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THE BIRTH OF A SCIENCE represents more than two years' intensive work. The documentation and other material used in its preparation were gathered from court records, medical archives, personal interviews and a vast amount of correspondence. The Official Testimony alone consumed more than twenty thousand pages.

Dr. William Frederick Koch, the man used by a kind and beneficent Providence to give new knowledge to the world for the relief of human suffering, consented to answer questions propounded by the authors. This provided a rich fund of information upon which to draw and enabled them to fill in many details, which might have been otherwise lacking.

The authors divided their labors and classified the research work into three general categories . . .

Dr. Wahl concentrated on technical matters, couching the facts in the simplest possible language for the lay reader, since other volumes treating the scientific phases of Koch Therapy are already in existence.

Dr. Rehwinkel laboriously checked hospital records, X-rays and clinical documents relative to the various cases utilized in Part Two.

Dr. Reilly assembled and edited the material, arranged layouts and created the historical sequence.

The book was inspired by early investigations into the science of natural immunity by the Lutheran Research Society, an independent Lutheran organization.

No exaggerated claims are made for the treatment of so-called incurable diseases according to the Koch Method. The results speak for themselves. The discussion has been kept on a factual basis. All claims and case histories are meticulously documented.

At the same time, it must be remembered that many patients come to the Koch Treatment after they have tried everything else, and they are in terminal stages of disease. A few of these the Treatment has helped, but no mistaken notions must be permitted to capture the imagination. We are only endeavoring to show that Koch Therapy has therapeutic value. Of this there can be no doubt when all facts are carefully considered, the opponents of the Therapy notwithstanding.

A multitude of former sufferers who attribute their present health to the application of therapeutic principles inherent in the new science feel the time has come for such a book to be published. The authors also recognizing such a need and have tried to meet it. They are concerned that the Koch Treatment shall take its proper place among the scientific advances of the twentieth century.

The reader should be apprised of the fact that the system has advanced beyond the experimental stage. Three decades have passed since Dr. Koch made his original discovery of the broad principles from which the science emerged. The Treatment has been responsible for a sufficient

number of recoveries from diseases, even in the terminal stage, to confirm its claim as a useful, harmless, therapeutic agent.

The authors believe that physicians who apply Dr. Koch's discoveries get results surpassing other methods because they start from an entirely different premise. Germs of various kinds are essential to the human body. When they become ill, they should be treated constructively and restored to normal citizenship in the community.

The method in general use during the immediate past has been to prescribe a drug for every different ailment. This type of instruction in medical schools has been encouraged by drug manufacturers for obvious reasons. The authors have traced much of Dr. Koch's trouble and personal persecution to the fact that many drugs, from which large profits are realized, become obsolete when the discoveries of the new science are applied.

He is by no means the first contributor to the progress of medical science who has encountered opposition from reactionary and predatory interests. Many illustrious names are on the roll of victims thus persecuted including Pasteur, Harvey, Lister, Semmelweis, and others.

There is a remarkable parallelism between Dr. Koch's experience and the artificial pressures to which outstanding medical men of the past have been subjected. Perhaps Sir William Hamilton spoke correctly when he said: "The history of medicine on the one hand is nothing more than a history of variations; and on the other hand, a still more marvelous history of how every other successful variation has, by medical bodies, been furiously denounced and then bigotedly adopted."

With the appearance of antibiotics during recent years, the outlook becomes somewhat brighter. Dr. Wahl, in this book, *A Least Common Denominator in Antibiotics*, published by the Lutheran Research Society in 1947, proves that the Koch chemistry is a clean, uninhibited common denominator of many popular antibiotics. The treatise shows how the formulae of modern antibiotics contain within themselves chemical ingredients of the Koch antitoxin. For example, writing about Benzoquinone, a Koch product, Dr. Wahl says: "Benzoquinone is not only the first antibiotic but it contains the antibiotic radical common to most of the antibiotics known, and Benzoquinone contains it twice and nothing else. It has no inhibitory radical."

Koch Therapy searches out the root cause of human ailments. The following is an attempt to explain the basic principle in simple language.

The human body normally is not afflicted by disease. Poisons come into the system from food, living habits, air and various opposition forces in nature with which everyone is bombarded. The oxidation system (which was denied existence by Dr. Koch's critics when he first expounded the Theory but is now given credence in the highest scientific circles) burns off these toxins and keeps them from harming the body. Something may happen to keep the oxidation mechanism from functioning normally. The poisons remain in the system and cause a reaction, namely, disease. In one man who has certain weaknesses, it may manifest as cancer. In another, as tuberculosis and so on, depending on the type of toxin, which has invaded his body.

The immunity process is impaired. The oxidation mechanism must be restored to burn off the accumulated toxins. The Koch Treatment consists of a cleansing regime to eliminate poisons from the bowels, and to cleanse the liver and other organs by diet. This is accompanied by an injection of the Koch antitoxin, which acts as a catalyst, or stepping up agent to help restore the oxidation mechanism so that natural immunity is enjoyed. As this takes place, the disease leaves since it cannot exist in a body whose oxidation mechanism is functioning as the Creator intended.

A word of thanks is due those who cooperated in making this book possible. Several men and women of scientific training helped in various ways. Physicians in the United States, Canada and other countries gave of their time, knowledge and experience to help make possible its appearance. Book distributors ordered advance copies. A group of friends who have been blessed by the Treatment helped get the first copies off the press. The manufacturer cooperated by reducing printing costs to a minimum, he was grateful for the life of his wife who, when dying of undulant fever, was restored by the Koch method.

Without this cooperation on the part of friends, *The Birth of a Science* could not have been written and published.

It is the prayer of those engaged in this undertaking that the book will spread enlightenment and successfully defend the Treatment against forces of oppression, which are trying to keep something so worthwhile from suffering humanity. The cooperation of the reader, in getting more and more copies into circulation, is earnestly requested.

THE PUBLISHERS.

April 1949

Detroit, Michigan.

FORWARD TO SECOND EDITION

THE FIRST EDITION OF *The Birth of a Science*—a comparatively large printing, was practically consumed in six weeks. Many orders are being held as the presses start turning out the second edition. This ready response on the part of a waiting public was anticipated by the publishers.

People in all walks of life need the information set forth in these pages. Letters are being received expressing indignation for those who have tried to keep a knowledge of Koch Therapy from reaching persons who suffer.

When the authors were working on the manuscript, they seriously considered giving it the title Mass Murder. Statistics are quoted to show that the number of untimely deaths, and victims of unnecessary suffering, reaches into the millions. Dr. Koch has been fought every step of the way. Enemies no sooner exhaust one line of attack then they would take up another. It is no exaggeration to accuse those who have conspired to destroy his discoveries of murder.

Ostensibly most of Dr. Koch's troubles in late years have resulted from attacks by the Food and Drug Department of the New Deal Administration, but in reality Dr. Morris Fishbein, "dictator" of the American Medical Association, takes the credit.

The publishers feel that the interests of the American people would be served by a Congressional investigation of the persecution to which Dr. Koch has been subjected through the courts. With this thought in mind, a copy of *The Birth of a Science*, together with the self-explanatory letter reproduced below, was sent to every member of the House and Senate. The response has been most gratifying. Members of both houses of the Congress representing all parts of the country are currently looking into the matter. Many have written requesting additional information.

April 4, 1949

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS:

There is an analogy between the persecution of Louis Pasteur and that of Dr. William Frederick Koch. Both being master chemists, made revolutionary discoveries for the welfare of mankind. Both encountered opposition. Dr. Koch is suffering exactly as Pasteur suffered. On page 206 of *Great Scientists* by Gordon Ross, we read:

"His opponents called Pasteur a circus performer, a charlatan and a clown. Pasteur bore all this contumely with a patient smile. 'A man of science,' he explained to his wife, 'should think of what will be said of him in the coming centuries, not of the insults or the compliments of the present day.'"

After reading the case histories of Part Two of *The Birth of a Science*, you will find that we have with us one greater than Pasteur. Every part of this book is documented. In the name of several thousand Ministers of the Gospel representing all denominations and thousands of others who have been cured of so-called incurable diseases by Koch Therapy, I beg you to help remove the pressure of persecution.

Dr. Koch was arrested in April 1942. His trial lasted five months. The jury refused to convict. He was tried again in 1946. Another five months were consumed. The case ended in a mistrial. Charges were dropped in August 1948.

A "temporary" injunction was obtained by the Federal Trade Commission seven years ago in the courts of Detroit, designed to hamstring Dr. Koch and his discoveries. This sword of Damocles still hangs over his head. As recently as two weeks ago, investigators acting on orders from Washington, were out harassing physicians who have for years used Dr. Koch's discoveries in the treatment of diseases with almost miraculous results.

You are requested, as a member of Congress, to make a personal investigation of this matter. You are requested to help bring to light the forces in the background responsible for this injustice perpetrated, through the Food and Drug Administration, against sufferers who would otherwise find relief through Koch Science.

Hundreds of reputable citizens can be brought to Washington from all parts of the nation and a

dozen foreign countries—physicians, scientists, clergymen and others—to testify to the beneficial results of Koch Therapy, if the Congress will make a thorough investigation.

We humbly ask you to personally look into this problem. Then we know, in the language of the Lord Jesus Christ, that you will “believe for the very works’ sake” (John 14:11).

Sincerely yours,
LUTHERAN RESEARCH SOCIETY, Inc.
Lawrence Reilly,
Executive-Director.

FORWARD TO THE THIRD EDITION

IT HAS NOT BEEN a year and a half since *The Birth of a Science* was first brought to the public. The Lutheran Research Society had no idea of the reception, which this book would receive from people all over the world.

More than 20,000 letters have reached our office during this time from persons who have read the book and they are still pouring in so fast each day that it is impossible to keep up with them, since our staff is limited.

The book has been assailed by one group and praised by others. For the first time in thirty years, the opposition forces have felt it necessary to launch a broadside attack against the Koch Treatment, our society, the authors, the doctors who use the Therapy, and others. Great newspapers and widely circulated magazines have been used in these attacks. Walter Winchell, worried about his cancer foundation, has attacked the work on the air. The column *Daily Worker* has attacked it in its pages. All of this is a great compliment and, even though it was not intended, it has been a boost in many ways.

On the other hand there have been write-ups favorable to the Treatment in various religious periodicals, in the columns of some writers, in small town newspapers and over small town radio stations.

One west coast writer devoted his column to the Treatment a couple of times and he was so inundated by mail, he actually feared the postage and clerical costs of trying to handle it, since, he, like us, felt duty-bound to reply.

The Board of Governors of the Lutheran Research Society has instructed me to make the following request of those who read this book:

“It has cost the research society thousands of dollars in postage and clerical help to try to answer the thousands of letters directed to our office, filled with questions about the Koch Treatment. Most of the people want to know the name of the nearest doctor using it. For obvious reasons, a list of these doctors cannot be published for circulation. Many of them have suffered enough for their courage. Consequently, it requires a secretary to look up the writer’s city in an atlas and then try to determine the nearest physician who might be consulted. Of the 20,000 letters

received there was only one, which enclosed a gift of one dollar to help defray the cost of a reply. Three-quarters of the letters do not even have a stamped, self-addressed envelope. There have been periods since the book first appeared when the office force was so small that it was impossible to keep up answering letters as quickly as they should have received replies. These periods were times when funds were so low that proper secretarial help could not be employed. The Society is not subsidized and is an independent group supported by the free will offerings of Christians from every church. We hope the public will appreciate the great burden under which we have been laboring and understand this matter of replying to inquiries.”

As Executive-Director of the Society, I would like to add that we shall continue to try to give service as quickly as circumstances permit and we request that those requesting such information please enclose a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope for reply. Be sure you address it to yourself, since it saves much secretarial time and then there can be no possibility of making a mistake in reading your address.