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Red Cross Tosses Racial Designation of Blood Out

Had Abandoned Segregation Of Blood Sometime Ago

CHICAGO. (ANP). The vexing question of designating the racial source from which blood contributed to the American National Red Cross for blood banks comes has been laid to rest.

The national board of governors in its annual meeting at the Palmer House Sunday adopted a proposal of the committees operating the blood program that other means be worked out for providing research information without requiring a notation of the donor's race on his medical history card.

The Red Cross long ago issued a statement that all scientific findings showed that human blood whether from Oriental, white or Negro peoples was identical.

Without fanfare, all blood, when collected, was sent to processing plants and classified according to type, presence or absence of Rh factor, the amount of red and white corpuscles, etc., and without racial designation. The organization held that such designations were meaningless.

Even in the south, according to Charles H. Kellstadt, chairman of the blood program committee, no attention is paid to the fact that all blood is lumped together and processed purely on the basis of type.

Initially, when the blood program was started some years ago, there was considerable reaction from the white south which asked if Negro blood would be administered to white patients, the Red Cross was flooded with letters of protest. However, in the army wounded soldiers soon learned that any sort of blood which would save their lives was good blood.

Inquiries in various sections of the south by Mr. Kellstadt, who moved recently from Chicago to Atlanta, have indicated that except in rare cases where some person may have a psychological attitude toward blood, the questions are dead.

The current action was to remove from the cards racial designations. These had been kept at the request of the medical policy committee located at Harvard university in Cambridge, Mass. The medical committee, which is closely affiliated with the American Medical association, has spent

huge sums in studying the various aspects of blood.

The committee, which raised most of the money itself, contended that all the questions regarding racial differences had not been answered and insisted on having the donor's racial identity indicated on his registration card. This requirement has now been waived.

Dr. F. D. Patterson, president of Tuskegee institute, and a member of the blood committee has fought consistently to have the designation removed. He pointed out that with the abandonment of segregation of blood and the declaration that all blood was alike any differentiation on a card was stupid.

Claude A. Barentt, also a member of the board of governors, was at the session Sunday.

The matter came to a head last month when a group at the United Nations refused to contribute blood so long as the request for a racial designation was on the card.

Both, the organization's new president, E. Roland Harriman, New York financier and railroad executive, and its retiring chairman, Gen. George C. Marshall, now secretary of defense, approved of the decision of the blood committee and the board of governors.

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One of the most interesting of Nebraska's early settlers was Moses Stocking, a pioneer resident of Saunders County, and an important sheep raiser. His autobiography, included in the state historical society's first volume of Transactions and Reports (published in 1885), is an important bit of Nebraskana.

The first 23 years of Moses Stocking's life were spent quietly enough on his father's farm in New York state. At the age of 23, though, he "determined to push into the western country and explore it for myself."

Before he finally came to rest in Saunders County, Nebraska, he had wandered all over the West, driven a herd of cattle from the Missouri River to California, had taken part in the Colorado gold rush, tried his hand at overland freighting, and had farmed without much success in Michigan and in Cass County, Nebraska.

For Nebraskans, the most valuable parts of his autobiography are those which deal with his experiences as a pioneer Nebraska farmer. On his Cass County farm, during territorial days, he found the going very tough. He wrote that in 1859, "having lost by fire, flood, and storm the greater portion of three out of five crops," he determined to try to find something else to do. It was then that he engaged in the freighting business, and with a considerable degree of success.

After about five years as a freighter, he returned again to Nebraska. This time he brought with him a flock of sheep all the way from Jackson County, Michigan. He headed for a new location in Saunders County. Here he prospered. His own account tells the story better than anyone else could.

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five acres planted to forest timber. Besides which we occupy one section of railroad land of which 120 acres are under the plow, 400 acres of meadow, 160 rods of hedge planted, and on the same land there are 400 feet of shedding 16 feet wide, 14 inclosures fenced with pine fencing, and three corn cribs made with pine lumber"

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