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Some of You Are Upset — So Are We

We are sure you are, that is, all of you who have written to us during the last 60 days. No answer to your letters. What's wrong? We are—we were made wrong. We should have been made four instead of one. We can only spare 16 hours of each day for work. What are we raving about? Not enough of us. Not enough days in the week.

WE ARE BEHIND

Yes we are, we are 45 days behind taking care of the mail. The President's desk has over 300 letters that need to be answered. The Bookkeeper's desk is piled high with memberships and membership renewals, that have to be taken care of. Those who sent them in have a right to wonder what's wrong? We put out 7,500 letters last week. Envelopes had to be addressed, stuffed, sealed and taken to the post office. The week before it was the same and the week before that likewise. Where were Fred Hart and Don Matchan?, they were here, there and everywhere and at Sacramento working on this awful attempt to deprive the cancer victims of California of the right to live. Some day we will have sufficient funds to hire help so we will not have to work so hard, but right now we are all tired and sort of frustrated because we are so far behind in our work—so please forgive us and pray that we may have the strength to keep at the work at least until this emergency is over.

I know there is a God. With the hand of prayer, I knocked at His door, and He opened it.

Off to the Convention

Those who attended the four day convention of the National Health Federation held at Cleveland, Ohio, last October, I am sure will plan now to attend the big four day National Health Federation convention to be held in Chicago at the LaSalle Hotel August 20-21-22-23. This convention will far surpass any convention yet held, that is what those in charge say. We have seen the preliminary plans and we are sure that it will. The big Banquet on Saturday night, the 22nd, will be a real event.

Plan now to attend. Why not get up a caravan in your state and make a real occasion of it? This Chicago convention is planned for those living east of the Rocky Mountains

An Expanded Annual Meeting

So successful was the last annual meeting of the National Health Federation the Board of Governors decided to expand the next one to a four day convention. The dates set are Feb. 12-13-14-15, 1960. This will give the National Health Federation two conventions a year. The one in the west will take care of the members living west of the Rocky Mountains and others who care to attend. The convention will be held at the Sheraton-Huntington Hotel in Pasadena—a most delightful place. Four days of everything a convention should be is in store for those who attend. We know of some who have already started on getting up caravans to go to Pasadena.

HOME SWEET HOME

"Keep quiet!" a wife said to her spouse. "When I want your opinion, I'll give it to you."

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Position of National Health Federation on Cancer Control Legislation

Don C. Matchan as a representative of the National Health Federation outlined the Federations position to California State Senate Committee on Public Health and Safety, at public hearing March 5, 1959, to consider Senate Bill 194, a bill relating to creation of a Cancer Advisory Council. Don did a marvelous job of presentation and all who heard it including the Committee members were impressed. The Statement follows:

Chairman Thompson and members of the Senate Committee on Public Health and Safety:

I am Don C. Matchan, 272 Clark Avenue South, Los Altos. I speak as a private citizen; as a member of the Board of Governors of National Health Federation; as editor and publisher of Herald of Health magazine.

As an editor, I take vigorous exception to Section 1714 of S. B. 194, which prohibits any person from recommending any type of treatment as effective in arresting or curing cancer. I concur with National Health Federation in the request that this section be stricken.

You men know of my opposition to this bill and its forerunner, the Weinberger Bill. I am all too well aware of the pressures exerted in behalf of this legislation. I am also aware that the general public, regardless of the endorsements by officers of some of the state's large organizations, and by a one-sided press, does not realize that a basic right of citizenship is in jeopardy at this moment.

My opposition to this type of legislation is based on three points:

1. It encroaches on the individual's right of free choice of practitioner and treatment of disease.

2. It would create a new government agency, and impose a financial burden on already hard-pressed taxpayers.

3. Quackery can be controlled by strengthening existing laws, and by providing the State Bureau of Food & Drug Inspection with a medical advisor and a full-time deputy attorney general. We have the sworn testimony of Commissioner Milton P. Duffy to back this statement up.

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I will not belabor Point 1, regardless of its extreme importance, further than to say I agree with Dr. Lewis A. Aleson, M.D., Los Angeles, former president of the California Medical Association, who said, quote: "I have the right to do with my body as I please, so long as it does not impinge the rights of others." End quote.

Senate Bill 194 would establish within the State Department of Health a commission with the power to investigate various types of cancer treatment. I think you will agree, gentlemen, that *it is the history of government* that new bureaus and agencies start out with small appropriations, then gradually expand until the services are entrenched in the overall governmental structure. The bureau demands—and gets—larger and larger sums of public funds as time goes on.

If the proposed commission does its job thoroughly—and if it isn't meticulously thorough it should not be created—it *could spend millions* of dollars in the years ahead. Witness the hundreds of millions which have been poured into cancer research on a national scale—so far without much success.

The State of California spent \$30,000 to hold hearings on the extent of cancer quackery in California. I attended all the sessions conducted by Senator Thompson's Interim Committee on Public Health.

Those hearings, gentlemen, harsh as these words may sound, *did not establish* documented proof that a cancer commission is the only way to meet cancer quackery.

THIS IS SERIOUS BUSINESS. WE'RE DEALING WITH LIFE AND DEATH! This bill—and its predecessor, the Weinberger Bill—would establish a

brand new precedent, one which would put the State in the cancer business if you please.

During the hearings *not a single documented statistic* was produced to establish the number of Californians who died last year, or any other year, as a result of treatment by quacks. Nor how much money was spent with quacks. Nor how much was spent with doctors treating with recognized methods—surgery and irradiation. Nor was one iota of evidence turned up to show how many persons went to the so-called quacks *after* using surgery and irradiation unsuccessfully and getting the verdict that the case was hopeless. Gentlemen, in our own small circle I can name four women who had cancer surgery at about the same time my wife did 3½ years ago. My wife availed herself of the added protection, we believe, of so-called unorthodox treatment. The other ladies did not. The four are not here today, the last was buried about two months ago. My wife, thanks the Lord, is still here, and apparently in good health.

Statistics as to the number of victims of quackery should be available. Death certificates, if properly filled out, require the cause of death, antecedent causes, and "other significant conditions contributing to death." (Sec. 10225, article 2, division 9, Vital Statistics, Health and Safety Code). Not one person from the Department of Health, bureau of vital statistics, was called to present such evidence. Yet *this was the purpose of the Committee's very existence* when authorized by the Legislature in 1957. One witness from the federal Food & Drug Administration testified he estimates \$50,000,000 a year

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With Our General Counsel

Legal and Professional Rights of Licensed Chiropractors and Others Licensed in the Healing Arts Professions to Use Vitamins, Minerals, Concentrated Foods, and Other Dietary Food Supplements.

It has come to our attention that officials of several states are investigating the practice of chiropractors and others licensed in the healing arts fields to determine whether such doctors are improperly using in their practice products such as vitamins, minerals, concentrated foods and foods for special dietary uses.

The officials frequently file legal charges that such doctors who use dietary food supplements to balance their patients' diet are practicing medicine without a license.

To charge chiropractors and other doctors licensed to practice in the field of arts, with the illegal practice of medicine is not right and proper within the meaning of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act or the State Uniform Food and Drug laws *provided* the doctor does not make any therapeutic claim that the product will cure, mitigate, prevent or diagnose any disease.

How to Sell Vitamins Legally

If vitamins are sold as food, then they may be sold by anyone without regard to the provisions of the Federal, Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. If, however, vitamins are sold as drugs or medicines, making therapeutic claims for them, then such products become *drugs* under the legal definition of the laws and must be sold pursuant to the provisions of the federal and state food and drug laws

and the licensing laws governing the profession of the doctor.

None of the products in the nutritional field are included in or subject to control by the Durham-Humphrey Amendment (Drug) to the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, because that amendment relates solely to drugs as defined, and not to nutritional supplements or dietary food supplements or food products for special dietary uses.

According to the Federal Food and Drug Law and federal and state court decisions, the following claims can be made legally in connection with the sale and distribution of food for special dietary uses such as products for fundamental nutritional supplementation which are essential in normal nutrition.

The term "Special Dietary Uses," as applied to food for man, means particular (as distinguished from general) uses of food, as follows:

1. Uses for supplying particular dietary needs which exist by reason of a physical, physiological, pathological or other condition, including but not limited to the conditions of disease, convalescence, pregnancy, lactation, allergic hypersensitivity to food, underweight, and overweight;

2. Uses for supplying particular dietary needs which exist by reason of age, including but not limited to the ages of infancy, and overweight;

3. Uses for supplementing or fortifying the ordinary or usual diet with any vitamin, mineral, or other dietary property. Any such particular use of a food as a special dietary use, regardless of whether such foods also purports to be

or is represented for general use.

Vitamins and minerals that are essential in normal nutrition and necessary for proper body function are regarded as foods when they are offered for oral use in recommended intakes that are consistent with body needs for normal growth and maintenance. The use of the vitamin and/or mineral product is to supply deficiency diseases. Such diseases do not exist if the person is using a balanced nutritional diet.

Information necessary in order to inform the purchases of the value of the nutritional supplementation includes a statement of the dietary properties upon which its value for such use is based.

No therapeutic claim should be made that the nutritional product will cure, prevent, diagnose, or mitigate a disease. To claim the product will supply particular dietary needs which exist by reason of one of the conditions outlined above does not constitute making an illegal therapeutic claim for a nutritional product

Charles O. Pratt
National Health Federation
General Counsel

Say's Who?

"Chiropractic is not based on scientific methods and therefore should not properly be entitled to consideration as anything other than a cult," stated Dr. George F. Lull, secretary of A.M.A., on May 4, 1954, to the committee on veterans' affairs of the House of Representatives, for House Rule No. 54, Eighty-third Congress.

A pastor's duty is to feed his sheep, not abuse the goats.

Court Upsets A.M.A.

The American Medical Racket suffered a setback in Florida. After having had a subversive law passed by the Legislature, barring the cure of Florida people by the naturopathic science, the Florida Supreme Court declared it unconstitutional.

Undaunted by their Florida setback, the AMA is now trying to destroy this great healing science in Connecticut. We've received no report of a \$500,000 slush fund being sent into the Nutmeg State for this purpose—yet.

They've had a stooge introduce a bill in the Legislature "to make the practice of naturopathy illegal." Wherever they are successful in hog-tying the naturopaths, who are weakest of all healing professions (in numbers) their next step is to have the practice of chiropractic legislated out of existence.—Capsule News.

A Doctor Is Born

By Dr. W. D. Chesney, M.D.

Here it is at last; a book by a doctor who dares to tell the truth about medical trade unnecessary surgery, ghost surgery, food poisons, poison sprays, drug monopoly, medical rackets and a host of other crimes against the traditions of the Hippocratic Oath.

It is not an attack upon doctors in general, nor on the practice of medicine in toto! it is directed only against those knaves whose nefarious practices must be exposed to save the lives and health of thousands who will suffer or die needlessly because of greed, carelessness and ignorance. Many good doctors know the truth, but cannot speak, because to do so would mean personal financial disaster, and ousting from practice. Dr. Chesney pulls no punches, and can prove every word he says. Don't let him stand alone in his courage. Don't remain a medical monopoly guinea pig. Order his sensational book today!

Ray Palmer, Rt. 2, Box 36, Amherst, Wisconsin

Please send me my personal copy of
Dr. W. D. Chesney's A DOCTOR IS BORN.

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for which I enclose my remittance of \$3.50 less 20% as a member of National Health Federation.

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Practical Petitioning for Positive Protection

By THELMA CORDWELL

Most people, working in the field of natural food supplements, are in an excellent position to secure numerous signatures on our Congressional Petitions against poisonous additives. While only the surface of this category of potential volunteers and signers has been scratched, nationally, quite a few such contributors are working enthusiastically with us.

Their commendable returns are typified by Mrs. M. Elizabeth Turner of La Verne, Calif. In response to a question regarding possible problems overcome in her petition work, which has produced a large number of signers, she wrote:

"I really don't remember any (problems) . . . I happened to be in a pretty good spot to know if people were interested in health, nutrition, etc . . . I merely got their names while I was talking to them."

Mrs. Turner, a National Health Federation member, says that "being associated with two very fine organizations, both interested in improving the health of the nation, it was quite easy to contact people . . . Natalie Thoreson, a co-member of the Pomona Valley Chapter of the American Nutrition Society, having received a number of the petitions for a project in another organization, gave me a few.

"I was happy to think someone not only had a wonderful idea, but was putting it into practical use!

"I left petitions at the health food

stores for signatures. Mrs. Thoreson also thought it would be well to have a supply to be signed at the next PVC-ANS meeting . . . The group decided on it as a good idea, so we ordered a bundle. We got quite a number of signers that night, and also passed out more for circulation."

"I took some petitions to my Garden of Eden Better Living Club and almost everyone signed. Several took extra units to pass around among their acquaintances.

As I worked, telling my nutrition story of our all-natural food supplements . . . most of the people I contacted were very agreeable to signing.

I believe I placed about 50 (multiple signature) petitions. Some of the people ordered more . . . I only wish we could have covered more territory! It was great work, and," she concludes kindly, "I think Mrs. Cordwell deserves a great vote of thanks for her diligent efforts."

Why not study the opportunities, for securing petition signatures for presentation in Washington, D. C., in your daily activities; then order a plentiful supply of units, at 3¢ each, from NHF Headquarters, 2454 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco 9, Calif.

THOUGHT FOR 1959

When folks speak of a lucky person
There's a point they often miss.
The harder one applies himself
. . . the luckier he is.

Anti-Cancer Quack Law – So Called

The old Weinberger Bill with some changes has been revived. It is now known as Senate Bill 194. It was introduced by Senator John Thompson, as we predicted it would be in a previous issue of the Bulletin.

Its Purpose

When you strip this bill of all its window dressing it boils down to the ugly fact it has but one purpose and that is to give the surgeons and radiologists of the State of California a monopoly in the treatment and diagnosis of cancer.

This bill if not amended as suggested by the National Health Federation, would put the practice of diagnosing and treating cancer in a bureaucratic strait-jacket. Future and present cancer sufferers in California could be expected to be denied any type of treatment except surgery, X-ray and irradiation. Any practitioner using any treatment other than X-ray, irradiation and surgery, unless allowed to do so by this board, could be subject to a jail sentence. Under this bill as now written, the decision as to whether or not a treatment has value would be decided by a Council made up of 14 members 11 of whom will be physicians and surgeons, who could have an economic interest in the results of their own decisions.

S.B. 194 is supposed to be designed to protect the public, and therefore the public should be well represented on this Council.

The National Health Federation was able to get the Senate to adopt certain amendments which tend to protect the public, but as the bill now stands it is a

travesty on justice. The Federation is seeking to have the bill further amended to provide among other things a board which is not stacked with biased individuals.

There are other items that must be changed. We are praying, working and giving; such a combination is hard to beat.

Other States Have An Interest

This bill is pilot legislation. It is the beginning of political Medicine. It is to be introduced into other states, if successful in California. It was slipped into the Nevada Legislature and an attempt was made to rush it through the legislature before the citizens became aware of it. "God bless honest legislators in Nevada," they would have none of it. N.H.F. was called upon for help. The local people carried the ball and after a hearing before the Health Committee of the Senate of the Nevada Legislature, the bill was held in committee. We are praying it will die there.

The proponents of S.B. 194 two years ago testified, it was first intended to include other diseases beside cancer in the bill, but for practical reasons it was thought unwise to include them in the bill at that time. It was brought out by questions from a member of the Senate Committee that other diseases could be added later and probably would be, as occasion warranted. Political Medicine Here We Come. The National Health Federation is the only road block. *Let's build it bigger and better.*

Beware of unreasonable people. Good men are reasonable.

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N.H.F. Washington Office a Reality

By FRED J. HART

It was our pleasure during the latter half of January, together with Harold Edwards, Vice-President of N.H.F., Ann Borrás and Thelma Cordwell, members of the N.H.F. Board of Governors, to assist in setting up permanent headquarters for the National Health Federation in Washington, D.C. Mr. Edwards will be in charge of all activities of the Washington office.

An Excellent Location

After a canvas of available locations, it was decided to locate the permanent offices in a suite at Hotel 2400, located at 2400-16th Street, N.W. This hotel is one of the better hotels in Washington and is conveniently located, has excellent transportation service, excellent dining service, good food well prepared, is one block from the finest cafeteria in Washington, is located across the street from a beautiful park, has a 300-car garage, spacious lobby and beautifully appointed rooms. With all of this, the rates are extra reasonable.

Special Rates to N.H.F. Members

As a part of the deal, the hotel will give a \$2.00 per day discount to members of N.H.F. Reservations should be made through the Washington office of N.H.F., though such is not necessary. It is always well, when possible, to write ahead for reservations.

Lecture Rooms

The hotel has ample lecture rooms and N.H.F. will encourage the best type Health Lecturers to hold lectures at the hotel. In other words, N.H.F., is attempting to make this hotel a sort of Health

Headquarters. It is our hope that soon the hotel will cater to health minded people, who do not want to drink fluoridated water and who like either a vegetarian diet, raw food diet or whatever type of diet is desired. The management will at all times try to have prepared the dishes desired. It will take some time to accomplish this entire program, but we are moving in that direction.

Suite 325

Suite 325 is located on the third floor and consists of living quarters for the Washington director, for which he pays out of his salary. The office space consists of a large conference room, with conference table, a large entrance hall or waiting room, a large general office room, a good-sized office for the director plus a room large enough to hold lectures to groups of not over 40 persons. The office is completely air-conditioned. In short it is an office N.H.F. members need not be ashamed of.

The Washington Staff

The Washington work will be under direction of Harold Edwards Vice-President of N.H.F. Edwards will be assisted by a woman of proven ability in handling many details of the Washington work.

As advisor to Mr. Edwards and as a representative of the members of N.H.F., we were able to contract with Charles Orlando Pratt to handle legal and regulatory matters. Mr. Pratt, in our opinion, is one of the most able attorneys in this field in Washington. We have known him many years and have looked forward to the day we could say he was the Wash-

ington attorney of N.H.F.

While in Washington

We were able to contact many legislators. We were met with a very fine response. It is gratifying to know our legislators welcome the opening of a Washington Office, dealing with health problems from the people's viewpoint. Our legislators long have hoped for such an event, for they are more anxious than you think to know what the people themselves want.

We also held conferences with Labor representatives and others, the purpose of these conferences being that of finding a common viewpoint on needed health legislation and or regulations. We also explored the possibility of a united front against injurious legislation and or regulations by governmental agencies.

Food and Drug Conference

Accompanied by our Attorney Charles Pratt and Harold Edwards we held a one-hour conference with Food and Drug Commissioner George Larrick. Sitting in on the conference also was the chief of the law enforcement department of Food and Drug.

We assured Mr. Larrick it was the purpose of N.H.F. and its thousands of members to work with the Food and Drug Administration in all its endeavors, the object of which is to secure strict, impartial and fair enforcement of laws relating to the health of the people of America. We further assured him we would work with them to help our members understand the laws and regulations and to live within them, so long as such regulations were fair, honest and in the best interests of the public. He assured us that was the desire of his department. We further assured him we would be on

the opposite side of the fence, if or when his department attempted to enforce regulations in a manner not in the best interest of the public and not in keeping with American practices.

We also pointed out to Mr. Larrick his department was spending too much time doing work within states, which should be done by the states themselves. This type of work is not within the jurisdiction of the federal government, in our opinion, and the federal government could well spend its funds doing the work within its jurisdiction. Mr. Larrick said his department would welcome the several states doing this work. We assured him it would be part of our program to get the states to do their own work.

We spent some of the time setting forth the organization plan of N.H.F. that he might know it is an organization of the people, for the people and by the people, and that henceforth expected to be consulted along with such organizations as the A.M.A. and the Better Business Bureau when matters relating to the health of the public were to be discussed.

Conference With Flemming

We had hoped to have a conference with Secretary Flemming, but he was out of town. We are planning on such a conference in the near future. The main purpose of such a conference is to acquaint Mr. Flemming with past activities of the Food and Drug Administration, which in our opinion are not in keeping with his often-expressed conviction that Health Education and Welfare should, in all its departments, be working first, last and always in and for the best interests of the public—that in all cases both

sides should be heard and their presentations given honest and fair consideration in arriving at a decision. N.H.F. concurs with this viewpoint.

At this conference we shall also endeavor to convince Mr. Flemming the National Health Federation should be invited to all conferences having to do with the health of the American people. We have in mind the many conferences held by Food and Drug Administration with the American Medical Association and the Better Business Bureau. Both of these organizations represent the people who make money from the services or products used by the American public. The people now have a voice, and from now on should be consulted in matters so vital to their health and well-being.

Edwards New in Washington

Our many friends in Washington are helping Harold get acquainted with the right people. You can help too. We suggest you each write a letter to your two Senators and your own Congressman. The address for the Senators is Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C. For your Congressman, House Office Building, Washington, D. C. In the letter state that you are a member of the National Health Federation—that your organization has opened a permanent office in Washington to act as your voice in matters relating to health—that Mr. Harold Edwards is in charge of the office—that you have requested he call, and that you will appreciate any help (whoever you are writing to) can give him.

In this manner you can give Mr. Edwards an easy and friendly meeting with your Representative or Senator. This will be a great boost for the cause of your organization. This is very important. When

you have done it please advise Mr. Edwards, c/o National Health Federation, 2400 - 16th St., N.W., Washington, D. C. This will enable him to follow up your contact.

N.H.F. Presents Brief

The United States Senate has been holding hearings on Senate Joint Resolution 41. This resolution introduced by Senator Lister Hill would create an international research task force. The purpose being that of working together with all world scientists in a search for the elimination of disease. The creation of such a force would call for an initial appropriation of fifty million dollars of our money.

Extensive hearings have been held. The National Health Federation has filed with the committee an extensive brief, part of which was given over to presenting the case of the drugless approach to healing and urging that due consideration be given to practitioners of this approach.

This is but another potent reason for the need of the National Health Federation. The Washington Office personnel are attending hearings on many other bills and are watching for every opportunity to speak on behalf of the public.

Rome was not built in one day; but Rome was built: So we will not win all our battles in a day or maybe a year; but we will win them.

YOU CAN HELP BY . . .

- 1. Paying Your DUES**
- 2. Making a DONATION.**
- 3. Getting a NEW MEMBER.**

Labor Urges 'Dimes,' Cancer Drive Boycott

The Oregon Labor Press today urged this state's 200,000 AFL-CIO members to boycott the March of Dimes and the American Cancer society fund-raising drives.

In an editorial, the official AFL-CIO weekly newspaper advised its readers:

"Don't give to the March of Dimes!"

"Don't give to the American Cancer society!"

The newspaper based its criticism of the Cancer society on that organization's decision to drop out of the United Fund and "go it alone" in raising money.

"If the Cancer society's 'crusade' is successful, other health agencies are sure to withdraw from the United Fund to stage independent fund campaigns of their own. And our hard-won United Fund principle of 'one drive a year' will be shattered," the editorial said.

Regarding the March of Dimes, the editorial explained that this campaign is conducted by an organization formerly known as the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. Said the editorial:

"Now polio has been conquered by the Salk vaccine. The Polio foundation had a magnificent opportunity to accept the thanks of a grateful nation and to bow out of the picture—or perhaps retain a small staff to care for those who were crippled by polio before Dr. Salk made his great discovery.

"Is that what the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis decided to do? Not at all

"It changed its name to the National Foundation (period). And right now it is staging a bigger, louder, higher-pres-

sure fund-raising campaign than ever before. What for? For 'arthritis, rheumatism, virus research, birth defects and disorders of the nervous system.'

"In other words, the National Foundation is perpetuating itself and its huge staff as a professional high-pressure money-raising outfit. And it is deliberately muscling in on other health agencies long established in their respective fields."—Taken from Oregon Journal, Jan. 16, 1959.

Paint Oranges? OK in Two States

WASHINGTON, March 13 — The House voted today to allow Texas and Florida oranges to look like oranges—even if they have to be dyed.

With some good natured bantering from California members, it sent to President Eisenhower a bill permitting Florida and Texas citrus growers to color their oranges artificially. The dye to be used is not quite as toxic as that previously used.

Congressman Delaney worked hard against this bill. N.H.F. joined in the battle. We need more members on the alert to write letters, at the proper time. We must have thousands of groups of ten members gathered around one key person. Why do you not get ten of your friends to join such a group? As chairman we could then be in touch with you and get almost immediate action from you. If we needed the action of your members, you in turn would get them to immediately do what was needed. The Federation is built on a base of such groups.

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Senate Constitutional Amendment Introduced by Senator Dilworth

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Senate Constitutional Amendment No. 3

—A resolution to propose to the people of the State of California an amendment to the Constitution of the State, by adding to Article 1 thereof a new section to be numbered 26, relating to the "Bill of Rights for Mental Freedom."

Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, That the Legislature of the State of California at its 1957 Regular Session commencing on the seventh day of January, 1957, two-thirds of the members elected to each of the two houses of the Legislature voting therefor, hereby proposes to the people of The State of California that the Constitution of the State be amended by adding Section 26 to Article I thereof, to read:

SEC. 26. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Bill of Rights for Mental Freedom."

(a) No person shall be committed to or confined in a mental institution without a court hearing.

(b) No person shall be committed to or confined in a mental institution unless he is afforded the right to a speedy public trial; to a trial by jury; to counsel of his own choosing, or if unable to obtain counsel, to a counsel appointed by the court; to be confronted by his accusers; to ample notice of the exact charges against him; and to compulsory process for the attendance of witnesses.

(c) It shall be the duty of the public defender, if appointed to defend persons

accused of being mentally ill or mentally deficient, and it shall be the duty of the court to appoint counsel for any such person, if that person is unable to obtain counsel of his own choosing.

(d) No person shall be committed to or confined in a mental institution because of his religious or political beliefs.

(e) No person shall be committed to or confined in a mental institution to prevent him from exercising his right of freedom of speech, including his right to express his political views and to criticize the government, any public official or any law.

(f) No person shall be committed to or confined in a mental institution to prevent him from exercising his right to assemble with his fellow citizens; to petition the government for the redress of his grievances; to lawfully possess arms; to resist unlawful searches and seizures; to engage in political activity; to resist the taking of his property; or to take appropriate action in defense of his children, parents, or spouse.

(g) Persons accused of being mentally ill or mentally deficient shall not prior to adjudication of mental illness or deficiency be confined with and among persons previously adjudged mentally ill or mentally deficient except when no other facilities are available.

(h) Patients in a mental institution shall not be denied the right to counsel, or the right to communicate with persons outside the institution.

(i) No United States citizen shall be transported out of this State on charges of mental illness or mental deficiency of any kind unless it be to the state of his legal residence.

Enumeration of the foregoing rights shall not deprive a person accused of mental illness or mental deficiency of any other rights that he may have at law or in equity. Hearing is set for April 16 at 9 a.m. in Room 4203.

Our Thanks to All of You

We try to write to each member who donates to the Washington Office, the general work of N.H.F. or to the special cancer fund with which to pay the bills incurred in the N.H.F. struggle to have S.B. 194 amended so it will be a good instead of a bad bill. If you have donated and have not received a letter, please be patient with us. Those of you who have not donated, please accept our thanks for being a member and cooperating with us.

The Washington Office has long been needed. So far we have received only a bit over one-half the funds needed for the year, either in cash or in pledges. *If you are at all able, please send a contribution to help with the Washington Office budget or a pledge of so much a month or quarterly.* We can only maintain it as we have the funds. Many of you who cannot help by giving money are helping by getting new members. That is a very helpful way to serve. We thank you. Others are helping with the work by purchasing at 2 cents each the pamphlet "Are We Living In A Fool's Paradise" and distributing them. Still others are helping by buying the Bulletin or the pamphlet "Take Off That Blind Fold" and distributing them, our thanks to these also.

Flash from Washington Office

Fifty-eight U. S. Senators are listed as sponsors of a proposed bill known as Senate Joint Resolution 41 . . . it carries the title of "The International Health and Medical Research Act of 1959" with a yearly price tag, to start, that amounts to 50 million . . . it will set up another Institute for International Research at Bethesda—the eighth one—and is designed to spread the benefits to all corners of old Mother Earth . . . medical, that is . . . the Act is so well thought of the Senators have dubbed it "The Health for Peace Act" . . . it will turn Uncle Sam's hordes of global enemies into friends.

As soon as you read this get out your pen and ink and write your Senators and Congressmen . . . tell them what you think about this further excuse for adding another 50 million to the already *huge medical grub stake.*

In his testimony in favor of S.J. 41, Secretary Arthur Flemming of the Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare said he was delighted to find that our Nation will spend 80 million dollars for 1959 in the International Health field . . . also that the 1960 budget calls for 100 million in the same category . . . that, he said, is in addition to \$20 million being spent in the same way by the International Co-operative Administration, branch of our State Department.

Senator Lister Hill, Alabama, is chairman of the committee sponsoring the bill and a joint author . . . this is another in a long list of medical bills for Senator Hill who announced as the hearings began that "he was proud to be connected with such a noble, constructive piece of legislation" . . . this strong advocate of more and more of the medical prescription had a daddy who was an M.D. who proudly named his son Lister for the well known

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NHF Looks Ahead

By DON MACHAN
Editor Herald of Health

San Francisco—Programwise as well as attendancewise, the fourth annual convention of National Health Federation at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel here January 10 was the "biggest and best yet."

Approximately 350 persons attended sessions opening at 9 a.m., with registration and continuing throughout the day, culminating with an evening address by Dr. William A. Albrecht of University of Missouri.

The morning session was highlighted by the annual report of President Fred J. Hart who reviewed the organization's achievements in 1958 and outlined 1959 goals, subsequently approved by the board of governors. The '59 program follows:

1. Distribute, through membership cooperation, one million pamphlets, "Are We Living in a Fool's Paradise?" written by Dr. H. S. Burkhardt, 2261 Condon Way, Seattle cost 2 cents each.

2. Establishment of a permanent Washington office to be manned by an attorney, director general and a part time legislative assistant (a budget of \$22,000 for this project was approved, and fundraising already is under way).

3. Hold a four-day convention at the LaSalle Hotel in Chicago August 20-21-22-23.

4. Hold a four-day convention in Pasadena, Calif., February 12, 13, 14, 15, 1960.

5. Oppose any bill which would legalize adding chemicals to drinking water

for any purpose other than purification.

6. Support legislation in California giving state officials charged with controlling illegal health treatments sufficient funds to employ the necessary help to do the job efficiently.

7. Support the Dilworth bill to amend the California constitution to provide that no one may be committed to a mental institution without a jury trial.

9. Hire an assistant to the president of NHF, if a proper person is found and finances are available.

10. Employ a full-time attorney in the San Francisco office, when finances are available, to provide an experienced man to handle legal matters involving health liberties, particularly as related to mental health.

11. Double the membership, urging members to add \$2 to dues to help support the Washington office.

In his annual message Mr. Hart declared "the Federation has a great task—the challenge is a mighty one, the need is for action. People are ready for constructive leadership and the Federation has demonstrated it is capable of providing that leadership . . . It has been a pleasure to work with you. My reward (he receives no salary) has been in seeing the organization grow and the way each of you has responded to responsibility."

Mr. Hart went to Washington in mid-January to assist Harold Edwards, Cleveland, newly-elected vice-president of NHF, in setting up an office. He conferred also with Attorney Charles Or-

lando Pratt who has been retained as the organization's legal consultant in the capitol.

Major activities of the Federation during 1958, Mr. Hart reported, were its role in supporting legislation in Washington controlling use of harmful additives in food and beverages, and its presentation of the "people's case" before a California Senate Interim Committee on Public Health investigating quackery in that state. The organization advised with legislative committees of state governments defining its concept of "health legislation fundamentals."

Other legislation it will support this year includes proposals to:

1. Continuing studies of the effect of insecticides, herbicides and fungicides on fish and wildlife.

2. Amend the Administrative Procedure Act to prevent public agencies from issuing damaging statements about persons or organizations under investigation, prior to court adjudication of the case.

3. Prohibit officers and employees of the United States, Territories of the U. S., and District of Columbia from treating water supplies with fluoride compounds.

4. Amend anti-trust laws to prevent organized medicine from denying use of hospital facilities to any properly licensed medical doctor.

5. Compel charity fund-raising organizations to furnish financial statements annually to the government.

6. Require "some department of the FBI" to inspect annually all mental institutions to ascertain whether any inmates have been committed illegally or are being held though of sound mind.

7. Eliminate discrimination of doctors

permitted to study in institutions receiving federal aid.

In the afternoon the audience was treated to an address by Dr. Royal Lee, D.D.S. Milwaukee, Wis., lecturer, manufacturer, inventor, author, engineer, research scientist, on "It Can Happen Here"; an address and demonstration, "A Program for Vibrant Health," by the lovable Dr. H. E. Kirschner, M.D., Monrovia, Calif., author of the best-selling *Live Food Juices*; an illustrated lecture containing valuable data on nutrition gathered by the late Dr. Weston Price and others, by Dr Harold S. Burkhardt, D.D.S., Seattle. The evening program started with a talk by Dr. E. Hugh Tuckey, D.C., San Francisco, "The Place of Hydrochloric Acid in Human Nutrition," and was concluded by an illustrated lecture, "Soil, Organic Matter, and Health," by the celebrated Dr. William A. Albrecht, chairman of the Department of Soils, College of Agriculture, University of Missouri.

During the business meeting the following were elected to the board of governors for three-year terms: Ernest Shearer, D.O., Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. Anne Booras, Washington, D. C.; Don C. Matchan, San Francisco; L. S. Sanderson, Hollywood, Calif.; Mrs. Zelma P. Cordwell, Glen Ridge, New Jersey; Adm. A. I. Malstrom (U.S.N. ret.), Bethesda, Md.; Miles H. Robinson, M.D., Bethesda, Md.; V. I. Irons, Boston. Holdover board members include E. Hugh Tuckey, D. C., San Francisco; Fred J. Hart, Salinas, Calif. William Liddon, Nashville, Tenn.; Harold Edwards, Cleveland, Ohio; Charles Crecelius, Monrovia, Calif.; Duon Miller, Coral Gables, Fla.; Mrs. Alice Schuringa, Chicago; Mrs. Joyce Stack-

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Wait a Minute!

Our Washington Office is being flooded with mail about matters which belong to the National Headquarters Office.

The Washington Office is a branch of the national office and its functions are confined to legislative matters, which have been approved by the Board of Governors. The Washington office, can and, will handle only such matters as it has been instructed to handle by the main office of N.H.F.

The Washington Office does not have the office force to handle general mail. If all types of requests are sent to the Washington Office, it would soon come to pass the office would be so cumbered with mail, no time could be given to legislation and or regulations—the only purpose for which we maintain an office in Washington, D. C.

Please don't misunderstand us in this matter; we are only trying to prevent the development of a chaotic situation. At times we will request you to write direct to the Washington Office. Starting with the May-June issue, Harold Edwards will have space in the Bulletin to report on legislative activities and other National Matters.

Our Washington attorney starting with this issue will have space to acquaint our members with the laws and regulations governing matters in the health field. The purpose being to advise what can be done under the regulations and what if any

pool, San Francisco; John Minder, Detroit, Mich.; Lyle G. Smith, Sacramento, Calif.; Royal Lee, D.D.S., Milwaukee; John R. Gozzi and Roby Day, San Diego; Frederick D. Beck, New Orleans.

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rights law enforcement officers have when visiting a doctor's office or Health Food Stores. Properly understood, business can be carried on without trouble with the law.

FLASH FROM WASHINGTON

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scientist.

Dr. Detlob W. Bronk appeared before the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee speaking in favor of this same S.J. 41, in his capacity of president of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, New York City. Dr. Bronk feels that opportunities offered through advances in the physical sciences are so many and challenging that they "bewilder one's vision and imagination."

He pointed out that it was now possible to follow, through electronics, the minute electrical impulses generated by nervous action in the living organism (Electrical Medical Foundation please note!)

The chairman pointed out that Dr. Bronk's title is an honorary one bestowed on him by Washington University of St. Louis . . . the doctor appeared to not notice this unsought bit of publicity.

If the bill should happen to pass both houses of Congress it will mean that a minimum of \$171 million of U. S. taxpayers' money will be spread over the world to further advance the business of medicine . . . American plan . . . 35 million of it will go for malaria control . . . balance for such U. S. nostrums as fluoridation and Salk vaccine . . . surgery, X-ray and radium . . . coal tar drugs.

Food and Drug Administration

N.H.F. Washington Office reports the stage is all set to launch an intensive investigation of the Food and Drug Administration. We have worked a long time to get to this day. The N.H.F. office is working with the proper parties to make this a real investigation.

Dr. Bannick Visits Hunza

Tucked away behind the tall, majestic 25,000 foot mountains of the Himalayas lies almost inaccessible Hunza, one of the last frontiers of unspoiled "civilization." Hunza folk live to be 120 years old, and retain their vigor. Men father children at the age 100, and women bear and nurse offspring at an age when American and European women are getting about in wheel chairs or hobbling painfully with crippling arthritis. Why?

Dr. Allen Bannick asked himself this question too. Prompted by his interest in geriatrics and deviled by his need to know, Dr. Bannick sat down and wrote Art Linkletter, famous TV and radio personality, a letter suggesting that the program, *People Are Funy*, send an investigator to Hunza for an on-the-spot investigation. Art not only took the doctor's suggestion, but picked him for the job.

Reports Dr. Bannick, in part: "Hunza is a long, narrow valley, probably 50 miles long, and in most places not over one mile wide. It's a virtual Utopia, or Shangri-la, still nearly untouched by the ravages of civilization. Populated by whites, descendants of Alexander the Great and Persian women, their numbers have increased to some 25,000. Their isolation has been inviolated for over 2,000 years! But don't think for a moment that Hunza folk are backward. For instance, they have no epidemics, no cancer, no high blood pressure, no polio, no tooth decay, and no bad livers. In fact, I found only one doctor for the entire 25,000 population, and he was not even busy. And not one individual did I find wearing eyeglasses, or suffering from glaucoma or other eye diseases.—Organic Consumer Report.

Quotes from Members

"Read your Bulletin and pass it on."

"Let us forget that we do not agree on everything and work together on the things we do agree on."

"The National Health Federation is an organization in and through which we can work for the benefit of all without interfering with our membership or work in other organizations in the field of health."

"Every member should urge his Health Food Store to join the National Health Federation."

"We are living in a world of organization and we who want good health must organize or take the consequences."

"Hoxsey pills should be crushed and desolved in liquid," so says one member.

Protect Us

George Larrick, Commissioner
Food and Drug Administration
Department of Health, Education
and Welfare
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Larrick:

I have been noticing in the press that your Administration is still insisting that no Aureomycin be used as a fish preservative until such time as you are absolutely sure that it will not be harmful to animals and humans. The National Health Federation stands back of you one hundred per cent in this endeavor. We would appreciate it very much if you would reevaluate the use of Aureomycin as a preservative in poultry.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Fred J. Hart, President

National Health Federation

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NOTES FROM HERE AND THERE

IN MICHIGAN: they are fluoridating the water without letting the people know. They say they are doing so because the people kick if they know about it. What has become of the good old American spirit, for which the folks in Michigan were so noted?

IN GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA: the Garden Grove Chapter of the National Health Federation held a rummage sale and netted over \$500.00 for the work of the Federation in Garden Grove, Orange County, California, and the National Health Federation. Last month we reported over \$200.00 raised via a rummage sale by the Escondido Chapter of the Federation. This helped with the Washington office. It would take only 98 more such doings to pay the entire Washington budget. Why not others do likewise. Rummage sales, box lunches auctioned off and many other ways can be used. It's a good cause, so why not. It's lots of fun.

IN LEHIGH VALLEY, PENNSYLVANIA: they have an up and coming Health Federation, this Federation already has contributed \$200.00 to the cause and more is to come. It is one of the best and largest in Pennsylvania. Mrs. Arthur Cordwell was a guest speaker at a recent meeting. She reports that it was indeed an inspiration to meet with the group. C. E. Shaffer and Evelyn deMontigny—congratulations.

DALLAS, TEXAS: The Taylor Clinic, successor to the Hoxsey Clinic still uses the original treatment; and more. They have added other natural elements to the tonic and believe it is thereby increased

in effectiveness. In spite of rumors to the contrary it is still open and doing business.

FARM CHEMICALS POSSIBLE CANCER SOURCE: Eating meat of animals sprayed or injected with some *modern farm chemicals may induce cancer years later*, a physician who has spent nearly 20 years in cancer research warned.

He is Dr. William E. Smith, 43, of Englewood, N. J., a graduate of Johns Hopkins University, he successively was a staff researcher for the Harvard Medical School, the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research and the Sloan-Kettering Institute for Cancer Research. He now is executive secretary of the Cancer Prevention Committee.

ALL X-RAYS SHORTEN LIFE: Your life is shortened by 12 days for every Roentgen of radiation you receive, a top atomic scientist said today. (Aug. 11, 1958). Dr. Howard J. Curtis of the Atomic Energy Commission's Brookhaven National Laboratory, saying the Roentgen is a unit of radiation, declared this life-shortening aspect is indicated from experiments with mice. A pregnant woman undergoing a fluoroscopic pelvic examination to study her unborn child would be clipping two weeks from the ultimate life of the child. Such an examination produces from one to two Roentgen units. An average dental X-ray delivers approximately five Roentgens to the patient's jaw.

FACE THE MUSIC

"Tell me the worst, doctor," the man said as he came to, "what's my bill?"

California Bills

No Medication in Water Supply

Assembly Bill No. 1563 — Prohibits the addition to a water supply of any medical or other substance with the intent or for the purpose of affecting the physical or mental functions of the body of any persons consuming such water. Becomes fully operative on January 1, 1964.

Please note this bill does not mention Fluoridation, though it covers that matter. The reason is one of strategy. "Medicinal or other substance" covers the entire field and is very apt to appeal to the general public, while if Fluorides were to be singled out, all of those who have been brainwashed into believing flouridation of the water supply is good for the teeth, would be against the bill. When you write to your Senator and Assemblyman asking support of the bill, please do not play up the subject of fluoridation. Most folks will agree that water should not be used as a means of mass medication. Your legislators are no exception. Don't quibble about the operative date. Let us get the bill and then amend it later to move the operative date up. **BE SURE AND WRITE IN SUPPORT OF THIS VERY WORTHWHILE BILL.**

Give the Public the Facts

Label Poultry as to state of origin and as to what medication has been applied to the meat. That is the gist of a bill introduced by Assemblyman McCollister. N.H.F. is working hard to secure the passage of this Bill. The poultry merchants and chain stores are working hard to defeat it. Get out your pens and pencils and immediately write to your State Senator

and your Assemblyman (California only) and request they support this worthwhile measure. The Federal law does not apply to poultry killed and marketed within the state, nor does the Federal law require the state of origin on the tag. This law is very badly needed, and we can have it if enough of the residents of California advise their legislators they want it. It is known as Assembly Bill No. 66.

Food Additive Law for California

Senate Bills 337 and 338 by Senator Burns of Fresno, would make the Federal Food Additive law apply to food, etc., produced inside the state of California and consumed within the state. At present the within-the-state producer can do anything he wants with our food so far as adding poisonous additives to it. These are very important bills and should be enacted into law. They will be, if sufficient of our folks and their friends advise their Senator and Assemblyman of their desires. What we get from the legislature is in the last analysis what we insist on getting. Your legislator likes to know what you want. He may not always be able to deliver the goods, but I can assure you he will try.

Senate Bill No. 865

A bill to prevent the Public Utilities Commission from ordering a Water District to fluoridate a water supply, without a majority vote of the people. This bill is necessary because the California Public Utilities Commission has taken unto itself the right to order a water district to fluoridate its water supply, regardless of what the water consumers desire. The Oroville case is an example. **THIS BILL SHOULD BE SUPPORTED.** This bill

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in no way detracts from the bill by Bradley. This bill would serve as a stop-gap until the Bradley bill became effective. Each State would do well to enact similar legislation.

Box 124, Rt.
Hemet, Calif.

Dear Mr. Hart:

Permit me to suggest a membership drive in keeping with the wonderful work you are doing. It looks to me like NHF is at present sadly missing the boat in this respect:

1. Initiate the program with this theme:

UNITED WE STAND in our battle for health freedom,

OR

DIVIDED WE FALL while greedy commercial interests beat us down one by one.

THE CHOICE IS YOURS:

2. Enlist the editors and publishers of all natural health magazines such as PREVENTION, LET'S LIVE, NATURE'S PATH, HEALTH CULTURE, AMERICAN VEGETARIAN, etc.

3. Since NHF is fighting the battle for these publications and their subscribers, NHF should receive monthly news and advertising space in each without charge. *Subscribers* should be happy to write to these editors demanding this NHF space.

4. Once we have achieved a wide coverage in the above field we can expand our activities with advertisements in religious publications in order to enlist every freedom-loving ally.

Sincerely yours,

Edward L. Carl

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Californians Attention!

The so-called Anti-Quack Cancer Control Bill, S.B. 194 as amended, in some respects may be passed by the California Senate about April 15th.

This bill is not designed to curb quacks, but rather to eliminate all types of drugless or chemotherapy cancer treatments. Unless this bill is amended as proposed by the National Health Federation, it will be disastrous to California cancer victims. Whether it is to be made a beneficial bill or killed is, in the last analysis, up to the Assembly. The Assembly will do what the people want in this matter. Your letters and cards will decide the issue. It is up to you. The people of California can show the medical monopoly they are not running the State of California. **LET'S DO IT!**

The Federation is over nine hundred dollars in debt because of the work done in connection with this legislation. This is California's obligation. Californians should send in donations to help pay this bill. We have faith you will not fail us.

Deadline Extended

The Herald of Health yearly subscription rate is \$3.50, but those *who are not now subscribers* to that valuable magazine can secure it in connection with payment of National Health Federation dues at a saving of \$2.50. What we are trying to say is, all N.H.F. members who pay their dues before June first can secure a complete year's fully paid subscription by sending in one dollar in addition to their N.H.F. dues payment. This applies also to new members of N.H.F. secured before June first, 1959.

IMPORTANT — This special offer does not apply to those who are already subscribers to Herald of Health.

Cancer Control Legislation

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goes into quacks' pockets. But as for concrete evidence—the kind of evidence required in a court of law—*there was none* on this most crucial point!

A Los Angeles physician, Dr. Sol Baker, M.D., chairman of the executive committee of the Los Angeles County Branch of American Cancer Society, told us that sixteen per cent of the nation's deaths are due to cancer and the rate is rising. But he had no information, nor did he even hazard a guess—as to the number of persons who die because of the type of treatment they do or do not obtain. His words were couched in these general terms: Quote: ". . . large numbers of the public, relying on false and misleading claims of cure, needlessly die of cancer, and substantial amounts of the savings of individuals and families are needlessly wasted and lost." End quote. Neither did he testify as to the amount of money spent by cancer victims who have lost their lives following the type of treatment he recommends—surgery and irradiation—*without ever going near* the so-called quack. I have seen a published figure that the average cancer death represents a cost of \$7,000. I cannot verify the accuracy of this report, however.

I repeat, gentlemen: Some statistics, at least, should have been produced at these hearings. Why weren't they brought in? The law demands that death certificates be completed after death, without exception. It is a further fact that doctors are rather diligent in keeping track of the progress of all cancer patients. Periodic calls are made asking patients to report for check-up. *Some factual information on this should have been presented!*

And while we're on the subject of money, let me say now that the National Health Federation believes that if Senate Bill 194 becomes law in its present form, without amendment, *the people of California should adopt legislation* recognizing the State's role in protecting the cancer patient and family from financial ruin because of the cost of treatment, and establish a commission similar in function to the Public Utilities Commission, to set a ceiling on fees for surgery, irradiation and hospitalization for all cancer patients. The National Health Federation *is prepared to take the lead in providing for this protection* through an initiated constitutional amendment, if this bill passes in its present form.

It is our contention that existing laws, strengthened to provide for stiffer penalties, and to give the Bureau of Food & Drug Inspection the necessary manpower to enforce the laws now on the books, *will do the job without setting up a new commission* with powers which, though now confined to cancer treatment, in all probability would eventually be broadened to include other diseases.

We need only to refer to the testimony of Mr. Milton P. Duffy, Chief of the Bureau of Food & Drug Inspection, who testified that the Bureau is handicapped in enforcement by lack of availability of

- (1) Expert and scientific resources
- (2) Manpower
- (3) Funds, and the need,
- (4) That existing laws be strengthened.

In the past 10 years, the Bureau has handled 66 quackery cases, obtaining 59 convictions, Mr. Duffy reported.

Quoting the Commissioner: "*If the*

Legislature gives me the staff, a full time doctor, and an attorney, I will guarantee to do the job." End quote.

Senator Richards of this committee, in my opinion a fine person and an able lawyer with a passion for digging out facts, posed the following question to Mr. Duffy: Quote: "In regard to the varied amount of paraphernalia on the stage, I take it your department is successful, under sufficient evidence cases, in obtaining the devices themselves, in confiscating the devices, and putting them out of action. Is that right?"

Replied Mr. Duffy: Quote: "In most cases, yes." Unquote. (Page 76, Vol. 1, Official Transcript).

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To pursue this point one more step: Toward the end of the last session of the Legislature, Senator Richard Dolwig introduced a bill to control quackery as a substitute to the Weinberger Bill. (National Health Federation, supported the Dolwig measure). Before presenting the bill, he conferred with officials in the State Department of Health, and with Commissioner Duffy. He asked them if his bill would do the job. *They told him it would.* The Dolwig Bill did not set up an elaborate and expensive commission—it made use of the machinery which was available then—and is available today—*for putting quacks where they belong—out of business and in jail!* I might say here, that from what I have said heretofore some people might get the idea that Don Metchan is for quackery. Nothing could be further from the truth. You gentlemen know that.

* * *

If it is the will of this Committee—and the Legislature—to go along with

the California Medical Association, for heaven's sake fashion a bill which will do exactly what is intended—protect the public. This can be done ONLY BY AMENDING Senate Bill 194. Mr. Fred Hart will follow me, and will outline those proposed amendments to you.

In closing, let me say that I believe this Committee is sincere in its efforts to find a solution. And so are we. But we do ask for a more definitive bill, one which will guarantee that full and complete research be done by accepted scientific standard on all types of cancer treatment, at least five or six of which I could name here. We ask that if there is a commission, it be comprised of at least half of the kind of people the bill is allegedly being set up to protect—the public. And we ask that it contain iron-clad guarantees that American jurisprudence be observed, giving the accused the right to judicial review of the case, a privilege denied in the bill as presently written.

Thank you.

Your Money and Mine

Fluoridation of water to protect teeth is losing ground. Some communities are dropping the practice. To counter this trend, the Public Health Service will step up its efforts to promote treatment of drinking supplies for the 75 per cent of the population still uncovered. Cost of the program: \$12 million.

Editor's note: The Chemical companies are falling down in their drive to poison the people, so Health Education and Welfare will step in with your money and mine to do the job for big business. HEW was created to protect us from commercial exploitation.

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The Washington Office is only one-half financed. Please send a donation, or get one new member. Four thousand new members would do the trick, or ten thousand dollars in cash donations or quarterly, or monthly pledges would care for the project until February 1st, 1960. **WE CAN DO IT IF WE WILL. IT IS VITAL TO OUR WELL-BEING THAT WE HAVE A WELL FINANCED OFFICE STAFF IN WASHINGTON, D.C.**

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