

SEA SIDE SANATORIUM HEAD SPEAKER AT ROTARY MEETING

The attendance at the Rotary club meeting Wednesday noon at the Wauregan house dining room was 100 per cent. A banner record for a club having the membership of the Norwich Rotary club. President William G. Park presided and Eben Learned was song leader. The meeting took the form of a Christmas justification and Santa Claus (Joseph C. Worth) and E. LaRue Bliven, his assistant, brought each of the members a Christmas gift. At the close of the meeting every member donated his gift to the Seaside sanatorium at Crescent Beach. Greetings from the Seaside, Pa. Rotary club were read by Secretary J. Nelson Weymouth, following which a trio composed of Jack Holloran of Boston, Henry Vignot and William E. Jackson of the New London club favored with a selection. As a special entertainment, the club musicians, LaRue Bliven, Lou Wheeler and Al Bliven, gave flute numbers.

Rotarian Herbert M. Lerou, president of the Norwich Chamber of Commerce, spoke about the proposed waterway to Norwich and said that a 15-foot channel was wanted. The state senators and congressmen are back of the project, he said, but it will need pushing by everyone in Norwich to put the matter through. Major Peterson is now looking into the matter. Every merchant and manufacturer should be ready to supply necessary information if the channel is to be brought through to Norwich.

Governor By invited all members interested in trapezoidal to the Seaside at the Norwich Golf club on Saturday of this week. A club attendance contest is to be started on Jan. 1st. Two teams being picked, members whose last names begin with letters from A to L are captained by Al Bliven, a 100 per cent member, and those from M to Z are captained by Alex McNool, another 100 per cent attendance member. Rivalry will run keen. The meeting was then turned over to Dr. Hugh B. Campbell, who spoke briefly on Health work at the Seaside. The speaker of the day Dr. John T. O'Brien, superintendent of the Seaside sanatorium at Crescent Beach. Dr. O'Brien had two of the patients at the sanatorium with him, Julius and Tessie, both pictures of health. The children were clothed only in the lightest of trunks and were tanned to a healthy brown. The fact that the temperature stood at about 50 degrees above zero did not worry these tots, who walked about, more comfortable than some of the members who had heavy overcoats to protect them.

Dr. O'Brien spoke as follows: I am very much pleased at this opportunity of talking to the Rotary club of Norwich about our work at The Seaside.

The Seaside, as most of you know, is maintained and controlled by the state of Connecticut. It is situated in the town of East Lyme, not far from the village of Niantic, and fronted by a beautiful stretch of sandy beach. The building for the Seaside, an old summer hotel which has been remodelled and adapted for use as a sanatorium. We have 58 beds which are filled continually and in addition to that we have a waiting list.

This institution is under the jurisdiction of the state tuberculosis commission just as is your most excellent sanatorium here in Norwich and similar institutions in Hartford, Meriden and Shelton. This commission is to be particularly commended for its work in establishing The Seaside. It was done in the face of many difficulties and obstacles. The appropriation asked for was \$125,000. This was cut by the legislature to \$125,000.

The proposition was bitterly opposed by the summer residents and the people of the town of East Lyme. The commission, however, had felt that they had found an ideal location and persisted in their efforts. The project has now been vindicated and the people who most bitterly opposed the project are now our best friends. The children of the Seaside have good cause to be grateful for the perseverance of these three splendid men, Dr. Stephen Maher of New Haven, Wallace S. Allen, one of your own townsmen, and Arthur Kimball of Waterford.

Our patients, unlike the patients in the other tubercular sanatoria, are not suffering with disease of the lungs but are afflicted with tuberculosis of some other part of the body. Our treatment embraces the usual hygienic methods prevailing in the sanatoria dealing with pulmonary cases and, in addition, another method of treatment upon which we place our chief reliance for the cure. This treatment is known as heliotherapy and in every day language means the use of sunlight for the cure of disease. This method of treatment is not new.

ment of motion and apparently cured. Not all our cases however, are so fortunate; in many of them the disease is already far advanced on admission and many important structures have been destroyed. In most of those cases a cure can eventually be brought about, but usually with impairment of function which may leave the child crippled for the remainder of its days.

Our statistics show that up to the present time something over 50 per cent have been discharged as cured. This percentage would be very much higher if we could exclude cases who stayed only a short length of time and left the institution against our advice. I would like to go on record right here as feeling that if not a single cure was effected in our institution it would still be justified from a humane standpoint.

I am sure, too, that you would all agree with me if you could live as I have in a New York hospital and listen to the cries of those children at night suffering from tubercular bone disease and see their pale, puny faces during the day and then come to The Seaside. Almost never do we hear a sound during the night. Our children are all brown as berries and happy and contented.

I have told you about the importance of an early diagnosis and I have also told you that we have a waiting list at our institution. Under present conditions it is often necessary for a patient to wait six or eight months after application has been made before the patient can be admitted. I know of at least one case where life might have been saved, but who died while waiting for a vacancy.

The state tuberculosis commission is going before the next legislature to ask for more money to build a bigger hospital building and to acquire more land so that those children will be safe from the danger of fire and will have room to run and play.

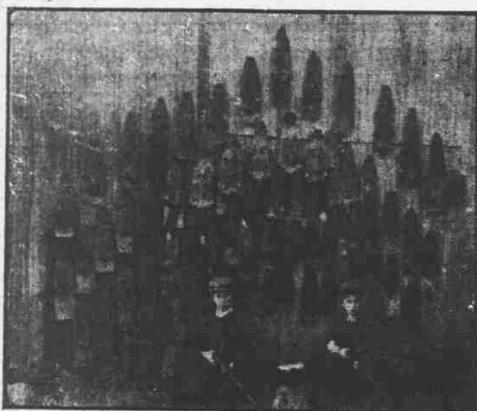
Before closing, I would like to introduce our two little patients whom you have invited here today as your guests. The conclusion of Dr. O'Brien's instructive talk answered numerous questions and was given a ringing vote of thanks. Seated at the center table were Miss Neira K. Rippen, the head nurse of the Sea Side and two of the little patients as guests of the club.

Mr. Wheeler on the stand testified that he owned three-quarters interest in the corporation and the defendant owned one-quarter and that he sold some interest to the defendant. The plaintiff states that Barnes told him that he was to discontinue the corporation and conduct the business individually. Subsequently he delivered the milk payment for which he is due.

Mr. Wheeler was on the stand most of the morning and he was followed by Mrs. Carrie M. Wheeler, his wife, who gave testimony regarding a conversation she had had with her husband and Mr. Barnes in which the latter said that he was going to remove the business of the Mystic Valley Creamery Co. individually and agreeing to buy milk from Mr. Wheeler at eight cents a quart.

Darling-Heid Engagement. Announcement has been made of the engagement of Mrs. Adam Heid, formerly of this city, to Fred Darling, of Minneapolis. The marriage is to take place in the early spring. Mr. Darling, who is a widower, is a prominent banker of Minneapolis, and an influential citizen in that city. The couple are to make their home in Minneapolis.

Turtles are fond of tomatoes. Boys' Farm Wagons A Christmas Present For the Boy. T. H. Eldredge 85 Water Street



GEORGE MEYER AND CARL KRAUSS WITH FELTS OF 54 MUSKRATS AND NINE SKUNKS THEY CAPTURED SINCE EARLY NOVEMBER.

CAUGHT 54 MUSKRATS AND NINE SKUNKS

Since the early part of November George W. Meyer and Carl Krauss of Lisbon have caught fifty-four muskrats and nine skunks in traps set in small streams, ponds, swamps and rivers in the neighborhood of Lisbon. These traps were visited every day, rain or shine, by the young hunters and were rebaited as needed. The rats that were caught were immediately skinned, stretched and cured.

The first day of trapping found all of the traps set for muskrats. Some of them were set with apple and in run ways and others were set in holes. They were out at daybreak, picking up the rats and resetting the traps. That morning they caught six muskrats and every one of them were big fellows. At the end of the first week twenty-one muskrats were caught.

A few skunk traps were set on the first day of the second week in dens and traps were placed in trails leading from the holes of the skunks. No skunks were caught the first day, but four more muskrats were captured. The next day the skunk traps were looked at and a big skunk was seen pulling the trap away from the hole in hopes of loosening his foot. The skunk was killed and skinned on the spot and the bait was used for a fox set. A No. 2 trap was used. This set has not caught anything, but the boys are positive it will catch something before the end of the season.

On the next day the muskrat traps were set in different locations where there were good rat signs. In one place in particular twenty rats were caught and only six traps were used.

Six rats were caught again the next day and two skunks. One of the muskrats, getting out of the trap just as the boys arrived.

At the end of the first two weeks the boys had caught 40 muskrats and the nine skunks.

In the following two weeks the boys did not do very much trapping, only now and then getting a muskrat or two.

The following are a few successful methods used in trapping the pelts one sees in the picture, as described by the boys.

In trapping muskrats, the preferable way is to locate their dens, as many as 10 and 12 being found in a single den. Once found, the den should not be destroyed, as that removes it as a source of revenue from future occupancy. The skunks should either be trapped or smoked out, when they can be clubbed or shot.

In setting a trap trail in a hole leading away from the den, several baited traps should be set, and some of some kind will be found a valuable aid in catching the skunk or skunks or any other animal that may happen to pass by. In fact, a good, strong concentrated scent easy to carry and use, will always justify itself. This may be home made or may be bought from any large fur company.

Besides the neighborhood of dens, other good places for sets are between two roots of a tree, under stumps, or inside hollow logs.

While the intelligence of a skunk does not demand particular care in setting, it is always wise to observe due precautions as often a fox or other valuable fur bearer may be caught.

In trapping muskrats, the first thing to be done is to look along small streams, ponds and marshes for signs. His home in the swamps and ponds is made of grass, rushes and mud, with the entrance below the water. Inside of the set of the grass is an ideal place for a trap. From six to ten muskrats may inhabit one of these houses, whereas there is one from the cold and outside weather they huddle and warm through the log winter months, only diving down through their hidden entrance to secure

THE ROOTS OF THE LILIES AND FLAGS ON WHICH THEY LIVE

When living on a stream the muskrat does not build a house, but from beneath the water tunnels up into the bank to hollow out a home.

Although he comes out during the day, he chiefly is a nocturnal animal. His favorite food is grass, if available. He may be trapped in late fall, winter and spring, his fur is not prime until late in the winter. Remember that skins caught early or too late bring you in little, where if left they would be valuable.

A good way to catch muskrats along the brooks is to look along the brook for decayed logs or fresh cut logs and slide them out to the edge of the brook. Take a fair sized rock and tie the cord or wire to one end of the rock and the other end to the log. If the log is larger at one end than the other tie the cord to the smaller end. Carry your log out into the center of the stream and let the rock settle to the bottom.

At the larger end of the log chop cuttings for traps to fit and plaster the cuttings with mud so fresh marks will not show. Nail ends of chain under the log. Now place your traps on the log and camouflage with mud, grass and old leaves. A little apple or carrot scattered about the trap and water sprinkled over the log to wash off the scent completes the set. Rats climbing up to explore the raft will soon be caught. Diving to escape, the rat will be pulled below the water and drowned.

STORRS COLLEGE TO ASK MILLION DOLLARS A progressive program of expansion involving an expenditure of approximately \$1,000,000 within the next ten years will be laid before the legislature by the Connecticut Agricultural College.

An initial appropriation of \$260,000 for boys' dormitories and classrooms will be asked in the session which convenes next month, as the initial step in the plan.

At the same time, the state board of education will request an additional appropriation of \$300,000 for the new state normal school plant at New Britain, to finance the construction of a dormitory, and an appropriation of \$300,000 for a dormitory for the state normal school at Danbury.

As the administration building and power plant of the normal school at New Britain are now under construction, the building of the dormitory would complete the plan for that institution. The granting of the requested appropriation of a half million dollars by the coming session would make the total cost of the New Britain school to the state, \$1,250,000, or a quarter million, dollars less than the original estimate.

The Connecticut Agricultural College project is the biggest in sight, with the possible exception of the Connecticut School for Boys at Meriden, as the session approaches, as far as existing institutions are concerned. Both of these institutions made requests two years ago for large building appropriations, but the Meriden school withdrew its request when it saw the condition of the state's finances at that time. The agricultural college requests were heavily cut and no new construction of a major character was allowed.

At the special session of the legislature held before the election of 1920, a bill was passed appropriating \$235,000 for the erection of a women's building to be used as a dormitory and for instruction in home economics.

Details of the building program to be laid before the coming session by the college authorities, aside from those for the first year, are lacking, but were presented to the legislature at an early date.

Christmas Baskets For Poor. The welfare department of the U. S. Submarine Base will on Saturday send out 45 Christmas baskets to the poor of New London and vicinity. This is following the annual custom of the department to provide for the needy on the holiday.

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