

Bubonic Plague, previously rumored as having been discovered, has assumed alarming proportions, and is spreading rapidly over Vera Cruz. Until recently the authorities have not considered the plague of sufficient seriousness to take active steps, but with the discovery to-day of a large number of new cases, city and Government doctors fear the disease will get out of control, and have ordered all theatres, churches and public places closed. In order to prevent communication of the disease to other cities, all railway and steamship traffic has been suspended, with the exception of the line running to Jalapa.

Care of Ontario's insane is a source of worry to the Provincial authorities at present. At present there are 11,000 mentally deficient civilians and 8,000 nerve-wrecked war veterans who need institutional care, and there are only 23 institutions in the Province. Work on the new Federal Government institution at Westminster, near London, is being pushed rapidly to provide accommodation. When it is completed its capacity is expected to reach 8,000. It is being constructed along the lines of the famous soldiers' home in Dayton, O., which is said to be a model institution.

At a meeting of the Toronto Teachers' Council held in Manning Avenue School, recently, Dr. E. A. Hardy was presented with a silver tea service as a mark of appreciation of his leadership as President of the Council.

Miss Lavinia Price bequeathed \$200 to each of the following: Children's Shelter, Home for Incurable Children, and Girl's Home, all in Toronto.

Surgeon-General J. F. Fotheringham has resumed practice as a consulting physician. He is located at 20 Wellesley St., Toronto.

The wife of Dr. Edward Stutt, of Toronto, died recently, and the remains were interred in West Flamboro.

Middlesex County Council received the report of the committee deputed some months ago to investigate the proposal to make a grant toward the cost of the new home for Western University. The committee advised that the amount be made \$100,000, and that it be used to meet in part the cost of the main building of the arts department. The recommendation was sent to the finance committee, and will probably be finally dealt with at once. It is understood that a large number of the councillors are favorable to adoption of the recommendation, as it is proposed that Middlesex County should adopt this practical method of erecting a memorial to the sons of the municipality who served during the war.

The late Lieut. Geoffrey Hughes, of Liverpool, who died in France of wounds in 1918, bequeathed £1,000 to each for the Liverpool Work