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DOCTORS DISCUSS DRUG ADDICTION

N. C. Medical Society Passes Resolutions; Pays Tribute To Dr. Manning

In a speech before the House of Representatives on January 13, Hon. Lester D. Volk, of New York, presented facts of a very comprehensive and intelligent nature on the menace of drug addiction. Quoting from Harper's Weekly Mr. Volk says:

"Drug addiction is undeniably a very great evil which is probably increasing in extent. Undenably, too, some of the grosser forms of it are to be checked and abated by legislation and by police administration. But the most important part of it can be dealt with efficaciously only by competent and conscientious physicians in private practice. To forbid such treatment of it would be to place sufferers at the mercy of institutions, which most of them would rather die than enter, or of the purveyors of 'sure cures' of the most pernicious type. It may be that further legislation, state and national, is needed on the subject. But it is absolutely certain that no such legislation should be enacted without the fullest possible publicity, or without first having a competent and open investigation, which would bring all the conditions and facts to the intelligent attention of the lawmakers. There must be no more 'sneak' legislation to enable designing men either to exploit the vices or to batten upon the afflictions of their fellows."

Realizing the importance of securing intelligent legislation on this matter at an early date, not only as a means of properly treating those that are afflicted but as a safeguard to the practicing physician, the Medical Society of the State of North Carolina in convention at Winston-Salem, April 25th, passed the following resolution during the meeting of the House of Delegates:

Resolved 1st, the Medical Society of the State of North Carolina now in session in Winston-Salem, approve House Resolution 258 providing for a select committee of 15 to inquire into the subject of narcotic addiction in the United States. The personnel of this committee to include all doctors who are now members of the House of Representatives.

Resolved 2nd, that this Society endorses the position taken by Hon. Lester D. Volk, the propounder of Resolution 258, which position he has so ably and admirably sustained in a speech delivered in the House of Representatives on Jan. 13, 1922.

Resolved 3rd, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Senators and Representatives of North Carolina in Congress and that they be requested to use their best efforts to bring about the adoption of the resolution presented by Hon. Lester D. Volk.

Following the adoption of the resolution a beautiful tribute was paid Dr. J. M. Manning, of Durham, by the profession, all of the delegates rising as an expression of their confidence in the integrity of Dr. Manning and as a remonstrance against the persecution to which he has recently been subjected.

North Carolina's Peach Crop.

The present prospect is for a very heavy peach crop in North Carolina this year. If the cold wind of yesterday did not injure the young fruit, the crop bids fair to be a record breaker. Persons who for the first time visit the sandhills of this State are astounded at the tremendous proportions which the peach-growing industry is assuming. At the present rate of increase North Carolina will in a few years be the largest peach producing State east of the Mississippi River, while the quality of the fruit will be second to none.—Fayetteville Observer.

Isn't Nature Wonderful?

"But surely," said the haughty dame, "if I pay the fare for my dog he will be treated the same as passengers and be allowed to occupy a seat?"

"Of course, madam," the guard replied politely, "provided he does not put his feet on it."—Pearson's Weekly.

VIVID PICTURE OF TRAGEDY OF FLOOD FOR CONGRESSMEN

A Million Acres of Farm Land Now Under Water—Some Families Still Cling to Their Homes

Vicksburg, Miss., May 3.—One million acres—25 per cent under cultivation—inundated to a depth of from three to fifteen feet, water-covered and rapidly disintegrating farm buildings, refugees housed in box cars, tents and railroad stations, and here and there a more persistent householder sticking to his dwelling despite the lapping of the water against the thresholds, viewed from the windows of a special train which ploughed its way through more than two feet of backwater for a distance of 25 miles from Carey to Vicksburg, gave the Congressional delegation surveying the ravages of the swollen Mississippi a vivid insight today into the tragedy of the river flood.

Today's journey, the third day of the tour began at Memphis Monday, was through the "backwater" spreading over the Yazoo basin from Brunswick Gap—an uncompleted stretch of the Mississippi River levee system—north of Vicksburg and through the Yazoo river.

From Carey, at present the north limit of the inland overflow—to Vicksburg it was much the same sight—abandoned farm houses, here and there a knoll of high ground crowded with corralled livestock, a raft moving to the neighboring hills, or railroad right-of-way with piled up household goods and refugees and at intervals a house built on "stilts" with the occupants holding their ground making the best of the situation and apparently determined to stick it out.

Box cars, top floors of cotton gins, railroad stations and loading platforms and tents pitched on the ridges which dot the generally flat lowlands now are housing several thousand refugees, with the number expected to appreciably increase as the waters rise and spread further.

Approximately 2,000 are being cared for in box cars, 300 of which have been distributed on sidings at central points along the line of the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley railroad in the overflowed area.

Members of the Congressional party left the river commission steamer Mississippi, aboard which the greater part of the tour is being made at Greenville early today and after an automobile ride to Leland for a view of neighboring plantations, curtailed by a heavy rainstorm, boarded a special train at the latter town for the rail trip through the flooded sections to Vicksburg.

After a visit to the National Park here and a luncheon, the party re-boarded the Mississippi for a continuation of the southward journey.

Natchez, the next stop on the itinerary, is expected to be reached late tomorrow.

In its spread over the farm lands in the Yazoo basin the water ultimately will inundate sections of five counties—Issaquena, Sharkey, Humphreys, Yazoo, and the northern part of Warren.

In many parts of the area already overflowed, seed was planted several weeks ago.

Joseph C. Logan, Red Cross representative, who is directing relief work in conjunction with state and local officials, issued a statement today indicating that approximately 16,000 persons, mostly negro tenant farmers, already have been reported as in need of relief in Yazoo basin and several other counties to the south.

"Rationing" began a week ago in some sections. Thus far this week subsistence for 3,000 persons for a week has been distributed. It was estimated from reports made by field agents to the Vicksburg Red Cross headquarters that upwards of 40,000 persons ultimately will be in need of aid to tide them until the water subsides and food crops can be raised.

In addition to farm damage, monetary losses to the railroads operating through the overflowed section is expected to be heavy. T. L. Dubbs, superintendent of the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley, estimated today that the cost of keeping traffic open through the back water between this city and Carey was approximately \$3,000 a day.—Associated Press.

CO. SUPT. HIPPS RESIGNS POSITION

County Board of Education Elects Mr. H. B. Marrow As His Successor

At a meeting of the Johnston County Board of Education held at Wilson's Mills Friday afternoon, Mr. W. H. Hipps, who has been County Superintendent of schools for the past three years, tendered his resignation which was accepted, and Mr. H. B. Marrow was chosen to succeed him. Mr. Hipps tendered his resignation to practice law and will locate in Asheville. He will leave about June 1 to take up his new work. In a letter published elsewhere in this issue, Mr. Hipps thanks the people of the County, teachers and Board of Education for the cooperation they have given him in his work.

In the selection of Mr. Hipps' successor, the Board of Education has secured a man whose training has been along the lines calculated to fit him for such work.

Mr. Marrow was superintendent of the Smithfield Graded Schools for three years, having resigned about a year ago to practice law in this city. Mr. Marrow graduated from the State University in 1912 with an Academic degree, going back later and completing the course in law. He has been in school work practically since leaving high school. He was superintendent of the Chapel Hill school and superintendent of the school at Battleboro before coming to Smithfield. Every summer for 11 summers he has taught school law in the University summer school. In 1910, he organized a Teachers Bureau at the summer school and since that time has had charge of it every summer. Through this Bureau Mr. Marrow has come in touch with teachers from all over the state, which fact will be quite an asset in his new position.

CO-OP. MEMBERS TO MEET

First Meeting of the Association Will Be Held Here May 13, at the Courthouse at 3 P. M.

As Chairman of the Johnston County Cotton and Tobacco Cooperative Marketing Associations, it becomes my duty, and a pleasure, to call the members to our first official meeting at Smithfield, N. C., on May 13, 1922, at 3:00 P. M. Wear your Co-op button.

The district director of cotton, W. H. Austin, will be with us, also the district director of tobacco, R. B. Whitley, to propose a program for the coming selling season and to feel out the members on some important moves to be made very soon. No long speeches will be made. We have talked long enough; we are going to act from now on.

The sheriff, the doctor and the undertaker are the only persons that should prevent your presence at the meeting. Tell your neighbor member to drop his "crop-producing work" at noon the 13th, and take up his "crop-selling" work for the remainder of the day; and he shall be blest.

A. M. JOHNSON, Chairman
Johnston Co. Co-op, Marketing Assn.

Oranges, Lemons and Bananas Grown In Sampson County.

CLINTON, April 28.—In Sampson county, down in the southern part on the farm owned by Jeremiah Seavey, near Kerr station, Miss Mary Moore has full grown ripe oranges and large lemons ready for home use and a plenty of them too, she also has a banana tree which bears full size bananas, these trees are cared for in the winter days by covering them with canvas in order to protect them from the freezing weather and when the warm days come all of this is removed and the sunlight is let into the trees. The writer visited the home of Seavey during the first part of April and saw the ripe oranges and lemons hanging on the trees ready for picking. That shows that fruits can be grown in the eastern part of North Carolina and any family who will take the time and care can have these fruits for home consumption produced in their own front yard.—Mt. Olive Tribune.

W. D. AVERA CHM'N BOARD ELECTIONS

Board Appoints Registrars And Judges of Election in Each Township

At a meeting of the new Election Board for Johnston County, which was held here in Smithfield, Mr. W. D. Avera was elected chairman and Mr. W. Thad Hinton, of Clayton, secretary. The following registrars and judges of election were appointed to hold the primary on June 3, and the general election in November. The first named man in each township being appointed Registrar and the last two will serve as Judges of Election:

Wilson's Mills township: Registrar W. C. Wilson; judges of election, Dalma Eason and J. A. Batten.

Clayton: H. A. Page; J. H. Atkinson and C. G. Cole.

Cleveland: C. T. Young; F. M. Weeks and Sam Lee.

Pleasant Grove: Claude Stephenson; B. I. Stephenson and Leonard Johnson.

Elevation: D. D. Medlin; Dalma Hardee and C. V. Lassiter.

Banner: Willie Dixon; Julian Godwin and J. B. Faircloth.

Meadow: G. O. Johnson; T. L. Hudson and Miles R. Barefoot.

Bentonsville: K. L. Rose; Lafayette Langston and H. C. Williams.

Ingrams: W. R. Keen; Bert Barefoot and J. E. Lee.

Boon Hill: C. H. Holt; Harry Watson and L. B. Thompson.

Micro: W. N. Barden; Joe D. Creech and Wade Holland.

Beulah: N. R. Pike; A. G. Hooks and Hardy Ballance.

Oneal's: Roscoe Parker; W. H. Brown and Lee Hocutt.

Wilders: J. M. Eason; R. E. Barham and Q. B. Hocutt.

Selma: R. W. Etheredge; C. F. Kirby, and Hiram Chapin.

Pine Level: Alex Wiggs; W. L. Creech and L. S. Thompson.

Smithfield: C. S. Broadhurst; D. T. Lunceford and J. C. Stancil.

The Board of Elections is composed of two Democrats, Messrs W. D. Avera and W. Thad Hinton and one Republican, Mr. R. I. Wallace.

MAKE GIFTS TO AMERICAN SCIENCE AND EDUCATION

National Academy of Sciences and Greek Diplomat Aid in Cause of Learning.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—(Capital News Service).—Joannes Gennadius, dean of the diplomatic corps of Greece, has presented his magnificent library of more than 50,000 volumes to the American School at Athens. The only condition attached to the gifts that a suitable housing be provided. It is understood that Mr. Wm. Caleb Lorimer, of Boston, who is president of the board of trustees of this school, is making arrangements to have a building put up to take care of the books. The library, valued at more than a quarter of a million dollars, is said to be the most complete in existence on Hellenic culture and will, it is predicted, make the American school at Athens the world's center for study of Greek and Byzantine civilization. The donor states that he makes the gift because of his respect and admiration for America and his gratitude for America's encouragement and sympathy in the Greek struggle for independence.

Dr. C. D. Walcott, president of the National Academy of Sciences, announces that a contract for the construction of the temple of science, to be erected opposite the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, has been let. The temple will cost \$1,300,000, and will be completed in 1923. In its great center rotunda will be demonstrated those experiments and principles of science which the layman has hitherto had to take entirely on faith, such as Foucault's experiment, first performed in the Pantheon at Paris, by which the revolution of the earth is made visible by a swinging pendulum, the march and change of sun spots, magnetic storms, earthquakes, gravitational pull of small masses, the pressure of light, living bacteria, etc.

"For they can conquer who believe they can."—Dryden.

FIRE BREAKS OUT ON ROOF OF TREASURY

Flames Which Threatened Serious Damage This Morning Finally Controlled.

WASHINGTON, May 3.—Flames which burst from the roof of the Treasury Department shortly after 1:30 a. m. today, eating their way through a superstructure and spreading to the central portions of the roof, were brought under control after threatening heavy damage to the building.

Leaping 30 feet or more in the air, the flames lit up a large part of the downtown section and sparks were wafted across the streets to the White House lawns. Awakened by White House attendants, President and Mrs. Harding dressed and watched the progress of the flames at a window.

Responding to five alarms, more than 20 pieces of fire apparatus engaged in the fight against the flames before they were brought under control about 45 minutes after they were discovered.

DUNN CASE TO HAVE RE-TRIAL

Owner Valuable Piece of Property Must Yet Be Determined by Suit Says Supreme Court

The Supreme Court yesterday sent back to the lower court of Harnett for a new trial the case of the Atlantic Coast Line against the Town of Dunn brought to determine title to Lucknow Square claimed by the town as a public square and by the railroad as a piece of property acquired by it through a succession of deeds. The Superior court gave a decision in favor of the railroad.

The property represents approximately the acreage of a large city block and is very valuable. In 1886, according to facts agreed upon by both parties to the action, it was conveyed by Henry Pope to Henry Watkins and J. B. Edgerton in a thirty-seven and a half acre tract. In 1892, according to the plaintiff, these owners sold the land containing Lucknow Square to the East Carolina Land and Improvement Company and on May 28, 1917, this company conveyed the property, in which it is alleged the Lucknow Square was included, to the plaintiff who has occupied it since.

The defense claimed that while Walters and Edgerton were owners there was a subdivision of the 37½ acres, streets were laid off and the contested property made into a public square. In 1887 an auction sale was conducted at which time it was stated that the block under controversy should remain a public square and should never be sold. Since then, the town of Dunn has improved the property.

Judge E. H. Cranmer, trial judge, instructed the jury that seven years adverse possession under known and visible lines and boundaries and under color of title will ripen title and be a bar to all persons.

"Standing alone and without further statement and explanation declared Justice Hoke in the opinion of the court, "this charge could very well be interpreted to mean that, notwithstanding a previous dedication and acceptance, if plaintiff had thereafter shown adverse possession, under known and visible lines and boundaries for seven consecutive years, it would be a valid title."

Then the court referred to an Act of 1891, now Section 435 Consolidated Statutes in which it is provided that no person or corporation shall acquire an exclusive right to any part of a public road, street, lane, alley, square or public way by reason of any occupancy thereof or by encroaching upon or obstructing the same in any way.—News and Observer.

The Test of Character

There is something finer than to do right against inclination; and that is to have an inclination to do right. There is something nobler than reluctant obedience; and that is joyful obedience. The rank of virtue is not measured by its disagreeableness, but by its sweetness to the hearts that love it. The real test of character is joy. For what you rejoice in, that you love. And what you love, that you are like.—Henry Van Dyke.

CULVERT ON 2ND ST. BE EXTENDED

Water to Be Put in Cemetery —Other Improvements By the Town Board

At the regular monthly meeting of the town Board of Commissioners Tuesday night several things of general interest to the town were passed upon. For some time the work of filling in the street at Spring Branch on Second Street has been going on, and the commissioners decided to complete that work at once.

The culvert will be extended, and the street broadened so as to permit sidewalks. Second street is one of the main streets of the town and the proposed work will be a decided improvement.

Another action of the board which will be welcomed by owners of cemetery plots was the decision to put water in the old cemetery. This cemetery has been a matter of pride for the town since the Woman's Club undertook the keeping of it, but the work of beautifying there has been handicapped because of lack of water to water the growing plants. The spigot will be placed as conveniently as possible to all parts of the cemetery.

It was also decided at this meeting to fit up the room over the town clerk's office as a sleeping place for the chief of police. A telephone will be installed in order that fire alarms may be turned in there during the night. The chief of police should be easy of access at all times and the new arrangement promises to be satisfactory.

ADA JONES, MUSICAL STAR, DIES IN A ROCKY MOUNT HOSPITAL; BRIEF ILLNESS

ROCKY MOUNT, May 2.—Ada Jones, musical star, died in a local hospital tonight following a sudden illness.

The noted comedienne, whose songs and character sketches have been carried to all corners of the globe by the numerous phonograph records she has made, was rushed to St. Mary's Hospital yesterday after suffering a sudden collapse in her hotel room here.

Miss Jones, who in private life is Mrs. Hugh Flaherty, of New York, collapsed Monday morning, following her appearance at a local theatre Saturday night. The collapse occurred in her room at a local hotel some time yesterday morning, where she was found in a semi-conscious condition by other member of her company when they came to her room prior to boarding a train for Tarboro, where she was to have appeared last night. She was quickly rushed to St. Mary's Hospital, where her trouble was diagnosed as uremia and her condition realized to be most serious from the beginning.

Relatives, including her husband, who is also on the stage, and business associates have been advised of her death, and are on their way to this city.

Miss Jones made an unusually large number of records, being given much prominence by the Victor and Edison companies.—News and Observer.

Ada Jones appeared in Smithfield recently in an entertainment given under the auspices of the Fire Department.

FOREST FIRES SPREAD THROUGH TWO STATES

ONECO, Conn., May 1.—Bad Forest fires continue today. Thousands of acres of timber and sprout land in Connecticut and Rhode Island have burned. F. C. Capwell, fire warden of the adjoining town of Conventry has 60 men fighting a destructive blaze. Loss to forests in this vicinity is placed at more than \$10,000.

In Cranston houses and barns and large piles of lumber have been destroyed, in Warwick hundreds of acres of valuable timber and sprout land and in towns along the Rhode Island and Connecticut line a dozen different fires are burning today.—N. Y. Herald.