

# Scabies Spread by Physical Contact

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Scabies is a skin disease, sometimes called "seven year itch," and is seen most often in children of school age because of their close association with each other.

The disease is spread through intimate contact with infected persons which explains its appearance most often among those who live under crowded conditions in schools, camps, or even in their own homes. It is easily transmitted from one person to another through physical contact, towels, bed linen, or clothing.

A tiny parasite, barely visible to the naked eye, is the cause of this unpleasant affliction. The female of this species burrows into the skin and develops a tunnel just under the surface for a distance of 1/4 to 1/2 of an inch. Over a period of four to five weeks about 40 eggs are deposited at the inner end of the tunnel. Within three to five days, a larva hatches from each egg and burrows to the surface of the skin where it soon reaches maturity and is ready to start the cycle over again.

It is this burrowing through the skin which causes the severe itching characteristic of scabies. This itching is intensified by warmth and moisture which explains the fact that it is most annoying shortly after an infected person goes to bed. Scratching usually causes open lesions to develop which frequently become infected with other bacteria. A neglected case of scabies may thus develop into a case of impetigo.

As a rule, scabies is easily recognized because of the appearance of the infected skin, the intense itching, plus the fact that other persons in the family are frequently affected also. Scabies is seen most often between the fingers and around the wrists, although it occurs on other parts of the body as well.

The best advice concerning suspected scabies is "see your doctor at once." Modern-day treatment of the disease has been particularly effective in recent years as borne out by a study reported in 1948 in which 1 to 3 applications of an ointment containing Gammaxane effected cures in 100 per cent of the patients treated.

There is certainly no excuse today for calling scabies the "seven year itch."

## 'Queen for Day' Chief to Appear in 'Y Day' Show

Television Star Jack Bailey of the "Queen for a Day" show and newly-elected Honorary Mayor of Hollywood, will make his second consecutive appearance on the Y-Day in Hollywood show which more than 100 local YMCA youngsters will attend Oct. 21. Stan Roberts, "Y" executive secretary of the Torrance YMCA announced this week.

Plans call for the popular star to put on a "Princess for a Day" program at the big variety show, which will be held in the morning at Hollywood Bowl. The UCLA-California football game is also on the agenda for the all-day event.

Roberts said a number of tentative reservations have already been received for Y-Day, which is the biggest single YMCA event in the world. The executive secretary urged local YMCAs to make it a family event. He said the variety show, featuring Art Linkletter and many other movie, radio and television stars, promises to be the best ever.

Arrangements for transportation by City Bus Lines to Hollywood Bowl, Coliseum and return are being made if the number of reservations warrant the charter.

Reservations for Y-Day, at which more than 60 WMCAs from California, Arizona and Nevada will be represented, are \$2.75 for adults and children. Cost includes transportation, a box lunch, the variety show and the football game.

Information on the prize-laden talent competition and essay contest for youngsters is available at the "Y," Roberts added.

## Former Residents of Wisconsin To Gather

Former residents of the "Badger State" and friends will gather for an all-day reunion at the Wisconsin State Society picnic to be held Saturday, Oct. 24, in Baysmore Grove Park, Los Angeles. The program will begin at 2 p.m. Coffee will be served.

# Wildlife Board To Aid in Bixby Slough Park Plan

Development of the Bixby Slough area in Wilmington into an outstanding aquatic park is now assured, the Los Angeles City Recreation and Park Department said recently, in reporting that the California State Wildlife Conservation Board resolution allocated the sum of \$100,000 toward the acquisition of 130 acres of Bixby Slough which is privately owned.

According to George Hjelte, general manager of the Recreation and Park Department, the Wildlife Conservation Board made the allocation with but one proviso—that an agreement concerning the operation of the aquatic park be formulated by the City of Los Angeles and the State. Negotiations with the State Fish and Game Commission, the Wildlife Conservation Board's parent body, will get under way immediately, Hjelte said.

Hjelte stated that the \$100,000 pledged by the State Wildlife Conservation Board will be

merged with \$100,000 appropriated by the Los Angeles City Council and the \$50,000 budgeted by the Board of Supervisors for the acquisition of the Bixby Slough property. Hjelte pointed out that 232 of Bixby Slough's 422 acres are already in public ownership.

Los Angeles Bureau of Right of Way and Land is now negotiating for the property remaining in private ownership, he said. Present development of the

Bixby Slough area includes the Harbor Junior College, a two-year educational institution, and the play field established by the Recreation and Park Department.

Following final checking of plans, bids will be called for construction of an indoor and an outdoor pool to be erected adjacent to Harbor Junior College. The pools will be jointly financed by the Recreation and Park Department and the Board of Education. They will be used for school swimming classes during the fall, winter, and spring, and for the Recreation and Park Department's aquatics program during the summer.

In addition, according to the Recreation and Park Department, the Recreation and Park Commission has tentatively approved plans for a 9-hole golf course on 70 acres of Bixby Slough golf course is a long-time future project, it was emphasized.

## Billiard Champ To Exhibit Skill

Ray Kilgore, new world's billiard champion, will present an exhibition of his skills with the cue at the Redondo Billiard Academy, 263 S. Pacific Ave., Redondo Beach, next Wednesday at 8 p.m. It was announced recently.

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