

The condition is not the same as that which occurs in diabetes but seems to depend on some changes in the circulation of the blood. Low sugar tolerance was produced experimentally in individuals by changing the circulation through the administration of drugs. By these studies it was determined that sugar taken in through the mouth passes by way of the blood to the fluid of the joints and there is evidence indicating that it aids their resistance to infection.

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#### LUNG CANCER INCREASES

Cancer is on the increase in the lungs as well as in all the other organs. In a report before the American Medical Association meeting recently Drs. John A. Lichty, F. R. Wright and E. A. Baumgartner of Clifton Springs, N. Y., presented figures to show that while cancer of the lungs is increasing along with cancer of all parts of the body it occurs proportionately less often in the lungs than in any other organ.

These views are in direct contrast to those of other observers who maintain that the inhalation of tar and oil particles and the irritation of the lungs following influenza have brought about a marked increase in the number of cases of cancer of the lung tissues. The New York doctors felt that there is no actual proof that the influenza epidemic has had any definite relationship to the growing amount of cancer of the lungs.

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#### MANY HAVE IMMUNITY TO INFANTILE PARALYSIS

It is possible that many people have developed immunity to infantile paralysis through having been mildly infected on some previous occasion, Dr. W. L. Aycock of Boston said in an address recently before the section of the American Medical Association on preventive medicine.

While this disease undoubtedly spreads from person to person, he maintains that there are some instances in which it may not be due to either direct contact or through a carrier not suffering from the disease. It has been found that it may be transmitted through milk or some other indirect method.

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#### DIABETES PATIENTS DE-VITAMINIZED

Very unusual symptoms have been developed in diabetes cases when the necessarily restricted diet has failed to include vitamin A and B. Grave danger has resulted from the choice of diets for such patients not under the careful supervision of a physician.

Dr. Michael Wohl of Omaha brought about much discussion in the section of the American Medical Association on pathology and physiology at its recent meeting by bringing to light these new facts. Many cases were reported in which the importance of vitamins had been overlooked by patients on special diets.

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