

BROKEN SPINE OF FARMER IS CURED BY PHYSICIANS

Suspended From Door For Several Days to Straighten Fractured Back

MAY BE ABLE TO WORK WITHIN A SHORT TIME

John Beyersbach of Bloomfield Released from St. Francis Hospital Monday.

By an unusual and happy accident John Beyersbach, a farmer of Bloomfield who had been a patient at St. Francis Hospital a little more than two weeks was released from the institution having almost recovered from a fracture of the spine. During the time he was confined at the hospital he has kept in perpendicular position suspended in order to re-adjust the fractured spine.

The treatment, it was said by physicians of the city was remarkable, and all expressed their surprise on account of rapid recovery of the farmer who was brought to the hospital in a hopeless condition. Medical records have only a few cases of this kind.

Beyersbach was injured February 28, while hauling a load of hay into his barn. The load was too high and as the wagon passed under the door Beyersbach was caught by the rafter over the door and doubled over. His spine was fractured below the shoulders.

Beyersbach was completely paralyzed from the shoulders down. He was unable to move his legs but still had the free use of his arms. He was brought to St. Francis Hospital on the same day on which he sustained the injury and was placed under the care of a local physician.

When he left the hospital Tuesday afternoon he was able to move his right leg as ever before, while the left leg was beginning to regain its power of motion. The physician said he believed his patient would be able

to be free from the cast in about six or seven weeks.

The treatment given Byersbach while in the hospital was an unusual one. He was suspended while in the cast as though he was to be hanged and remained in that position long enough to have the fractured vertebrae re-adjust themselves. This is said to be the first case of its kind known to have been treated in this manner in Southeast Missouri.

DAISY BOY DIES AFTER OPERATION

Funeral of Tom Masters, 8, to be Held Friday Afternoon.

Eight years old, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Masters of Daisy died at the St. Francis hospital about 5:30 o'clock Wednesday evening. He had been a patient at the institution since last Friday, when he was operated upon for an abdominal trouble.

The boy became ill about four weeks ago. Last week his condition became so grave that the physician suggested an operation and the lad was brought to the hospital Friday afternoon. The operation was performed shortly after his arrival at the hospital.

The body was taken to the parents' home in Daisy. The funeral was held Friday afternoon.

MILK IN WINTER.

Why do your cows give less milk in winter than they do in summer?

Just because nature does not supply them with grasses and green food. But we have come to the assistance of Dame Nature with B. A. Thomas' Stock Remedy which contains the very ingredients that the green feed supplies in season only, of course, in a more highly concentrated form. We guarantee that this remedy will make your cows give more milk, and better milk, with the same feed.

—F. F. BRAUN & BROS.

Charles Lewis left for Stoddard County yesterday on business.

WM. W. COTNER DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Father of Successful Auto Dealers of Cape Dead—Funeral at Appleton.

After lingering nearly five months, William D. Cotner, a pioneer resident of Cape Girardeau County, died at his home 23 North Boulevard Tuesday evening about 6 o'clock. His death was caused by a seige of dropsy aggravated by old age. He had been bedridden during the last five months of his life and had been in a critical condition, but appeared greatly improved yesterday. His death, therefore, was not unexpected Tuesday evening.

Mr. Cotner's condition was so much improved that his son, Alvin, with his wife, made his home, left yesterday morning for St. Louis to get an automobile. The son is part owner of the Hope-Cotner Automobile Co., on West Broadway. Efforts were made yesterday evening by the relatives to get in communication with the son. He was expected to arrive home this morning.

Mr. Cotner was born and reared on a farm near Appleton. He was one of Cape County's most successful farmers, but retired about five years ago to move to the Cape. He was 74 years old, January 22 last. He was one of the few Civil War Veterans left in this county.

His wife died nearly a year ago. She was stricken suddenly early on the morning of March 26, 1917.

Seven children survive for sons Alvin and Barrett, both counting among the city's most successful automobile dealers of the city, and Robert and John Cotner of Shawneetown. The daughters are: Mrs. Frank Clippard of Oak Ridge, Mrs. Henry Shoults of Appleton, and Mrs. John Loves of Shawneetown.

The funeral was held Thursday afternoon. The remains were interred at the Appleton Cemetery.

Capt. Welling Medley left for Camp Funston yesterday morning after spending a furlough with home folks in Jackson.

T. H. Lewis, a farmer living west of the Cape was in the city yesterday on business.

SAVES SEAMAN'S LIFE

Amateur Surgeon Amputates Leg With Clasp Knife.

Steward Is Decorated for One of Most Brave and Remarkable Deeds of the War.

London.—For amputating a man's leg with a claspknife but still saving his life, Alfred William Furneaux, a chief steward in the mercantile marine, has been decorated by the king. The story of his heroic conduct and skill form one of the most remarkable of the many tales told since the beginning of the war. The following is an account of the services for which he received the Albert medal in gold:

In April, 1917, the steamship in which Mr. Furneaux was serving was torpedoed by the enemy, and the legs of a Lascar, who was on the spot where certain deck plates had buckled and broken, were caught so firmly between the plates that he would have gone down with the ship. Mr. Furneaux, however, went to the man's assistance and managed to get one leg out, but the other was nearly severed through above the knee. Finding it impossible to pull the leg out, Mr. Furneaux amputated it with an ordinary clasp knife and then carried the man to a boat.

When in the boat he dressed the wound as well as possible and gave the life belt he was wearing to the wounded man. Mr. Furneaux also rendered first aid in the boat to another Lascar who was badly wounded. Mr. Furneaux was in imminent danger of losing his life in rendering the service.

HELPS DIRECT RAILROADS



Miss Frances Hawthorne Brady, daughter of Thomas Grayson Brady of Washington, D. C., is the first and only woman on the staff of the director general of railroads, William G. McAdoo.

Miss Brady's capabilities make her a most handy person in any organization where directing ability and executive ideas are needed. Miss Brady was selected in one of the ablest and efficient she has shown in the office and in the treasury. She is the second appointee of Mr. McAdoo as director general of railroads.

Since leaving a finishing school in Washington, Miss Brady has been prominent in all the affairs of the younger set, but when the war started she felt the call for patriotic duty and offered her services to the government.

MAKES SWEATERS FROM RAISING SHEEP ON UP

Sentle, Wash.—Six heavy sweaters which recently were given to the Sedro-Woolley branch of the Red Cross were made at home in the old-fashioned way. Mrs. S. D. Benson raised the sheep from which the wool was taken on her farm at Siskiyon.

While experimenting with bark preparations Mrs. Benson discovered a way to dye the yarn in the regulation shades of gray and khaki, and finally knit the sweaters herself.

Conductorettes Capable.

New York.—Three hundred women conductors on New York street cars are making good. President Theodore P. Shonts of the Interborough Railroad company, has announced that the conductorettes are as efficient as men, equally honest and more polite.

Shade Trees as Fuel.

Prophetstown, Ill.—Shade trees here next summer will be a scarcity. Hundreds of them have been cut down to relieve a fuel famine. The town for a time was without firewood or coal.



Not all the Fighting is "Over There"

With the housewife it is one continuous war against dirt and dust in her home. She is always on the alert, the firing line, engaging the enemy all the time. And her one great aid in defense is the

ELECTRIC VACUUM CLEANER

It fairly revolutionizes housekeeping. The woman who has never used one in her own home does not, cannot, know this. She can read about it, hear about it, talk about it, but she will never KNOW until she has one in her own home.

Missouri Public Utilities Co.

400 Broadway

GOOD APPLE CROP IS EXPECTED THIS YEAR

Women Attend Tree Spraying Demonstration Given By U.S. Expert.

The tree spraying demonstration given yesterday afternoon on the farm of J. T. McDonald on the gravel road near Jackson was the first attended by women who are beginning to realize that their help is needed during the war and that they will soon have to take the places of men called to arms.

Several women were among the 25 who attended the spraying demonstration given by C. C. Hamilton a representative of the United States agricultural department, and County Farm Advisor Seth Babcock.

The first lecture and demonstration of spraying yesterday was held in the morning on the farm of John Holtz near Egypt Mills. On account of the cold weather only a few were present. The apple crop for this year, County Farm Advisor Seth Babcock said yesterday evening at the present time appears very promising. If nothing unusual happens he said the crop of apples will be the best in many years.

The second trip to demonstrate the spraying and pruning of trees will be started in about two weeks Mr. Babcock announced yesterday. The first trip is to teach the farmers and fruit growers how to protect their trees against insects who will soon begin to develop. This first demonstration is to show the orchard owners how to apply the whitewash spray. The second and last is arranged for more instructive lectures, such as to show the method of killing worms and diseases that destroy many trees.

Today's demonstration will be given on the farm of Ben Hitt in Welch Township Monday morning the farm of Joe Brenecke north of Cape Creek. School will be the place for another spraying demonstration.

Mrs. Ethel Snider, who visited her mother, Mrs. Earl Gramling several days, returned yesterday to Bloomington, Ill.

Vast Amount of Cordwood Is Burned in Cook Stoves and Friendly Fireplaces

Whenever a man builds a suburban home, these days—and, happily enough, the number is relatively small—a fairly large proportion of the plant contains a provision for an open hearth in which wood may be burned. These represent, observes a writer in the *Universal Engineer*, the pleasant memories of many of the builders of their boyhood days when a crackling, aromatic wood fire lighted and warmed the living rooms of their homes. More often, though, it stands for the fascination of such a fire. Children of the city dearly delight in wood and burning fires, and when they are allowed the joys of campfire campfire in the blazing logs and branches beneath the kettle. When they leave the city's heart for its fringes the thought of an open hearth as a concomitant to the fever life they expect to lead always presents itself.

Hence the surprisingly large demand for cordwood. It is of interest to note that in the United States last year, despite the increased production of coal, there were consumed \$18,750,000 cords of wood, the value of which exceeded \$225,000,000. It was the seventh crop in monetary value in 1917. Ahead of it were corn, wheat, oats, potatoes, hay and cotton. Much of this, indeed the greatest part of it, was burned on farms, the average consumption on each Ohio rural holding being 12 cords valued at \$3 a cord. Texas leads in wood consumption; Michigan is next, then Ohio, and fourth is New York. In each of these four leaders the value of the wood is over \$100,000,000.

Experts in these matters say that there is no better way of ventilating an apartment than through the means of a hearth or grate, so that there is a noble blessing conferred as one sits in his easy chair and watches the ever-changing pictures that attend a reverend, warm, blazing log fire.

Not Sure of Father.

Mamma—You should be polite, dear, and offer to share your candy with naps.

Little Ruth—I would, mamma, if I was sure he'd be polite and refuse it.

Retribution.

"I understand it was a gasoline car which struck Henry."

"Exactly, and that is one reason he is 'smelling out a suit.'"

MRS. BRAND DIES OF PARALYTIC STROKE

Pioneer Resident To Be Buried At Egypt Mills Cemetery Monday

Mrs. Barbara Brand, who has been an invalid over 13 years, died Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of her son, Fred A. Brand, 131 N. 1st St. She was 78 years old.

Mrs. Brand was 78 years old. She was born in Germany, but left that country with her parents, when she was 9 years of age. The family came to Cape Girardeau County shortly after their arrival and settled near Egypt Mills.

Thirteen years ago Mrs. Brand suffered her first paralytic stroke and had been virtually an invalid since. About a month ago Mrs. Brand suffered another attack of paralysis and since then her condition was such that little hope for her recovery was maintained.

Mrs. Brand leaves four sons, namely Fred A., with whom she lived, Charles Brand of Egypt Mills, Charles and William Brand. Beside these she is survived by a number of grandchildren.

Monday afternoon the body was interred at the Lutheran Cemetery near Egypt Mills.

MONEY IN EGGS.

Eggs are not bankable but the money from their sale is. This money is yours for the effort. How do you treat the hen that lays the Golden Eggs? B. A. Thomas' Poultry Remedy will keep the poultry in good condition and increase the yield in eggs. We guarantee this and refund your money if not satisfied.—F. F. Braun & Bros.

Weather Forecast: Unsettled and cooler today.

Observe wheatless day

Let us obey the Government's wishes, and have one day when *no* wheat is eaten throughout the length and breadth of the land. It would be better to have one wheatless meal *every* day.

Flour is the need of the hour—to our allies and to our soldiers, remember that!

It means earlier victory and more brave American boys brought home *whole*, if we make up our minds to cover the wheat shortage in Europe by saving here.

Let's sacrifice until we feel it—not just economize.

Valier's Community Flour

is a strictly *white* flour, made only from *wheat*. We guarantee it to give good baking results. Ask your grocer.

Valier's Enterprise Flour

is a strictly *white* flour, made only from *wheat*. We guarantee it to give good baking results. Ask your grocer.