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HEALTH CONDITIONS IMPROV-

General speaking, health conditions in the United States were good during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926, according to the report of the Surgeon General. In some instances there were increases in diseases but as a rule these diseases always fluctuate and the report is encouraging by reason of the fact that did it it shows a decrease in such diseases as diphtheria, measles, smallpox, and tuthan for the previous year, being 11.7 per thousand population in 30 States which register births and deaths.

Increase in certain diseases, respiratory for the most part, was caused by an outbreak of these diseases during the first four months of the year.

During the calendar year 1915, thirty six States reported 81,816 cases of diphtheria, which is 17 per cent. less than the number in 1924. More than 85 per cent. of the persons who die from this disease are cheildren less than 10 years old. The mortality from this disease has been re duced more than 70 per cent. in the last

Thirty-four States, preported 113,762 deaths from influenza and pneumonia during 1925, which is an increase over the 105,109 deaths during the previous year.

There was a big reduction in the number of measles cases. In 1925 there were 212,000 cases as against 424,000 cases in

During 1925 thirty-six States having a population of 93,650,000 reported 26,700 cases of smallpox and 595 deaths and the year before 39,500 cases and 813 deaths had been reported.

The death rate from tuberculosis in 36 States in 1925 was 81.8 per hundred States the rate was 84.8. This reduction of 1900 (201,9 per hundred thousand) had prevailed in these 36 states during 1925, there would have been 189,000 deaths from this disease, instead of 76, 605 deaths, indicating a saving of more than 112,000 lives

Typhoid fever showed some reaction during 1925 from the improvement which has been noted for several decades. Thir ty-five States reported 36,000 cases of ty-phoid fever during 1925 and 27,000 cases during 1924. The increase was most marked in the rural population and small cities. The cities having 100,000 popula-

The Concord Daily Tribune health service, the lack of which causes oss of human life and earnings estimated at approximately one billion dollars each During the past year work to es

WHO KILLED FORSYTHE?

It is said that a notebook containing or lers for liquor from a number of leading citizens of Raleigh was found on the ody of one Forsythe, rum runner, whose death is being investigated in Wake County.

Captain A. L. Fletcher thinks the peo ple who bought the rum sold by Forsythe are responsible for his death, and he expressed his views before a Raleigh civic club the other day. Those people said to be listed in the book found on Forsythe's body, Captain Fletcher argued, made it possible for him to carry on his nefarious \$5.00 possible to thin to early made such a 2.50 business. They not only made such a 1.25 business possible, he argued further, but they made it profitable and in so doing drove him to a vocation that ultimately brought death. It is not Robert Separk Robert Stephenson, Harvey Baucom or Evelyn Britt, all wanted in the case, that caused his death, Captain Fletcher said. The responsibility lies with the patrons served by the man, he argues,

Captain Fletcher said:

"We have a situation in the community now which involves some rum runners-the so-called Forsythe case. It is no secret that there is considerable drinking in Raleigh; that anybody who wants liquor can get it. Why? If the liquor business were not profitable, it would not be made, and would not be transported on our highways.

"The traffic flourishes because it paysand it will continue as long as the boot-leggers find a profitable market for their stuff. And where do they find their market. They don't find it in the ranks of the so-called criminal element. To say that they have their market among the riff-raff is untrue. But they find it among the folks who stand well in the community, who are members of churches and fraternal orders, and who occupy places of leadership in industry and other business channels. Coroner Waring has been going about investigating who killed Forsythe, has empanneled a jury that is trying to make up its mind just who

"Who killed L. G. (Mighty) Forsythe? On his body they found a little book which contained orders for liquor from many of the leading citizens of Raleigh And yet Coroner Waring tells us he does not know who killed Forsythe. But Forsythe was killed by the so-called leading citizens of Raleigh who buy and drink the liquor of such as Forsythe, Robert Separk and many others; he was killed by those who have the money and make it possible for rum runners and bootleggers to make a profit working at such a rotten trade.

"And there will be no escape from this situation until the city is aroused to a full sense of its gravity and takes reme dial steps. And we (the Lions) can help by discussing law enforcement openly and fearlessly, and by word and example presenting to the people the conclusions we reach in our own councils.'

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NEWSPAPERS WIN VICTORY IN LIBEL SUIT.

marked in the rural population and smaller cities. The cities having 100,000 population or more showed a very slight aggregate increase over 1924. These large cities usually have better control over food, water, and milk supplies and better severage systems than the smaller places.

We are making fine progress along health lines but we are far from the goal Especially in the rural sections is there much work to be done.

The Surgeon General states that 84 per cent, of our rural population is as yet an provided with adequate official local.

GAVE THEMSELVES AWAY.

Statesville Daily.

Mr. Doheay denies that he "had any misgivings about the propriety" of his loaning Fall the 3100,000, and he reminds all and sundry that it was through his "coluntary tectimony" that the senate learned of the transaction. But it will also be recalled that the senate had learned prior to the Doheny coluntary testimony that Fall and gotten a big bunch of money from some source and it was hot on the trace of that source when Doheny came forward with his explanation. He came voluntarily, but under the circumstances at least a portion of the public gained the impression that he volunteesed in the same manner that men frequently voluntees far war service—not because they will have to, they get in ahead of compulsion and get credit accordingly.

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Dearborn Weekly.

There was no wild clamor of bells, no great gathering of notables, no acclaim from vast multitudes that night two thousand years ago in the little hamlet of a Roman province. Instead, the simple shepherds came, called from their tasks on the hills roundabout by a Voice they had never heard before, or never were to hear again. Hills, bathed in the glorious starlight of the East—that is the scene which rises before our eyes at Christmas time—hills, and white flocks grazing on their slopes, and a soft, fragrant breeze, and here and there the tinkle of a bell. And then the manger, lowly and humble, the abode of beasts of burden.

He was not welcomed by the world, but He

burden.

He was not welcomed by the world, but He brought welcome into the world. He was attacked and persecuted and put to death, but He brought a message of peace and good cheer and forgiveness. His very simplicity was used by His enemies to ridicule Him, but this simplicity became in time the foundation stone of Christianity. And in this simplicity of Christ, which comes oclose to the heart of man at Christmas time, lies the solution of all the prievous problems which yex mankind.

ONE OR THE OTHER.

Charlotte News.

Evidently prohibition is working rather effectually toward the eradication of confirmed drunkenness, or all the old soaks have died out and the modern drinkers can't stand enough of the fresh poison available in these times to stay very long at one time on a tear.

Here is one evidence of that, at least:

The Washington Home in Chicago, established in 1863 for the cure of drunkards, has closed. When asked for the reason, William C. Hollaster says the home was established for the cure of alcoholic patients. Nearly 30,000 such persons have been treated in the home since the Civil War. As many as 300 were there at a time. Two years ago the number dwindlled to a dozen, and they moved to a smaller home. Seven patients were receiving treatment January 1, and eight on June 30th.

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This hardly accords with the frequent statement that more Bour and worse liquor is not drunk than during license times.

A REAL TRAGEDY.

Raleigh News and Observer.

It is sensational news when a man trusted by religious bodies proves unworthy of the trust reposed in him, because it so seldom happens in any Christian Church, but none is proof against it. The lowering of standards and the extravagance of the ddy make temptations to take what belongs to others more difficult to resist. And yet 1999 out of every 1,000 men entrusted with church funds are superior to the temptation. It is particularly reprehensible that the fund raised by Southern Baptists for foreign missionary work should be filched by the treasurer of the fund. The church will lose \$37,000 by the defalcation of Treasurer Saunders, but President McDaniel took the proper course in making the matter public and issuing a call to the generous membership of his church for the good cause. They will respond to his: "Our people must not waver on account of this tragedy, God still reigns and Christ's command to evangelize is still imperative."

MR. GRIST'S CHOICE.

THERE'S LEADERSHIP SOME-WHERE.

The Democrats are not going to give up the fight on tax reductions. They plan to circulate a petition asking that the matter be presented, this being the only nanner by which they can get action now hat the ways and means committee, with ts Republican majority, has voted to be proposed in the proposed plan to circulate a petition asking that the matter be presented, this being the only nanner by which they can get action now hat the ways and means committee, with ts Republican majority, has voted to be proposed to the proposed plan to run on the democratic ticket is a task the contemplation of which ought to weary even a commissioner of labor and printing. While looking for candidates to run on the democratic ticket for President, Mr. Grist commissioner of labor and printing, is a take the contemplation of which ought to weary even a commissioner of labor and printing. While looking for candidates to run on the democratic ticket for President, Mr. Grist the democratic ticket for President, Mr. Grist the proposed plan to run on the democratic ticket for President, Mr. Grist the proposed plan to run on the democratic ticket for President, Mr. Grist the proposed plan to run on the democratic ticket for President, Mr. Grist the proposed plan to run on the democratic ticket for President, Mr. Grist the proposed plan to run on the democratic ticket for President, Mr. Grist the proposed plan to run on the democratic ticket for President, Mr. Grist the proposed plan to run on the democratic ticket for President, Mr. Grist the proposed plan to run on the democratic ticket for President, Mr. Grist the proposed plan to run on the democratic ticket for President, Mr. Grist the proposed plan to run on the democratic ticket for President, Mr. Grist the proposed plan to run on the democratic ticket for President, Mr. Grist the proposed plan to run on the democratic ticket for President, Mr. Grist the proposed plan the proposed plan the proposed plan the proposed plan the president plan the prop

NEW DUKE DAY IS WIDELY OBSERVED

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on Duke Hotel at 6:30 Saturday evening,

An Enduring Force.

"Buildings, endowment and resources do not make a great and enduring university." Professor Flowers asserted in his address. "The life, the spfrit, the incentive must be carried wherever men and women toll at the problems of life, to range and courage—that is great constructive task of life, to arrouse hope and courage—that is what makes an institution of learning, established on a firm basis, a great and enduring force in human society. This institution has a long and honorable history of high ideals and aspirations. Thenty-five years ago I never dreamed of what it might grow into. Now it must begin to minister not only to the youth of our section, but also to that of the whole country."

Declaring that it was a challenge to every student, officer, trustees and faculty, member. Professor Flowers and from the indenture a section in which James B. Duke expressed his wishes for the university. "When the trustees accepted Mr. Duke's gift under the terms of the indenture of the indenture of the trustees accepted the injunctions, obligations and responsibilities of administering the institution according to the standards set forth." The following except was read:

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An Enduring Force-

character, determination and application evincing a wholesome and real ambitton for life. And I advise that the courses at this institution be arranged, first, with special reference to the training of preachers, teachers, lawyers and physicians, because these are most in the public eye, and by precept and example can do most to uplift mankind; and, second, to instruction in chemistry, economics and history, especially the lives of the great of earth, because I believe that such subjects will most help to develop our resources, increase our wisdom and promote human happiness."

Aff. Griel, commissioner of labor and printing, is running General John J. Pershing for the presidency of the United States—on the democratic ticket, Pershing it would be difficult to get the commission of the A. E. F. to run for the presidency of the United States—on the democratic ticket, Pershing it would be difficult to get the commission of the A. E. F. to run for the presidency of the United States—on the democratic ticket, Pershing the would not be a formed to make the commission of the commission of the democratic ticket for Persident, Mr. Grief about 100 to version of the democratic ticket for Persident, Mr. Grief about 100 to version of the democratic ticket for Persident, Mr. Grief about 100 to version of the democratic ticket for Persident, Mr. Grief about 100 to version of the democratic ticket for Persident, Mr. Grief about 100 to version of the democratic ticket for Persident, Mr. Grief about 100 to version of the democratic ticket for Persident, Mr. Grief about 100 to version of the democratic ticket for Persident, Mr. Grief about 100 to version of the democratic ticket for Persident, Mr. Grief about 100 to version of the dispatch of the version of the democratic ticket for Persident No. We hope this movement to retreat in an amount of the dispatch of the version of the version of the dispatch of the version of the dispatch of the version of the dispatch of the version of the version of the dispatch of the version of the dispatch of the version of the dispatch of the version of the version of the dispatch of the version of the dispatch of the version of the version of the dispatch of the version of the version of the dispatch of the version of the dispatch of the version of the ver

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