

FLU NOT BAD AS LAST YEAR

Total Number of Cases About Half That For Same Period of Former Epidemic

Raleigh, Feb. 12.—The total number of influenza cases reported to the State Board of Health since January 26—for seventeen days—show 28,608 cases in the State. In October the first month of the epidemic of last year, there were reported to the State Board of Health 103,000 cases. Assuming that there will be the same number of cases reported daily for the remainder of the month it will be seen that the epidemic affect but about half as many people as suffered from it the first month of last year. Dr. F. M. Register believes that the peak has now been reached in the State this year, and looks for a decline in the number of cases reported every day from now on.

Considerable improvement was shown in the first tabulation of Wednesday's reports from all sections of the State over the previous day's report. The total number of cases reported being 3,162 new cases of influenza, 91 of pneumonia and 25 deaths. This is a slight increase in both pneumonia and deaths over the report of yesterday, however, but it was to be expected.

In the report is included a thousand cases from Randolph county which has, up to this time, reported a total of less than 300 cases, and the belief is that the new figures sent in includes the estimated total number of cases that have developed in that county since the epidemic started. So it will be seen that with this allowance made the reports today from the entire State show considerable improvement in the general situation.

Fresh outbreaks are reported from counties which heretofore have been free from the epidemic. Gatesville and Caswell counties both sent in their first reports Wednesday.

Five physicians Wednesday sent in their offers to serve in any part of the State where their services were needed. These offers came from Dr. J. W. Young, Charlott; Dr. C. M. Bynum, Princeton; Dr. P. D. Loftin and Dr. Sisk, Beaufort, and Dr. Schenck, Rutherfordton.

REPORT OF DEATH WAE EXAGGERATED

And While Friends Discussed What Sort of Casket to Buy For Him Sarkis Tady Left His Shroud

Raleigh, Feb. 12.—While relatives and friends were engaged in an argument as to the kind of casket that should be bought for him, Sarkis Tady, proprietor of the Wake County Bargain House, 213 South Wilmington street, did the impossible comeback, pushed the shroud from his supposedly dead body and gave notice that the funeral ceremony would have to be postponed.

Reports of the man's death are said to have been sent broadcast over the State to relatives and friends and to several cities in South Carolina by Raleigh relatives who had witnessed Sarkis depart this life. These friends and relatives came to Raleigh to pay their last tribute to the man they had known and loved.

S. F. Assad, of Apex, who says he was notified of the death, came to this city and with others purchased a floral tribute which he carried to a local hospital, where the man had been under treatment for some time. And while the funeral arrangements were being discussed by relatives who had gathered about the bed, Sarkis Tady gave due notice that neither a plush or silver-plated casket would be needed.

Relatives of the man had chalked off four days and the same number of nights that the spirit of Sarkis had flown, funeral rites having been deferred until friends notified could reach the city. One of the three physicians attending the sick man states that Sarkis had not been counted among the departed ones, but that for a time he was at death's door.

Telling of his "death," Sarkis related to Assad that "one the other side" he found the land wonderfully level and that it was covered with a profusion of green grass. He saw nothing stronger to drink than clear, pure water but said there was plenty to be had.

Sarkis Tady is an old resident of Raleigh, having lived here for a score of years. He is 53 years old and is none the worse for his unusual experience.

STATE HEADS LIST KILLED IN ACTION

Though Tennessee Leads South in Total Casualties of World War More From Old North State Dead on Field

(By Associated Press)

Washington, Feb. 12.—Tennessee suffered heaviest of the nine Southern States east of the Mississippi River, in casualties among her officers and men who were members of the American Expeditionary Forces during the World War, Virginia's losses were second, North Carolina's third, and Alabama's and Georgia's fourth and fifth respectively. A statistical summary of all casualties prepared in the office of the adjutant general of the Army and just announced shows the total casualties of these Southern States to have been 37,266, including officers and men, out of a grand total of 302,612 for the entire country. These casualties include losses from every cause which put the men out of action.

The total casualties for each State follows: Tennessee, 8,190; Virginia, 6,130; North Carolina, 5,799; Alabama, 5,160; Georgia, 4,425; South Carolina, 3,919; Mississippi, 2,303; Louisiana, 2,169 and Florida, 1,171.

North Carolina's losses from officers and men killed in action were heaviest, numbering 684; Tennessee's losses from that cause were second, totalling 680 and Virginia's, third, aggregating 664. In deaths from wounds Virginia was first with 291, Tennessee second, with 250 and North Carolina third with 238.

The summary of the casualties for North Carolina follows:

Deceased:	
Killed in action	684
Died of wounds	238
Died of disease	601
Drowned	43
Killed by accident	3
Suicide	2
Murder or homicide	5
Execution—General court martial	1
Other known causes	10
Cause undetermined	18
Presumed dead	5
Total dead	1,610
Prisoners:	
Died	1
Repatriated	59
Total prisoners	60
Wounded:	
Slightly	1,588
Severely	1,767
Degree undetermined	773
Total wounded	4,128
Missing in action	1
Total casualties for state	5,799

MUSIC AT SHILOH

The Camden-Currituck Union Meeting will be held at Shiloh Baptist Church, beginning Friday afternoon, February 27th and continuing through an afternoon session on Saturday, February 28th.

Below is the program for the two days session.

Friday Afternoon 3 o'clock
Devotional Exercises—J. L. Waldrep.
Introductory Sermon—Rev. E. L. Cole.

Friday Night 7.30
Education as it Relates to Baptist Progress—George W. Clarke and Rev. Mr. Hines.
"Preparation for Christian Services as Taught in the B. Y. P. U. Work"—Demonstration Program by Blackwell Memorial Union, (as per request of Pastor J. S. Brown) or
"My Own B. Y. P. U. Endeavors"—Revs. R. F. Hall, H. K. Williams, Mr. Roscoe Wynn, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Venters.

Saturday 10.00 A. M.
Devotional Services, 15 Minutes—Rev. G. P. Harrill.
"The Relation of the Bible to the Sunday School"—Revs. V. E. Duncan, E. L. Cole, and R. F. Hall.
Grading, Teacher Training, Equipment (Buildings etc. for Sunday Schools).—Rev. H. K. Williams, G. P. Harrill, E. J. Harrell.

Saturday 2.00 P. M.
"The Church Auxiliaries—How to Make Them Efficient."
1.—The W. M. U. and Kindred Organizations—Rev. V. E. Duncan and Rev. E. L. Cole.
2.—The Laymen's Movement—Rev. E. J. Harrell and Rev. H. K. Williams.

3.—Our Schools and Colleges—Rev. R. F. Hall, Rev. Geo. P. Harrill, Dr. George W. Clarke, and Rev. Mr. Hines.

WOULD SHARE WITH HUNGRY CHILDREN



Ellen Wilson McAadoo
"I'd like my daddy to tell the poor, little children that I wish I could give them some of my supper, but they're so far away." This is what Ellen Wilson McAadoo, granddaughter of the president, said to her father, William G. McAadoo, former secretary of the treasury, when he told her about the plight of those other little children, not so very different from her, in Central Europe today.

KAISER OBJECTS TO PRINCE'S PLAN

(By Associated Press)
The Hague, Feb. 12.—It is declared in reliable quarters that the former German Crown Prince was serious in making the offer to surrender himself in the place of the Germans on the extradition list and that he is inclined to believe that the Allies will accept his plan. It is learned here that the former Emperor Wilhelm is strong in his disapproval of his son's action.

GERMANY HAS NOT RECEIVED NOTE

(By Associated Press)
Berlin, Feb. 12.—The German foreign office has not yet received the note which it is reported was forwarded by Premier Millerand threatening Germany with indefinite occupation of the Rhineland provinces on account of the non-fulfillment of the Treaty obligations. On the contrary, it is stated that German negotiations with France concerning difficulties encountered in making deliveries have not been concluded.

HIGHS DEFEAT CREECY

The E. City Highs defeated the Creecy Institute Wednesday evening at the Y. M. C. A. by the score of 39 to 13. It was the first time that Creecy and the Highs have met in an athletic contest and the game was staged with much interest on both sides as both were trying for honors of winning the first game. But Creecy was handicapped by lack of practice. The fine playing of Pendleton for Creecy who threw five of his team's goals, and Whitehurst's work at center attracted attention. For the Highs Seyffert starred by his quick and snappy goal throwing and so did Sykes at guard.

DENMARK WINS GREAT VICTORY

Germans Polled Only Third As Many Votes As Danish Adherents in Plebescite.

Copenhagen, Feb. 12.—Denmark won an overwhelming victory in the plebescite held in Schleswig Province by which the future status of that district was determined, according to official figures issued here today.

The figures show that the Danish adherents cast 75,000 votes while the Germans polled only 25,000.

MOST OF REFUGEES SAVED

Constantinople, Feb. 12.—A Varna telegram says the Russian liner which struck a mine and sank recently had several hundred Russian refugees aboard from Odessa and Sebastopol but most of them were saved.

PROBABLY PASS RAILROAD BILL NOW IN HANDS OF PRESIDENT

Senate And House Leaders Believe Measure Will Be Disposed of Speedily

Washington, Feb. 12.—While some opposition to the Railroad Bill is finally agreed upon in conference has developed, Senate and House leaders predicted today that the conference report would be promptly adopted, so that the legislation will be on the statute books before the roads are returned to private control March the first.

The final draft of the conference report is now being made and will be presented to the Senate Saturday or Monday.

The House expects to take the report up Monday or Tuesday at the latest and leaders said it will be disposed of in two days.

HERE TO FOSTER LAW ENFORCEMENT

Federal Prohibition Inspector Here to Investigate Federal Prohibition Enforcement in This Section

Federal Prohibition Inspector John L. Cunningham, of Durham, is in the city conferring with city and county authorities relative to the enforcement of the Federal prohibition law in this city and county. Mr. Cunningham is making a tour of the eastern counties coming here from Currituck after a conference with Sheriff Flora and going from here to Camden for a conference with authorities there. He has already visited Beaufort and Washington counties. Inspector Cunningham called on Sheriff Reid and Mayor Gaither today. He states that he finds the attitude of county and municipal authorities here one of sympathy toward the new law, and he believes that these authorities are doing all in their power to enforce the law. He states that in this county and in a number of other counties in this eastern section there seem to be few illicit stills and few men who engage in the sale of spirits; but on the other hand that there are a few counties of the section in which stills and blind tigers are very numerous.

In every case, however, Mr. Cunningham states, the sheriff of the counties he has visited has promised to do his full duty in enforcing the law and also to cooperate in every way possible with the Federal authorities in breaking up the illicit manufacture and sale of spirits. Since the prohibition amendment to the Constitution went into effect on the 16th of January, Inspector Cunningham explains, every person must appreciate the importance of obeying the law and will do well to remember that the State and Federal authorities are vigilant and will see to it that the law is enforced. Undoubtedly, also, Mr. Cunningham says, Federal judges will place larger fines and impose heavier penalties for infractions of the law since the amendment has become effective than heretofore.

JUDGE CONNOR HAS ISSUED NO ORDER RELATIVE TO MOTION TO QUASH INDICTMENT AGAINST MYATT

Raleigh, Feb. 12.—When Judge Henry G. Connor, before whom a motion to quash the indictment against W. A. Myatt, charged with profiteering in the sale of sugar, was argued at the close of Federal court Saturday, left for his home at Wilson on Tuesday afternoon no order had been written by him covering the case.

A general order was written by him covering all of the cases which were not cleared from the calendar at last week's term of court, however, which applied to the cases against the seven Raleigh merchants under Federal indictment for profiteering, two of whom, R. O. Caviness and L. F. Denton, are also charged with conspiracy in connection with the sale of sugar. It is the opinion that if Judge Connor does not issue an order on the Myatt case within the next few days from his home at Wilson the case will go to a jury for trial along with the other merchants under the same charge.

TWO WOMEN PARDONED

Raleigh, Feb. 12.—Having before him the recommendation of both judge and solicitor, Governor Bickett Wednesday pardoned Nell Ryhmer and Dolly King, of Henderson County, who have served three months of an eight-months sentence for violating the liquor laws.

The pardon is conditioned on their leaving the State for a period of twelve months and that on their return, if they do come back, "they lead honest, industrious and law-abiding lives and especially shall refrain from anything that looks like the manufacture, sale or use of intoxicating liquors or that savors of immorality."

WILL MEET SATURDAY

The Pasquotank County teachers will hold their monthly meeting Saturday morning at ten-thirty in the Y. M. C. A. building. Prof. A. B. Combs, principal of the high school will conduct the Reading Circle.

HOOK-CAMPBELL

William S. Hook of Portsmouth and Miss Hester Bettie Campbell of Portsmouth were married in the city Wednesday by N. A. Jones, Justice of the Peace.

DISPOSITION OF WAGE DEMANDS OF RAILWAY EMPLOYEES NOT DETERMINED BY HINES

Washington, Feb. 12.—President Wilson will have a personal conference tomorrow with three representatives of the railroad brotherhoods to discuss the wage demands of two million employees which will be referred to him today by Director General Hines.

In making this announcement, Secretary Tumulty said that it was not decided which of the brotherhood representatives would be invited. This will be left to Hines.

The union leaders will see the President on the south lawn at the White House where Wilson spends a portion of each morning.

Washington, Feb. 12.—The disposition of the wage demands of two million railroad employees is in President Wilson's hand today.

The matter was referred to him after Director General Hines and representatives of the men failed to reach an agreement.

How long President Wilson will consider the matter is problematical but it is believed that the time will be short. The matters referred to the President did not include the grievances of the trainmen and Hines arranged to confer further today with President Lee of the trainmen's brotherhood. He will also meet the committee maintaining maintenance of way employees whose officials have caused a strike, effective Feb. 17th.

PROFITEERS STILL MUST FACE TRIAL

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JOHN BARTON PAYNE WILL SUCCEED LANE

Washington, Feb. 12.—John Barton Payne of Illinois has been selected by the President to be Secretary of the Interior to succeed Lane.

Payne is now Chairman of the United States Shipping Board. He will take over his new duties on March the first.

WILSON WILL PRESIDE NEXT CABINET MEETING

Washington, Feb. 12.—The next cabinet meeting will probably be called and presided over by President Wilson.

Secretary Lansing who has been issuing calls for meetings for several months said today he had written cabinet officers that there would be no more regular meetings. He offered no explanation but it is understood that the letter was written by direction of Wilson.

BOX SUPPER AT BAYSIDE

A box supper will be given at Bayside school house Friday night for the benefit of the school. Everybody is invited.