

Increase in Percentage of Suicides

Nov. 30.—Suicide is increasing in this country. Last summer, when the census became available, the increasing self destruction pointed out by more than one observer.

The Metropolitan Life insurance company with statistics show that the suicide rate in the first six months of 1921 increased 10 per cent over the rate in the period of 1920. The rate in 1921 during this period was 7.5 per 100,000 of population.

The years ending December 31, 1920, the suicide rate decreased. Those were years of war orders, war profits, war wages and war excitement. And then came the period of mad excitement and income dropped, profits and the grim wolf of unemployment stalked upon the heels of the suicide rate.

The later months of 1921, says the Statistical Bulletin of Metropolitan Life Insurance company, "a fundamental change seems to have set in which has caused throughout the first six months of 1921. Month after month the suicide rate is increasing over the corresponding months of 1920, and it is very likely that the rate for the whole year will be higher than the preceding one."

An interesting problem, says the Bulletin, "to know the cause of the unemployment situation of the last year is, in fact, the cause for the observed increase in suicide."

Suicide rates a very sensitive index of the prevailing economic condition of the people," says the Bulletin. And then it asks its own question in four words of dire import: "What would seem so?"

Rumanian King Twists Allies' Heads

Nov. 30.—King Ferdinand of Rumania wins the crown in showing Clemenceau, Lloyd-George, Wilson and other peacemakers of Paris that he doesn't like the way they divide the spoils of victory.

The United States refused to sign the treaties. Many kept things in a chaotic state not to pay. The king went bankrupt. The king went bankrupt. The king went bankrupt.

The king of Rumania has to busy himself in uniting Rumanian princesses to the bitter enemies of France. It was a Greek and to Bulgarian. This seems to be the way of showing discontent in the recent treaties.

French foreign office says that Bleu is all wrong. France likes to see the girls married," says the foreign office, "and doesn't see objection to the Princess picking a Bulgarian king, which brings Bulgaria into the picture, as dispatches from the hint, that means more peace for the Balkans consequently for peace in Europe."

Green Notes

Nov. 30.—Dorrier is building a new house on his farm. Mrs. Elmer Bartruff children are visiting with Mrs. Ferd Jones. Mr. Bartruff came from La- to attend the wedding of Lois Bartruff to Mr. Grant soft, who were married day afternoon at 2 o'clock. Frances Emerick and Mr. Emerick of Portland spent week end with Mr. and Mrs. Emerick.

Lorraine Fletcher of Salem the guest of Miss Mna Davis last week. Mrs. Louis Wampler and Mrs. Louis Wampler the proud parents of a baby born Wednesday.

PARTED BY AMBITION



Constance Talmadge and her husband



That Constance Talmadge, film star, has been separated for several weeks from her wealthy husband, John Pinalou, was admitted by her in Los Angeles. The trouble culminated a month ago in this city when she flatly refused to accede to her husband's demand that she give up the screen. That ended the romance that ten months ago united in marriage the youngest of the three Talmadge sisters to the wealthy Greek tobacco importer. Miss Talmadge made this statement: "There is no other man or woman between us. We quietly arranged our parting. We just couldn't get along. My husband is not of the theater world. He could not understand my going away off to California to appear in pictures. Perhaps he could not understand because he is a foreigner and I am an American. Besides, as I have discovered, our temperaments are entirely different. He wanted me to give up my movie career. But I cherish that career as I do life itself. He wanted me to give it up and merge my individuality with his. Of course I refused." Miss Talmadge is at the home of her sister, Natalie, Mrs. Butler Keaton, in Los Angeles.

Ginseng Root Is Nearly 100 Years Old When Found

Marlington, W. Va., Nov. 31.—E. M. Smith, a well known hunter of this city, discovered the largest ginseng root ever found in this section of the state while hunting pheasants on Red Lick mountain the other day. Mr. Smith became entangled in some sort of plant and after investigating found it to be a giant ginseng stalk four feet high. He dug it up and sold the root to a local grocer. There were between seventy and eighty marks or scars on the curl of the root, each showing an annual growth, which indicates that the plant had been growing unmolested for well on toward one hundred years. A large quantity of ginseng is dug in this section of the state for shipment to China, where the natives have great faith in its medicinal qualities, and this makes this discovery by Mr. Smith the more unusual.

Co-eds Bum Ride To See Game; Are Expelled For Act

Columbus, Ohio, Nov. 30.—No woman student shall so conduct herself as to draw public attention and reflect upon the standards of our university. This is the rule posted by officials of the Ohio State university. It was announced after a number of co-eds, who bummed their way to another city to witness the Ohio State university eleven play another university football team, were suspended. Other regulations announced provide that all women at Ohio State university must register with Dean of Women Conrad at least 24 hours before leaving Columbus to attend any out-of-town football games; also, that any co-ed who plans to go to an out-of-town game by automobile must give Dean Conrad the names of all those who compose the party, and her chaperon must be approved by the dean.

Postmaster Hays Back Up Request On Rural Boxes

Columbus, Ohio, Nov. 29.—Indorsement has been given by Postmaster General Hays to the ruling by Attorney General Price of Ohio that power is vested in the Ohio highway department to remove rural delivery mail boxes when placed too near a highway.

"The post office department is interested in the improvement of post roads and will not support any unreasonable attempt by a patron of a rural route to maintain his box in a position which the authorities of your state believe constitutes an obstruction," Postmaster General Hays wrote to Attorney General Price, who had submitted his ruling to the postmaster general before making it public.

"Boxes must be so placed that rural delivery drivers need not leave the vehicle in delivering the mail," Postmaster General Hays said. "This doesn't mean that drivers must be enabled to remain on the paved portion of a highway," he stated.

The attorney general's ruling was prompted by a request from State Highways Director Herrick, who stated that patrons place mail boxes on the dirt portion of roads, within a foot, sometimes, of the paved portion.

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The Polk county court has closed the Dallas-Airline road to trucks carrying in excess of 1000 pounds, and intimates that a number of other roads will have to be closed in like manner in the near future.

About \$65,000 is being or will be spent in the near future in the construction of part of Wasco county. Work is planned at Antelope, Bakeoven and Flemming.

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