

MESSAGE ON STATE HOSPITAL

Asks Retention of Present Superintendent and Appropriation.

Columbia, Jan. 15.—Past and present conditions at the State Hospital for the Insane were reviewed yesterday by Gov. Manning before the joint assembly, on special invitation from the members. The chief executive's clear and lucid exposition of the problems met and conquered and those yet to be dealt with effectively showed how near to the heart of Gov. Manning is the institution.

The governor told of conditions existing before the advent of Superintendent Williams and emphasized the improvement that has taken place under the present regime. More patients have been added, yet by efficient administrative measures the expenses have been considerably cut. The inauguration of occupational training has been a decided success, as was attested by the many striking examples that he gave.

When Governor Manning made his appearance at the speaker's desk he was greeted by hearty applause from the representatives and senators. A number of persons were in the gallery and on the floor of the house. The governor prefaced his message, which was spoken, by saying that he was not critical of any one, but he would deal with actual conditions. He said that when he became governor the conditions at the State hospital were intolerable; in fact the patients merely were in the custody of the authorities.

There is a decided improvement in conditions at present, he claimed. During their visit to the asylum last year the legislators saw cold and unpalatable food; this year there was good food in abundance; last year the fire facilities were inoperative, because of misfitting hose, this year the fire-fighting apparatus is in good condition. The care of women patients shows marked advancement, and the "restraint" treatment is no longer used, and the effects of the discontinuance shows benefits accrued.

Gov. Manning urged the necessity of a continuance of the good work, which was inaugurated with the change in the management. This change was necessary, he said. The chief executive then took up the increase in the salary of the superintendent. He said that the salary of the official is fixed in the appropriation bill; there is no act specifying the yearly stipend for the head of the

asylum. He then reviewed how he had worked to secure an efficient administration for the State Hospital for the Insane, one of executive ability and humane tendencies. How it was impossible to find such a man for the \$3,000 and the perquisites, which amount to approximately \$1,300 annually. When he thought of the 1,800 inmates at the institution, said the chief executive, he knew the highest type of physician and scientist was necessary to carry on the work. There was no provision for increasing the superintendent's salary, and the question was whether he should make the personal sacrifice in securing the man that could fill the position.

After he had made up his mind, stated the governor, he found that he could borrow \$2,375 at 3 per cent to insure the employment of the man he had in mind. The arrangement was made for one year, said Gov. Manning, and it was now up to the legislature to provide for the increase in salary. The salary of the year past the governor made as a contribution, willingly and gladly, but he cannot carry the burden further. The arrangement has proven satisfactory, he averred, and it is now up to the general assembly as to whether the efficient superintendent shall be retained.

While there has been an increase at the State Hospital, yet there has been a saving in expenses compared with last year of over \$1,400. Also there has been retained 22 more trained nurses and the services of 10 additional physicians have been secured. He explained how a large part of this saving has been accomplished. By a redistribution of labor, the employment of patients in tasks to which they were adapted and were willing to pursue, a large part of this expense was reduced. He explained that, where the former administration was wont to purchase whiskey by the barrel, now there was only one quart of intoxicating liquors a month used at the institution. This effected a considerable saving, he claimed.

Gov. Manning gave many incidents, many of them brimful of human interest, where the present system of occupational treatment has immensely benefited patients—some of them leaving the State hospital with clear mental faculties. He showed that the awakening of the inmates' interest in various occupations had been the cause of the strengthening of their minds. In the asylum there are now 800 patients receiving occupational treatment, doing such tasks for which they are adapted and are willing to do.



Mary Pickford as "Little Pal" at The Majestic Tuesday.

Gov. Manning said that the regents had found a balance of \$17,885 and the board would drop the request of \$20,000 for equipment. He earnestly urged the legislature to grant the request for \$325,000 made for maintenance, stressing the necessity of appropriating every cent. He said that he felt justified in the employment of Dr. Fred Williams, which ran up to February 15, 1916. He explained that Dr. Williams received a straight salary of \$500 a month and no perquisites.

In conclusion Gov. Manning said: "I will leave this matter in your hands, with confident assurance that, with the full understanding of the conditions of this institution and of its imperative needs, you will discharge that obligation in such a way that it will be a credit to you, representing the people of South Carolina; that it will be a credit to the State of South Carolina, and will show to the world that we are Christians living in a Christian land, and recognizing the highest purposes to discharge our duties, both to God and our suffering fellowmen."

Following the governor's message a resolution was adopted thanking the governor for his words of advice.

President to Speak in South.

Washington, Jan. 18.—President Wilson may carry his speaking campaign in behalf of his preparedness program into the South. Preparation was begun at the White House today of the itineraries for several trips the President expects to make within the next few months.

The President believes that in some sections the necessity for strengthening the army and navy fully is not recognized. Invitations to visit more

FOR SALE

Five thousand acres belonging to Capt. L. L. Clyburn, extending from the Lockhart field to the Hough Bridge on little Lynches river. Several farms open on this tract can be bought at a low price of \$11.00 per acre.

The Latham house on Lyttleton street, with ten rooms, water and lights and a good big lot. For quick sale and on good terms, for \$3000.

C. P. DuBose & Co.

Advertisement for Linotype printing machinery. Features the word 'PREPARED' in large letters, an illustration of a Linotype machine, and the text 'With the aid of the Linotype, that wonderful machine, and other up-to-date labor-saving machinery, we are prepared to do your printing in such a way that there will be no cause for complaint.' Includes 'THE CHRONICLE' logo and phone number 29.

than 400 cities have been received. Indications were today that aside from his speeches in New York, January 27, and here February 10, the President will deliver most of the addresses in the Middle West, with possibly some in the South.

The President will be unable to make any extended trips because Congress is in session, and during January, February and March he has many engagements in Washington. He is expected to make several trips, each taking two to four days.

Stockton News Notes. Boykin, Jan. 19.—Messrs. J. C. and C. N. Humphries attended the District Stewards meeting in Sumter last Wednesday.

Dr. Carl West, of Columbia, spent the week end at the home of his father, Mr. Frank West.

Misses Lorena Humphries and Ethel Wyatt, of Columbia College, spent the week end at the home of Miss Humphries parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Humphries.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hammond and Miss Ethel Sowell spent last Saturday and Sunday at Wedgefield at the home of Mr. Hammond's father, Mr. Jesse Hammond.

Mrs. Alice Young, of Westville, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. David Gillis, who is very ill.

Miss Ithane Galloway spent the week end at the home of her uncle, Mr. B. L. Shirley, of Camden.

Prof. A. L. Humphries, of Kershaw, spent the week end at the home of his agents, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Humphries.

The weekly prayer meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Annie Turner next Sunday night.

Must be Reported. The Florence Daily Times offers this warning, not only to citizens of Florence county, but to all counties:

"There has been a great deal of carelessness through the county in reporting births and deaths, as required by the law, and the state health authorities are determined to punish somebody and will start with the registrar if they cannot find any one else to put the blame on, and eventually the physician, midwife, parent, householders, landlord or somebody, or all together are going to be punished. It is too easy to get the records in as they should be, in lieu of other means, there is always the mail, which travels every day. Somebody must report each death, each birth, and nobody, even a still born infant, can be buried without a permit. Look carefully into these matters and save punishment. The department has been overlooking failures the first year, but will not continue to do so."

THE STOCKING Slimy Article Plays Large Part in The World's Affairs.

For so slimy a thing the stocking plays a large part in the world's affairs. When empty it has come to stand as the emblem of poverty, and yet when filled it is the cause of as much trouble as the charms of Helen of Troy, or as any other famous beauty in Love's tragic register. There are few magnets so powerful in their pull on the masculine eye as a stocking in its proper place, few things that bring such constant relief to the legendary tired business man as a whirl of stockings covering the legs of nimble, graceful and shapely performers, which appear with Harry A. Emerson at Camden opera house on January 28th. Silk stockings have broken up homes. To wear stockings is so general a custom that to omit this article of attire is to win permanent fame, as in the case of Jerry Simpson. And yet the wearing of them and the omission of the practice, in recent instances, set all the world of two of our best known watering places agog. Last season, while Mr. Emerson was playing Newport, a lady in search of the humble sensation-making appeared at the Casino wearing a white stocking and a black one, with shoes of the same hues to match. Newport dropped all its intellectual discussions and gave itself over to argument as to whether it should take up a fad which seems to have been copied from the color scheme of the Winter Garden. "Society" seems to have committed the common theatrical sin of "stealing our stuff."

Another case of stockings was at Atlantic City, where the editor has gone forth that hereafter all femininity that goes bathing must wear these essentials to the complete costume. If Atlantic City nymphs, in following this rule, should take up the Newport custom, it will be difficult for some men to make out whether they are looking at barber shop totem poles or channel buoys.—adv.

A Law Needed. If the General Assembly of South Carolina would do the people of this State a real service they would take up the question of quack doctors, medical, optical, and otherwise, and legislate some against them. It appears to us that South Carolina has even more than her share of this class of people and they certainly do prey upon the ignorant and uninformed. Again, their practices are often dangerous, sometimes resulting in partial or total disability for life. It is probable that there is some such law as this on the statute books but if there is, it is just as we remarked some time ago, the law should be enforced instead of quarreling about such things as passing a law prohibiting pink elephants or green mice from coming into the confines of the commonwealth.—York News.

Winthrop News Notes. Kershaw is now the home of Mrs. John T. Stevens, who was known at Winthrop as Edna Sitgreaves.

Virginia Truesdale, '07, is now Mrs. C. O. Beckham of Jacksonville, Florida.

Once upon a time there was a girl who liked her Christian name well enough to make it her family one. Bruce Hough is now Mrs. R. C. Bruce of Greenville.

Lucile McLeod was called to her home in Bishopville by illness in her family. Lois Williams was also called home for the same reason.

Citizens of East Florence held a mass meeting one night last week to protest against the erection of a negro school in that locality.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 5.—"That's hard," said A. L. Mayo, a painter when he dived head-first into the marble swimming pool of the Jewish Progressive club when it didn't have any water in it, and nearly broke his neck. He didn't intend to take the dive but the scaffolding on which he was doing some painting-work broke and he couldn't help himself. The Grady internes patched him up, and say he will live to paint another day.

Advertisement for W. O. HAY'S Automobile and Machine Shop. Located in Camden, South Carolina. Text includes: 'Equipped the Equal to any in the South. We make any kind and size of spring, best vanadium steel used, and guaranteed. Storage Batteries charged with the very latest motor generating set at a saving of time and money. Axle and propeller shafts made and guaranteed to equal the factory product in every particular. Castings and Tubes vulcanized—all work guaranteed. Presto-Lite Exchange—Styles 1 and E cylinders always on hand. Fisk Tires and tubes always in stock. We will personally see that you are satisfied with our service or we do not want your money. Oxy-Acetylene Welding—Castings of all kinds of metals a specialty. Thanking you all for the hand-some support given me since going in business for myself, I am, Yours respectfully, W. O. HAY'