Winston Churchill Develops Pleurisy
Following Injury by Auto in 5th Avenue

A bulletin issued at 10 o'clock last night at Lenox Hill Hospital said that Winston Churchill, British statesman and author, who arrived here last Friday for a lecture tour and was struck and injured by an automobile on Sunday night, was suffering from an uncomplicated pleurisy in the right chest. Mr. Churchill is 57 years old.

The bulletin, signed jointly by Drs. Otto C. Pickhardt and Foster Kennedy, said:

"Winston Churchill is progressing favorably. Temperature 100.6. Pulse and respiration satisfactory. There is an uncomplicated pleurisy produced by the blow to the right chest. A good night is expected."

A 3,000-unit dose of anti-tetanus serum was administered to Mr. Churchill yesterday. A Scotland Yard operative remained on guard outside his door and no visitors were admitted except the patient's wife and daughter, Bernard M. Baruch and George Eustis Corcoran, an old friend. Thousands of inquiries and messages of sympathy were received at the hospital and there were several radiophone calls from England.

It was ascertained that Mr. Churchill's accident, for which he assumed all the blame, had been caused by the difference between traffic regulations in the United States and England, where traffic keeps to the left.

Mr. Churchill had spent Sunday evening at the Waldorf-Astoria, where he was stopping with his family, dictating the lecture which he was to have given last night at the Brooklyn Academy of Music. He then set out to call on Mr. Baruch at 1,055 Fifth Avenue. Mr. Churchill became confused about the street number and when he had passed 955 he believed he had traveled too far and asked the taxi-cab driver to turn. The driver did so and Mr. Churchill got out. Seeing no traffic coming from his right, he started across the street, and was struck by an automobile driven by Mario Contasino.

Mr. Churchill is visiting this country on a lecture tour which originally was scheduled to last until Feb. 14. The lectures have been postponed, but Mr. Churchill's managers made it clear that none had been canceled. The date of the one scheduled for Town Hall here has now been set for Jan. 15.