

## ANNUAL REPORT OF TUBERCULOSIS ASS'N TO BE PRINTED

Information on the accomplishments of Michigan people in fighting tuberculosis as outlined in the annual report of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association will be published in printed form through a widespread distribution through a special grant from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation, Dr. Stuart Pritchard, president of the foundation announced this week.

Hurrying along the report of tuberculosis is as of much interest to the foundation as to the tuberculosis association. Dr. Pritchard said in announcing the release of funds covering an edition of 5,000 copies of the report. These will be sent to all doctors, health officers and other public officials.

A color cover in the red and blue of the 1939 Christmas seal which finances activities of the association was used for the report submitted by the executive secretary, Theodore J. Werle. Composition and make-up of the report

are equally colorful and the contents divided between purely statistical matter and descriptive and inspirational text.

Photographs and maps were used as illustrations in material on the various activities of the association which include health education for adults and children through actual health teaching in schools, literature, lectures and sound moving pictures; X-ray examination, hospitalization and after care of the recovered tuberculosis patient.

"Most encouraging to tuberculosis workers among the facts reported was that in 1938 Michigan led all states and territories of the United States in the number of cases reported for each death from the disease. This is significant proof of the effectiveness of the day in and day out educational program carried on in Michigan," Dr. Pritchard said.

"It is apparent that a high percentage of the population of this state is already intelligently informed on tuberculosis," Dr. Pritchard observed. "and that when all are informed we will have the

disease under normal control. It was to extend encouragement to workers and to inform a wide audience of the educational aids to tuberculosis control offered in the activities of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association that the Kellogg Foundation assumed the cost of a printed edition of the 1939 survey-report.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON SOCIAL SECURITY

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the sixth in a series of questions and answers regarding the old-age and survivors insurance program recently amended by the Congress. Additional information concerning the enlarged social security program may be obtained from Walter B. Redman, manager of the Social Security Board field office in Pontiac. Other questions will appear in an early issue.)

Question: Under the old-age and survivors insurance program, what is meant by the term "currently insured"?

Answer: The status of being "currently insured" applies only in the case of a worker who dies before becoming "fully insured." A "currently insured" individual is one who has worked in covered employment for at least half the quarters during the three years prior to his death.

Question: For example, a worker who dies in January 1, 1940 has been employed for more than six years, and has contributed from his wages under the old-age insurance program. Would he be classed as "currently insured"?

Answer: Yes, there have been 12 calendar quarters since the social security program became effective. This man served in covered employment in six or more of these quarters and is therefore "currently insured."

Question: What survivor's benefits may be paid with respect to a currently insured individual?

Answer: If an individual was currently insured the following survivor's benefits are payable: (1) monthly benefits to dependent children and to a widow with such children in her care; (2) if there is no survivor entitled to monthly benefits, a lump-sum death benefit.

Question: Then dependent children and widows with such children are assured of monthly benefits, whether the worker was fully or currently insured?

Answer: Yes, but aged widows and dependent parents may receive monthly survivors benefits only if the worker was fully insured.

Question: Under what circumstances do the amendments provide for lump-sum payments?

Answer: If a wage earner who is fully or currently insured dies, leaving no survivor entitled to monthly benefits at the time of his death, a lump-sum death payment will be made to the widow or widower, children or parents, of the deceased equal to six times the monthly benefit that would have been due.

Question: And if no such person is living?

Answer: Then a payment will be made covering the funeral expenses. This payment will go to the person who paid these expenses.

Believe the good rather than the bad things said of others.

Self-pity distorts our views of life and disqualifies us to meet its responsibilities.

## COON HUNTING NOV. 1 TO DEC. 15 INCLUSIVE

Barking and baying of coon dogs on clear, moonlit nights from November 1 to December 15 inclusive will be music to the ears of many thousands of Michigan raccoon hunters. A good season is anticipated as hunters and conservation field men have reported signs of coon to be numerous and an abundance of den trees available.

According to the records of the department of conservation, 33,442 raccoons were taken by hunting in the 1938 season and 6,501 by trapping. Coon may be hunted in all of the southern peninsula but trapping is regulated by zones, the season for trapping being November 15 to December 15 in the northern part of the southern peninsula and December 1 to December 15 in the southern part, south of township line 16, dates also inclusive. In the northern peninsula there are no open season for either hunting or trapping.

"Coon hunters may bag two other nocturnal animals on their nightly hunts: opossum and skunk. Pelts of both are salable, though opossum skins bring very low prices. In the south, 'possum' is esteemed as a table delicacy but in Michigan it is said that few know how to prepare it so it will not be too greasy. For some hunters, having the dogs turn aside from the job of freeing coons to worry 'possums' has proved annoying.

"Coon may be hunted in Michigan under a small game license but no non-resident may take raccoons. Hunters this year are asked to watch for tags in the ears of animals shot near the Swan Creek wildlife experiment station in Allegan county. Within five days

of the close of the season, all hunters and trappers must report to the conservation department the number of pelts taken or in possession.

## Scouts

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boys per Den. Of course each new cub pack is advised to start in a small way and gradually grow making for more permanency of Cubbing. Mr. Hunt advises that he is now in contact with several local organizations in the hopes of securing one of them to sponsor Cubbing.

In the meantime any individual willing to assist in the formation of a Cub Pack in Farmington should contact Mr. Hunt at Farmington 332, who will be glad of your assistance. Next week Sea Scouting will be discussed, showing why this is greatly needed in Farmington for our boys 15 years and older.

## IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of our dear husband and daddy, Ward L. Drutlart, who passed away November 3, 1935.

Our family circle has been broken. A link gone from our chain. But though we're parted for a while. We know we'll meet again; We often sit and think of him. When we are all alone. For memory is the only friend. That grief can call its own. Like ivy on a withered oak. When all other things decay. Our love for him will still keep green.

And never fade away.

His wife, Maude and sons, Harold and Wardie, Jr., and father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Hicks. 2-1-p

## China Topic Of Woman's Club Program

The Woman's Club of Farmington met Wednesday, Oct. 25, at the home of Mrs. Martha Schroeder on Shilawasee with a good attendance.

The program on China was in charge of Mrs. Lloyd Way, who talked on "China of Yesterday." The principal speaker, Miss Frances Wang of Peiping, China, who is now working on her Ph. D. degree

in public health at Ann Arbor, gave a very interesting talk on "China of Today."

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Elsie McCullough, 30710 Elm, Wednesday, Nov. 8 at 1:30 p. m. The program will be in charge of Mrs. Lucille Dickerson and Mrs. Irene Comstock. As yet the entire plans have not been completed.

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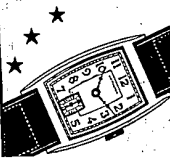
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## Pasture Improvement Tests Show Fertilizer Value

CHICAGO. — How Midwest farmers can produce more meat and milk at lower cost by a well-managed pasture improvement program is described in a bulletin issued here. Other important advantages resulting from such a program include conservation of the soil, control of erosion and increased fertility.

### Immediate Results

"Practical tests on hundreds of Middle Western farms have established the value of pasture improvement through a program of fertilization," says the bulletin. "Because they cover the land, pasture crops utilize added plant food more completely than row crops. The return from the increased pasture growth is immediate when dairy and livestock products are marketed.

"Results of experiments in Ohio reveal that a dollar invested in fertilizer to improve rundown pasture land, may be expected to return from \$3 to \$6, depending upon management and the kind of livestock.

### How Fertilizer Pays

"In Indiana, 18 pasture improvement demonstrations were undertaken this year in 40 different counties. The results from 26 such fertilization demonstrations, in 1938, showed a 69 per cent increase where a complete fertilizer containing nitrogen, phosphorus and potash was used. Where phosphorus alone was used, a gain of 36 per cent was recorded. For phosphorus and manure it was 46 per cent; for phosphorus and potash, 47 per cent.



Lush Pasture Promotes More Milk and Meat.

"E. N. Fergus, state agronomist of Kentucky, summarizing four years' results of fertilizing permanent pastures, states that each dollar expended for liming and superphosphate produced an income of \$5, measured in terms of the gain in weight of beef cattle.

"The amount and analysis of fertilizer to use, will depend on a number of factors. Agronomists at the state colleges or experiment stations are prepared to cooperate with farmers in providing recommendations covering the use of fertilizers on pasture crops in a rotation. For permanent pastures, farmers will find that a top dressing of a complete fertilizer this fall will pay for itself many times over in producing earlier and succulent grass for spring grazing as well as a more sturdy root system encouraging a heavier growth."

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