

CONSUMPTIVES MUST REGISTER

Norfolk Passes New Ordinances For Fighting the White Plague.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 1.—Endeavoring to facilitate the fight against tuberculosis Dr. Charles R. Graffdy, secretary of the Norfolk Anti-Tuberculosis League, and Dr. H. R. Dupuy, health commissioner, secured the approval of the ordinance committee of councils last night to a law requiring registration of consumptives, wherever it is practicable, at the office of the health department.

The law would make it a misdemeanor for a physician, hospital or similar institution to fail to report a case of consumption within a week after the disease is discovered in the patient; also for the attending physician, or the owner of the premises, to neglect to notify the health commissioner in the event a house or apartment should be vacated by a tubercular patient, either by death or removal.

A GOOD WOMAN PASSED AWAY

Mrs. W. B. White Died This Morning at Her Home at 10 O'clock.

At 10 o'clock this morning Mrs. W. B. White passed into eternal rest after seventy-three years of untiring labor and ever faithful Christian zeal. She was a consistent member of the Primitive Baptist Church, and one of the oldest citizens in the city.

On Sunday last Mrs. White was taken with a congestive chill which rapidly developed into pneumonia and today breathed her last, after a hard struggle for life.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED.

Since November 11, nineteen marriage licenses have been obtained from the Registrar of Deeds office, twelve white and seven colored. White—Matthew R. Waters and Lisale J. Wallace, Wm. C. Coburn and Cora M. Hill, James M. Silverthorne and Willie C. Gurganus, George R. Roesper and Mamie A. Perry, Lonnie Strickland and Lena G. Hill, Malcolm T. Worthington and Annie E. Laughinghouse, O. Lee Hodnell and Mamie Hodges, J. L. Taylor and Lovie B. Ward, Kallita Woolard and Polly Woolard, Ivy Walton Ackles and Lula A. Oden, Wm. B. Barnes and Ellen Dixon, J. W. Dillahunt and Lelia A. Starling.

HYDE COURT ADJOURNED

Hyde court adjourned today. Mr. Norwood L. Simmons returned yesterday, but most of the visiting attorneys will return by boat today.

HANDSOME HORSE SHOT

The Kentucky saddle horse belonging to Mr. Norwood Simmons, which was so badly cut on the leg a few days ago, had to be shot. Tetanus developed and medical skill could not save the beautiful animal's life.

\$25,000,000 WILL BE RAISED BY A CORPOBATION TAX

The Plans to Collect For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1910, the Commissioner Estimates That the Tax Will Amount to \$25,000,000.

ASKS FOR APPROPRIATION

Washington, D. C., Dec. 1.—Twenty-five million dollars will be the amount of revenue collected for the fiscal year of 1910 under the new corporation tax, which was incorporated in the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill, according to an estimate contained in the annual report of the commissioner of internal revenue for year ending June 30, 1909, which was made public today.

Following the passage of the tariff bill last August, the work of collecting this special tax was imposed upon the Bureau of Internal Revenue, and preparations are now being made for the distribution of blanks to the various corporations throughout the country, upon which to make their returns to the district collectors on or before March 1, 1910.

According to the report, it is estimated that there will have been collected by July 1, 1910, \$15,000,000,000 and that an additional sum of \$10,000,000,000 collectible for the calendar year from January 1, 1909, to December 31, 1909, will be collected subsequently to July 1, 1910.

The receipts for the past fiscal year from all sources were \$256,212,719.22, a decrease of \$5,452,230.82 for the year ended June 30, 1908. The bureau is very hopeful, however, of showing a substantial increase for the current year, as the receipts for the first quarter show an increase of \$2,955,657.45 over the same period of the preceding year. It is estimated that the amount of revenue, including that derived from the corporation tax, will total \$280,000,000.

While the total receipts were less than last year, the cost of collecting this revenue was only 2.02 per cent of the amount collected, or a little over \$5,000,000. The average cost since the creation of the bureau is 2.69 per cent. For the coming year an appropriation of \$5,302,240 is asked for to meet the expenses.

Several interesting facts are set forth relative to the sources of revenue for the year. As usual, liquor and tobacco yielded the largest revenues, distilled spirits amounting to \$128,315,181.45; fermented liquors to \$56,302,496.68 and tobacco \$51,887,178.04.

That the panic combined with the growing sentiment for local option, has proven a hard blow for the liquor interests show in the comparative table of the amount of distilled spirits withdrawn for consumption during the past ten years. The high water mark was reached in the year ended June 30, 1907, when 134,031,066.7 gallons were withdrawn. For 1908, only 118,703,594.4 were withdrawn and for the last year the number dropped to 114,693,872.2.

Despite the fact that less whiskey is being consumed, the distillers are increasing their output and in the year ended June 30, 1909, 139,981,613 gallons were distilled, as against 123,889,565 for 1908. The brewers also received a hard blow as the revenue derived from fermented liquors, including beer, ale, etc., show a decrease of more than \$2,000,000. The tobacco revenues, however, were increased by over \$2,000,000.

Illinois headed the list of States for the payment of the largest amount of internal revenue taxes, \$43,441,771.11 having been collected in that State. New York came second with \$28,627,349.27, and Kentucky third with \$24,120,420.34. Of the sixty-five collection districts subject to internal revenue laws, the fifth district of Illinois reported the largest amount, \$28,671,499.22.

Illinois' enormous revenues were no doubt due to the fact that the State produced the largest amount of distilled spirits—37,793,376 gallons. Kentucky came second with 27,224,279 gallons and Indiana third, with 21,916,456. New York headed the beer producing States, however, having brewed 19,979,799 barrels of fermented liquors, including beer, ale, etc. Pennsylvania came second with 7,050,367 barrels and Illinois third, with 5,525,472. Pennsylvania produced the greatest number of cigars, her product numbering 1,265,881,278, while New York came second with 1,186,129,514.

PIPE ORGAN IS ASSURED

Meeting at Methodist Church Enthusiastic—\$1700 is Secured.

Last night at the Methodist Church the prayer meeting hour was given over to hearing a report from the pastor and in considering the matter of installing a pipe organ at an early date. The attendance was small but the meeting proved interesting and enthusiastic.

The pastor, Rev. M. T. Plyler, reported a net gain in the church's membership of 44 and raised for all purposes this year \$9,092. But, he said, Methodism looks to the future rather than keeps its eye on the past. So he proceeded to present the subject of a pipe organ, which had been talked for a long while but no definite steps taken.

Hon. J. H. Small also spoke and presented the claim. In a short while \$1,700 was secured and provision made for a general canvass of the congregation until the \$3,000 needed is secured. Soon as this is done the order will be placed with a first rate organ builder. The instrument will be built under the direction of a master musician and when completed will be one of the best instruments in the entire South.

WALKOVER BRIDGE CLUB

The Walkover Bridge Club was most delightfully entertained last night by Miss Mattie Laughinghouse at her home on Second street. The invited guests were Mesdames Ibrice Leary, John G. Blount, A. C. Hathaway, Carl Richardson and Miss Norah Angel. The hostess served refreshments after a most interesting game.

POLITENESS WINS GIFT

Michael Dunphy, Bellboy is Rewarded for Services Rendered Guest.

San Francisco, Nov. 29.—That Dame Fortune has not ceased to bestow her gifts on those who deserve them is shown by the experience of Michael Dunphy, who until a few weeks ago was a bellboy at the Argonaut in this city. Last February Mrs. M. M. Potter of Salem, Mass., arrived at the Argonaut, and being ill and nervous, was the bane of the "bellhops" of the hotel. Soon after her arrival "Mike" Dunphy, a green lad, was given a job on the bench, and his apparent greenness invited all of the difficult tasks of the bellboys' routine. Among other tasks that of waiting upon the querulous guest was shifted to "Mike."

He accepted the work gracefully and performed his duties in an exceptional manner, and when the guest left in the early part of June he was the recipient of many earnest jibes from the rest of the boys on account of his willingness to oblige a non-tipping guest. He had his chance to laugh, however, when early in July he received a check for \$100 from Mrs. Potter.

About two weeks ago Assistant Manager George Dixon of the Argonaut received a letter from Brown & Carlyle, a firm of lawyers in Boston, saying that Mrs. Potter had died, leaving a bequest of \$5,500 for the faithful bellboy. A check for that amount was inclosed, cashed by Dixon and the money given to the lad who immediately made arrangements for the purchase of a lot in the Richmond district, and contracted for the construction of a home on it.

With what he had left over he took his aged parents on a pleasure trip to Denver, where he now is. His good luck did not end there. Yesterday Dixon received another letter from the law firm, stating that on receiving his report of the lad's disposition of the \$2,500 they were ready to carry out a further provision of Mrs. Potter's will, to the effect that if the boy disposed of his check wisely he was to have a balance of \$47,500, making the total amount \$53,000. The letter further declares that the lad may draw on the law firm for money up to that sum, and asks that an inclosed letter to that effect be forwarded to him.

PHALANX LODGE, I. O. O. F.

There will be a regular communication of the Phalanx Lodge, I. O. O. F., at a 7 o'clock tonight in their hall over the postoffice. Visiting brothers cordially invited to attend.

SALES A SUCCESS

The sale conducted by the Ladies' Aid Society of the First Baptist Church began yesterday and will close tonight. The attendance throughout the evening and night was fine, and quite a nice sum was taken in. There are still many useful articles left.

Mr. Guy Skinner, of Baltimore, has accepted a position with the J. H. Harrie Plumbing & Supply Co. of this city. The News welcomes Mr. Skinner to our city. Mrs. John C. Rodman arrived on the noon train from Tarboro where she has been spending a few days with friends.

RELATIONS WITH NICARAGUA ARE BROKEN OFF

Is Tended Passport Knox Virtually Announces Recognition of the Revolutionists. Will Hold Zelaya Personally Responsible.

PRAIRIE OFF WITH MARINES

Washington, Dec. 1.—Secretary of State Knox today returned the passports of Felipe Rodriguez, charge d'affaires of the Nicaraguan legation, with a letter scathingly denouncing the Zelaya administration of the government in Nicaragua. The letter is definitely declared to represent the views of President Taft and is about as plain spoken as anything emanating from the State Department in many years.

The extraordinary feature of the letter is that it seems to evidence an intention on the part of the United States to hold President Zelaya personally responsible for the alleged torture and execution of the Americans, Cannon and Groce, and exhibits the unique situation of one government holding the chief executive of another practically as a common malefactor.

Branded as a Tyrant.

Zelaya is branded as a violator of solemn international conventions, a disturber of the national and international peace, and a tyrant whose administration has been a blot upon the name of good government.

Secretary Knox virtually announces the recognition of the Nicaraguan revolutionists and declares it to be the conviction of the United States that the revolution represents the sentiment of a majority of the Nicaraguan people and that there is evidently no responsibility on the part with which the United States can deal.

He, therefore, announces that all parties will be held accountable for their actions as affecting the interests of Americans and the peace of Central America. He further informs Senator Rodriguez that while he has lost his diplomatic quality he may still serve as an "unofficial" channel of communication with the faction which he is regarded as representing.

This brings the crisis as near to the status of war as it could be brought by executive action without a definite declaration by both Houses of Congress, which will convene next Monday.

FINE SANTA CLAUS OPENING.

The Santa Claus opening at H. G. Sparrow's store last night was a huge success. From the moment the doors were opened until they closed at a late hour the place was crowded with eager shoppers, both young and old, who enjoyed looking at the beautiful line of Christmas novelties and toys which were spread out to their view. Mr. Sparrow has shown great taste in the selection of his stock and that he has succeeded in pleasing the customer was shown by the large amount of purchases which were made during the evening.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING.

Friday night, December 3, is the regular meeting of the Chamber of Commerce. The advisability of holding an agricultural fair in Washington in 1910 will be discussed. This matter is of vast importance to this town. We being the hub of the Eastern section we should let the people know that we are the hub and are willing to back up our opinions that it is the most central location in Eastern North Carolina by holding such fairs as to surprise the State.

Don't fail to attend the meeting Friday night. There will be no subscriptions asked for any purpose, so don't fail to attend this meeting.

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NEW YORK EXCHANGE HIT

Federal Report Will Be Placed Before Congress—Methods Condemned.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 29.—The report of the investigations of the New York and New Orleans Cotton Exchange by the Bureau of Corporations and Labor, which have been in progress for more than eighteen months, have been submitted by Herbert Knox Smith, Commissioner of Corporations, to Secretary of Commerce and Labor Nagel, and eventually will go to the President and Congress.

It is said the report arraigns the New York Exchange for dealing in what is termed "over speculation" or "differences" or in those grades of cotton ranking above or below what might be termed a standard grade, or, in parlance "middings."

That some steps will be taken by the Department of Justice against such trading is the opinion of officials of the Government. The intervention by the Government was brought about, it is said, by the number of big losses sustained by merchants of the South.

It is pointed out by the Commissioner of Corporations that the buyer has no chance at all with the sellers. He said that if a buyer bought differences in futures at a high price and the quality of the differences ran low the loss entered was enormous, in some cases ruinous. He stated that the method of the New Orleans Exchange was fairer and that both buyer and seller ran the same risk.

Another feature of the report of the New York Exchange which the report termed unsavory was the so-called "fixed difference" system. A committee of the exchange fixes the grades and prices. And this in view of the fact, the report states, that most of the dealings in the New York market are in futures. This system, Mr. Smith terms as arbitrary.

Find New Uses for Sawdust

Flour from sawdust is another step in the movement for the conservation of forest resources. The U. S. consul at Christiania, Norway, has sent to this government a suggestion along this line which may be of value to American lumbermen who are wrestling with the problem of sawdust waste.

The flour in question is not the kind which goes into the making of light, fluffy biscuits, and the other kind which are not light, or flaky pastry, but it is an ingredient of dynamite, linoleum, xylite, which for the information of the man on the street is a kind of artificial flooring, and other things. It is not put forward as a new discovery, for it has been in use for several years in this country.

The wood flour is ground in a cheap mill, very similar to those which grind corn and rye. Pine and spruce sawdust is used in Europe, and after passing through the stones and the bolting chest, it is sacked or baled for shipment. It is then worth 12 or 13 dollars a ton.

The flour has a number of uses, one of which is in the making of dynamite. It is the absorbent of the nitroglycerine, which is the explosive ingredient. Wood flour dynamite is inferior to that made with infusorial earth as the absorbent; but it serves many purposes, and is cheaper. But dynamite is one of the smallest prospective uses for the product. Linoleum makers mix it with linseed oil and give body to their floor coverings. It is not considered quite equal to ground cork for this purpose, as it is less elastic; but it is cheaper and meets requirements for medium grades.

The flour fills an important place in the manufacture of xylite, a kind of artificial flooring resembling wood in weight and stone in other respects. It is used for kitchen floors, and in halls, corridors, cafes, restaurants and public rooms. It is impervious to water, and is practically fire-proof. It is floor machinery in some of the German war vessels. It is so used because it is not liable to take fire or splinter if struck by shell.

Many additional uses for wood flour will probably be found. The amount of sawdust to be had in this country is practically unlimited, and millmen will welcome any plan that will lessen the waste at the greatest dump. Norway exports thousands of tons of this sawdust every year, and the United States takes some of it. Germany is a large manufacturer also, and has been for years. England is an extensive buyer, and much goes to France.

FRANCE DRAWN INTO TROUBLE IN NICARAGUA

Her Citizens Abused Official Complaint Has Been Lodged With French Consul General—Developments Awaited With Interest.

THREATEN TO SHOOT THEM

New Orleans, La., Nov. 30.—A cable from San Jose, Costa Rica, says:

The French government has been drawn into the Nicaraguan trouble in a way that promises serious consequences for Zelaya, as a result of brutal outrages committed on French citizens residing in Nicaragua.

An official complaint has been lodged with the French consul general in Costa Rica by Faustino Montiel, a Frenchman.

Montiel, who was manager of a farm, declares a detachment of troops commanded by Larois, bound and dragged him to the edge of a lake, where, after the mockery of a trial, threatened to shoot him.

They locked him up, the soldiers going back to the farm, wresting the keys from the housekeeper, and carried off all articles of value. He had to regain possession of his horses by purchasing them.

During these operations the housekeeper was brutally threatened by Larois.

BETTERMENT BAZAAR.

Much interest is shown by the people of the town in the bazaar to be held tomorrow and Saturday afternoon and evening for the children's playground benefit. This is a most worthy cause, and the Women's Betterment Association have been working hard to get it up. The playground will be for all the children of the town, and a suitable lot has already been selected. Work will be begun upon the necessary improvements at once.

On Saturday night Mr. Betts and Miss Bonner will give a musicale in the school auditorium, admission 5 and 10 cents, and a good time is promised all who go to the bazaar. Everybody will be there, so come along too.

JUNIOR AUXILIARY TEA.

Tomorrow afternoon at the rectory of St. Peter's a most interesting and novel missionary tea will be given by the Junior Auxiliary of that church. Everyone will meet Miss San Leo who has brought with her from far Japan and China a lot of toys and curiosities made by the children of those far lands.

The young members of the auxiliary will be dressed in the costumes of Japan and China, and will serve tea and cake, etc., to the guests. Songs and recitations also will be given by some of the members, and a most enjoyable time is promised to all.

Invitations sent out are cleverly worded as follows: Accept our invitation and come if you can.

To meet a missionary from China and Japan, At St. Peter's rectory on Friday afternoon From 4 to 5:30 if not too soon.

She has come from afar with instructions in view. So bring along some pennies, if only a few.

NEW STREETS.

Now that the street improvement bonds have been sold the commissioners will soon be called upon to decide the class of streets to be built and the material to be used.

This is a matter which should receive careful consideration and deliberation: the wishes of the residents of the city should be ascertained and adhered to. Should they decide to build macadam streets, the News is of opinion that the city should purchase the machinery outright and employ an expert road builder, a man thoroughly familiar with every feature of the work.

By purchasing the machinery the city could make all repairs and build new streets at will without the necessity of letting contracts for small jobs.

REV. CHRISTIAN TO PREACH.

This evening at 7:30 o'clock the Rev. C. D. Christian, of Rocky Mount, will preach at the Payne Memorial Church in this city. Everybody cordially invited to attend.

YOUNG LADY A SUICIDE

With No Known Cause for the Act, Miss Ethel Norman, of Greensboro, Ends Life.

Without any previous intimation and with no earthly motive other than a slight remonstrance from a member of her family about extravagant indulgences, Ethel Norman, the 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Norman, of Pomona, passed her mother in the hall at 5:40 o'clock Wednesday evening, went directly to her room and 30 minutes later pressed a revolver to her bosom and fired, the bullet passing through the center of her heart and death resulting instantly.

Why the young lady, who is just budding into womanhood, should be prompted to such a rash act, is beyond the comprehension of her closest relations and most intimate friends, surrounded at all times by ardent admirers, overwhelmed with devoted attention by every member of her family and society, in the very glory of youth and the charms which attach to a young woman graced with the culture of refinement and the best society. It is hard to attribute any cause for such a tragedy other than in a moment of terrible despondency brought about by the slight but kindly remonstrance, the young woman became for the moment deranged and fired the death dealing bullet into her heart without a full realization of its awful consequences to the aged parents and devoted relatives and friends.

About 6 o'clock she was called for supper, but responded that she did not want to eat and would be down in a short while. In a few minutes Mrs. Norman became alarmed and went to her room, finding Miss Ethel sitting on the side of the bed, but showing no signs of the terrible thoughts that must have been passing through her mind. Responding to anxious questions she assured her mother that she was all right and would be down in a little while. With this assurance Mrs. Norman left the room, but she had not reached the bottom step of the stairs in her descent before she was startled by the report of a pistol. With an intuition of an awful tragedy, which mothers naturally would pierce at such a moment, the aged mother rushed back to the room, only to find her daughter writhing in her own blood and see her breath her last while she bent over her with an appeal to God in His infinite mercy to give back to her child that which she had so wantonly taken.

A brother, Dr. George W. Norman, who lives hardly 100 yards away, heard the report and rushed to the house, but when he arrived, less than five minutes afterward, death had relieved the sorrowing heart of all earthly cares or disappointments. Wednesday she spent the day shopping with her sister, Mrs. Cleveland Young, and it was during the afternoon that a member of her family, with the kindest intentions, remonstrated with her for extravagance in selecting costly dresses. This remonstrance is the only motive advanced for her rash act two hours later, though at the time she did not appear to take the suggestions in any manner other than in which they were intended. About an hour later she left her older sister at Court Square in an apparently happy mood and in another hour and ten minutes she had pressed the trigger that sent a bullet crashing through her heart, dealing instant death to herself and casting a gloom over the entire community.

The news of the terrible tragedy spread like wildfire over the city, but friends of the young woman, like brother and sister, were unable for the moment to grasp the full intent of the words: "Ethel Norman has killed herself." Later the reports were verified, and friends were enveloped in deepest sorrow for the family and relatives of the girl.

Washington and Vande-train leaves for Aurora at 10:15 instead of 10:45.

New Advertisements in Today's News

- Gom Theater.
- J. K. Hoyt—Christmas Gifts.
- Jas. E. Clark Co.—Fur Sale.
- Knight Shoe Co.—Children's Shoes.
- Gaiety Theater.
- Moons.
- Frank Miller—Pure Whiskies.
- Donn's Kidney Pills.
- Mrs. Sumner's Remedies.
- Gowan's Preparation.
- Vick's Remedies.
- Capidine.
- Laxative Bromo Quinine.