



## CATTARAUGUS COUNTY BODIES ENDORSE LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM



AN appropriation of \$56,060 for public health work in Cattaraugus County in 1927 was made by the County Board of Supervisors, on November 10, 1926. A resolution authorizing the appropriation was adopted by unanimous consent after consideration by the board as a committee of the whole. One half of the total amount, \$28,030, will be secured from the general funds of the County, and the other half from the treasury of the State of New York, under provisions of Chapter 278, of the laws of 1924.

"That in a nutshell is the story of the attitude of Cattaraugus County after four years of the health demonstration," comments the *Salamanca Republican Press* editorially. "Differences of opinion may

exist over details of administration, methods, etc., as is to be expected in any large undertaking; but on the main proposition of the great value of efficient public health work, Cattaraugus County is substantially united."



FOLLOWING this action by the Board of Supervisors, the Cattaraugus County Medical Society adopted resolutions indicating the wide significance and commending the purposes and organization of the county health unit plan as it is being demonstrated in Cattaraugus. This action by the County Medical Society followed two months' study of the county health unit by the Public Health Committee of the Society. This study included sev-

eral protracted conferences with representatives of the County Board of Health at which the actual methods, programs of work, and results of the county health unit were considered in great detail. After reaching an understanding of the enterprise, the Medical Society voted to adopt its Committee's report heartily approving the county health unit.

"Your Committee on Public Health recommends," reads the resolution, "that the society go on record as favoring the present day public health movement; as favoring the county health unit as the most practical unit in public health administration; as expressing its appreciation to the Milbank Memorial Fund for enabling Cattaraugus County to test the value of the county health unit idea, as expressing its confidence in the County Board

of Health; and as favoring the co-operation with the County Board of Health of the organized medical profession of the County."

The Medical Society also adopted a resolution expressing appreciation for the attitude of the County Board of Health in asking the Medical Society to present suggestions and constructive criticism at any time and further pledging the Society's co-operation in the general program.

Additional evidence of the support which the county health unit has won in Cattaraugus is provided in a recent resolution adopted by the County Ministerial Association which, stating that public health work is "applied Christianity in the best form," pledges its members to co-operate in developing the program which is being carried out in the County.

