

MORE WOMEN ASK TO BE NATURALIZED

Over 50,000 Of Them Made Citizens In Single Year.

New York.—Analysis of naturalization statistics for the United States for the period from June 30, 1927, to July 1, 1928, showed that the 233,155 aliens who were made citizens 51,280 were women and 181,875 men, making the largest number of women applying for citizenship in the history of the country. For five years there has been a steady increase in the number of certificates of naturalization issued, according to Harold Fields, executive director of the League for American Citizenship, who has made the analysis of the naturalization statistics.

Mr. Fields' analysis also shows that the proportion of aliens taking out their first papers is generally increasing, although the number is actually decreasing. In 1928, 254,000 aliens took out their declaration of intention as compared

with 258,000 in 1927 and 277,000 in 1926. Since 1924 there has been a distinct disposition on the part of more recent arrivals for initial citizenship. Although there is a seeming decline in this group, the percentage it bears to the number coming in, is larger, the analysis shows.

Mr. Fields also points out that the per cent of those denied citizenship has also declined. The New York district denied only 2.6 per cent of all naturalization applicants. New York City still plays the most important part in the making of citizens. Practically one out of every four aliens in this country applies in this one district for first or second papers.

Those who applied for citizenship in 1928 came in largest numbers from Italy, the British Empire, Poland, Russia, Czecho-Slovakia and Germany. Greater numbers than ever before are coming from Great Britain, the analysis shows.

The treasury department asserts that the transfer of prohibition duties to another department would reduce the efficiency of enforcement, tho at first blush that would seem impossible.—San Diego Union.

SEES PRESSING STATE NEED OF EQUALIZED TAX

Williamson Finds Poorer Counties Burden Of School Taxation Too Heavy.

Elizabethtown.—School legislation is the most important question confronting the coming general assembly, H. L. Williamson, Democrat, representative from Bladen county, who said he favored a state-wide school system which would equalize the school tax, declared.

"The present plan of deriving sufficient revenue to maintain a six months school term in order to meet the requirements of the constitution has been and is now a source of unrest among the taxpayers of the rural sections, and I think a righteous unrest," Mr. Williamson said. "A mandate of the state, such as the requirement of the constitution, compelling the poor rural sections to do something equal to that required of the rich urban sections—without providing financial means—is unjust.

Burden To Rural Sections.
"In other words, the present school system is a burden to the taxpayers of the rural sections, especially when it is noted that during the 1926-27 school term it was necessary to only levy a 30 cents tax in order to meet the constitutional requirement of a six-months term in one particular industrial county, and it was necessary to levy a \$1.32 tax in a certain agricultural county in order to meet the same requirement.

"It is true that the equalization fund has relieved the situation to some extent, but it is equally true that this fund has been so insignificant in the past that the rural counties have been forced to increase the tax rate each year.

Favors Longer Term.
"Under the old school system, especially if the equalization fund is to remain so meagre, it is foolish to talk about an eight-months school term, though I favor such, provided something is done to relieve the unequal tax burden now existing between the agricultural and industrial sections of the state.

"Personally, I am in favor of a state-wide school system which would equalize the school tax," Mr. Williamson added that for years he had been in favor of the Australian ballot system and said, "I shall do all that I can to help secure for the voters a decent and gentlemanly way to cast their ballots."

SPECIAL TRAIN FOR JOURNEY TO RALEIGH

Greensboro.—A special train carrying between 700 and 800 Guilford county high school students will leave here early on the morning of January 11 for Raleigh, arriving there in time for the inauguration of Governor-elect O. Max Gardner, late by putting in a line of rugs office of T. R. Foust, superintendent of public instruction, and will be turned over to the various high school principals shortly.

The railroad ticket which is being provided by the Edgerton Tours includes a lunch at the Sir Walter hotel and other accommodations while in Raleigh. Reservations for this large and youthful delegation from Guilford will be made in the auditorium where the ceremony is to take place, it is promised.

At first it was not thought that so many of the rural high school students would take advantage of this opportunity, but the box offices have been swamped and there will almost be a general holiday in the county high schools.

The train which takes the students to Raleigh will bring them back late on the same day. Teachers in sufficient quantity to keep the lads and lassies properly chaperoned will also be along and parents are being assured that the inauguration of a Democratic governor will be the chief event.

Veteran Wants To Steal Home Once

Chicago.—Bunny Brief, who has been playing major and minor league baseball for approximately 20 years, has one more ambition to achieve before he will quit the game.

Brief has never stolen home. "When I started the 1928 season, I had an idea everything that could happen to a fellow in baseball except two things had happened to me," he says, "and one of them—hitting into a triple play—came early in the year. I hit into a double play the first game of the season."

"I never have stolen home in a game, however, and I hope that I do it this year in my twentieth season. Then I'll quit."

American Associations fans, who know what a slow lumbering runner Brief is, are hoping that the thrill of Brief trying to steal home be enacted in their city.

We will not reach the saturation point in automobile building as long as the turn-over remains as great as present.—Brunswick (Ga.) Pilot.

FEAR SECOND AND MORE SEVERE RUN OF FLU IN NATION

Epidemic Is Dying Out In West But Increasing In East, Reports Indicate.

Washington.—Influenza is believed to be decreasing in most of the states west of the Mississippi river and increasing east of the Mississippi. A warning against optimism was seen, however, with reiteration by the public health service of the possibility of a second and more severe wave of the disease later in the winter. It was recalled that in 1919 there was at first a widespread outbreak; most of the cases being mild, but then it came again, and this time the malady was virulent in its nature.

Reports from 24 states and New

York city for the week ending December 29 showed 90,000 new cases, as compared with 168,000 cases in the same state and New York city for previous week.

May Be Second Wave.
"This, however," officials of the public health service said, "would only substantiate the belief that a second and more severe wave may follow this one later in the winter."

Despite the apparent decrease in the country as a whole, plans are being made for a national conference on influenza to be held here this month. Health service officials said that figures in states not yet reported might bring the total for the week of December 29 up to that of the previous week. It was also pointed out that the holidays might have interfered with reporting.

Have the advocates of the thirteenth-month year considered the enormous increase of labor that will be required in tearing thirteen instead of twelve sheets from the calendar?—Milwaukee Journal.

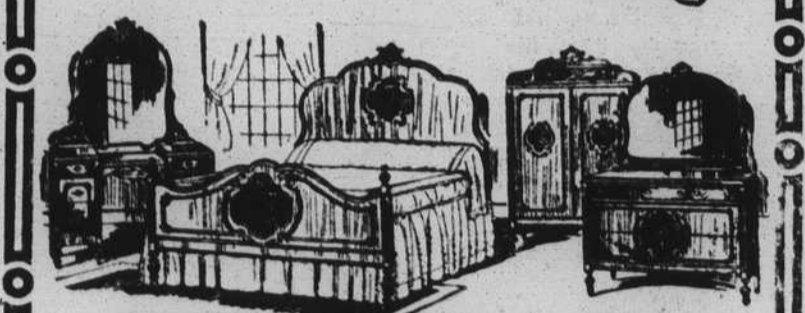
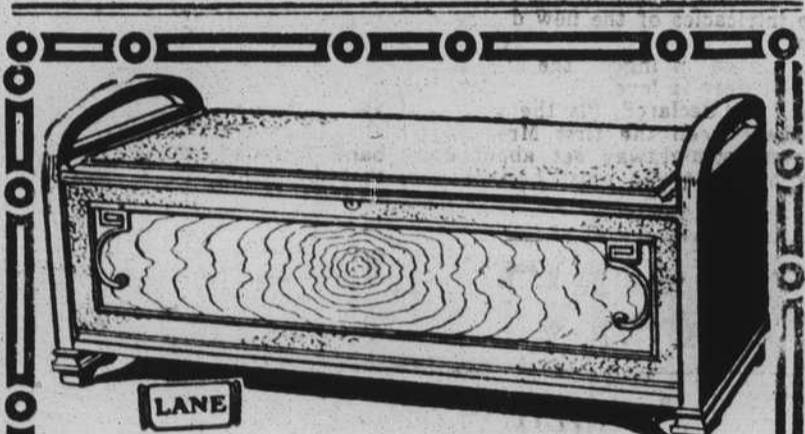
Statement of Condition of CLEVELAND BUILDING & LOAN ASSOCIATION

Of Shelby, N. C., as of December 31, 1928.

Assets	
The Association Owns:	
Cash on Hand and in Banks	\$ 2,481.06
Mortgage Loans	544,740.00
(Money loaned to shareholders for the purpose of enabling them to own their homes. Each loan secured by first mortgage on local improved real estate.)	
Stock Loans	43,105.00
(Advances made to our shareholders against their stock. No loan exceeds 90% of amount actually paid in.)	
TOTAL	\$591,329.06

Liabilities	
The Association Owes:	
To Shareholders: Funds entrusted to our care in the form of payment on stock as follows:	
Installment Stock	\$274,119.25
Prepaid Stock	135,937.50
Full Paid Stock	89,950.00
Bills Payable	\$500,006.75
(Money borrowed for use in making loans to members, or retiring matured stock. Each note approved by at least two-thirds of entire board of directors as required by law.)	20,000.00
Undivided Profits	71,322.31
(Earnings held in trust for distribution to shareholders at maturity of stock.)	
TOTAL	\$591,329.06

State of North Carolina, County of Cleveland:
J. L. Suttle, secretary-treasurer of the above named association personally appeared before me this day, and being duly sworn, says that the foregoing report is true to the best of his knowledge and belief.
J. L. SUTTLE, Sec.-Treas.
Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4th day of January, 1929.
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FALLSTON BATCH OF CURRENT NEWS

(Special to The Star.)

Fallston, Jan. 3.—Mrs. E. G. Spurling delightfully entertained a number of the young people of Fallston Saturday evening, December 29 with a party at her home here. After many games had been played refreshments were served by the hostess. All reported an enjoyable evening.

Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Lackey entertained his mother and sister Mrs. R. A. Lackey and Miss Annie Mae Lackey of this place and sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Reep of Woodbine, N. J. at a dinner at Cleveland Springs hotel Wednesday evening January 2.

Mrs. Minnie Reddish, Mrs. F. O. Huffman and Miss Mary Leiby Huffman of Morantown and Mr. Sidney Kirk of Mocksville were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Royster and family Saturday, Miss Huffman remaining over for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleod McCraw of Union, S. C. and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Gardner of Charlotte spent Sunday here with Mr. and Mrs. H. A.

Beam.

Mr. R. A. Lackey left Wednesday for a business trip to Tennessee.

Misses Pearl Jolly Rhea Lattimore, Nellie Stamey and Annie Mae Lackey were the dinner guests of Misses Martha Sue and Eloice Royster Sunday.

Misses Madge and Evelyn Baber of Lincolnton spent last week with Miss Alice Gantt.

Mr. Ray Wilson and Miss America Hendrick visited Mr. Hall and Miss Lena Williams of Beams Mill last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Withrow and family of Hollis visited Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Royster Sunday.

Miss Doyle Webb of Shelby spent the week-end here with Miss Nellie Stamey.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McNeely and family of Shelby visited Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Edmond here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Sides of Concord are spending several days with Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Morgan and family.

Citizens of soft-cool-burning communities will doubtless be cheered to know that soap, as well as scot, may be made from bituminous—Christian Science Monitor.

If Mt. Etna were in this country there'd be a federal board to control it.—Ohio State Journal.

SOPHIE TUCKER IS IN ROLE OF BRIDE

Chicago.—Sophie Tucker stopped in Chicago "to have a little fat taken off my face," and incidentally to reveal that she had been married, for the third time, last December 14 at Newport, Ky.

Reporters found her at the office of a plastic surgeon, strips of tape plastered in front of each ear.

"The operation? Just a little fat and loose skin off the face," she explained. "Only a small cut in front of each ear. Had to look a little younger for the films," Miss Tucker is 49 years old.

"Sure, I'm a bride," she confessed. "His name? Oh, nobody in Chicago knows his name. He's A. Lackey, a small merchant in New York. Sells dresses; lives at the Park Central; 38 years old, and never before married."

German inventor has perfected a paper that won't burn. Maybe if our currency and bank-notes were printed on it there wouldn't be so many charred pockets.—Arkansas Gazette.

We don't know which of the campaign promises the president-elect intends to make good first, but we rather hope it will be the one to abolish poverty.—Ohio State Journal.

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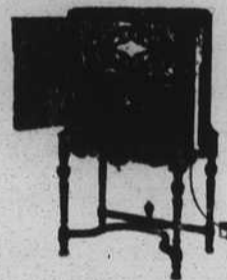
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