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November 18, 1918

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INFLUENZA DEATH TOLL IN STATE APPALLING.

During October More Than 3,000 Deaths in the State From Influenza and Influenza-Pneumonia.

Raleigh, N. C., November 24.—During the month of October the epidemic of influenza levied a death toll in North Carolina in excess of even the highest estimates that were made while the epidemic was at its height. More than five thousand people in the State during October died from either influenza or influenza-pneumonia. The exact figures can not be given yet because of the incompleteness of reports from some of the counties.

A tabulation of the reports to the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the State Board of Health shows the total number of deaths reported as resulting directly from the epidemic to be 4,805. It is known, however, that several counties have not reported in full, and that reports for October yet to be made will run the total above the five thousand mark. Included in the incomplete reports are the city of Raleigh; Camp Polk, near Raleigh; Camp Greene, near Charlotte; Camp Bragg, near Fayetteville. In many cases physicians and undertakers were so rushed with the care of the sick and the dead that death certificates were not made out promptly. These will come in to the bureau of vital statistics along with the reports for the month of November, so that complete statistics for October will not be available until about the middle of December.

Gaston and Forayth counties, according to the figures at hand, suffered the heaviest losses, each having a total of 210 deaths. Wake was a close second, with a total of 203, with New Hanover third, its total being 164. Only one county in the state, Alleghany, reported no deaths from the epidemic during October. Two counties, Alexander and Clay, each reported one death. Among the other counties of the state the deaths are very evenly distributed according to population, showing that the entire state was affected by the epidemic, all sections suffering alike in the death toll levied.

The crest of the epidemic was apparently reached during the fourth week of October, reports of cases and deaths both showing a decided falling off during the last few days of that month and the beginning of November. As a result the restrictive measures which were taken by nearly every community in the state to prevent the spread of the disease began to be repealed during the second week of the present month. New outbreaks of the epidemic have resulted in many different sections of the state, in some instances to such an extent that all possible restrictive measures had to be resorted to again. The general celebration held in practically every community of the state on "Victory Monday" brought crowds together, and rendered futile even those precautionary measures that were still in force.

In all probability influenza, and the resultant pneumonia, will continue to be prevalent in the state throughout the winter. The problem of prevention is one that lies in the hands of the individual for solution. Influenza is a crowd disease. It is spread by "spit swapping," through the means of the unwarmed cough and sneeze, or the use of drinking cups, eating utensils, or towels that have been used by an infected person. The prevention of the disease depends upon each individual avoiding crowds where infection is so easy, and refusing to use the things that some one else has used. Because of the nature of the disease quarantine measures are not considered practicable. The responsibility for preventing the spread of the disease rests upon the individual directly Deaths by Counties From Influenza and Influenza-Pneumonia—October, 1918.

- Alamance, 74; Alexander, 1; Alleghany, 0; Anson, 17; Ashe, 3; Avery, 6; Beaufort, 72; Bertie, 94; Bladen, 23; Brunswick, 35; Buncombe, 127; Burke, 13; Cabarrus, 70; Caldwell, 17; Camden, 5; Carteret, 27; Caswell, 14; Catawba, 42; Chatham, 34; Cherokee, 5; Chowan, 28; Clay, 1; Cleveland, 57; Columbus, 35; Craven, 26; Cumberland, 26; Currituck, 42; Dare, 7; Davidson, 52; Davis, 10; Duplin, 59; Durham, 96; Edgecombe, 100; Forsyth, 210; Franklin, 22; Gaston, 210; Gates, 14; Graham, 8; Granville, 19; Greene, 58; Guilford, 159; Halifax, 68; Harnett, 72; Haywood, 38; Henderson, 14; Hertford, 56; Hoke, 9; Hyde, 40; Iredell, 13; Jackson, 18; Johnston, 72; Jones, 5; Lee, 22; Lenoir, 101; Lincoln, 14; Macon, 7; Madison, 19; Martin, 51; McDowell, 24; Mecklenburg, 122; Mitchell, 23; Montgomery, 17; Moore, 25; Nash, 121; New Hanover, 164; Northampton, 41; Onslow, 25; Orange, 34; Pamlico, 23; Pasquotank, 10; Pender, 67; Perquimans, 23; Person, 67; Pitt, 145; Polk, 5; Randolph, 42; Richmond, 40; Robeson, 75; Rockingham, 55; Rowan, 68; Rutherford, 22; Sampson, 22; Scotland, 22; Stanly, 22; Stokes, 22; Surry, 69; Swain, 8; Transylvania, 12; Tyrrell, 8; Union, 48; Vance,

27; Wake, 208; Warren, 25; Washington, 32; Watauga, 10; Wayne, 130; Wilkes, 11; Wilson, 130; Yadkin, 20; Yancey, 14. Total 4,805.

WAR COSTS.

Expenses for Present Year Over Thirty-six Billion Dollars.

Before the war an American Congress that appropriated as much as a billion dollars for Government expenses during a single year was considered very extravagant. However, we have recently become so accustomed to the idea of monstrous war appropriations that the fact that the Urgent Deficiency Bill, recently introduced in the House of Representatives, totals more than \$6,000,000,000 (or approximately six times as much as the total annual expenses of the Government before the war) causes but little comment. Moreover, even the fact that the cost of running our Federal Government this year, including payments and authorizations, already amounts to the enormous sum of \$36,136,997,439, excites only passing interest. This attitude is, of course, due to the fact that these matters are now completely overshadowed by the epoch-making events of the war. When peace comes, however, and we have time for careful thought and serious reflection, there will no doubt be a demand for a full accounting, and the record then revealed will, according as it is creditable or discreditable, constitute either a monument which will glorify and strengthen or an indictment which will condemn and humiliate the political party whose leaders are responsible for the proper administration of the stupendous funds.

DON'T GET HOME PAPERS.

There have been many complaints that the boys in France do not receive regularly the copies of The Advocate sent them. The following items from the Editor and Publisher may throw some light on the situation:

Benjamin S. Herbert, editor of the National Printer-Journalist, believes that the movement for sending the local newspapers to the boys in France will eventually involve such great calls upon the transportation service that this will outweigh the good done through the plan. Mr. Donnelly, of the Pulp and Paper Section, has expressed emphatic endorsement of Mr. Herbert's contention.

F. W. Kellog, publisher of the San Francisco Call, during the interview with Editor and Publisher printed last week, said that he noted, while at the front in France, an entire absence of home papers.

"I know many thousands of home papers are sent to the American soldiers," he said, "but I could not find out what became of them. Neither the men nor the officers had seen a home paper in months. There were none, either, in the Y. M. C. A. huts, or in any other place of assembly."

Plenty of exercise, fresh air, regular hours—is all the prescription you need to avoid Influenza—unless through neglect or otherwise, a cold gets you. Then take—at once



Overcome the Difficulty.

A little girl was sent by her mother to the grocer's with a bottle for a quart of vinegar.

"But, mama," said the little one, "I can't say that word."
"But you must try," said the mother, "for I must have the vinegar, and there's no one else to send."
So the little girl went with the bottle and as she reached the counter of the store she pulled the cork out of the bottle with a pop and said to the astonished shopman:
"There! Smell that and give me a quart!"—Pearson's Weekly.

The 1918-19 Food Program is both a National and a Personal Obligation. The Nation has never failed to meet all obligations and the individual must not.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION.

Having qualified as the administrator of the estate of Harvey Lovinger, deceased, this is to notify all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before Nov. 20, 1919, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This November 20, 1918.
A. A. JAMES, Administrator,
Laurinburg, N. C.

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Friday, December 6, 1918,
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At the D. P. McEachin place in Hoke County

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