

CRITTENTON HOME GETS MORE SUPPORT

CITY ATTORNEY DIRECTED TO DRAW ORDINANCE.

Appropriation Will Be Made From Emergency Fund—Report on Health Work.

As was anticipated, the city made further provision for the Crittenton home at Tuesday's meeting of the commission. The city attorney was authorized to draw up an ordinance appropriating \$1,500 from the emergency fund for the support of the institution.

The money will not be turned over to the home under the same conditions as have existed there heretofore, however. Another ordinance will probably be submitted next week providing for the discipline of inmates of the home. The stand is taken that women sent to the Crittenton home have exactly the same legal status as workhouse prisoners, and thus are subject to the city's jurisdiction at all times.

In submitting his monthly report, Commissioner Huffaker states that the need of substitute teachers had been very pressing of late. A number of new substitutes were appointed, and it is thought that there will be no further trouble. One day a short time ago, the absence of sixteen teachers in one day was reported.

Commissioner Huffaker introduced a motion to pay for the services of the two cadet majors at Chattanooga and Junior High schools, who have been drilling their fellows in the absence of a regular military instructor. While the results have not been satisfactory as would have been the case had the students drilled under an army officer, it was decided that some remuneration should be forthcoming to the boys.

The report of Dr. Brown, city director of health, follows: On Dec. 1, 1918, Hon. H. D. Huffaker, Commissioner of Education and Health, City of Chattanooga, I have the honor to submit the following report of the office of director of health for the month of November, 1918.

Influenza. A good part of the time was spent in handling the influenza situation, which, while subsiding and passing the epidemic stage, continued in a sporadic form throughout the entire month. The measures were discontinued on the 27th of the month and all places of business, amusement and the schools which had been closed were allowed to open and to resume their normal routine.

Reports of new cases during the month were very meagre and I am sure showed only a small portion of new cases that actually occurred. New cases reported by physicians numbered forty-one in the city and forty-one in the suburbs, a total of eighty-two. A letter index of the number of cases occurring in the death rate, which for the month showed thirty-three from pneumonia and nine from influenza, would judge that there were about 400 cases. In this connection I would

The Man With the Club Foot

Reading About Him Will Give You a Round of Blood-Curdling Joy.

If you ever had your doubts as to what was meant precisely by the adjective "gripping" as applied to a tale of "love, intrigue and adventure," read "The Man With the Club Foot," by Valentine Williams, which will soon be published in The News.

"Gripping" means that your hair rises on end at the first chapter, and does not subside until the tale is done, and that whereas you may have begun reading sedately by the library fire, you end in the cold gray dawn, with the quilt around your shoulders and the candle guttering out its life in a pool of tallow.

You cannot put down a book when a chapter ends: "What was I going to do about the body? Just then I heard a low knocking at the door. I remembered with a sudden sinking of the heart that I had forgotten to lock it." You cannot put it down and go calmly to bed. And each chapter leaves you in just such suspense.

say that your suggestion that influenza be made a reportable disease is a good one and I hope that you will so rule.

Other Contagious Diseases. During the month four cases of diphtheria, two of scarlet fever, one of mumps and one of chicken pox were reported. I made several visits to these cases with the U. S. public health officer in charge of communicable diseases, and during his absence from the city I took both diagnostic and release cultures at the various cases required.

Milk Inspection. Work in this department was hampered and minimized on account of press of work in the handling of influenza and other communicable diseases. All of the wholesale milk handling plants were visited during the first part of the month and while finding lack of attention to minor details, there were no gross violations of the laws governing such plants and such defects as were discovered I think could be attributed to "war-time" labor shortage and to labor demoralization due to the influenza epidemic. That such was the case I think is proved by the fact that a visit to each of the plants later in the month showed evidence of correction of defects that had been pointed out.

Only two visits were made to producing districts during the month. This phase of the work will be given more attention in the future and arrangements are being made whereby all of the producing dairymen will be visited at frequent intervals and samples of milk taken for analysis. I herewith append results of laboratory analysis of samples of milk taken during the month.

School Inspection. Routine work in this department has been delayed on account of the case cards for the various schools having been sent to Washington during the summer in order that the data they contained might be copied. These cards have not yet been returned, but the U. S. public health officials advise that they will be returned at once. I have made visits to all of the white schools and made a cursory examination of the buildings in regard to sanitary conditions, equipment, etc., that would have to do with the physical welfare of the children. I have investigated twenty-two absent cases of contagious diseases, determining whether or not they were absent on account of contagious disease. I have also investigated four cases of sore throat that were absent from one school, five being from the same room. Cultures taken from these children showed negative results. A number of children have been excluded from schools on account of various communicable conditions. Beginning on the 25th of the month a white nurse was employed to assist in the school inspection work and a colored nurse was employed to care for this work in the colored schools. Dr. Callier and the colored nurse have visited all of the colored schools and have investigated each case of contagious disease thought to be absent on account of communicable disease.

During the illness of the city physician I have attended fifty-four patients at the city dispensary and made forty-two visits to homes of charity patients. Twenty-two inspections were made with Mr. Hope, chief sanitary inspector of the department of health.

Respectfully submitted, BEN H. BROWN, Director of Health.

EX-SOLDIER LYNCHED

Incident Reveals Conditions That May Follow War.

Hickman, Ky., Dec. 15.—The lynching of Charles Lewis, a discharged negro soldier, Sunday night was the culmination of a period of exciting incidents which reveal some conditions that may follow the war.

Saturday night two discharged negro soldiers held up two negroes several miles west of here, while they were waiting for the train, and robbed them of \$52, telling them it was no use to call the sheriff as they belonged to Uncle Sam and no other officer could touch them.

Officers were notified Sunday morning and Deputy Sheriff Al Thomas went to Tyler station to greet the men. Upon entering the house where the negroes were they told him no sheriff had any right to arrest them and knocked Thomas down. As Thomas, who is 57 years old, arose, a negro drew a revolver and pressed it against Thomas' side. Another negro pushed him down again. Three times in all Thomas was flogged. When he came up again he grabbed a chair. The Negro then started shooting at him. Eight or ten Negro women in the house grabbed the Negro men and held them.

Thomas got away and called Hickman, notifying Sheriff Swayne Walker, who deputized three men and started for Tyler. The four negroes had crossed over the Tennessee line, where Tennessee officers arrested them on that side, with Thomas chasing them back and forth across the line until late Sunday. Tennessee officers met them as they were running back from Kentucky officers.

Lewis opened fire on the officers, emptying his gun. The Tennessee officers fired back, one bullet hitting Lewis in the leg. The other Negroes surrendered, but Lewis ran into a cornfield. Citizens of that section chasing him found him hidden in a stump in a field. The officers had a hard time there to keep furious men from mobbing Lewis.

Many people of that section boarded the train and came into Hickman with the officers and prisoners. Another large crowd met them at the C. M. & G. depot. Here the officers pleaded with the crowd to keep order. The four Negroes were hastily gotten into automobiles and hurried to jail. At 11 o'clock Sunday night everything was apparently quiet and it was thought the trouble had blown over. Shortly after midnight Jailer Charles Marchant telephoned Sheriff Swayne Walker that crowds were collecting around the jail. He asked instructions. Sheriff Walker telephoned Judge Hunk Gardner and requested his advice. He pleaded with the mob of between twenty-five and eighty men, but was covered with a gun. The mob told him they were going to have Lewis. Sheriff Walker had to stand by and see them hammer down the iron doors and beat off the locks with sledge and then they broke into the cell, beating the iron doors of the hinges. Sheriff Walker followed the mob to the tree across the railroad, still begging the leaders to desist. A rope was fastened around Lewis' neck and he was strung up.

DEMAND FOR CIVILIAN CLOTHES MOST URGENT

Washington, Dec. 18.—Just now the American people want civilian clothes and automobiles more than anything else, according to reports reaching the department of labor showing industries in the healthiest condition during the reconstruction period. These industries are having orders forced on them, it was stated.

Reports from labor community boards and employment service representatives show a decreasing demand for labor, the most urgent demands being for more skilled workers.

VOTE OF THIRD

Judge Moon Leads Other Candidates in November Election.

The official figures of the recent election for congressman, senator and governor in the Third district are rather detailed, but still of interest in that they show some interesting facts. Judge John A. Moon, who was unopposed candidate for congress, led the candidates for the other offices by large majorities. The total vote in the district was as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Candidate Name and Vote Count. Includes Moon, Shields, Roberts, and Moon's majority.

The vote by counties was as follows:

CONGRESSMAN.

Table with 2 columns: County and Vote Count for Congressman candidates.

SENATOR.

Table with 2 columns: County and Vote Count for Senator candidates.

GOVERNOR.

Table with 2 columns: County and Vote Count for Governor candidates.

Total vote, 20,142.

BATTLEFIELD SOUVENIRS

Soldiers Send Many Relics to Murat Palace.

Paris, Dec. 18.—American soldiers are filling the Murat palace, where President and Mrs. Wilson are staying, with souvenirs from the battlefields. The most prominent displays are a boche helmet and an automatic revolver taken from a German officer, which were sent from Germany by Gen. Douglas MacArthur. All of the souvenirs will be sent to the White House at Washington.



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MR. FOSTER'S CORNER

Business is certainly good in Chattanooga, judging from reports I am receiving from my store there. It has been with sincere regret that I was unable to be in Chattanooga the past two weeks, but business has called me to Birmingham. However, my able assistant, Mr. Wright, together with the co-operation of my other faithful employees, seem to be giving the public the best of service. As I will not be in Chattanooga until after Christmas, I wish to extend to my customers and all of my friends my best wishes for a very "Merry Christmas." I am, sincerely, Q. L. Foster.

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