

Red Cross Prepares For '53 Polio Fight

Dr. E. W. Bauer of Hazed Park, blood bank program chairman for the Oakland county Red Cross chapter, this week reported on known results of gamma globulin as a polio preventive and outlined plans for the coming summer.

He referred to a report last October in the Journal of the American Medical Association, which pointed up the results of the 1952 GG program.

In Texas, Iowa and Nebraska, 49 of the 25,000 children who had been given gamma globulin came down with polio. Only 25 developed this disease. "GG isn't perfect," Dr. Bauer said. "Its immunity wears off after five to eight weeks and some infected children were still stricken. But in most cases their paralysis was milder than usual. In all three mass tests, GG cut the paralysis rate by more than half."

HE REMINDED that the Red Cross has agreed to raise an extra \$7,000,000 to help meet the expected demands for gamma globulin this summer.

Good-processing plants which had been operating with a single shift five days a week are now on a round-the-clock schedule," he said.

He said that last February the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis allotted \$11,000,000 to purchase all the globulin that commercial producers could provide by next July. After setting aside the quantity needed to fight measles and hepatitis, there will be sufficient GG for one million polio inoculations—one shot for every 46 children in susceptible age groups.

"Obviously," Dr. Bauer continued, "some system of allotments was essential. A committee from

The art of practicing "good manners" is a must necessary part of the education of civilized people. Good manners, then, means the ability to be considerate for his capacities to practice The Golden Rule.

gained by trying to get injections before the season opens. The second rule concerns the black market.

"DESPITE every precaution, unscrupulous racketeers will undoubtedly try to peddle real or faked GG shots to worried parents," Dr. Bauer said. "Some of them may actually succeed in obtaining real GG from last year's drugstore supplies. Any parents who may be tempted by black marketers should remember that such crooks will not hesitate to dilute their illicit supplies or pass off inert polio solution as real globulin."

Looking to the future, Dr. Bauer said gamma globulin was only the first installment of the payoff for the \$30,000,000 which the American people have invested in research. Thirty years ago he tested a far greater benefit, is a vaccine which may protect all of us as effectively as we are now protected against smallpox, may be near.

SUCH A VACCINE has been produced in the Pittsburgh virus research laboratories. Injected into monkeys it has had similar production of polio antibodies so that when the animals were later given inoculations of live polio virus not one became sick.

"Before the vaccine can be widely used, however, two major hurdles must be overcome," the doctor said. "First, mass tests similar to last year's GG experiments must prove the vaccine's safety and effectiveness. Second, plants must be built to produce tens of millions of doses of it. Once this has been done, virus-research experts confidently expect that polio will become a vanishing disease."

"However, for the next few years we will remain in the twilight zone. We are protected in large measure, but by no means completely, by the limited yet still wonderful magic of gamma globulin."

American Legion Teams Score Wins To Open Season

Both teams of the Charles Edwards American Legion post jumped off to winning starts in league play last week.

The Birmingham team has two wins already under its belt defeating Milford 7-0 last Wednesday night, June 10, and edging Waterford 1-0 Sunday.

Bloomfield swamped his first rivals since joining the American Legion league 7-1 Sunday.

Winning pitcher of the Birmingham-Milford game, Dick Shelton, posted 13 strike-outs in the seven inning game as Jerry Wedge paced the hitters with three for four. Jerry Beck and Kirk Flack shared the catching for Birmingham.

McDowell was the starting pitcher for Milford and was relieved by Sheeber in the fifth when Birmingham bunched three of its runs.

SUNDAY PROVED more of a pitcher's duel for Birmingham with Tom McCormick gaining the win behind 15 strike-outs. McCormick scored the game's lone run in the

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County's Easter Seal Campaign Nets \$28,870

Contributions received by the Oakland County Society for Crippled Children through the recent Easter Seal campaign totaled \$28,870, it was announced today.

The announcement was made by Mrs. Elizabeth Kirby, the society's executive secretary. She reported that the amount represented an increase of \$10,348 over the total in 1952, when the campaign ran until July 1.

Fifty per cent of the receipts will be expended by the local society for its work in Oakland County. The remainder goes to the Michigan State Society, which provides the printed material used in the seal campaign and conducts a program for crippled children's aid in counties where there are no local chapters.

The secretary's announcement was included in the Society's quarterly report for the period ending June 1, which also noted receipts amounting to \$22,216 in the form of special contributions, memberships, memorials and gifts for special equipment, remodeling of headquarters camps and the Backham Institute program for education and training of cerebral palsied children and their mothers.

DISBURSEMENTS amounted to \$4,995, including \$2,658 for Easter Seal campaign mailing expenses. Other disbursements were \$3,822 for building maintenance, administrative, office and clerical expenses, and \$1,911 for class work, books and appliances, medical treatments, physical therapy, case work and teaching of the blind and patients confined to bed.

New equipment was provided through donations by V.E.S. of Pontiac, Guilds, All Saints Episcopal Church, Pontiac Council P. O. Omicron National Sorority, Junior League of Birmingham, Mr. John Richards of the Roman Cleanser Co., Mr. O. O. Corso, Oak Park for a room in which the parents' group for the aid and instruction of the handicapped will meet.

Rotary Clubs at Waterford and Drayton, Walled Lake, Milford, Oxford, Pontiac, and Mr. John Hough of Royal Oak had made contributions totaling \$550 to date for remodeling of the headquarters building at Pontiac.



LISTENING CLOSELY TO THEIR INSTRUCTOR, Mrs. F. A. Jeffers, right, are Sylvia Kodenbrock and Virginia Penrose, Birmingham High school students enrolled in the beginners modeling class at the Community House. Three classes, beginners, advanced and second advanced classes are taught weekly by Mrs. Jeffers. The beginners class meets each Thursday night from 7 to 8:30 p.m. with the advanced class meeting at the same time on Monday nights and the second advanced class held on Wednesday nights. Registrations are still open for the courses teaching self-improvement and modeling. (Eccentric Staff Photo)

thing when he scored on a single by Mike Grove after doubling. Longest hit of this game was a triple by Bill Wattinson. The hit was nullified later when Wattinson was run down at the plate in a squeeze play.

A stop by short stop Elyson of Waterford was marked as the most outstanding play of the game. Two men were on base when Wattinson hit a sharp grounder to Elyson right. The short stop bunched to the right and stopped the ball and also any scoring.

MARTY GOLMAN was the winning pitcher in Bloomfield's first league game at Berkley. Bloomfield jumped off to a six run lead in the first inning to set up the game.

Birmingham and Bloomfield will face each other Friday night at Cranbrook in a make-up game. Both teams are the only undefeated ones in the league. Game time is 8 p.m.

Sunday Berkley will play Birmingham here and Bloomfield will play in Clawson. Both games are scheduled for 2 p.m.

Wednesday's game, June 24, Birmingham will again face Bloomfield.

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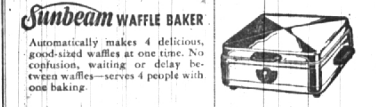
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