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Tobacco Market Permitted to Re-open Wednesday Nov. 6.

THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH AGREES TO THIS AFTER CONFERENCE WITH WAREHOUSEMEN.

German People Driving It's Government To End War—Turkey Quits 'fore Thanksgiving

INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC PROVING MORE DEADLY THAN THE WAR.

More American Fatalities From New Epidemic Here Than From German Guns in France.

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Within three short weeks Spanish Influenza has developed and spread so widely and rapidly that America's death toll here at home is greater than that of all of her huge armies in Europe. Moreover, the number of prostrations from this disease from day to day in America is probably greater than the combined casualty lists of all of the fighting forces engaged in this great World War. The number of cases in New York City alone has increased from a total of 47 cases and no deaths reported to and including September 20th 1918 to 4,293 new cases and 393 deaths in a single day. More

the number of cases in New York is about half a million.
This is not intended as an alarmist statement but is simply a brief summary of facts currently reported in the daily press. While there is still no reason for panic there is every reason for swift action in the erection of effective barriers against the spread of this malady. Only yesterday the writer, when about to attempt to enter an overcrowded street car, balked, upon hearing someone execute an utterly unexpressed sneeze, and decided to walk, and as he walked, he pondered over New York's frightful congestion in surface, subway and elevated cars; on wharves and ship; in stores, factories, sweatshops, hotels, restaurants, and even in the many thousands of other places, sometimes improperly called homes, where people never really live but merely exist, and where thousands of them are now being deprived, by death of even that questionable privilege; and as he pondered he

FARMVILLE TOBACCO MARKET WILL PROBABLY RE-OPEN 6TH.

wondered whether, when the big death roll of this epidemic is finally counted, people will still think that New York with its huge waste of mechanical force man power and even human life itself, due to its monstrous congestion of humanity at a point where there is economic justification for only a small city—is really worth while.

Of course, the disease is spreading elsewhere, but only where there are overcrowded conditions equivalent to little New York's are its ravages of a deadly nature.

In the interest of national efficiency and safety, the Federal Government has recently extended its ownership and control in a manner scarcely dreamed of by even the most radical. Perhaps this matter of Government control has gone too far in some directions; but there is obviously one direction in which it has fallen far short of the goal which it should reach in the interest of the general welfare, and that is in the matter of providing for the security of the public health. The fact that the

depends absolutely upon the maintenance of the public health and the prevention of all conditions, which menace it, is by this epidemic being demonstrated more clearly than ever before, and, terrible as is the deathroll of this plague, if it awakens the American people to a realization of the fact that the preservation of the public health by a perpetual warfare against disease is as clearly and absolutely a function of the general government as is the control of the army and navy in this Great War for the preservation of democracy, the results will fully justify such cost.

Mrs. R. A. Parker Dies of Influenza.

Mrs. R. A. Parker died at her home near King's X Roads Wednesday of Influenza, after only a few days illness. She was buried Thursday afternoon at the family burial ground. She leaves a husband and six children besides other relatives, to mourn her death.

Continued encouraging reports of the abatement of the influenza epidemic generally over the State, with reported increases of but few new cases in the northwestern counties have caused the State Health department to agree to the re-opening of tobacco markets on Wednesday November 6th.

This decision was reached by the State Board of Health yesterday following a conference between State health authorities, representative warehousemen and officials of the United States Public Health service. Notice of the lifting of the closing order has been sent to county boards throughout the State and to all warehouses.

An Appeal From Superintendent Joyner.

Raleigh, Oct. 29.—Both political parties have in their State platforms unanimously endorsed the Six Months School Term Amendment to be voted on Tuesday, November 5th. The General Assembly passed the Act submitting it to a vote of the House and with only one vote against it in the Senate. The leaders of both political parties are actively advocating its adoption and working for it. No opposition to it has yet been reported from any county. The importance and necessity of its adoption are apparent to every thoughtful, patriotic citizen of the State. Everybody who loves the children of North Carolina and desires to give them a better chance than they have ever had for a better education in a time demanding better preparation through education for everybody than ever before, ought to vote for it. Nobody ought to vote against a measure of such momentous importance to the present and future progress and prosperity of our beloved State.

All together for a unanimous adoption of the six months school term amendment on the 5th of November.

J. Y. JOYNER,
State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

I have one real nice furnished room for rent.—Chas. ...

Syllabus For Home Nursing of Influenza.

The nurse should adopt the following precautions:
1—Wear face mask when visiting on patients. The mask should be made of at least four thicknesses of fine mesh gauze and should be large enough to cover mouth and nose. Sanitize masks daily, by boiling.

2—Wash hands thoroughly after coming in contact with each patient or with bed clothes. Do not put hands in mouth or about face. It is also safer to dip hands in antiseptic solution made of dissolving two bichloride of mercury tablets in a quart of water.

3—Wash out nose and mouth and gargle three times a day with solution made by dissolving one level teaspoonful of salt in a pint of water. Snuff vasoline up nose. Keep bowels open, drink plenty of water, and get proper amount of rest and sleep.

THE SICK ROOM:

1—This room should be well ventilated day and night but patient should not be placed in draft.

2—Remove unnecessary furniture and clothing.

3—Keep room quiet.

THE PATIENT:

1—Keep in bed with sufficient covering to keep warm.

2—Take pulse and temperature and give food at regular intervals (usually every hour) and keep a record of these. Make a note of all drugs give. The record should also show the time of bowel and kidney movements and the amount of sleep and nourishment the patient gets.

3—The normal pulse rate is 72—80 beats per minute for adults; more rapid for children. Pulse can best be felt on front of arm just above the wrist on the thumb side.

4—The normal temperature is about 98 1/2 degrees. In taking the temperature place thermometer under patient's tongue and keep the lips closed up. Be sure and shake the thermometer down before it is used. After use the thermometer should be soaked in the disinfectant solution and then washed in clean cold water. Never use hot water for this purpose. In children take the temperature by placing thermometer well under the arm.

If patient has temperature of 102 degrees or more put ice cap to head and rub back and limbs with camphor or witch hazel, keeping the patient under cover. Bath face and hands in cold water. If patient gets cold put hot water bottle or hot brick or iron to feet and limbs.

5—Make patient drink plenty of water. Keep bowels open freely with salts, oil or enemas.

6—After patient has perspired freely change clothing and bed clothes, being careful not to expose the patient or to allow him to become chilled.

7—Keep patient's teeth and mouth clean.

8—As long as patient has fever give only liquid diet—fruit juice, meat juices, broths and soups.

9—Have patient spit in paper or old cloths which can be burned, and burn these often.

10—Keep patient in bed at least three full days after the fever has become normal. This is very important as pneumonia and relapses most often occur in patients who leave their beds too early.

This syllabus is sent out by the State Board of Health as a suggestive outline for a course in home nursing. The points should be explained in detail to the class by a doctor, a trained nurse, or by some woman who has had experience in home nursing.

50,000 AUSTRIANS AND OVER HUNDRED BIG GUNS CAPTURED

Washington, Oct. 31st.—Over fifty thousand Austrian troops, hundreds of guns and innumerable machine guns have been captured by Italian and allied forces on the Italian front, and an official dispatch today from Rome. The 332nd American Infantry regiment has gone into action and the fighting now extends practically all along the course of the Piave river.

The Austrians are resisting stubbornly, throwing in many new divisions, but have not been able to stop the advancing forces. "Our offensive is developing farther south," said the dispatch, "and stretches practically all along the course of the Piave. The line between the Brenta and the sea is strongly held by the greater part of the Italian army alongside of which is the 14th army corps of British troops and a French division. The 332nd American Infantry regiment is now also in action.

"The enemy is resisting with exceptional stubbornness and is throwing into the fray new divisions, without, however, being successful in holding back our troops.

American Airmen Bring Down 21 German Aviators

With the America Army Northwest of Verdun, Oct. 30.—Twenty-one German aviators were downed today by American chasing aviators. It was a banner day in American aviation, considering the number of victories achieved over the Germans. Two American airmen are missing.

German People Driving Their Government to End War

Washington, Oct. 30.—The general opinion among officials and diplomats here is that the German proposal for an armistice and peace, while having its origin in a plan to gain time for strengthening the army and restoring its shattered morale,

has now gotten beyond the control of the military party and that the German people are the force which is driving the German government to make for ending the war.

Another note from the German government explanatory of the charges that have been made or are projected in the German constitution and form of government was received today through the Swiss legation, but the State Department did not make it public. This note was understood to be supplementary to the preceding German communication saying to the President that he must have knowledge of the efforts that have been made to democratize Germany.

THE PRESIDENT VOTES

There was a news item in Wednesday's News and Observer, the full significance of which did not occur to the casual reader. It ran as follows:

Washington, Sept. 24.—President Wilson returned to Washington tonight from Princeton, N. J., where he cast his ballot in the primary election in his home State. Secretary Tamm, who accompanied the Presidential party as far as Trenton, continued to Jersey City, where he votes.

It is a long way from Washington D. C., to Princeton, N. J. But the President went all the way to cast his vote in a primary—to make known his choice, to exercise his privilege to do his duty by his State and country.

The President is the busiest and the most burdened man in this country. If ever a man had excuse to neglect the ballot, he had. But he took the time, he took the trouble, he put his immense cares aside in order to vote.

Why did the President vote? He has gotten out of politics all that a man can get. It was certainly for no personal selfish reason. He has said that while the war is on, "Politics is adjourned." Then why did he vote?

The President voted because the country needed his vote—as it needs every good citizen's vote. He voted in order to make it (continued on page 2)

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