

VENEREAL DISEASE CONTROL
BIG PROBLEM TO UNCLE SAM
HERE'S WHAT HE'S DOING TO
SAFEGUARD SOLDIERS
(BY ALVIN E. WHITE)

Washington, Sept. 23 (ANP) The united efforts of governmental agencies have been brought to bear upon the greatest enemy the human race is encountering when the army, navy, public health service,

Federal Works agency, and Federal Security agency join hands to either wipe out or halt the ravages syphilis and venereal diseases are causing in the United States. Statistics show that the Negro has the highest rate of venereal disease in the country, due no doubt to the negligence of health officers in the areas where this prevalence is noted. It is said that of the first million men called by the selective service, 13 times more Negroes were affected than whites. In some states, the rate is 20 times more than whites.

Because venereal disease causes more casualties in the last war than actual fighting, governmental agencies decided something must be done to check this terrific spread on manpower. Consequently, a coalition was formed to work against venereal diseases, with the viewpoint of educating the public that venereal diseases were not "social diseases," but communicable diseases.

With the abolition of the CCC camps most of which are not under the supervision of the war department, steps have been taken to take over 25 of these camps located in 11 states wherein infected women will be detained until they have been rendered innocuous or cured. The period of detention determines which stage they attain, although when they are rendered innocuous, the health officials in cities to which they return are notified and the victims are asked to keep up clinical visits until a cure is effected.

In these camps, there will be no differentiation as to the treatment of whites and colored. They, of course, will be segregated as to race, the administration will be by state officials under the supervision of federal standards. When it is reported, these standards fail to be observed, the same fate befalls the camp, which operate under Title II of the Lanham Housing act, that happens to builders who do not observe the non-discriminatory clauses in their contracts; federal funds are withdrawn.

In one city, Jacksonville, where some 150 prostitutes were arrested in one day 110 had to be released since facilities for the treatment of only 40 were available.

Such conditions precipitated the action of FSA which immediately set about securing the cooperation of other agencies and establishing a program to be followed.

Another important committee was appointed, whereby police assistance was sought in a voluntary manner to wipe out this evil at its source.

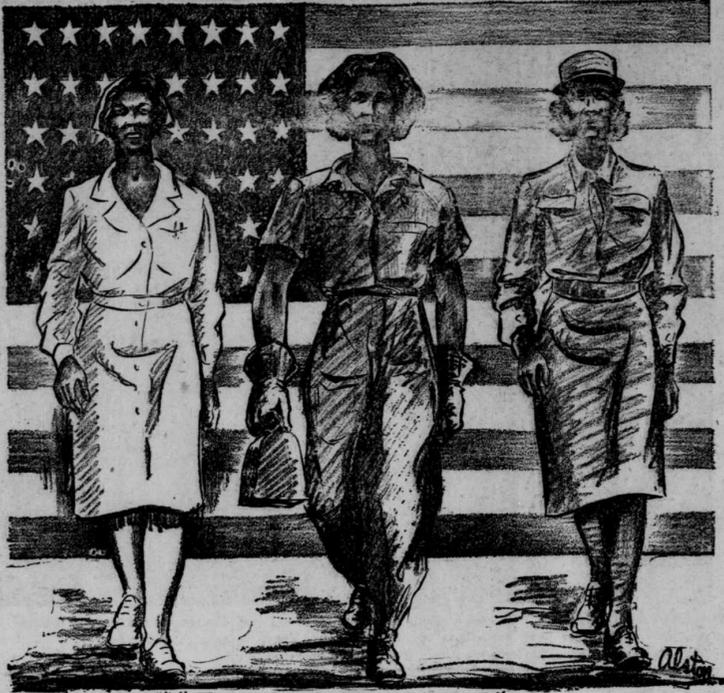
Discussions followed as to ways and means of setting up the program.

Among them were the worn out idea of segregated districts. This was promptly killed when it was shown that an inhabitant of one of these areas was more likely to spread infection through the 39 to 40 contacts that persons had in the average 24 hour period, as contrasted with fewer contacts made in non segregated areas.

It was further shown that the average prostitute, subjected to regular inspection by physicians, offered no safeguard since an infection could be made within five minutes after the person had secured a certificate as to freedom from venereal disease.

One government official went so far as to state that such physicians were not worthy of being called doctors, since it is generally known that the inspections are not infallible.

From 50 to 90 percent of prostitutes are infected, statistics show. They also prove that a woman free of venereal disease, engaged in



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Ans: I'm sure you would not be making a mistake to take the position. Your mother lives there with you and can look after your youngster while you work. It seems to me you would be happier now that your husband is in the service. Send 25c for my Astrology Reading if you want to write privately.

G. N.—I can't seem to get ahead in life, the more I try to get above board the lower I sink. My husband and I lived together for almost ten years. We have tried to become reconciled many times since we parted but something turns up to upset our plans. No one ever pays me any attention. I am the most miserable woman on earth. Tell me what to do and if we will ever go back together again?

Ans: People just don't seek the company of one who goes around with a chip on her shoulder and a "poor me" attitude. You must gain confidence and self assurance if you expect to stay above board. You have had just reasons in the past for feeling depressed. But it is time for you to accept the fact that your life with your husband is over, as he has someone else. His "upset plans" have been intention-

prostitution, is likely to become infected during the first three instances she is engaged in the practice.

More difficult to control, says the information, are the women and girls, not engaged in prostitution, but who are merely promiscuous and feel it their duty to indulge the whims of soldiers and men in uniforms. They are easily contaminated and thus through their promiscuity pass on to others the infection which they have contracted.

In providing these hospitals for the detention of infected women, it is expected that each camp will provide medical treatment and supervision for from 100 to 300 infected girls. Federal assistance is promised three girls in the form of efforts to place them in legitimate industry when they leave the hospitals. Rehabilitation, job training and employment opportunities are scheduled in the program underway for their assistance.

As part of the federal social protection program to eliminate venereal disease as a hazard to the armed forces and war workers, these necessary hospitals are being provided with funds set aside through the Lanham act, administered by the Federal Works agency.

Through the enactment of what is known as the May act, it is possible to prohibit prostitution within such reasonable distance of military or naval establishments as the secretaries of war and navy shall determine. Where local authorities are not able to cope with the situation, FBI men are authorized to go into the community to wipe out the evils.

In two camps, FBI men have had work to do, once in Fort Bragg, N. C. and at Camp Forrest in Tennessee.

On May 22, President Roosevelt took official cognizance of the existence of this evil and addressed a letter to Paul V. McNutt, who as director of the Office of Defense Health and Welfare Service was responsible for the administering of the office. Mr. McNutt has in turn sent out letters over his own signature enclosing the President's letter asking the cooperation of local police officials in stamping out solicitation and prostitution.

The camps are expected to open shortly and will be operated as federally supervised institutions with full medical care and recreational facilities for the patients.

al, for he doesn't mean to come back. It would be well for you to direct your interests somewhere else.

B. F.—I want your advice. Will it be wise to make the change to Calif. to live? I really believe that I want to make the change. My husband is a hard working man, but seems to be on the standstill as far as success goes.

Ans: Your husband has no sure way of knowing that he could get ahead any better in Calif. than he can right there. He has regular employment and you two are enjoying a home. That alone, is a step up the ladder to success. You have to make the change, you would have to start at the bottom again and probably sacrifice the accomplishments you have made.

R. M. N.—I am worried about my lady friend. I am in love with her. She has half way promised to marry me. Will she be the right wife for me in my standing?

Ans: This woman has a clean, moral character and should be an asset to you in your social life as well as your professional life. She loves you, which is the main point, and you should feel honored to give her as your wife. She has only half way promised to marry you because she does not want to commit herself until she is sure of your intentions. You had better get busy and start wooing strong and heavy before someone else beats your time.

E. V. H.—My husband and I have a little business and he does not take any interest in the safe or his home either. It seems like he does not care for anything except the car and riding around after other men's wives. I work and try to have something, but it looks like his mind doesn't have any business sense at all. Should I save my money and leave or stay on and see if he will do any better.

Ans: You are making a good living for yourself there in the cafe, and you should hold onto it. The mistake you are making is to turn over the profits to your husband to finance his good times. Get in behind him and make him get an outside job if the cafe business doesn't appeal to him. Then he wouldn't have so much time to joy ride with the ladies. You are the business head in your family. It is going to be up to you to bank the profits in this business and watch out for a rainy day.

L. M. J.—I am asking you for advice please. This man and I have been together for two years. He promised me big things before I consented to come and live with him. He is fresh as paint with the women, and has made a few out of the way remarks to my fourteen year old daughter. I feel like I have had enough. Should I leave him as I plan?

Ans: It was a mighty poor example for you to set for your teen age girl to live with this man without the respect of matrimony. It is still worse that you submit her to these insults. Make your chance at once. He isn't going to keep those glowing promises. You should know that by now.

F. C. B.—Please give me some information on my case. Situated as

MRS. MARY GLOVER
Last rites were held Monday morning for Mrs. Mary Glover from St. Benedict church. Mrs. Glover passed away last Wednesday after a three weeks illness. She leaves to mourn her loss, her husband, five sons, three daughters, eight grandchildren and a host of friends. Burial was in Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Mrs. Kitty Brown, 2304 North 25th St., and sister, Mrs. Dela Fields of Denver, Colorado were called to Cincinnati, Ohio, to be at the bedside of their sister, Mrs. Ada Catching, who passed away Sept. 5th. Funeral services were held at Mt. Zion Baptist Church. Mrs. Fields enroute to Denver stopped over in Omaha for a week with Mrs. Brown.

YOUNG PEOPLES' FELLOWSHIP
The Young People's Fellowship of St. Philip's Church had its fall opening Sunday, Sept. 20, 1942 at the home of Miss Florence James 3112 Corby Ct. As usual the opening meeting was devoted to the election of officers and the reading of the Constitution. The following are the new officers: Florence James, President; Beverly Stams, Vice President; Beulah Coleman, Secretary; Rozella Thomas, Assistant and Corresponding Secretary; Marilyn Fowler, Treasurer. Two committees were appointed by the President. A membership committee whose chairman is Marilyn Fowler, A Program Committee whose Chairman is Peggy Anderson. Plans were made for as many members as possible to attend the joint Fellowship meeting at "All Saints" 25th and Dewey St., Sunday Sept. 27, at 6:30 p. m. All members who are able to go are to meet at the home of Mrs. J. D. Crawford 2214 North 28th ave. at 6 p. m.

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NAACP BENEFIT PARTY
There will be a benefit party Saturday, Sept. 26th starting at four o'clock. Dinner and plenty amusement. Proceeds of the party will go to the NAACP.

All are urged to attend.

The Mother Club of the South Side Tenance are planning to have an important program an refreshment for the mothers of the clubs and we are very interested to have more of the mothers to join.

Mrs. Mildred Bailey, Pres., by Mrs. Vivian Patterson.

Mrs. J. W. Walker of Chicago is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ruby Roundtree.

VISITS IN KC
Mrs. Russell Cook, Seward St. Plaza, accompanied by her two sons Joseph and Russell, visited in Kansas City, Mo., over the week end.

PRINCESSES
The meeting was opened at 3:30

Mrs. Marie Gray, 3011 Miami St., and her charming daughter, Miss Marion spent the week end in Lincoln, visiting cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Green and son. They reported a very enjoyable time.

MR. FRANK ROBINSON
Funeral services for Mr. Frank Robinson were held last Monday afternoon at the St. John Baptist Church with Rev. E. Johnson officiating. Mr. Robinson who had been ill for almost two years, passed away Wednesday morning at his home, 1411 North 27th St. Among the survivors are two sons, Jerry and Rev. Eddie Robinson, and a granddaughter of Blytheville, Ark. Burial was in Forest Lawn Cemetery.

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p. m. at the home of Marcelene Paz land. Our guest speaker, Mrs. Lois Goode, gave us a very interesting talk centered around personality. We discussed getting club pins and our sponsor will look into the matter of prices. We also made tentative plans for a Dutch Treat. The meeting was closed at 5:00 p. m. and our hostesses served a delicious luncheon.

Doris Pittman, President, Beverly Stams, Reporter.

WORKMENS CLUB NEWS—
5219 1-2 South 29th St.
The Workmens Club sponsored their annual children's picnic, Sept. 20th. Seventy children attended also many of the parents. P. M. Committee: Mr. A. J. Jenkins, Chairman, Mrs. Frankie Jackson, Miss Hallie Wright, Miss Fanny Houston and Mrs. Hazel Smith. The children's contest was continued. Date will be announced in next week's issue.

On Friday, Sept. 25th, Mrs. Rowena Sudduth and Mr. Homer Drew will entertain the regular and social members of the club. There will be amusements and lunches. Time 3 p. m. All are invited.

SOCIAL GROUP OF WORKMENS CLUB
The Social Group elected officers at a special meeting, Thursday. Mrs. Sudduth was elected Chairman, Mrs. Evelyn Thancey, Secretary, and Mrs. Houston, Entertainment. The meeting was very well attended. Plans were made for the September Birthday Party which will be Sept. 27th. Refreshments will be served free. All social members are urged to attend.

Bingo Party... The date will be announced next week. Look for it. Mr. Robert Starnes, 2720 R. St., is reported ill in the Veterans' hospital in Lincoln, Nebraska. Mrs. Hazel Sampson, 2816 R. St., is also reported ill.

WORKMANS CLUB AND HOME DEFENSE CLUB STAMP PARADE
Many children took part in the parade. The stamp sale was reported by the Chairman, Mrs. Frankie Jackson to have been a huge success. Refreshments were served free and pictures were made of the sale. We urge all to join in the weekly stamp sale.

HOME DEFENSE CLUB NEWS
2919 Q Street
The dance which was sponsored for the youth of the community was very well attended, Saturday Sept. 19th. Miss Hallie Wright was in charge. The next dance is expected to be about October 3.

SOUTH OMAHA NEWS
Mrs. Anna Moore, Proprietor of Anna's Cafe, 2729 Q Street, has returned from Tulsa, Oklahoma, Sept. 20th, where she attended the bedside of her mother, Mrs. H. T. Napier and sister, Mrs. Sadie Russau. Mrs. Moore reports that both were well on the road to recovery when she

Ms. Susie Wood of Dennison, Texas, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Leona Starks, 5217 South 29th St.

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