

## Hydrophobia Cases Are On Startling Increase In The State

**Jump From 157 Persons in 1909 to 1,288 in 1924; Laws Are Blamed**

Raleigh, July 18.—Number of persons treated for rabies, or hydrophobia, in North Carolina has jumped from 157 patients in 1909 to 1,288 patients in 1924, according to Dr. A. C. Bulla, head of the Wake County Department of Health, who has personally administered the Pasteur preventative treatment to ten persons in Wake county during the past twelve months and who states:

"If such an increase continues we will reach a point where people will become sufficiently alarmed to put a stop to this useless disease and the increasing number of people treated. The 1,288 patients treated do not represent all persons who were probably bitten. The fact remains that it is on the increase and but little is being done to prevent it."

Dr. Bulla lays the blame for the spread of the disease, which is incurable once it develops, squarely on the shoulders of the authorities. He demands that persons be required to keep their dogs under their supervision and declares that every officer of the law should have the right to kill or capture every dog or cat running at large without its owner.

In case a person is bitten by a dog or cat Dr. Bulla gives the following advice:

"Have the animal killed and have the head examined and if traces of rabies are discovered take the Pasteur treatment," is his advice.

"In case the animal is not captured, take the treatment anyway."

Dr. Bulla advised strongly the killing of the offending animal and the examination of the head even though the animal be a valuable pet.

"If you fail to do so the risk you are taking greatly overbalances the value of the animal," he said.

The tragedy of the stray dog menace was brought home forcibly to Raleigh folk Thursday morning when W. H. Wyne, Jr., nine year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wyne, developed symptoms of the disease and is now in Rex hospital with little hope held out for his recovery.

He was bitten about two months ago by a young stray puppy which showed no signs of having been diseased. His wound was cauterized and dressed within fifteen minutes of the bite.

The dog strayed off somewhere and has never been located.

Hydrophobia, or rabies, is a disease which is common to wolves, cats and dogs, and which is transmitted to other animals including man, by a germ contained in the saliva of the diseased animals. The disease is more common in Russia where wolves abound than in any other country, and less frequent in Germany, which has stricter laws providing for the muzzling of animals than any other country.

In human beings the disease is more frequent among children than adults as children are more frequently attacked by rabid dogs and cats and cannot prevent bites with the ease of an adult. Wounds about portions of the body not protected by clothing are the most likely to develop the disease as the clothing is apt to absorb the greater portion of the germ bearing saliva.

The disease is comparatively slow in developing following the bite, its normal period of incubation being from six weeks to two months. Cases have been known to develop in three weeks, however, and other cases are said to have developed from one to two years after the bite; but this has not been proven to the satisfaction of medical authorities.

Once the disease develops in a human being there is practically no hope for recovery. The first symptoms are pains and numbness about the wound; depression, headache, loss of appetite and excessive nervousness. There is a rise in the temperature, the voice becomes husky and the patient experiences difficulty in swallowing.

In the second stage of the disease which lasts from one to three days the patient becomes very excitable and is subject to spasms. The breathing becomes labored, the temperature rises and the muscles of the throat are attacked making drinking very painful. This causes the patient to have distaste for water which

amounts almost to an obsession and it is from this symptom that the disease derives its name, hydrophobia, fear the water.

In the second stage the patient is often subject to maniacal spasms between which are periods of lucidity. However the patient rarely attempts to attack other persons during these spasms.

The third stage is one of coma and paralysis which lasts from six to eighteen hours and precedes the death of the patient. There is no curative treatment for the disease, once it is established, known to the medical profession. Opiates and palliatives are administered to soothe the pain of the patient but beyond this medical science knows no treatment.

For centuries there was no known preventative remedy for the disease but in the last century Dr. Pasteur, a noted French scientist, discovered that an injection of a serum taken from the spines of rabid rabbits would make persons bitten by mad dogs immune from the disease if taken in time. Only six-tenths of one per cent of persons taking this treatment following bites later develop the disease.

## WOMAN HANGED BY HER SLAYERS

**Evidence Indicates Woman Was Murdered and Then Hanged to Lead to Suicide Belief**

Greensboro, July 19.—Mrs. Eunice Stevenson, aged 84, was found hanging by a rope made of old sacks in her home, where she had lived alone, in Sumner township, Guilford county, fifteen miles south of here, Saturday.

That she came to death at the hands of unknown persons, was the verdict of the coroner's jury this afternoon.

That body decided that the aged woman had been beaten to death, then hanged up, in order to make it appear a case of suicide.

A little boy in the community made the discovery. Going to the home on an errand, he was horrified to see the woman hanging from a beam in the ceiling and he hastened away to inform his parents.

Robbery may have been the motive of the killer or killers, although the old woman had practically nothing in the world. She lived an almost hermit like existence, seldom venturing from her home. However, a man operating a little store in the community testified that she had been in his store Wednesday and had a little purse of money, how much he does not know, although it must have been a pitiful handful of coins for she had no means. She was in fact, a county charge, and the county commissioners had seen to it that she had enough to eat.

There was no evidence of a struggle, and indeed the old woman could not have struggled much, feeble as she was with the weight of years. There were, however, marks of violence. A deep gash, as if made with a heavy stick or cudgel, was over her left eye. Without doubt, the coroner's jury believed, she had been murdered and then hastily hanged up, so that people would think that she had committed suicide.

The body was swinging from the rope of sacks, not strong enough to hold a man or even a heavy woman, but sufficient to bear the weight of the frail woman.

Her throat was blue from the marks of the sack rope, where it had cut into the skin, but it is not believed that she strangled from that; rather that she was dead or dying when the murderers tied it around her neck and attached it to the roof of the bare little room in which the body was found.

The sheriff and his deputies went to work at once, but no arrests have been made, as there are practically no clues to the guilty persons. The room was not disturbed. There was no money found on the place, not even the purse that had been seen in her hands a few days ago, when she made some little purchases at the store.

She had been dead at least 12 hours possibly 24. She had no near relatives. Her husband died in 1896 and for the past several years she had lived alone.

## BAPTIST ASSOCIATION MEETS NEAR DOBSON

**Able Sermon Preached and Various Causes of the Church Presented**

The 23rd session of the Surry Baptist Association met with the Baptist church, six miles northwest of Dobson Friday and continued through Sunday. The association had not been held with the Cross Road church since 50 years ago. At that time it was known as the Yadkin Association and included Surry and Yadkin counties. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. J. M. Hayes, pastor of the First Baptist church of Elkin, at 11 o'clock. It was pronounced to be one of the most powerful and convincing sermons ever delivered at an association meeting in this county. Special music was rendered by students of the Mountain Park Institute. Dinner was served at the noon hour on the church grounds on a long table laden with good things to eat. At the afternoon's session the roll of churches was called, 39 of the 42 churches in the association being represented by delegates.

W. L. Reece, of Dobson, who has been moderator for 12 years, was re-elected to serve as moderator for next year. Assistant moderator E. H. Wrenn, of Mount Airy, and Clerk J. E. Cockerham, of Low Gap, were re-elected. F. T. Lewellyn was re-elected treasurer. Following the election of officers the association immediately entered upon its routine of work. The following visitors from other associations were present: M. A. Huggins, of Raleigh, representing the State Baptist Board of Education, M. L. Kesler, manager of the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville; W. R. Beach, of the Biblical Recorder, Prof. McMillan, of Wake Forest, represented Wake Forest College. Other visitors present were: Rev. Mr. J. Abner Spow and Rev. Mr. E. K. Moton, of Winston-Salem.

## Ford Not to Shut Down And no "Six" Model

Detroit, July 14.—Many and varied rumors of shutdowns and radical changes of models by the Ford company were spiked today when the Ford company offices at Dearborn let it be known that no cessation of production is contemplated and that the only model changes planned are in the lines of the car.

There will be some reduction of Ford forces during the coming week beginning tomorrow, but this is in line with the company practice followed the past year. The men who leave tomorrow will return to work August 1 and those who leave on subsequent dates will return two weeks later. Thus production will be continued without interruption, although the working force is slightly reduced.

Reports that the company is preparing to make a six cylinder, gear shift model were characterized as without foundation.

## Sheriff Is Intensely Bored By Dayton, Tenn., Trial

Dayton, Tenn., July 19.—The most bored man around the Rhea county court and the evolution trial is Sheriff "Blutch" Harris, a man who "remembers when."

He stands serenely day by day in the midst of the turmoil of the legal battle, unmindful of the verbal arrows and oral darts which contending lawyers sling across the crowded arena where great throngs strain to mark the progress of the judicial affair. His eyelids droop wearily above his rotund frame, for he was here when bullets, not words, were weapons of debate.

Forewarned of the coming trial and of the expected influx of trouble-makers the sheriff two weeks ago replenished his force of deputies and swept out his ancient jail. Today, after eight days of the Scopes case, with hundreds of visitors of all types invading the town, he uttered this doleful summary:

### Quietest July

"I have been sheriff here for three years. The present month has been the quietest month of all my term of service. There's nothing doing at all."

"We haven't arrested a single visitor," said the county executive.

"They have all behaved themselves, except one infidel fellow who keeps on going around picking fuses with people. He has promises to be good now, but the other day he had got a

## STOKES TO BUILD NO MORE ROADS JUST NOW

**Time and Money Will Be Applied to Upkeep of Roads Already Constructed**

Danbury, July 18.—During a session of the Stokes county board of road commissioners here recently, a ruling was unanimously passed that will dispense with road building for an indefinite period in all of the county. However, roads that are in a present state of construction will be completed, and upkeep will be applied freely on all the roads already built. Road maintenance is the primary policy of the board at present. And the available maintenance fund will be used sparingly and in places most needed.

The board in its session, ordered that the salary of all employes of the board be cut ten per cent, which will be an additional saving of several hundred dollars a year on the entire pay roll.

The meeting, was held for the purpose of checking up the accounts of the board and arriving at an exact standing of the finances, which were found to be in fair shape with a good record for the past year of 1924-25.

There prevails in all of the county a sentiment against too extensive road building, but a strong sentiment toward maintaining the roads already built, some of which are in poor condition. It is planned by the board of road commissioners to adopt a system of road maintenance similar to that used by the state of North Carolina, which will give more and efficient service at a considerable saving, and at the lowest outlay of money.

## Dempsey Signs to Fight Wills

New York, July 16.—George L. (Tex.) Rickard announced today that Jack Dempsey, heavyweight champion, had been signed to fight Harry Wills, negro challenger, for the heavy-weight crown.

Rickard said he signed a formal contract with the champion today, the date of the meeting being left open. "It will be impossible to stage it this year," the promoter said, "but I expect it to come off by September of next year. Dempsey expressed his willingness to meet Wills at any time. The absence of Wills from this country and the long layoff by Dempsey influenced the postponement, Rickard said.

Under the contract, the champion will be permitted to take on one contended as a workout but Rickard said he had no idea who would be selected.

Spending of money on automobiles, wireless and phonographs instead of jewelry since the war is the cause of the slump in the gem market, according to Birmingham, England, jewelers.

## Bryan On Stand Stoutly Defends Everything in Bible

**Commoner Declares Darrow is Ridiculing the Bible—Ready to Believe Jonah Swallowed Whale if Bible Says So.**

Dayton, Tenn., July 20.—Admitted agnosticism met fundamentalism here today as Clarence Darrow, defense attorney in the Scopes evolution case drew William Jennings Bryan, associate prosecution council, upon the witness stand.

Hundreds of men and women, drawn from the peaceful hills and valleys for miles around pushed close to the rough wooden platform beside the courthouse as the verbal swords of the two clashed time and again, sending off flashes that drew volleys of hand-clapping and booming mountain fox calls.

A silence, broken only by the rustling of the maple trees, settled over the crowd as Arthur Garfield Hays announced the intention of the defense to call Bryan to the witness stand.

The purpose was explained later by Mr. Darrow as an effort to "show the people what fundamentalism is." Bryan arose from the witness stand to tell Darrow, the judge and the assembled spectators that its purpose was to cast "slurs upon the Bible."

The nature of the examination brought Attorney General A. T. Stewart and other members of the prosecution counsel to their feet time after time to interpose objections. Frequently it even caused Darrow to arise with objections as the witness proceeded to direct the course himself.

Faces grew strained and lips tightened among the spectators at the apparent irrelevance of some of the questions and they arose to cheer as witness waved aside the protection of the judge with the declaration: "These gentlemen have not had much chance. They did not come here to try this case. They came here to try revealed religion. I am here to defend it any they can ask me any questions they please."

The questioning began with the usual qualifying questions for the expert witness, and after Bryan had announced his intention of calling to the stand Darrow, Malone and Hays. The witness said that he had made considerable study of the Bible, including its interpretation on the particular question involved.

"I have studied the Bible for about 50 years or some time more than that, but of course, I have studied it more as I have become older than when I was a boy."

"Do you claim that everything in the Bible should be literally interpreted," asked Darrow.

"I believe that everything in the Bible should be accepted as it is given there. Some of the Bible is given figuratively. For instance, 'Ye are the salt of the earth.' I would not insist that man was actually salt or that he had flesh of salt but it is used in the sense of salt as saving God's people."

"But when you read that Jonah swallowed the whale—or that the whale swallowed Jonah—excuse me please—how do you literally interpret that?"

"When I read that, a big fish swallowed Jonah. It does not say whale."

"Doesn't it? Are you sure?"

"That is my recollection of it. A big fish, and I believe it, and I believe in a God who can make a whale and can make a man and can make both do what he pleases."

Other interrogations along the same line followed until the query: "You don't know whether it was the ordinary run of fish, or made for the purpose?"

"You may guess, you evolutionists guess," responded the witness.

"But when we do guess, we have a sense to guess right."

"But do not do it often."

"You are prepared to say whether that fish was made specially to swallow a man or not?"

"No, the Bible doesn't say."

"But you believe he made them, that he made such a fish and that it was big enough to swallow Jonah?"

"Yes sir; let me add, one miracle is just as easy to believe as another."

easy for men. A miracle is a thing performed beyond what man can perform. When you get beyond what man can do, you get within the realm of miracles; and it is just as easy to believe the miracle of Jonah as any other miracle in the Bible."

"Perfectly easy to believe that Jonah swallowed the whale?"

"If the Bible said so; the Bible doesn't make extreme statements as evolutionists do."

An objection from the attorney general to the argumentative form of questioning brought the remark from Darrow that the witness must not "argue with me either."

Thence the interrogation turned to the plausibility of Jonah's making the sun stand still and brought another objection from the attorney general who declared the questions had gone beyond the pale "of any issue that could possibly be injected into this lawsuit except by imagination."

Bryan, however asserted "it would be too exacting to confine the defense to the facts. If they are not allowed to get away from the facts what have they to deal with?"

The next query from Darrow was: "Have you any opinion as to whether, whoever wrote the book, I believe it was Joshua, the book of Joshua, thought the sun went around the earth or not?"

"I believe he was inspired."

"Can you answer my question?"

"When you let me finish the statement."

"It is a simple question, but finish it."

"You cannot measure the length of my answer by the length of your question."

"No, sir, except that the answer will be longer."

"I believe that the Bible is inspired and whether the inspired author, one who wrote as he was directed to write understood the things he was writing about, I do not know."

"Whoever inspired it. Do you think whoever inspired it believed that the sun went around the earth?"

"I believe it was inspired by the Almighty and he may have used language that could be understood at that time instead of using language that could not be understood until Darrow was born."

"So, it might have been subject to construction, might it not?"

"It might have been used in language that could be understood then."

"That means it is subject to construction?"

"Well, I think anybody can put his own construction upon it, but I do not mean that necessarily that is a correct construction. I have answered the question."

"Don't you believe that in order to lengthen the day it would have been construed that the earth stood still?"

"I would not attempt to say what would have been necessary, but I know this, that I can take a glass of water that would fall to the ground without the strength of my hand and to the extent of the glass of water I can overcome the law of gravitation and lift it up. Whereas without my hand it would fall to the ground. If my puny hand can overcome the law of gravitation to that extent, I would not deny power to the hand of Almighty God that made the universe."

"I read that years ago. Can you answer my question directly? If you day was lengthened by stopping either the earth or the sun, it must have been the earth?"

"Well, I should say so. But it was language that was understood at that time, and we now know that the sun stood still as it was with the earth."

"We know also the sun does not stand still?"

"Well, it is relatively so, as Mr. Einstein would say."

"I ask you if it does stand still?"

"No. And the earth moves around."

"Now, Mr. Bryan, have you ever wondered, what would have happened to the earth, if it had stood still?"

"No; the God I believe in could have taken care of that Darrow."

"I see. Have you ever pondered what would naturally happen to the

"It is hard to believe, for you, but