

March of Dimes Makes Gains in Birth Defects, Arthritis

People say everyone talks about the weather but no one does anything about it. Until just recently, a similar observation could have been made about birth defects.

The tragedy of this affliction has beset mankind since the dawn of recorded history. Yet no organized attack on birth defects was launched until 1938 when The National Foundation-March of Dimes entered this medical area.

The reason for this historic decision was that birth defects constitute the world's greatest unmet childhood medical problem today. Meeting the problem, moreover, entailed fund raising on the same multimillion scale as was required by the long, costly but successful fight of the same health organization against polio.

Research into the physical calamities that birth defects represent costs stupendous sums. The cause of a type of disorder that has bewildered mankind for uncounted centuries is unlikely to be explained overnight at bargain-sale prices, or its prevention quickly found.

In the areas of birth defects, arthritis and virus diseases, scientists supported by the March of Dimes were responsible for important research advances during 1962. For example, in birth defects:

• Certain white blood cells in the mother were found to enter the infant's blood stream before birth. The possibility exists that such cells may harm the baby later in life. This was reported by Drs. William P. Creger and Refendra C. Desai of Stanford University.

• Belief that the hereditary material called nucleic acid carries the blueprint for the production of protein was considerably strengthened. (Protein is the basic stuff of living material.) This was reported by Dr. Norton Zinder of the Rockefeller Institute.

• Experiments with pregnant guinea pigs established that certain hormones (such as hydrocortisone) can provoke birth defects in offspring. This was demonstrated by Dr. Richard M. Hoar of the University of Cincinnati.

• Further evidence on hormones, obtained by dipping unattached eggs in a hormone solution, led Dr. Gregory Pincus of the Worcester Foundation for Experimental Biology to conclude that the problem of what causes some infants to be born with mixed-up sex characteristics may be a matter of hormones rather than heredity alone.

In arthritis:

- Key evidence was uncovered by Dr. Robert A. Good at the University of Minnesota that the mysterious thymus gland, situated behind the breastbone, is responsible for the functioning of the body's immunity defense mechanism. Abnormal working of the immunity mechanism is believed involved in rheumatoid arthritis.

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The discovery that there is a similar ground plan of chemicals in the connective tissue of many animals ranging from the horseshoe crab to man was reported during the year by Dr. Albert Dorfman and his associates at the University of Chicago. This means that research in the connective tissue of animals can be related closely to connective tissue diseases in man, such as arthritis.

In virus diseases:

- Studies of a tumor-causing virus disclosed how it changes normal cells, in tissue culture, to cancer cells. This significant finding was reported by Dr. Renato Dulbecco of California Institute of Technology.

The ultimate significance of these and numerous other March of Dimes-financed research studies may not be fully apparent now. But these findings are valuable clues to future progress. If no one does anything about the weather, at least something important is being done today about diseases that cripple children.



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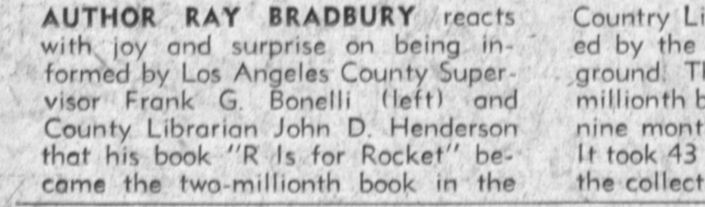
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Los Angeles County Public Library 2000000 BOOK COLLECTION

**AUTHOR RAY BRADBURY** reacts with joy and surprise on being informed by Los Angeles County Supervisor Frank G. Bonelli (left) and County Librarian John D. Henderson that his book "R is for Rocket" became the two-millionth book in the Country Library collection as indicated by the "scoreboard" in the background. The county library's second-millionth book came just six years and nine months after the first-millionth. It took 43 years for the library to build the collection of books to one million.

HOUSE OF CARPETS QUITS BUSINESS AT 3657 CRENSHAW BLVD. STORE; SALE IS NOW IN PROGRESS

Loss of Lease Forces Liquidation of Complete Nationally Famous Carpet and Broadloom Inventory

After 15 years at 3657 Crenshaw Blvd., the House of Carpets has lost its lease. Mr. A. Rosenberg, president, was informed this week by his landlord of an unexpected real estate transaction. The building which houses the carpet store has been sold and accordingly this necessitates removal from the premises of one of Los Angeles' oldest and most reputable carpet concerns.

Prior to being informed of this transaction, House of Carpet buyers had attended eastern carpet markets on their annual buying tour and made many exceptional money saving purchases in top quality carpeting, representing such famous and well-known name brands as Bigelow-Gulistan, Fifth Axeland-Smith-Magee, Stephen Ledom-Patrick and many others. These fine broadlooms were purchased at a fraction of their original cost and were to be available on regular sale basis. Now, because this merchandise must be disposed of in record time to facilitate the complete liquidation of this stock as quickly as possible, even further drastic reductions are being planned.

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