

Slender Figures May Bring Penalty of Tuberculosis

Declaring that modern young women are paying for slender forms and mid-night recreation with excessive mortality rates from tuberculosis, Dr. Isaac D. Rawlings, state health director, points out in statistics released this week that deaths from the great white plague in Illinois are 42 per cent greater among girls and young women between 10 and 35 years old than among the male sex of the same age group. Mortality from consumption has declined almost phenomenally among all other age and sex groups except in these females where the fatality count stood at 1,402 in the state last year against 983 among the corresponding male group.

"Tuberculosis is one of the most sensitive indexes to errors in living habits," said Dr. Rawlings, "and the fact that it is so much more prevalent and fatal among young women is distinctly significant. We know that few things are more apt to bring on pulmonary tuberculosis than too little food and not enough sunshine and especially when these two deficiencies are coupled with excessive fatigue.

"Infatuated with the slender form fad young women deny themselves enough food. They participate now as never before in evening social activities that frequently keep them up until late hours at night. They often burden themselves with housekeeping that comes in addition to a job elsewhere. On top of it all they are more subject to fatigue than the male.

"Loss of sleep is probably the most common cause of malnutrition, and this in turn leads straight to tuberculosis when fatigue and lack of sunshine are added to the program of life.

"Nothing reduces weight in the average person quite so quickly as loss of sleep and a short diet and nothing favors tuberculosis more. This is particularly true in young people who have not become inured to the threats of that infection.

"Tuberculosis among young women appears to be positively on the increase. Last year mortality was 42 per cent greater among them than among their brothers under age 35 but the death rate was higher among males in the older ages. These facts point toward bad hygienic habits and these appear to be chiefly too little sleep, too little food and over-fatigue."

PLAN PROGRESSIVE DINNER

A number of young people are giving a progressive dinner party on New Year's eve. Those present will be the Misses Elinor Popper, Marjorie Friedman, Madaline Kahn, Caryl Salinger, Lucille Blumenstock, Theo Hirsch, and Clarence Weil, Henry Hart, Richard Younker, Burton Asheim, Earnest Solomon, Robert Basch, David Wanger, and Joseph Shoenthal.

Misses Helen Aldrich of 394 Chestnut avenue and Virginia Lansing of 315 Ridge avenue, both of whom are attending Ferry hall in Lake Forest this year, have returned home for the holidays.

Dorothy Olson Plans to Have Afternoon Wedding

A simple, afternoon wedding is to take place in Kenilworth Wednesday, December 28, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Olson of 736 Roger avenue, when their daughter, Miss Dorothy Marguerite, becomes the bride of Rollin S. Thompson of La Grange, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Thompson of Amboy, Ill. The Rev. Leland Hobart Danforth will read the service at 4 o'clock. After the wedding supper, which will be served at the close of the ceremony, Mr. Thompson and his bride will leave on a honeymoon trip to St. Augustine, Fla. Upon their return they will live in La Grange.

Mr. Thompson and Miss Olson will have only two attendants, Mrs. Omar Dahm of Kenilworth and Leonard Harried of Highland Park. Miss Olson and her matron of honor have been friends since childhood and have gone through grammar school, high school and college together. They graduated from Northwestern university in the class of 1923. The bride-elect is a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority, and her fiance of Acacia fraternity. Mr. Thompson, too, was graduated from Northwestern in the class of 1923.

Mrs. Dahm entertained sixteen guests at a dinner and miscellaneous shower at her home in Kenilworth Saturday evening, December 17.

Superintendent Clerk Addresses Civic Group

Frederick E. Clerk, superintendent of New Trier High school, addressed the Wilmette Civic club on the "Growth of New Trier High school" at the regular monthly luncheon meeting held at the University club, Chicago, last week. Mr. Clerk's talk was in line with the discussions of the club of various civic problems of interest to Wilmette.

Mr. and Mrs. William Marshall Branch have returned from their wedding trip to French Lick Springs, Ind. Mrs. Branch before her marriage in December was Miss Jeannette Cherry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Cherry of Kenilworth. Mr. and Mrs. Branch will remain with Mrs. Branch's parents until after the holidays, when they will occupy their own apartment in Evanston.

Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Alexander of 543 Sheridan road, Evanston, announce the birth of a daughter, Carolyn, on December 8, at the Evanston hospital. The baby is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Alexander of 1275 Scott avenue.

Miss Helen Walcott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester H. Walcott, will give a small dinner party at the Walcott's

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