are concerned with some single aspect of the case. Who then but the physician is entitled to have the final say as to what is to be done for the patient and how it is to be done?

In these days we hear people talk glibly of state medicine with but the faintest notion of what state medicine is, or how it can be carried out. If state medicine means that doctors are to become civil servants, to be hired and fired at the whim of politicians, then we rise to remark that it won't work. If it means that the medical practice of the future is to get governed and managed by commercial concerns, like a great factory, we say again that it won't work.

Successful medical practice demands intimate confidence between doctor and patient. No bureaucracy, no committee and no organization, the members of which do not see and examine the patient, can hope to succeed as the family doctor succeeds. In every plan

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of medical practice the doctor, to show the largest measure of success, must be a free agent. No outsider can be allowed to dictate the medical procedure, nor the remedies or other measures designed for cure. The doctor must remain the master in the house of medicine.

There is a further consideration. The prevention of disease has made such extraordinary advances even within the last 25 years, that no system of so-called state medicine or health insurance, which is a different thing altogether, can be economically successful unless attention is given to preventive measures against disease. Prevention is verily the basis of the entire medical problem. We can prevent tuberculosis, smallpox, diphtheria, scarlet fever, measles and typhoid fever, to name but a small minority of diseases. Future medicine, we predict, will be concerned more with prevention than with cure. In this field again, the doctor is the master mind.

The grand total from the gold mines (gold and silver) in September was valued at \$8,412,863 as against \$8,829,381 in August and \$8,894,877 in July, which was the record month to date.

As compared with the totals for the first nine months of 1937, the output for this year which was the highest yet attained, showed an increase of 12.4 per cent. or \$8,060,539.

Monthly Output of Ontario Gold Mines 1937-38

Porcupine Belt

	1937 Value	1938 Value
Jan. to June	\$19,163,261	\$21,105,523
July	3,340,497	4,174,770
August	3,335,350	3,933,146
September	3,242,081	3,668,990

Ontario Gold Output Increased This Year

September, However a Little Down from the Previous Month.

Ontario producing gold mines by fields for the month of September follow:

Porcupine (14) Buffalo-Ankerite. Conlaurum, Delnile, Dome, Hallnor, Hollinger, Hollinger (Ross), Mace, McIntyre, Moneta, Naybob, Pamour, Paymaster, Porcupine Lake.

Kirkland Lake (10) Bigdood, Golden Gate, Kirkland Lake, Gold, Lake Shore, Macassa, Morris-Kirkland, Sylvanite, Teck-Hughes, Teburn, Wright-Hargreaves.

Larder Lake (3) Kerr-Addison, Onega, Raven River.

Mataschewan (2) Matchewan Consolidated, Young-Davidson.

Sudbury and Timagami (2) Lebel Oro, New Golden Rose.

Algoma District (3) Algoma Summit, Cline Lake, Minto.

Thunder Bay District (10) Bankfield, Hard Rock, Leitch, Little Long Lac, MacLeod-Cockshutt, Northern Empire, Sand River, Sturgeon River, St. Anthony, Tombill.

Patricia Portion (8) Central Patricia, Gold Eagle, Howey, J. M. Consolidated, Madsen, McKenzie Red Lake, Pickle Crow, Sachigo.

Kenora and Rainy River District (1) Wendigo.

Due to the short month of 30 days

Chatham News: Future invasion of Czechoslovakia will be only a remote possibility. There won't be enough left to invade.

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## Property Damage Heavy In Series Of Accidents

Arthur Stewart, 219 Cedar Street North, Has Two Ribs Fractured Monday Night When Knocked Down and Run Over. Four Crashes on Monday and One Tuesday Night

Seven cars were damaged and one man was injured in accidents investigated by Timmins police since Monday.

Monday morning at 9:40 a truck owned by United Movers and driven by Pete Auger, demolished a telephone pole on Third avenue near the northeast corner of Cedar street. In parking to make a delivery, the driver failed to notice that the rack of the truck was protruding over the sidewalk. Damage to the pole was estimated at \$25.

Two cars, one parked on Third avenue in front of Eaton's and driven by Mary Leng, McIntyre Property, and another proceeding in an easterly direction, driven by Teddy Bernstein, 141 Ossington avenue, Toronto, figured in a collision at 7:25 p.m. Neither vehicle was extensively damaged.

At eight o'clock the same evening a Canadian National Express truck driven by E. J. Prevost and a car driven by Oscar Brazeau, 99 Commercial avenue, collided at the intersection of Birch street and Third avenue. The left side of the truck and the front of the car were badly damaged.

Knocked down by one car and run over by a second at the corner of Mountjoy street and Third avenue Monday night at 9:35, Arthur Stewart, 219 Cedar street north, is confined to hospital here with two fractured ribs and a badly bruised knee. The cars, both of which were making left turns on the intersection, were driven by Lionel Major, 5 Hollinger Lane and Everett Rhude, 103 Maple street north. Stewart is said to have been standing near a silent policeman at the middle of the intersection when he was struck.

In a collision Tuesday night at 11:35 at the intersection of the Hollinger parking lot and Schumacher Highway between cars driven by Milton Hornby,



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