

SAYS CITIES LEAD COUNTRY IN HEALTH

Medical Association Leader Explodes Ancient Theory that Farmers are Healthier than City Cousins

By H. K. Reynolds

Washington. — Don't send your children to the country if you want them to be healthy—cities now produce the most virile men.

Thus does Dr. Hubert Work, First Assistant Postmaster-General and newly elected president of the American Medical Association, explode the old fashioned theory that the greater chance for health prevails among the green fields, the waving corn fields and the wooded hills of the rural districts than on the asphalt pavements and crushed rock playgrounds of the big city.

It is not that the strenuous and sometimes endless tasks of life on the farm are not just as healthful as they ever were, but, says Dr. Work:

Improved Living Conditions

"The city affords more sanitary living conditions than the country," and he pointed out that there are three distinct reasons why city boys have a better chance for health than the country boy:

"In the first place, the living conditions are more sanitary, medical attention is more prompt, and there are greater medical facilities. These are the three reasons."

Asked if the dirt and noise of the average American city afforded greater opportunities for health than the rural community, with its fresh air, good food and other advantages, Dr. Work said:

"Statistics show that there is a greater proportion of healthy boys among the city groups than the country ones."

"There are more doctors in proportion to population in the city than in a farm community. There are 140,000 doctors in the United States, and over half of them are city physicians. This means that it is harder to get a doctor in the country. The farms are usually extensive, and the doctor must lose much time in getting about."

Hospitalization Factor

"In the city there is a doctor convenient in almost every neighborhood, and the sick child may receive attention without delay. The doctor's proximity enables him to keep the child under close observation. The country doctor may be just as efficient and scientific; his education is no doubt practically the same, but he lacks the facilities of the city physician."

"That leads me to the third reason the city boy is healthier. There are greater hospital facilities here. And the children receive medical attention even in the public schools. Their mouths are clean. The attention given their teeth by the dentists of the school authorities is admirable. It must be realized that there is no more important item of good health than a clean set of teeth to masticate the food."

"Hospitalization is another matter that cannot be overestimated. Many doctors have learned there is no better place to work and are prompt in advising patients to avail themselves of their facilities. But here again the country book lacks."

Dr. Work believes that much of the movement from the country to the city can be attributed to mothers who realize that their children will be healthier in an urban community.

NEW LAWS ENACTED BY ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE

Summary of new laws enacted by Fifty-Second General Assembly. Prepared by Rep. Howard P. Castle, Seventh District.

LAND REGISTRATION (Torrens Act)

Certificates of tax sale shall be presented and registered within six months (now three).

Amends Act by providing that no fee shall be paid for the filing of any assent to registration. Reduces registrar's initial registration fee from \$15.00 to \$5.00 where value of property does not exceed \$1500.00. Relieves municipalities from payment of fees for filing certificates of tax sale or tax deeds. Increases registrar's fee for granting certificate from \$2.00 to \$3.00, for cancellation of each memorial, including filing of any instrument connected therewith, from \$1.00 to \$2.00, and for each certificate showing condition of register from \$1.00 to \$2.00, and add provisions for certified copies at 15c per hundred words and 50c for registrar's certificate, and fee for filing plats of 15c for each parcel or lot contained therein, 50c for certificate at time of filing and \$3.00 for cancellation of

old certificate and issuance new certificate of title.

Provides for filing in registrar's office, instead of recorder's office, of plats of property, if property theretofore registered under the Torrens Act.

Registrar required to enter upon proper records all unpaid general taxes of year immediately preceding for which no sale has been had, unpaid general taxes held in abeyance, unredeemed forfeitures for general taxes for preceding year, unpaid special assessments for which sale has not been had and unredeemed forfeitures for special assessments.

Chief Examiner of Titles given authority to pass upon and certify to signatures to abstracts of title, such abstracts when so certified to be received as prima facie evidence of what abstract purports to show.

LANDLORD AND TENANT

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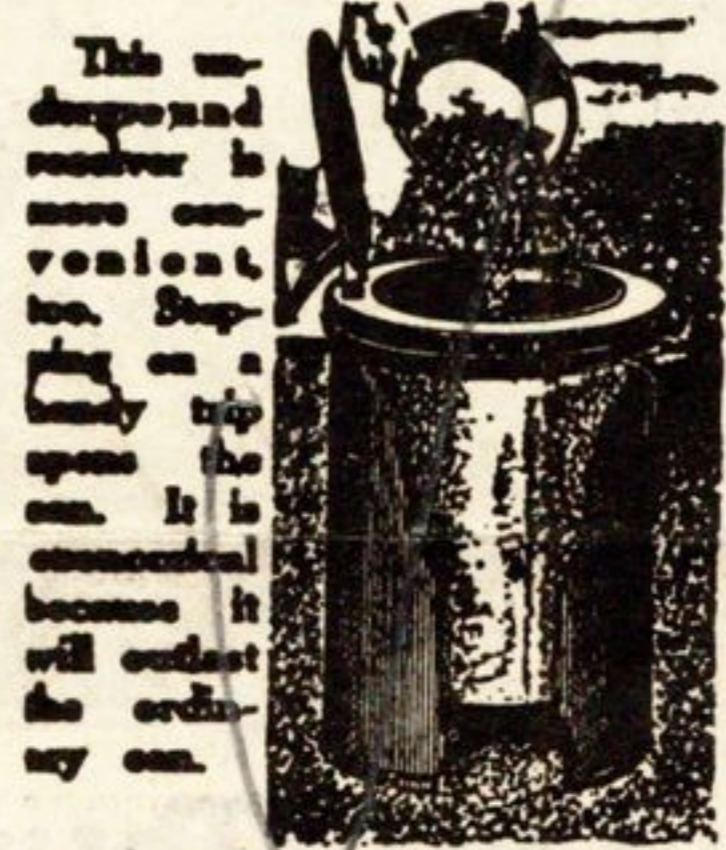
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