

district. Manufacturers of jellies, preserves, catsups, tomato pulp, mincemeat, flavoring extracts, grape juice, maple syrup, coffee essence and liquors who have been arrested will be charged either with adulteration or misbranding. Several consignments of tomato pulp have been seized in the past few weeks.

#### City Health Talks.

Dr. J. N. Hurty, the energetic secretary of the Indiana State Board of Health, and president of the American Public Health Association, has announced the following speakers and subjects for the proposed series of health talks to be given in Indianapolis under the auspices of the Civic League: Dr. Hannah M. Graham, "Health and Heredity"; Dr. George E. Hunt, "The Care of the Teeth"; Dr. C. S. Woods, city sanitarian, "How to Keep Children Well"; Dr. W. F. King, assistant secretary to the State Board, "The Child in School"; Dr. Hurty, "How to Have Healthy Homes."

#### Tubercular Tests in Factories.

Interest in the plan submitted by the Chicago Tuberculosis Institute for the Prevention of Tuberculosis in great industrial plants and adopted by many of these, is growing in Chicago. The plan consists of installing a tuberculosis clinic in large factories that will first take preventive and suppressive measures and afterward exercise an oversight of the afflicted.

#### Tuberculosis Raises Insurance Rates.

While State Commissions and other bodies are trying to find a method for reducing the cost of life insurance, Prof. James W. Glover, of the University of Michigan, demonstrates that every policyholder of a \$10,000 ordinary whole life policy could save about \$20.00 a year on his premiums if tuberculosis and typhoid fever were eliminated. Tuberculosis alone causes a loss to such a policyholder of from \$16.70 at age 20 to \$17.70 at age 60. At age 20, with the present high death rate from tuberculosis, this one disease alone shortens the complete expectation of life by two years and 158 days. While the death rate from tuberculosis seems to be declining, the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis

says that the combined effort of every man, woman and child is necessary to bring about a radical reduction in life insurance rates such as Professor Glover has indicated.

#### Colorado School Inspection Law.

Every child in the State of Colorado owes a debt of gratitude to Dr. Mary Elizabeth Bates, president of the Colorado Humane Education Society, and author of the Bates law providing for the examination and care of school children.

The new law provides for a physical examination to be given every pupil in the public schools during the first month of the school year and insures medical treatment for every child that is reported as defective.

Dr. Bates' law provides that the school authorities shall make every effort to discover ailments and shall see to it that the child is given treatment for them, so that it can enjoy and secure the best results from the school training. Thus it supplies care and health supervision to the child who is neglected at home.

Colorado is the fifth state of the United States to enact a compulsory examination law, and the Bates law is declared to be superior in many ways to those passed in other states.

Under the Colorado law the school principal or superintendent is required to notify the parent when any pupil is found to be mentally or morally defective as well as when he is found to be physically defective.

If the parents are too poor to pay a physician or surgeon then the county physician or surgeon shall examine and treat the child if competent to do so. If not competent he shall report the fact to the county commissioners with his recommendation, the object in so doing being to obtain for the child such treatment as its case may need through the commissioner's action.

If the parents neglect or refuse to pay attention to the notice of the child's defective condition sent by the school authorities, notice shall then be sent to the State Bureau of Child and Animal Protection, by which, it is assumed, the parents will be compelled to give due attention and relief to the child's condition.