

LAWS TO IMPROVE HEALTH.

Dr. Stiles Tells Health Conference they are More Needed than Immigration.

Washington, Sept. 25.—Rather than immigration, the United States needs laws to improve the health of the country to furnish the workers required in the country's expanding industries, asserted Dr. Charles W. Stiles, of the United States public health service, in an address here today before the fifteenth International Congress on Hygiene and Demography.

Germany is building up a greater health reserve among its workmen than any other country because of the successful appliance of the principles of workmen's insurance, declared Dr. Frederick Zahn, Munich, Germany, in an address tonight.

The foundation of very far-sighted social policy, he said, must be based more on energy reserve than on money reserve. An investment in workmen's insurance, he said, "is a preliminary necessity to securing an increase in commercial productivity."

WEDS GIRL BROTHER WRONGED

Woman for Five Years Thought She was Connell's Wife.

Boston, Sept. 24.—In atonement for the wrong done by his brother, John Connell, with the approval of his parents, has married the woman who for five years thought she was the wife of Matthew Connell, Jr., the Lynn business man who recently pleaded guilty to the charge of bigamy and was fined in the Dorchester court.

She was married to the brother yesterday by Henry Parker, justice of the peace, at the Town Hall in Saugue Centre. Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Connell, Sr., stood up with the couple.

"I have married her," explained John Connell, "because I want to atone for some of the wrong that has been done her by a Connell. I want my brother's child to have the name Connell, for it belongs to him. When I heard of the terrible charge of bigamy against my brother I came at once to Maine, met her for the first time, realized her worth and asked her to become my wife."

HUNTER-ALDERMAN CASE.

In Third Trial Jury Finds Verdict in Favor of Defendant.

The court of common pleas began here last Monday with the case of Hunter against the D. W. Alderman & Sons Company, suit for \$10,000 damages for personal injury done the plaintiff while in the employ of the defendant company.

The case is being hard fought by both sides. Mr. Hunter is represented by Jennings and Epps of the Sumter Bar, and S. O. O'Bryan of the Manning Bar, and the defendant company is represented by Charlton Durant, Esq., and Capt. W. C. Davis of the Manning Bar.

Marriage License Record.

A marriage license has been granted to Lee Clark and Essie Jefferson, colored, of Sumter.

Real Estate Transfers.

Mrs. Eva McClam to Jas. D. Moore, interest in tracts of 49 and 42 acres in county, \$50. James Douglas Moore to Mrs. Eva McClam, interest in 91 acres in county, \$50.

PLANT AT FERGUSON BURNED.

Planing Mill and Box Factory of Santee River Company Burned. Loss About \$30,000.

Branchville, Sept. 25.—Information was received in Branchville today of the burning of the planing mill and box factory of the Santee River Cypress Lumber Company at Ferguson on the eastern edge of Orangeburg county. The fire occurred some time Sunday morning, and the origin is unknown.

The Santee River Cypress Lumber Company is one of the biggest concerns of the kind in the State. It is understood here that the company will at once begin to rebuild with concrete and steel construction on modern and fireproof lines.

NO ENTERTAINMENT FOR T. R.

When in Atlanta Col Roosevelt will be too Busy for Pleasure.

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 24.—"No entertainment" is the word received by local leaders of the Progressive party in connection with preparations for Col Roosevelt's visit here next Saturday and Sunday.

On Sunday a conference between Col. Roosevelt and Southern Progressive leaders is scheduled and he will leave at 4.50 o'clock for Chattanooga.

NEWSIE TO SACRIFICE LEG.

Skin on Crippled Limb Will Be Used On Girl's Burns.

Gary, Ind., Sept. 24.—William Rugh, a newsboy, will allow the amputation of his crippled left leg in a few days so that its skin may be grafted on the body of Miss Ethel Smith, a girl he has never seen.

Miss Smith has been confined to bed for four weeks as a result of severe burns, and the attending physicians say that the only hope of her recovery is to graft enough skin on her body to cover the wounds.

When Rugh was appealed to he promptly consented to make the sacrifice.

"My leg is no good to me the way it is because I have never been able to stand on it since I was a child," he said. "If it will save that poor girl's life she can have it."

WAS A BLIND MAN'S SLAVE.

Girl Who Led Him in Search of Friends Made to Beg.

Norfolk, Va., Sept. 24.—A story of hardship and cruelty was told at police headquarters by Polly Kane, a 15-year-old girl, who left her home in Alexandria, with her father's consent, to pilot a blind man while he was searching for rich relatives in Norfolk.

The rich relatives were not found and the girl says she was forced to beg on the streets in cities and towns in Virginia and North Carolina, while a sister of the blind man kept watch over her to prevent her from running away.

The climax came Saturday afternoon when she was told to go into the Norfolk Navy Yard, and because she refused the blind man and his sister fell upon her and beat her. She ran to the police station and told her story of mistreatment and abuse.

AUTOGRAPHS FOR WILSON.

Big Collection Being Prepared for Him by Theatrical People.

New York, Sept. 24.—What promises to be the largest collection of theatrical autographs in the world is now being made and will be presented to Governor Wilson by the newly organized Wilson and Marshall Theatrical League.

The league has opened permanent campaign headquarters in the Hotel Cadillac, where the entire parlor floor has been transformed into elaborate reception rooms and executive offices.

A. H. Woods presented his check for \$1,000 to the finance committee. One hundred and eight names have been enrolled, the first to sign being Augustus Thomas.

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NITROGEN OF THE AIR.

How It is Made Available in Fertilizer Production.

Manufacturer's Record.

Among the many important enterprises being carried forward in the South there is, perhaps, none of broader significance than that of the Southern Electro-Chemical Co., at Nitrolec, S. C., near the power development of the Southern Power Co., at Great Falls where, by the use of a high degree of electric heat, nitrogen is gathered from the air and converted into nitric acid. This, being sprayed upon limestone, forms calcium nitrate, a substance used in place of nitrate of soda in the manufacture of fertilizers.

For centuries agriculturists have known that they could perpetuate the productivity of their farms by crop rotation, whereas a succession of crops of one kind would absolutely exhaust it. The favorite rotation was a "root" crop, barley, clover, wheat, a system which experience taught was invaluable in soil treatment, but the reason for which was hidden.

For hundreds of years farmers have known that barnyard manure spread upon land makes it more fertile, but they did not know why it did so until modern chemists told them it was because the manure contained nitrogen in such form that it could be readily absorbed by growing plants.

The process of restoring soil fertility by means of crop rotation is, in the nature of things, a slow one; the supply of animal manure is too small in comparison with the large and constantly increasing demand for fertilization to be depended upon, and so it became necessary that some other means of refertilization be found, more rapid than the use of legumes, more certain than the use of barnyard manure.

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financial failure after a million dollars had been expended, and was abandoned. But although it had failed financially, it was a success scientifically, for it demonstrated the fact that nitric acid could be produced from the atmosphere, and left as the problem to be solved that of producing in such quantities and at such cost as would make it a good commercial proposition.

Later two Norwegian scientists, Kristian Birkeland and Samuel Eyde, worked out a plan and invented machinery by which this could be done. They built a plant close by a great hydro-electric development in the mountains of Norway, from which they secured cheap power in plenty, and there calcium nitrate is being produced in competition with the sodium nitrate dug from the mines of Chile. The Birkeland-Eyde apparatus consists principally of a steel drum eight feet in diameter and two feet deep, lined with fire-brick and set up on its narrow side. Reaching out from opposite sides of this drum are two U-shaped copper tubes, their curved ends approaching within one-third of an inch of each other.

Two German scientists, Schonherr and Hessberger, invented for a German chemical company an apparatus which, while simpler than that of Birkeland and Eyde, gets a greater percentage of nitric oxide from a given amount of air. The chemical process is the same. The German invention was primarily intended for the purpose of securing the sodium nitrate needed in the manufacture of "azo" dyes, but it has proved so successful that, while the nitrate used in making the world's supply of "azo" dyes is practically all furnished by it, a large amount of nitrate fertilizer is also produced.

The gathering of nitrogen from the air calling for the use of such a tremendous amount of electric energy, plants must perforce be located at points at which power can be developed at small cost and where there is no sale for it for purposes which can afford to pay higher prices. The South, therefore, is peculiarly the place for such plants, because in that section sites for such developments abound, at which power can be cheaply generated, and from many of which it cannot be economically delivered to manufacturing plants of other kinds.

MICAH JENKINS' OFFICE GONE.

Internal Revenue Districts of South and North Carolina Combined.

Washington, Sept. 24.—An order has been issued by President Taft consolidating the internal revenue district of South Carolina with the 4th district of North Carolina, with headquarters at Raleigh. The office of Major Micah Jenkins, collector of internal revenue for South Carolina, at Columbia, thus disappears.

Truth—Your view of a question.—Columbia Record.

WILSON DOWNS SMITH.

Hughes Has About 1,500 Majority, With Approximately One-fifth of Election Districts Reported.

Newark, N. J., Sept. 24.—Indications at 2 a. m. were that Gov. Woodrow Wilson has won his fight in the New Jersey primaries to prevent the nomination of former United States Senator James Smith, Jr., as the Democratic candidate for United States senator. Returns from 258 of the 1,799 districts in the State gave Representative Wm. Hughes, the Wilson candidate, 8,118 votes to 6,734 for Smith.

TO STUDY PELLEGRA.

Meeting of National Association to Meet in Columbia October 3rd and 4th.

The Board of Regents and Medical Officers of the State Hospital for the Insane respectfully invite you to attend the meeting of the National Association for the Study of Pellagra to be held at the State Hospital October 3 and 4. A copy of the preliminary program, herewith enclosed, will give you an idea of the scope of the meeting, which promises to be of much scientific and practical value.

This subject, we are satisfied, is one that deserves and demands your attention, since pellagra appears to be the cause of 40 to 50 per cent of the insanity in the female patients sent to our hospital, and of nearly 30 per cent of the whole number of admissions. These facts alone call for the combined efforts of members of the General Assembly, of the State Board of Health and of all other officials in aiding the discovery of the cause and of the means of prevention of this serious melady.

Yours very respectfully, F. H. Dominick, President Board of Regents, J. W. Babcock, Superintendent.

Judge Thos E. Richardson has in his office a preliminary program of meeting, which he will be glad to show to any interested persons.

RULES FOR GATHERING CORN.

Boys Must not Gather Corn Before October 1st and Must Be in by October 15th.

The following rules for the guidance of the members of the Boys' Corn club of Sumter county in the gathering of their corn this season will prove of interest.

No corn must be gathered before October 1st. The report blanks must be filled out and sent in to the County Superintendent of Education by or before October 15th.

The prizes will be awarded October 15th. Each boy must bring in 20 ears which he thinks are his best.

After hearing a lecture on seed selection he will then pick his ten best ears as prize winners.

We believe we will be able to take each boy to the National Corn show in Columbia, whether he wins in the county contest or not.

If you haven't received the report blanks or other necessary information, write immediately to Prof. C. B. Haddon, Clemson College.

(Signed) J. Herbert Haynsworth, County Superintendent of Education.

TO REARGUE PATTEN CASE.

Solicitor General Files Brief of Government's Side of Famous "Cotton Corner" Indictment.

Washington, Sept. 24.—Solicitor General Bullitt today filed with the supreme court of the United States a brief of the government's forthcoming reargument of the Patten indictment contending that a conspiracy to run a "corner" in cotton on the New York cotton exchange is a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

Briefs of the government's reargument of the New Orleans-Alabama rate case were filed by Attorney General Wickersham and Assistant Attorney General Fowler.

He Was Wondrous Wise.

Once upon a time a wise man penned a letter full of confidential statements, and at the end he wrote this line, heavily underscored: "Burn this letter!" Then, being a wise man, he took his own advice and burned the letter himself.—London Opinion.

Some men are so honest that they take their wives money to pay their debts.—Charleston News and Courier.

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