

The SICK AMERICAN

What is the TRUE state of American health? Is medical science about to make disease a thing of the past . . . or is research proving that the worst is yet to come? Read this factual article with the startling answers to these questions.

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DESPITE \$25 billion a year spent on medicine, "the United States is one of the most unhealthy countries in the world!" warns Dr. Paul Dudley White, heart specialist to former President Eisenhower.

Is Sickness Normal?

Sickness and disease have become accepted as a normal part of life. The public is immune to news of mass epidemics and death statistics in the multiple millions arising from scores of chronic and major diseases.

The impetus of advertising from an energetic and profit-greedy drug industry has the average American feeling that there is *nothing* to fear. One doctor recently summed up the feeling of security most people have when he calmly assured a desperately ill woman, "Don't you worry! We have a medicine for every illness—and we'll cure you too!" Two days later she was released into her husband's custody with the oft-repeated, terse remark, "Everything has been done for [to] her that medical science can offer!"

A great deal had been "done" to her! She *walked* into the hospital with an arthritic ailment, but she was carried out—TOTALLY PARALYZED FROM HEAD TO FOOT—able only to move her tongue in slow, painful speech!

Not Unusual!

Still her "FAITH" in medicine was not shaken. In spite of the fact that she had been seized in a convulsive reaction from the *cortisone* with which they treated her, and completely paralyzed from the "gold" shots she was given, she continued to look to the "god of medicine" with his "wonder drugs" to *save* her! With the first movement she was able to make as her body slowly overcame the shock of her past therapy, she took more cortisone—and promptly returned to her paralyzed condition!

This is not an *isolated* case. The 300,000 persons in the United States alone who are added yearly to the staggering THIRTY MILLION arthritic sufferers could all relate their painful tale.

Add to these sufferers the TEN MILLION Americans *now* afflicted with heart disease (800,000 DIE ANNUALLY!)—add the FORTY-FIVE MILLION (one out of every four) who will suffer from CANCER before they die (265,000 died of this feared disease in 1960 alone!)—add the ONE OUT OF EVERY TEN Americans who walks in a mental fog and suffers everything from temporary blackouts to homicidal fits—ADD, EVERY SINGLE MINUTE, one more teenager to the tragic list of venereal disease victims—ADD, the innumerable hosts of those who are dying slowly but *surely* from leukemia; those who are stricken with multiple sclerosis; those who shake with palsy; those who live from one needle to the next, fearing death from diabetes; those who still fall in the throes of paralytic polio (still on the increase *since* Salk vaccine despite the clever use of statistics)—ADD the thousands struck in increasing numbers by "mystery diseases" that "science" can hardly find *names* for fast enough to label—ADD those who host unwelcome parasites; those who cannot see, or hear; those one out of every ten helpless and innocent, sweet babies who are *born with* a congenital defect—ADD even the estimated ONE OF EVERY FIVE pregnancies that ends in *illegal abortion*—ADD ALL THESE AND MORE THAT SPACE PROHIBITS FROM ENUMERATING and a titanic TRUTH stands out as the product: *AMERICA IS SICK!*

Man is finding out more and more every day about how his body functions, how it reacts to the various diseases, drugs, treatments. We are always on the verge of a new "breakthrough" in medical science. But will "disease" be a thing of the past?

What Is the Truth?

THE TRUTH IS that scientifically and minutely *defining* an ailment or disease, cataloging statistics about it and giving it a fitting Latin or Greek name DOES NOT CURE THE DISEASE! And, contrary to popular opinion—it doesn't even LEAD TO A CURE.

THE TRUTH IS that this method of attacking the problem only SHUTS THE MIND to any *other* possibility for a CURE, and plunges pell-mell in *diametric opposition* to the laws Almighty God set to regulate our bodies and keep us healthy.

THE TRUTH IS that modern science is dashing about in an increasingly complicated maze of medical statistics—duly cataloged and analyzed by electronic "brains"—concerned with the RESULT, i.e. the disease, rather than with the CAUSE—broken physical law. Few seem to realize that living contrary to the laws that govern human health *results in the disease*.

THE TRUTH IS that modern medical practices are PRODUCING more diseased conditions and CREATING more NEW ILLNESSES than they are curing!

Manufactured Diseases

The much-publicized "miracle drugs" invented in the last twenty-five years have turned into medical monsters. The vaunted "sulpha" drug family along with its "miracles" soon produced so many ill side-effects it had to be abandoned. Penicillin then came to the fore as a "miracle" drug—chances are that *you* have suffered ill effects from this drug—but before its evil side began to be noticed other drugs were already robbing the "miracle" limelight. Streptomycin, terramycin, cortisone, antihistamines, hormones and tranquilizers all paraded by an enthusiastic public were seized upon in their turn as saviors from sickness.

"Newness" became the by-word of modern medicine. If it isn't *new*, it isn't *good*! Open admission to the sobering fact that what is "good" today will be "no good" tomorrow. Today's "wonder-drug" produces tomorrow's "medical nightmare!"

In a frantic effort to keep one jump ahead of the bad publicity about the ill-effects of new medicines, the drug industry is currently coming up with FIVE HUNDRED even "newer" potions every year! This flooding storm of new drugs and their accompanying blizzard of "facts" about how they react drives your doctor and you from one "new cure" to the next in a never-ending quest for relief and health.

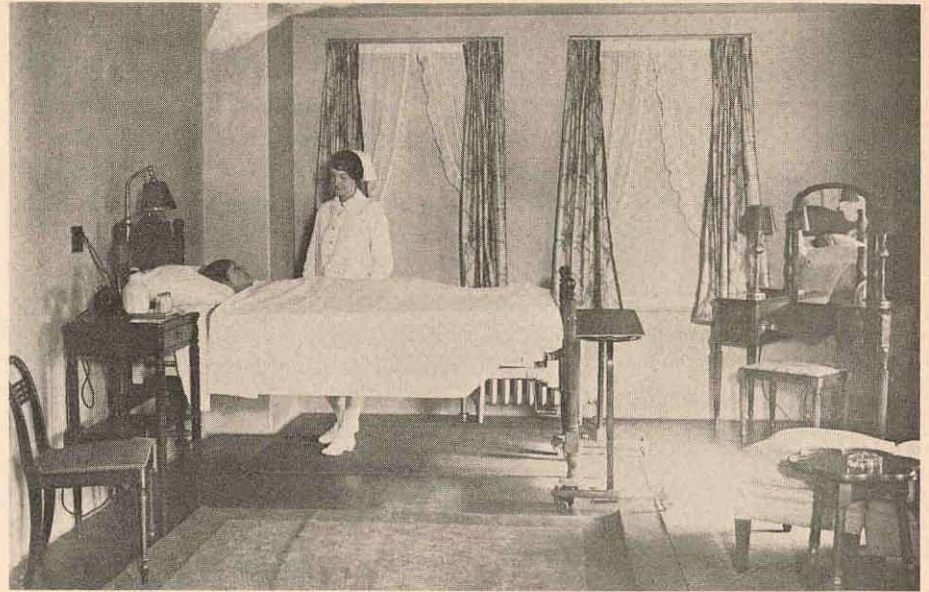
Dr. Norvin C. Kiefer, chief medical director of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States wrote, "there are lots of new diagnostic techniques and medical and surgical treatments—but these don't prevent the disease from occurring in the first place . . . While man *knows considerable about* the physical sciences, he *still knows little of the most elemental principles of living tissue—and even LESS OF ITS DERANGEMENTS!*" (Los Angeles Times, July 30, 1961. Emphasis ours throughout this article).

"The drug with no ill effects has yet to be made . . . the doctor who prescribes them knows he must *balance risks against advantages!*" (El Paso Herald Post, December 4, 1958).

"Dr. Jesse D. Rising of the University of Kansas School of Medicine, Kansas City said that, "DRUG-CAUSED DISEASES dramatize the fact that, whereas, physicians are supposed to *cure illness*, they can actually CAUSE DISEASES!" (Wichita Eagle, December 26, 1959). Some of the diseases mentioned were nervous system diseases, liver diseases, epileptic seizures, blood diseases.

The more man finds out with his electronic analyzers, the more he sees how little he knows. And the *unknown* factors steadily mount in preponderance OVER the *known* factors.

Voltaire summed up this situation two hundred years ago when he said, "We put medicine, about which we know little, into bodies about which we know less, to cure diseases about which we know nothing at all!"



Wide World Photo

Sickness in the home—a typical American tragedy.

The SUPERGERM Coming?

Antibiotics are the current fad, the most recent innovation to come from the Pandora's Box of medical miracles. It is grimly humorous to note that the very meaning of the word antibiotics is: AGAINST (anti) LIFE (biotics)! Among the current strains of antibiotics being used are developing a whole family of deadly SUPERGERMS against which there has not yet been found a defense! Only within the last few months has the outline of the *proportions* of this new threat to national health been discovered.

Here is the current problem—a repeat of the old "miracle drug" problem. "It seems to take about three months, on the average, after a *new* antibiotic is introduced for *resistant strains* of staph (STAPHYLOCOCCUS) to appear, leering up at the bacteriologists from the culture plates!" (McCall's July, 1961).

This hospital-born infection has spread throughout the entire country and is rearing its ugly head and bringing tragedy to many homes. This germ is no respecter of persons—it attacks any or all with equal vigor. John F. Kennedy was infected and nearly killed by this germ in 1954. Walter Winchell was one of its victims last winter when he was kept from his work for five months. Elizabeth Taylor was brought to death's doors by this germ just recently. Jeff Chandler, virile, masculine movie star in his prime was killed by this germ.

Perhaps you can add to this list from

your own acquaintances—a post-operative infection that claimed your uncle's life by causing pneumonia; a lingering bone infection that your mother has suffered from for years that the doctors can't seem to do anything for; a brand-new baby someone in the family brought home from the hospital with an ugly abscess in its tiny breast; a boil on your father's neck; a skin rash that defies treatment that has plagued your sister on and off for years. ONE FAMILY EXPERIENCED RECURRING INFECTIONS for SEVEN YEARS!

Hidden Killer

You never know when you will come into contact with this germ. Your own sweet newborn, that everyone wants to cuddle and pet, becomes a deadly disease carrier! Your fellow-workman may infect you when he shakes hands with you in greeting, innocent of the fact that he picked up "staph" germs the night before when he went to visit his mother in the hospital. Your milkman may pass it on to you with his morning delivery, if he's being treated with antibiotics for a stubborn skin rash and has developed "staph!"

This germ will cause you some illness or live in you until you pass it on to another, hidden, but virile all the time. This "supergerm" lives in ice for 66 days! In your clothing, on the walls, in the meat, the vegetables, the bedding it lurks and lives for *months!* It surges

through the house or hospital on the currents of the ventilating or air-conditioning system.

And when it lands on you or some other susceptible human being, it grows overnight into a painful disease DOUBLING ITS NUMBER OF GERMS EVERY TWENTY MINUTES!

"In 1960, the U.S. Veterans Administration Cooperative Committee for Hospital Infection reported that the frequency of *significant* staphylococcal infections in general medical surgical hospitals ranged between 10 and 13 percent." (Good Housekeeping, August, 1961.)

Yet, the New York State Health Department estimated that "up to 90 percent of babies by the time they leave the hospital are carriers of (staph) organisms "and" 40 to 60 percent of the hospital staff and a *like number of patients* hospitalized in wards other than the nursery are also infected" (Sunday News, July 13, 1958).

Formerly harmless micro-organisms have become dangerous enemies. Once harmless in a God-intended *microbe balance* in the body, these "new" germs are stirred to multiply and produce disease by medical treatment given in ignorance of, and directly in opposition to, God's laws of health.

"Thousands of millions of bacteria and fungi are always present in our mouths, throats and intestinal tracts. Some of them are essential to the digestive processes; others, in the colon, manufacture certain essential vitamins. Even those that do us no direct good, at least do us no direct harm" (Reader's Digest, November, 1959).

The antibiotics (the word means "anti-life") work by killing off disease-causing bacteria. BUT IN THE PROCESS KILL OFF MANY HELPFUL ORGANISMS! This upsets the God-intended health balance. As the doctors themselves put it, "Have the very 'miracle drugs' which conquered pneumonia [?], streptococcus infections, and typhoid fever only SAVED MAN FOR DEATH FROM GERMS 'HARMLESS' UP TO NOW?" This is the fear of Dr. Maxwell Finland of the Harvard Medical School! He warns us that, "Sulpha drugs, penicillin, and the newer antibiotics may have lulled the human body's natural defenses into inactivity!"

(Newsweek, May 18, 1959).

Why People Take Drugs

The average person wants to keep on having the "fun" of sinning—breaking laws set to govern health and happiness—then, when he gets sick as a result, takes a PILL TO ERASE THE PAIN! His immediate thought is to do away with the *result* of sin without altering the *cause*. When a doctor tries to explain to a patient that he is going to have to *change* certain ways of doing things, he either has to threaten the patient with *death* if he doesn't change, or the patient says, "Aw doc, cut out the lecture, just give me a pill for what ails me—that's your job!"

Aldous Huxley wrote, "It is characteristic of human beings that, when anything goes wrong, they should always begin thinking out some ingenious device for *masking the superficial symptoms*." Among average persons, little is done to resolve or even acknowledge aches and pains and diseases, which are the *end results of a wrong way of living!* Mr. Huxley continues, "It is so much easier, as well as more *immediately satisfying*, to call to our aid one of the newest antibiotics, a tranquilizing tablet, a pep powder or, in the last resort, an expensive vaccine . . . but the essential *cause* of the condition will have been left untouched, remaining latent in the system, awaiting opportunity to break out and make itself felt" (The A-V, June, 1960).

Even many doctors who would want to teach people how to live are caught in the vise by people who seek only a cure for their sickness while they still break the laws of health.

Is a New Drug Needed?

Many articles on the subject of this dreaded modern disease, "staph", urge more "research" to find out all about this supergerm. Medical authorities advise that "*ordinary* sanitation should be practiced in hospitals AT LEAST AS WELL AS IN HOTELS AND MOTELS!" (McCall's, July, 1961).

Certainly *cleanliness* is one of God's most pronounced principles brought out throughout the Bible, and should be practiced regardless of this disease. BUT CLEANLINESS ALONE WILL NOT SOLVE

THE GROWING PROBLEM!

People *suffering* NOW from this germ all hang their hope on their "FAITH" in the medical profession—and patiently wait until a *new*, MORE POWERFUL DRUG is found to combat the ravages of staphylococcus. "Now, there are reports of a major success in the battle—A NEW POWERFUL DRUG. It is a synthetic (chemically made) penicillin called *Staphcillin!*" (Good Housekeeping, August, 1961).

Despite the lesson of the history of modern "miracle drugs," the whole population suffering from "staph" infections flocks to its doctors and demands *this new drug* to relieve its suffering! They do not stop to think that they need to be treated only because *they used the old "new" drug, antibiotics, in the first place!* They are like the man God describes in Amos 5:19, ". . . a man did flee from a lion, and a bear met him; or he went into the house, and leaned his hand on the wall, and a serpent bit him!"

And what will they seek to relieve the NEW PAIN, THE NEW UNEXPECTED REACTION FROM THE NEW "WONDER DRUG?" WILL THEY SEEK A "MIRACLE DRUG" THAT IS NEWER YET?

What is the answer?

Where can YOU turn?

In this God-defying age, modern society has fallen into the same *medical idolatry* as ancient Israel in the days of Ahaziah! "IS IT BECAUSE THERE IS NO GOD IN ISRAEL that you are going to consult Baalzebub the god of Ekron (the patron deity of *medicine*)?" (II Kings 1:3, Moffatt).

WHERE IS GOD?

Our Almighty Creator God says that HE IS OUR HEALER! (Exodus 15:26). Anyone who takes upon himself this prerogative is *taking the name of God in vain*; and, in setting himself, or his theories, drugs and medicines up in the place of God, is also GUILTY OF IDOLATRY!

GOD PROMISES TO HEAL! "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and FORGET NOT ALL HIS BENEFITS; WHO FORGIVETH ALL THINE INIQUITIES; WHO HEALETH ALL THY DISEASES!" (Psalm 103:2-3).

GOD COMMANDS US to come to HIM

with our sicknesses: "Is *any* SICK AMONG YOU? LET HIM CALL FOR THE ELDERS OF THE CHURCH; and let them pray over him anointing him with oil *in the name of the Lord*: and the *prayer of faith* SHALL SAVE THE SICK, and the LORD SHALL RAISE HIM UP!" (James 5:14-15).

This same God even goes out of HIS way to perform SPECIAL miracles for those who do not have direct access to HIS ministers: "And God wrought SPECIAL MIRACLES by the hands of Paul: so that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the *diseases departed from them!*" (Acts 19:11-12).

This same MERCIFUL GOD rules in Heaven *today!* He doesn't need any NEW MIRACLES. He just uses the *same forgiving miracle* EVERY TIME!—" . . . by whose stripes [the punishment Jesus suffered] YE WERE HEALED!" (I Peter 2:24).

"But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting (not "good" today, and "no-good" tomorrow like man's "wonder drugs") *upon them that fear him . . . TO SUCH AS KEEP HIS COVENANT, AND THOSE THAT REMEMBER HIS COMMANDMENTS TO DO THEM!*" (Psalm 103:17-18).

If you would like to know whether these promises will be honored by God concerning *you*, send immediately for the free booklet *Does God Heal Today?*

More Promises

GOD *ALSO* PROMISES to bring on this disobedient nation a plague of sick-

ness and disease UNPRECEDENTED IN ALL HISTORY: "A THIRD PART OF THEE SHALL DIE WITH THE PESTILENCE!" (Ezekiel 5:12). Pestilence and diseases *just* like this "staph" supergerm now baffling medical science!

And there is *no escape* from it! Read with your own eyes the prophetic diagnosis of this exact disease, promised to come to this lawless nation! "The Eternal will strike you with Egyptian boils, with tumours, scurvy, and itch INCURABLE; and the Eternal will strike your knees and legs with evil boils, INCURABLE BOILS FROM HEAD TO FOOT!" (Deut. 28:27,35, Moffatt).

WHY THIS CURSE?

"BECAUSE thou hearkenedst not unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS and statutes which he commanded thee" (verse 45).

God warns that things will become so bad that "thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt fear the day and night, and shalt have *none assurance of thy life*: In the morning thou shalt say, Would God it were even! and at even thou shalt say, Would God it were morning!" (verses 66-67). UTTER HOPELESSNESS!

WHERE WILL YOU TURN?

God promises to keep this up until this nation realizes (or you as an individual realize) that it must *repent*, CHANGE ITS WAY OF LIVING, and turn to GOD—THE *ONLY* SOURCE OF LIFE AND HEALTH!

God says, "What of their gods, the steadfast ones *they relied on!* . . . Let them protect you! Ah, LEARN THAT I,

I AM THE REAL GOD; THERE IS NO GOD BUT ME: *MINE* IS THE POWER OF DEATH AND LIFE, I HEAL!" (Deuteronomy 32:37-39).

The medical profession needs to recognize the SOURCE OF HEALTH AND HEALING! Those one-out-of-every-sixteen Americans working for the health of the nation need to spend their hours of research on the CAUSE OF DISEASE! They need to *teach* people how to live so they won't get sick, instead of manufacturing *more* and *newer* drugs, in a grim and vicious, sickening circle!

This nation, and every other, needs to come on bended knee before its Creator God and exchange hormones for *hope*, move from medicine to *mercy*, turn from tranquilizers to *trust*, reject antibiotics—"against-life"—and seek the very SOURCE OF LIFE: GOD OUR HEALER!

How About You?

WHY don't you *personally* claim God's promise of protection from this prophesied pestilence—a pestilence, as you can see from this article, that is JUST NOW BEGINNING!

Ask God to fulfill to you *personally* the promise HE makes in Psalm 91 "Thou shalt not be afraid . . . for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noon-day . . . *Because* THOU hast made the LORD, which is my refuge, even the most High, THY HABITATION; THERE SHALL NO EVIL BEFALL THEE, NEITHER SHALL ANY PLAGUE COME NIGH THY DWELLING!" (Psalm 91:5-10).