Dr. H. G. Brodrick director of hospitals for Alameda county has returned from a several weeks trip to Chicago New York and Boston where he conferred with officials of the Rockefeller foundation regarding plans for promoting hospital efficiency in America.

Dr. Brodrick was requested to attend the conference to give advice regarding the training of men to be placed at the head of the big modern hospitals. He advocated the spending of a year or so in collecting data bearing on the matter and then establishing a school in connection with a hospital which meets the standard of requirements.

Asked whether he had been offered any positions while in the East, Dr. Brodrick smiled dubiously and said:

"Offhand, no. I am still here and shall remain here."

Law Proposed To Cover All Vehicles

Police Chief Denton T. Thomason today declared that traffic and safety laws governing motor vehicles should apply to automobiles and has directed City Attorney Hadsell to draw up an ordinance which will bring to an end the discrimination. The failure of the law covering horse-drawn vehicles to affect motor cars was discovered when the police attempted to put an end to the reckless driving of automobiles without lights.

Under the proposed law the carriage of an explosive will at night be the signal for the police to prosecute.

Dr. J. A. Barbour Dies Of Ptomaine Poison

Dr. Joseph A. Barbour died yesterday morning in Merritt hospital [illegible] was stricken with ptomaine poisoning from which he never rallied. He suffered a heart [illegible]

Dr. Barbour was born in Nova Scotia [illegible] years ago. He came to Oakland [illegible]

[illegible] was born in the county and [illegible] of Oakland.

The funeral was held in Nova Scotia [illegible] years ago. He came to Oakland [illegible]

Despondent Woman Attempts Suicide

Investigation is given today by the Oakland police as the cause of an attempt to commit suicide by Miss Agnes Welch, 21 years old yesterday at the home of relatives, 1212 Eighth street, by drinking poison. According to the statement of the girl came here from Texas four months ago, and underwent an operation which left her a permanent invalid. Miss Welch was attended by Dr. E. E. Berry who says she will recover.



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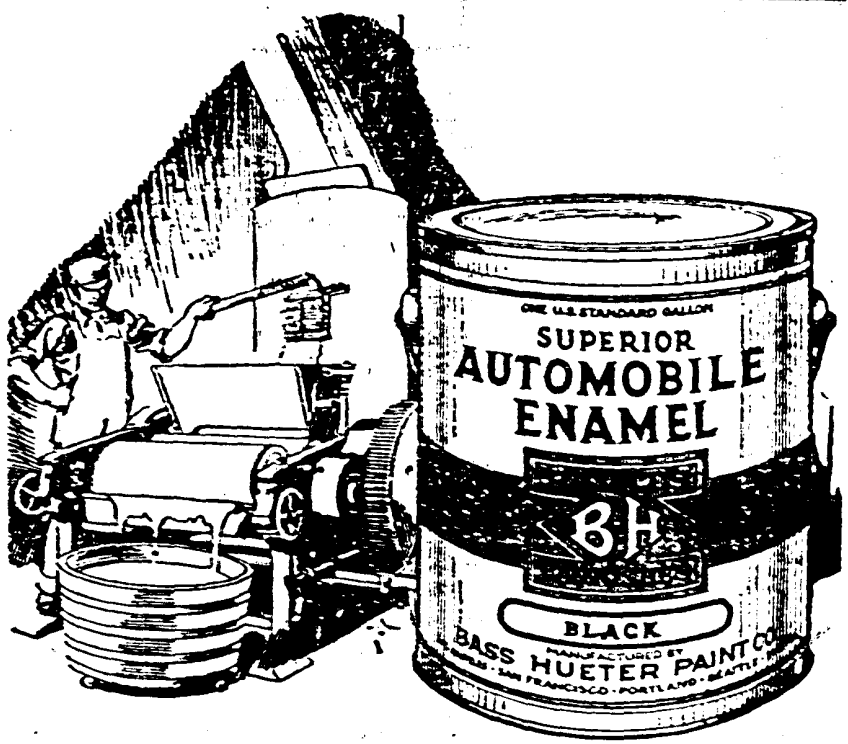

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