

POLICE BEGIN NEW CRUSADE.

Unlicensed Women Nurses to Be Forced to Cease Practice.

The police and health departments are cooperating in an effort to abolish unlicensed midwifery. Within the past six months many complaints have been received by the health department, and these have been communicated to Inspector Boardman. Pharmacy Inspector Van Zant has been assigned to the various cases, and last night he began his crusade by arresting a negro woman more than 80 years old.

Inspector Van Zant learned that "Aunt" Delphia Jackson, of 439 S street northwest, had recently accepted employment as a midwife at the home of an Italian in the northwest section. Investigation disclosed that the negress had performed professional services, the inspector says, and he placed "Aunt" Delphia under arrest.

The octogenarian was taken to the Eighth precinct station, and later to the house of detention. The case will be tried in police court this morning. Inspector Van Zant says the arrest is the first of a series, as every complaint filed with the health department will be investigated.

It is said that at least a dozen white women are already under suspicion. All of these women who are found to be operating without a license will be arrested, no matter by whom they are employed.