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TUBERCULOSIS "REMEDIES" THAT ARE WORTHLESS

No Real Cure Possible From Any of the Patent Preparations Investigated by Government Scientist.

Washington, D. C., April 21.—After investigating under the Food and Drugs Act, a large number of preparations advertised as consumption cures, the Department of Agriculture has not been able to discover any that can in any sense be regarded as "cures" for tuberculosis. Some contain drugs that may at times afford some temporary relief, from the distressing symptoms of the disease, but this is all. Since the passage of federal legislation prohibiting the shipment in interstate commerce of medicinal preparations for which false and fraudulent claims are made, there has been a marked tendency to label these preparations "remedies" instead of "cures" or "infallible cures" as they used to be called. In many cases, however, they can not even be regarded as remedies.

A "cherry balsam," for example, for the "cure" of "consumption" and "hemorrhage of the lungs," which it was represented would "strike at the very root of the disease" was found on analysis to be nothing but a solution in water and alcohol of opium, sugar, benzaldehyde, inorganic salts and coloring matter. It contained no cherry bark extract or balsam.

A more elaborate "cure" consisted of five different preparations which the credulous patient was to take separately. These were first, the medicine proper, the essential ingredients of which were found to be morphine, cinchonic acid and arsenic—not a very safe mixture to take habitually; second, a tonic which was supposed to contain iron but did not; third, a "cough mixture" made up of alcohol, chloroform, and codeine which is a derivative of opium or morphine; fourth, a mixture which contained some quinine, and a solution of water and alcohol; and fifth, codeine tablets. Even the strongest constitution could hardly stand a prolonged course of such a treatment.

In the marketing of such preparations considerable ingenuity is frequently shown. One of the main objects is to persuade the patient that he is receiving, at a comparatively low price, the individual attention of a trained specialist. For this purpose, symptom blanks are employed. These contain a number of questions about the patient's symptoms, the number varying from a dozen or so to as many as 70 or 80. The patient is led to believe that the information which he furnishes in reply to these questions, will be carefully considered before any medicine is prescribed for him, though every physician knows that an accurate diagnosis cannot possibly be made in this way. As a matter of fact none is attempted and the degree of attention which these individual reports receive can be measured by the fact that cases have come under the observation of the department in which mail order concerns doing a business of this kind have received as many as 4,000 letters a day.

After the patient has submitted his "diagnosis report" he is urged to purchase a supply of the medicine. If he does so, he is then urged to purchase more. If he states that he has experienced no beneficial effects he is told that he has not taken enough, and this process is likely to continue until the limits of his credulity have been reached. If, on the other hand, he decides at the beginning not to purchase the medicine it is likely to be offered to him at successively lower prices until he is at last induced to believe that he cannot afford to ignore such a bargain. This is carried to such an extent that a "treatment", the original price of which is \$25, may be offered at the end of six months at \$2.50.

As a matter of fact the successful treatment of tuberculosis requires much more than the mere giving of medicine and, moreover, what will help one case will not necessarily help another. Claims that are absolutely unwarranted are no longer permitted on the labels of medicines shipped in interstate commerce, but the wording may be such as to convey a misleading impression without the use of absolute statements. Thus these preparations continue to find a sale despite the fact that a little trouble on the part of the prospective purchaser will reveal their worthlessness.

"Paint brings dollars," says a farmer who tried to sell his old farm implements and failed. Afterwards he had them all painted just as they were when he got them from the dealer, and then he made the sale. He says every gallon of paint used on those implements brought him \$20.

COUNTY PIONEER MET FATAL ACCIDENT

Iver J. Grimstad Fatally Injured by a Disc He was Operating—His Head Frightfully Cut.

Iver J. Grimstad, one of the highly respected citizens of Newfolden met with an accident Tuesday forenoon, April 20, that resulted in death shortly after the horrible catastrophe. He was engaged in discing on his farm west of town and it was while at this work the accident happened, and as he was working alone, no one can tell how it happened, but the supposition is that he was driving the team attached to the disc and that the machine struck a rock, pitching Mr. Grimstad to the ground and directly in front of the disc which passed over him, frightfully cutting him, especially about his head.

Mr. Vigen who was at work in an adjoining field saw the team immediately after the accident and went to Mr. Grimstad's assistance. When he reached the injured man he was making an effort to rise, but fell backwards and became unconscious. Einar Johnson who worked near, called Dr. Johnson who did all that medical aid could do, but the injured man was beyond help, and died shortly after medical help came.

Iver J. Grimstad was born in Grimstad, near Bergen, Norway, on the 2nd day of April, 1852. In the year 1878 he was united in marriage to Miss Helena Holmaas. In 1882 the family came to this country, settling in the village of Warren. Here they lived for about a year after which they settled on a homestead in Marsh Grove township. Here they lived over twenty years and being among the very first settlers of that vicinity, they encountered many hardships so common to pioneers of those early days. In 1905, just as the railroad was coming thru to Newfolden, Mr. Grimstad moved there, and conducted a butcher shop until last year, when he again started farming on a small farm near town.

He was a strong adherent of the Seventh Day Adventists, and was faithful in telling the truths most dear to him, to others.

He is survived by his wife, two sons and four daughters. The children are E. L. Grimstad of Brainerd; Ida Grimstad, who just completed the nurses' course at Moline, Ill.; Mrs. R. W. Rosenquist, of Newfolden; Jacobine, Moses and Victoria Grimstad, who were at the D. N. Seminary, Hutchinson. Besides these, he leaves three grandchildren and three sisters who reside in Norway.

The children were all summoned home at once and were all present at the funeral, which took place Friday afternoon from the Mission church at Newfolden. All places of business were closed and a very large crowd was present.

Words of comfort were spoken by Rev. O. M. Akre of Detroit, Minn., from Rev. 14:12-13. Interment was made in the Bjorsness cemetery.

Old Settler Dead.

Mr. Truls T. Broten died at his home in Foldahl the 16th of April, 1915 after an illness of five weeks. He had been in poor health for many years and suffered a great deal at the last, but he bore his pains bravely as he believed in his Redeemer. Deceased was born in Norway in 1843, and came to this country in 1861. He was married in 1874 to Miss Annie Odegaard of Fillmore county, Minn. They came to Marshall County in 1899 where they have lived ever since. Nine children have been born to them, five have gone before and four are left to mourn the loss of a kind father, being three sons and one daughter whose names are George, Melvin, Alvin and Mrs. Ole Nelson. The pall bearers at the funeral were Otto Skovovd, Oscar Floberg, Ole Nelson, George, Melvin and Alvin Broten.

Rev. Kjolraug of Warren, officiated and the remains were buried in the Viking cemetery. Peace to the memory of a good old pioneer settler.

SEED CORN! LAST CALL!

You Had Better Hurry, if You Have Not Tested It.

If you picked it last fall, and have taken good care of it, it ought to be all right, but you had better be sure. If you are too busy to test every ear, take one hundred kernels from different parts of the bin, and test them in a wet cloth (an old towel will do).

If ninety-six per cent of these show good, strong germination, you may feel safe. If less than ninety-six, you had better test five kernels from each ear you plant.

Boxville Farmers' Club.

The Boxville Farmers' Club will meet next Tuesday, May 4, at the home of Mr. Malek.

WARREN PIONEER WOMAN DIES IN DENVER

In a letter to the Sheaf dated April 17, Frank Jerrue, of Los Angeles, Calif., states that he had just then received a telegram saying that his sister, Mrs. Gilbert, had died on that day in Denver, Colorado. No further particulars were given. Mrs. Gilbert was one of the well known early pioneer women of this city. She was very active in church and social work. Her husband, W. H. Gilbert, as all old settlers will remember, met with a very tragic death in the early eighties when on an exploring expedition to the then almost unknown part of the state, northeast from Warren to the Canadian boundary. In the middle of a severe winter, he and two other of the early settlers, namely Emmet W. Rossman and Geo. Morris, equipped with dogs and sleds to carry provisions, left for the Rainy Lake and Rainy River country. The snow was deep and they experienced great difficulty in making progress and besides they suffered a great deal from cold and hunger, game not being as easily obtained as they had figured. When nearing Red Lake, Mr. Gilbert was severely wounded by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of Mr. Rossman. With the assistance of some Indians the injured man was taken on a dog sled across Lake of the Woods to Rat Portage, a Canadian town on the north shore of the lake. Here he received medical attention but in spite of that, lockjaw set in and he died there. The remains of deceased and his two living companions arrived afterwards in Warren by rail via Winnipeg. The sad ending of the expedition cast a deep gloom over the community at that time. Mrs. Gilbert lived in Warren a number of years afterward but in late years she has lived in North Dakota. Now she also has passed to the other shore, thus closing the chapter of a very prominent Warren family of the early days.

HENNING FURST, OF VEGA, DIED TODAY

Henning Furst, of Vega, passed away today after a lingering illness from tuberculosis, aged 25 years and 3 months.

Deceased was born in Vega, Jan. 28, 1890, his parents being Mr. and Mrs. Axel Furst, pioneer settlers of the town. He is immediately mourned by wife and two children, who by his death in the prime of life are deprived of a kind and loving husband and father's care and protection. He is also mourned by his aged father, Axel Furst, now residing in Minneapolis, and by two sisters, Miss Mary Furst and Mrs. Paul Dagoberg, of Alvarado, also by many other relatives and a large circle of friends. The father came up from Minneapolis this morning and was taken to his son's bedside by Co. Supt. David Johnson, who by the way is a cousin of deceased, arriving there just about an hour before the final summons came. The funeral will be held next Friday afternoon with a short service at the house at one o'clock continued later at the Swedish Baptist church, in the cemetery of which interment will take place.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE COUNTRY

The stores of C. H. Johnson and Ole Kleppe and Co., at Newfolden, have sold out to Anderson Bros., of Pierceville, Canada. The new owners intend to combine the stocks of the two business places.

On Saturday, April 17, three thousand five hundred pounds of butter and the same number of pounds of eggs were shipped from the station at Argyle.

Dr. J. Biedermann, formerly of Argyle, will locate at Thief River Falls.

The Holt Commercial club has appointed a committee to go to St. Paul for the purpose of getting a state road east of Holt.

Middle River is having a large modern school building constructed. There is also considerable talk of consolidating some of the neighboring school districts with the schools of that village.

Work on State Roads to Begin May 1

Oswald Lind, county engineer, informs us that the contractors for the state roads in the county are getting their materials ready so as to commence work about the first of May. Mr. Lind also says it may be possible to have the work on the state road from Warren to the Pembina trail finished by July, if the weather conditions are such as to permit steady work by the contractors.

HAVE GOOD TIME AT STEPHEN Oddfellows and Rebekahs Celebrate Founding of the Order.

The Oddfellows and Rebekahs of Warren, Argyle, Stephen and Kennedy had a notable gathering at Stephen on Monday to celebrate the founding of the order. Large delegations from the lodges in these towns were present, not less than 37 from Warren being in attendance.

In the forenoon regular routine business was transacted, consisting largely in listening to reports from the secretaries of the various lodges. Dinner was furnished to the visitors at two of the hotels of the village thru the kindness and hospitality of the Stephen lodge. An interesting program was rendered in the afternoon, consisting of music, readings and addresses, many of the numbers being furnished by members of the Warren delegation. Evening entertainment at the movies had also been provided for those who could stay, but most of the Warren delegates returned home on the afternoon local. They say they cannot speak too highly of the royal welcome and entertainment given them at Stephen.

BUSINESS BETTER AT BEMIDJI

Rev. S. E. P. White, of Bemidji, supplied the pulpit in the Presbyterian church on Sunday last, owing to the illness of Rev. David Samson. Rev. White told the Sheaf that the business men of Bemidji are very well satisfied with their town being dry and would not at all favor going back to the conditions that existed when there were saloons. Business is very much better, as the laboring men do not now squander their money for booze, and a new spirit of thrift and enterprise seems to have taken hold of the community.

Ball Grounds Being Put in Shape.

Men are now at work on the ball grounds erecting a backstop, grandstand and a board fence. With these improvements Warren will be able to boast of having the most up-to-date ball park in the valley.

NORTH STAR COLLEGE NOTES

Mr. Hanson, one of the millers from Crookston, called on his relative Wm. F. Hanson at the college last Wednesday.

J. E. Strandquist of Strandquist, made a business call at Warren last Thursday. While in the city, he called on his daughter Dolpha who is attending at the college.

Arbor Day was celebrated at the college; but the rain on Friday afternoon spoiled the plans. However, trees were dug on Mr. Lundgren's lots north of the city; they were brought over to the college and kept until Saturday afternoon when they were planted by willing hands. Immediately after the trees were gotten into the ground, a heavy rain came, so that extra watering became unnecessary.

Randolph Cleveland of Viking, called on his friend Wm. Hanson last week.

Miss Esther Thompson sprained her ankle on Friday afternoon when she left school. The rain had made the sidewalks slippery, and in some way she injured her ankle.

Leonard Winberg is now employed at the North Star Drug Store. Between Shorthand, clerking and moving, he will not find much time to spare.

North Star College is on the State University accredited list. Graduates from the Academy who wish to enter the University may do so without taking entrance examinations.

Miss Abrahamson will attend a wedding at Crookston on Wednesday evening. She will act as bride's maid at the marriage of Rev. C. G. Zaar and Miss Anna Larson.

Did you get a copy of the North Star Signal? Look for the Commencement and the Luther League programs.

Miss Abrahamson was one of the judges at the bread baking contest at the High School last Tuesday.

The graduates are busy preparing their numbers for the Commencement programs.

Have you seen the Judge Holm Medal to be given to the best penman at North Star College? It is a beauty. For the benefit of distant friends we wish to say that the spring is exceptionally far advanced this year. The early grain fields are green; the pastures are almost ready for grazing; and the lawn mowers in the city at least will be busy by May first. The rains of Friday and Saturday will supply enough moisture for a number of weeks.

The graduating class has decided on the violet as class flower; violet and white as class colors; and class motto, To strive, to seek, to find and not to yield. Class invitations have also been chosen.

DRAG THE ROADS.

"When the smiles of spring appear,
Drag the roads;
When the summer time is here,
Drag the roads;
When the corn is in the ear,
In the winter cold and drear,
Every season of the year,
Drag the roads.

"When you've nothing else to do,
Drag the roads;
If but for an hour or two
Drag the roads;
It will keep them good as new;
With a purpose firm and true,
Fall in line; it's up to you—
Drag the roads."
—The Kansas Industrialist.

ANOTHER BIG DEAL IN CITY PROPERTY

Lewis Westman Buys the Kezar Block on the East Side.

Lewis Westman has this week bought the Kezar block on the east side, in which Westman's grocery and Colson's Bazaar have been conducted for some years. It seems that W. A. Knapp started the ball a rolling when he bought the Bank of Warren corner and the movement will not stop, perhaps, until all brick store buildings on that side of the street have changed hands. Mr. Westman secures a valuable business property at a low price. It was purchased from the heirs in the Riley E. Kezar estate.

THE TARALSETH DECLAMATORY CONTEST

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Taralseth give, each year, gold and silver medals to the high school students who win first and second honors in a declamatory contest. The contest comes this year Tuesday evening, May eleventh, at the Warren Opera House.

Come, and by your presence, encourage the contestants and show your appreciation of Mr. and Mrs. Taralseth's interest in the school.

The following is the program:
Orchestra.
How the La Rue Stakes were Lost, Selected, Earle Johnston.
The Death Disk, Mark Twain, Esther Erickson.

Vocal Solo, Miss Tullar.
The Inmate of the Dungeon, W. C. Morrow, Edward Staska.

The Battle of Bannockburn, Grace Agular, Sinclair McArthur.
Vocal Solo, Mr. H. B. Johnson.
What Christmas Brought to Little Jim, Selected, Helen Seigne.

Helene Thaura, E. Stuart Phelps, Rose Rosendahl.
Orchestra.
Decision of the Judges.
Admission 25 and 15 cents.

COUNTY OPTION PETITION.

Secretary Wood, of the County Option committee, states that 1490 names have been secured to the county option petition, with a number of lists still out. It is important that all lists be returned to the secretary not later than May 3, as the petition must then be filed with the auditor in order that the election may be called for June 14.

Contributions to County Option Fund.

From town of Foldahl:	
A. Bergstrom	\$1.00
P. Anderson	1.00
J. G. Johnson	1.00
Eric Olson	.25
A. Hogberg	.50
Hans O. Bjornerud	.25
William Wallin	.50
Anton Svean	.50
Alfred Willer	.25
S. Berg	.50
Geo. J. Boe	.50
Alfred Hagstrom	.50
Levi G. Johnson	.50
Jakob P. Janson	.50
Christ Anderson	.50
J. Johanson	.50
Ole Durshuan	.50
F. O. Becker	.50
Oscar E. Olson	.50
John Olson	.50
Frank Johnson	.50
J. A. Floberg	.50
Lars Larson	.50
S. E. Sloan	.50
J. Andeen	.25
Olof L. Swanberg	.25
Lars P. Larson	.25
Robert Hogberg	.25
H. K. Brosdahl	.25
C. R. Bergstrom	.25
Total	\$14.75
Paid at Warren	3.00
Paid to treasurer	\$11.75

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INS RAISE FARMERS' HOPES

Crop Prospects at This Time of the Year Never Looked Better to the Farmers of the Red River Valley

On Friday afternoon last week a rain, that appears to have been general thruout the Red River Valley, commenced falling and during the night as well as on Saturday copious showers fell. Sunday was cloudy without rain, but on Monday additional generous showers descended. The moisture, coming just as it did, after the seeding of wheat was finished and also much of the oats and barley, has vastly improved the crop prospects and farmers are, and have very good reason to be, very jubilant on that account. With three weeks uninterrupted dry weather during seeding, which enabled the farmers to put in the crop in good shape, and on top of that the rain, at the right time and in the right amount, is good ground for farmers as well as merchants and professional men to be cheerful. Reports from everywhere say that the wheat is coming up nicely and fields are beginning to look green.

READING CIRCLE HOLDS ANNUAL BANQUET

The Ladies' Reading Circle held its annual banquet on Friday evening at the home of the president Mrs. W. O. Holcomb. The husbands were invited to this affair and they turned out in full force. That they thoroughly enjoyed the evening was evinced by the keen interest they took in the games and the sumptuous banquet served at the close of the evening's entertainment. In the sculpture contest Mrs. Holcomb won the head prize and Mrs. H. L. Wood and Mr. W. N. Powell the booby prizes. The Warren baseball season was opened with a game between Warren and Argyle. Seven innings were played and Argyle won by a score of 9 to 5. Argyle was fortunate in having on their team Mrs. Eckstrom who made three home runs. It was an exciting game.

The guests were entertained with musical selections during the evening and Miss Tullar gave an interesting report of the meeting of the ninth district of Women's Federated Clubs which was held at Moorhead on April 15 and 16. Mrs. A. A. Ayers, Mrs. C. A. Tullar and Miss Tullar represented the local federated club at the meeting.

The banquet closed the winter's work of the Circle, the meetings for the past seven months having been very interesting and instructive.

BAND CONCERT WAS GREATLY APPRECIATED

The members of the band gave their first band concert of the season at the band stand last Friday evening. The boys are to be praised for getting out and playing on this particular evening, as the weather conditions were cold and damp. The program that had been arranged for the evening had to be cut short on this account. The selections were rendered in an excellent manner. The leader, Mr. Youngblood, deserves credit for instructing the boys so well. A marked improvement was noticed especially in the younger members of the organization.

Below we give the program for the concert to be given next Friday evening:
March Maryland Overture Bits of Remicks Hits
Trombone Slide.
Waltz My Queen
March Adjutant Overture Martha Anvil Chorus.
March National Emblem

Piker-Filipi Marriage.

At the M. E. church in Warren on Tuesday, April 27, 1915, at three o'clock in the afternoon, John Piker and Alice Filipi were united in marriage by Rev. L. W. Bartholow, pastor of said church. The bride was handsomely gowned in silk messaline, trimmed all over lace with beads. Miss Lillian Bren was the bridesmaid and she wore a dress of light blue voile. George Piker acted as groomsmen. A wedding reception was held at the home of the bride's brother, Henry Filipi, in the evening. The bride is a very highly esteemed and accomplished young woman, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Filipi, of Silver Lake, McCleod Co., Minn., and the groom is a most excellent and capable young man, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Piker, of town of Tabor, Polk County. The happy couple will make their home on a farm five miles from Warren. A host of friends extend hearty congratulations to the newly wedded pair and wish them much joy and happiness in their journey thru life.