

The RURAL HEALTH DEMONSTRATION
in CATTARAUGUS COUNTY, NEW YORK

THE parent-teacher associations of Cattaraugus County have taken an active interest in the campaign of immunization of school children against diphtheria, which has been conducted as a part of the health demonstration. Prevention of this disease by toxin-antitoxin administration has been made the subject of meetings of the Parent-Teachers' Associations of Olean and of Salamanca, and of a newly formed association of St. Bonaventure's parochial school at Allegany. Members of the health demonstration staff have presented motion pictures at some of these meetings, in explaining to the parents and teachers the value of this preventative measure.

Some 3,500 grade school children of Olean attended two matinee performances given recently by a health clown and ventriloquist, the "Jolly Jester," at the Palace Theatre. These were held under the joint auspices of the Federation of Parent-Teachers' Associations of Olean and the

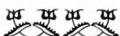
Olean Anti-Tuberculosis Society.

Over six thousand copies of a pamphlet entitled "For Cattaraugus County and for You," containing information about personal health and hygiene and presenting facts concerning the Cattaraugus County Health Demonstration, have been distributed in that County. Co-operating in the distribution of this literature were, in addition to the local physicians, representatives of life insurance companies, and workers in local health organizations and libraries.

THE work of providing clinical and hospital treatment for orthopedic patients continues in Cattaraugus County, through the co-operation of the committee on the care of crippled children, appointed by the County Tuberculosis and Public Health Association. An orthopedic nurse of the New York State Department of Health has made frequent visits to the County recently, and is rendering valuable

assistance to the committee in its work.

Local health officers have aided materially in making successful recent meetings held throughout the County under the auspices of local committees of the Association. In many cases, health officers have acted as presiding officers of such meetings.



RECENT visitors to observe the work of the rural health demonstration in Cattaraugus County were Dr. Alphonse Lessard, Director of the Bureau of Public Health of the Province of Quebec, and Dr. Frederick Russell, General Director of the International Health Board of the Rockefeller Foundation. The party also included Dr. E. M. A. Savard, Chief Inspector of the Bureau of Health of Quebec; T. B. Lafreniere, Chief of the Sanitary Engineering Division of the Quebec Health Service; and Dr. Alphonse Foramitti, Chief of one of the three divisions of the Central Health Service of Austria, and professor of public health in the University of Vienna. The visit was included in a general inspection made under the auspices of the International Health Board.

In commenting upon the Cattaraugus County Health Dem-

onstration, Dr. Lessard said that the work was progressing along the same general lines as a similar demonstration which has been in progress for two years in the Province of Quebec. In the latter, which is less extensive than the Cattaraugus County project, a vigorous campaign against tuberculosis is being conducted at Three Rivers, under the joint auspices of the provincial and municipal governments and the Canadian Tuberculosis Association.



THE staff of the Cattaraugus County Health Demonstration suffered a deep loss in the tragic death of Miss Dora Roble on May sixteenth. Miss Roble, who was formerly engaged in rural social work in Herkimer County, and who was appointed to the position of advisor in social work on the staff of the County Tuberculosis and Public Health Association in February of this year, died in the Salamanca Hospital from injuries received in an automobile accident, while she was engaged in the performance of her duties.

Funeral services were held in Salamanca on May eighteenth, and interment was made at Austin, Minnesota, Miss Roble's former home.

INTENDED, in part, as a recognition by this institution of "the great worth to Cattaraugus County of the health demonstration", St. Bonaventure College has conferred the degree of Doctor of Letters on John Armstrong, Director of the

Bureau of Health Education, and Secretary of the County Tuberculosis and Public Health Association. In conferring the degree, the college, located at Allegany, referred to the health project as "a movement inspired by high ideals of service to humanity."

The METROPOLITAN HEALTH DEMONSTRATION
in the BELLEVUE-YORKVILLE DISTRICT *of the*
 CITY OF NEW YORK

TWO projects looking toward the better control of communicable diseases in the Bellevue-Yorkville district of New York City were recently inaugurated as a part of the program of the health demonstration being organized there. Under one, physicians and nurses of the Bureau of Preventable Diseases of the New York City Health Department, specially selected because of training and experience, are being assigned to localize their activities in this district. In addition to the performance of their routine duties, these health workers have been able to do more intensive work than has heretofore been possible. They have been especially active in stressing before different groups

the importance of immunization against such diseases as diphtheria, scarlet fever and measles, and of vaccination against smallpox. This work is being forwarded under the direction of Dr. Louis I. Harris, Director of the Bureau, at whose suggestion it was approved by the Executive Committee of The Community Health Council as a demonstration project. Dr. Harris is an advisory medical officer of the Council.

THE other project was suggested by Dr. Shirley W. Wynne, Acting Director of the Bureau of Hospitals of the Health Department, and an advisory medical officer of the Council. As a part of the campaign in the