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THE INFLUENZA AND IGNORANCE.

The So-Called Health Board Makes Another But Has Gotten Nowhere Yet.

The board of health met last week and found the influenza on the increase in this community. After talking over the situation it was decided that the churches be closed with the exceptions of the 11 o'clock services Sunday mornings. It was also ordered that all picture shows and pool rooms be closed until further notice, that all public gatherings be prohibited, that loafing on the streets or at the passenger station be forbidden and that all public and private schools in the city and county be closed until further notice. During the past week the number of new cases daily have been reported was between 64 and 115 and it is not known whether all reported really had the disease or whether all who did have it were reported. The situation is such that no one seems to know just what to do to do to stamp it out.

This is the second time influenza, or la-grippe, has broken out in North Carolina. In 1892, it was quite prevalent and a number of people died from its effects. There were no medicine health officers, no so called board of health, and no foolish quarantines, so the disease soon passed, but it is different now, and considerably worse. We are paying \$4.00 per day each for a number of men talking over the situation, ordering quarantines and getting nowhere. The State Board of Health sends out pretentious bulletins, frequently reversing itself and accomplishing nothing, and the United States investigators make entirely different reports, while the Thomasville orphanage goes through an attack of the disease and comes out with flying colors, just used common sense, and didn't lose a case.

The State Board of health, to keep itself before the public, says:

"Spanish Influenza and tuberculosis are communicated in the same way. There is, however, a marked difference in the incubation period. Influenza shows up in from a few hours to a few days after the infection enters the body. Tuberculosis, on the other hands may not show up for years.

"The prevention of both these diseases is the same. 'The flu' is spread by the cough and the sneeze, without shielding the mouth and nose, thereby spraying the air and all persons nearby with the infective material, or it is spread by kissing, or by handling, things that have been handled by a sick person and then putting the fingers into the mouth without first washing them, or by spitting on the floor or ground or by using the same towels, drinking vessels, eating utensils that are used by the sick.

The United States navy health service, which has made thorough tests knocks the block from under our health 'authorities' when it sends out the following:

Boston, Dec. 13.—Experiments undertaken by the navy department at the navy public health service hospitals in Callups island to ascertain the cause and spread of influenza have had merely negative results, according to a report given out today. One hundred volunteers who have been under observation for several weeks have had influenza germs placed in their nostrils and throats and have eaten them

HOLD ROADS FOR FIVE YEARS.

Talk About the Disposition of Railroads Like the Kaiser Would.

Extension of the period of government control of railroads for five years, until January 1, 1924 is recommended to Congress by Director General McAdoo. Advantages of this, Mr. McAdoo said, are that it would take the railroad question out of politics for the present, give time for carrying out an extensive program of improvements and provide opportunity for a fair test of unified control to indicate the permanent solution of the railroad problem.

"The President has given me permission to say that this conclusion accords with his own view of the matter," Mr. McAdoo concluded.

The letter was addressed to Senator Smith of South Carolina and Representative Sims, chairman, respectively of the Senate and House Inter-State Commerce committees. Mr. McAdoo explained that to continue government operation for 21 months after formal declaration of peace under present conditions would mean disruption of morale among employees and officers and could not enable the government to go ahead with improvements and purchase of equipment. Another alternative, the prompt return of the railroads to private control, without legislation to permit elimination of the old wasteful competition, would be "hurtful alike to the public interest and to the railroads themselves," he said, and the difficulty of obtaining immediate legislation providing a permanent solution, is apparent.

In reading the above you will notice it seems to be merely a matter as to what Mr. McAdoo, the President and congress wants and seems to be a case of "the people be damned." The railroads can purchase their equipment as they have always done and the waste that the government is using for a talking point, does not equal the extra freight and passenger fares now being mulched from the people. It may be of some satisfaction to Mr. McAdoo to receive praise for raising wages, for a few, but there is little satisfaction to the many who are bearing this extra burden without any corresponding raise in their receipts.

FOR COUGH.

"Chamberlain's Cough Remedy" is splendid for cough," writes Mrs. Edward Hassett, Frankfort, N. Y. "My children have been quickly relieved of attacks of this dreadful complaint by its use." This remedy contains no opium or other narcotics, and may be given to a child as confidently as to an adult.

With their food and some have been inoculated with serum, but no cases of the disease have developed thus far.

"Increased appetite and more vigorous health have been the only noticeable results of the experiment, according to the physicians. The test will be continued."

So with the health authorities admitting their ignorance on the subject, it is well for the individual to look out for himself, do what he can to keep in the open, avoid colds, if possible, and keep his system in good order. Fresh air and good natures are ready and has the doctors skinned forty miles.

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ENGINEER KILLED BY A SOLDIER.

C. A. Snyder of Cooleemee Slashes Throat of H. A. Winders and Attacks Wife.

Charlotte, Dec. 14.—C. H. Snyder, of Cooleemee, a discharged soldier from Camp Greene, slashed Engineer H. A. Winders at the Southern station at 2:30 this afternoon with a razor. Winders died as a result of the wounds on the way to the hospital. Snyder's wife was talking with Winders and Mrs. D. A. Mayhew when the soldier approached them, drew a razor and slashed Winders throat. He then attacked Mrs. Snyder, cutting her arm and hand. A military police officer attempted to arrest Snyder, but the latter took the officer's gun and, accompanied by his wife, walked from the station to the postoffice several blocks away with the gun in his hand. He was followed by Patrolman W. H. Letts and provost guards. A machine in which were three officers halted Snyder near the postoffice. He was about to fire on Officer Riley when he saw other officers had him covered. He raised the gun again, but his wife knocked it from his hand. He was taken into custody by Officers Johnson, Dewese and Riley.

At an inquest held by Coroner Hovis it was decided that Winders had died as the result of razor wounds inflicted by Snyder. No reason for the cutting was brought out at the inquiry. The couple had been married eight months. Snyder is said to be jealous of his wife. He is held in the county jail.

The remains of H. A. Winders, the engineer who was killed in Charlotte Saturday by Chas. H. Snyder, a discharged soldier, were brought to Salisbury and taken to the home of his sister, Mrs. V. T. Leonard, where which place the funeral was held and the interment was in Chestnut Hill Cemetery.

Some Dead Beats Escape, But These Did Not.

Thursday a well dressed young white man and woman registered at the Empire hotel as L. W. Goodman and wife, South Carolina, they contracted for an inner tube to an auto tire at Rouzer's garage and a check was tendered in payment. This created suspicion and on investigation it was supposed to have been the same couple operating in Concord. The check was on a Gastonia bank, cause was found, and the couple spent the night in jail and were held on a \$100 bond each for the Superior court. On the charge of registering as man and wife and not being married, the couple was taxed \$23 each and the cost in the case.

The Armistice Extended.

Copenhagen, Dec. 12.—The German armistice has been extended until 5 o'clock on the morning of January 17, according to a dispatch from Treves, where the delegates of the various countries have been in conference. This prolongation, it is added, will be extended until the conclusion of preliminary peace, subject to the conference of the allied governments.

Copenhagen, Dec. 14.—The German armistice has been extended until 5 o'clock on the morning of January 17 and the allies have notified Germany that they reserve the right to occupy the neutral zone east of the Rhine and the Cologne bridgehead on the Dutch frontier according to a dispatch from Preys.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S ENTRANCE IN PARIS.

Route to His Place of Residence Lined With French Troops the Entire Length.

Paris, Dec. 14.—President Wilson made his entrance into Paris at 10:05 this morning.

The President's arrival at the capital was greeted with a salvo of artillery in salute.

The dense throngs gathered to meet America's executive hailed his coming with volleys of cheering.

President Wilson was greeted by President and Madam Poincare, Premier Clemenceau, Andre Tardieu, French High Commissioner to the United States and other high officials.

The route to the Presidential residence was lined with French troops in solid array along its entire length.

The welcome given by the crowds as the President drove by was vociferous and hearty.

The formalities of the greeting over, the President entered a carriage with President Poincare and Mrs. Wilson and Miss Margaret Wilson, a daughter of the President, followed in another carriage accompanied by Mrs. Poincare. The party drove immediately to the residence of Murat, in the Avenue de Monceau, where the President will reside while at the French capital.

President and Madam Poincare gave dinner at the palais de l'Elysee, in honor of President and Mrs. Wilson. President Wilson on this occasion spoke in part as follows, in replying to an address by Poincare.

"Mr. President, I am deeply indebted to you for your gracious greeting. It is very delightful to find myself in France and to feel the quick contact of sympathy and unaffected friendship between the representatives of the United States and the representatives of France.

"You have been very generous in what you were pleased to say about myself and I feel that what I have tried to do has been said done only in an attempt to speak the thought of the people of the United States truly and to carry that thought out in action.

"From the first the thought of the people of the United States aim toward something more than the mere winning of this war. It turned to the establishment of eternal principles of right and justice.

It is realized that merely to win the war was not enough, that it must be won in such a way as the question raised by it and settled in such a way as to secure the future peace of the world and lay the foundations for the freedom and happiness of its many peoples and nations.

"Never before has war won so terrible a visage or exhibited more grossly debasing influence of illicit condition. I am sure that I can look upon the ruin wrought by the armies of the Central Empires with the same repulsion and deep indignation that they stare in the heart of men of France and Belgium and I appreciate as you do that the necessity of such action in the final settlement of the issues of the war as will not only rebuke such acts of terror and spoliation but may command everywhere that they cannot be ventured upon without a certainty of just punishment.

No Worms in a Healthy Child

All children troubled with worms have an unhealthy count, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, taken regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a General Strengthening Tonic to the whole system. Nature will then throw off or dispel the worms, and the child will be in perfect health. Pleasant to take. 60c per bottle.

MEXICANS CLASH WITH AMERICANS

One Mexican Killed and Another Mortally Wounded in Row Begun by Mexicans.

New York, Dec. 15.—In a clash on November 28 between the army navy guard of the American steamship Monterey and Mexican customs guards at Tampico, one Mexican, said to have been a captain, was killed, a Mexican soldier mortally wounded, and a chief gunner's mate, named Berry, in charge of the American guard less seriously hurt. This was learned today with the steamer's arrival here from Havana and Nassau, where she touched after leaving Tampico.

Members of the armed guard and officers of the ship refused to discuss the incident, but details were learned from passengers on guard at the time. According to them, the fight occurred shortly after 5 a. m., after members of the navy guard went to the rescue of Berry, who had been attacked. The Americans at first responded to the call without arms, but upon the Mexicans' opening fire, they secured their weapons and responded in kind.

The fight, passengers said, was brief, the Mexicans running away as soon as the Americans opened fire, leaving their dead and wounded.

SALISBURY PROOF.

Should Convince Every Salisbury Reader.

The frank statement of a neighbor telling the merits of a remedy.

Bids you pause and believe. The same endorsement. By some stranger far away Commands no belief at all. Here is a Salisbury case. A Salisbury citizen testifies, Read and be convinced.

Mrs. Hattie Frost, 603 N. Main St., says: "I was subject to back ache and general kidney disorder. At times my back and limbs would get so weak and lame I could hardly get around. Mornings I was in the most misery. My kidneys were irregular in action and caused me a lot of trouble. I began using Doan's Kidney Pills and found them to be all that is claimed of them. Doan's relieved the misery in my back and regulated my kidneys. On May 13, 1917 Mrs. Frost said: 'I haven't had to use Doan's Kidney Pills since I recommended them several years ago. Doan's relieved me entirely at that time and I advise others suffering with their kidneys to use Doans.

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Weather Forecast for December, 1918.

From 3 to 10 rain, some changeable, some stormy south, west and north.

From 10 to 17, colder, threatening snow, and rain, some blizzard, cold along.

From 17 to 25, cold with snow and rain along, snow storms northwest to north east, cold winds along, threatening hard cold.

From 25 to January 3, 1919, fair with rain and snow along and some cool and cold rough weather along.

December shows more rain and snow than past month, and cold hard weather with some warm days along for North Carolina with sudden changes. This November 27th. HENRY REID, R 3, Salisbury, N. C.

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PRESIDENT OF PORTUGAL ASSASSINATED.

Body Taken to the Belem Palace to Await the Funeral Ceremonies.

Lisbon, Portugal, Dec. 16.—The body of Dr. Sidinio Pais, President of Portugal, who was assassinated late on Saturday was taken to the Belem Palace to await the funeral ceremonies. In the meanwhile the Portuguese government continuing in office under the minister of justice while both chambers of the parliament have been summoned to meet today to discuss jointly the question as to the successor of the president.

The whole capital was in mourning today with a deep undercurrent of excitement of both military and civilians who are organizing parades in which the marches call for vengeance for the crime.

President Pais was shot and killed shortly before midnight Saturday while in the Lisbon railway station. His assassin was killed by the crowd.

If Foch Were a Romanist.

In their bigoted efforts to deceive the world into believing that Marshal Foch is a Roman Catholic the propagandists of Rome encounter many insurmountable difficulties. This contention of theirs seems doomed to the same fate as their similar contentions regarding Joffre, Haig, and Pershing.

In their own diocesan organs the Roman prelates never tire of denouncing Premier Clemenceau of France for his militant hostility to the papal gang. But evidences multiply that Foch owes his preferment, including his selection as generalissimo, to the French premier.

The following associated press dispatch, which appeared in The St. Louis Post-Dispatch December 3, is significant in connection with many similar bits of information:

London, Dec. 3.—M. Clemenceau, the French premier, caused a sensation in his address at the French embassy last night by declaring that but for him Marshal Foch would have had no command.

The occasion was a reception in honor of the premier and Marshal Foch.

When it is remembered that Clemenceau is an uncompromisingly Protestant as Governor Catts and that Rome incessantly denounces him for that fact, it is manifest that he would not have placed the destiny of France and the world in the hands of a Roman Catholic as supreme commander.

Not till Governor Catts or Governor Kilby appoints a fourth-degree Knight of Columbus to the United States senate will the public believe that Clemenceau placed a Roman Catholic in command of the military forces of democracy.

As stated in "The Menace" some weeks ago, Foch is a Basque, and his people have been noted during several centuries for their successful hostility to the papal autocracy. During all the ages when both France and Spain groaned under the heel of popery, the Basques successfully defied the papal hierarchy and kept their mountain home between France and Spain free.—The Menace.

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