

## WOMAN SAYS INDUSTRIALISM IS DRIVING NATION INSANE.

Increasing Pressure Fills Hospitals and Asylums with Young People, Mrs. Florence Kelley Asserts.

The pressure of industrialism is filling the beds of hospitals and asylums with young men and women suffering with melancholia, according to Mrs. Florence Kelley. The tuberculosis hospitals are incapable of caring for many of the afflicted whose illness was brought on by the same cause, she said.

Mrs. Kelley, formerly state factory inspector and president of the National Consumer's League. A luncheon was given in her honor Tuesday at the Chicago Woman's club.

"The attention by some of the officers of the League," she said, "brought out hideous diseases in New York. The 'depressed' wards of the hospitals were overcrowded with perfectly reputable young-working men and women. They were broken down before they were 25 because they were not able to keep up under the terrible pace of industrialism under the strain imposed on them with a meager wage.

"Also, we found the tuberculosis hospitals overcrowded and waiting lists so great that a number of patients suffered from neglect."

## BRITAIN BEGINS PAYMENT OF NATIONAL BIRTH BOUNTY.

Care Extended to Mothers Expected to Help Physical Conditions of People in Kingdom.

LONDON, Jan. 13.—Beginning today, every child born in the United Kingdom to parents insured under the new national insurance act will bring the parents a bounty of 30 shillings, or about \$7.60. Under the new act the mother is also entitled to sickness benefit during the period of her illness.

There are about 1,200,000 births annually in the United Kingdom and it is estimated that fully 1,000,000 of these will be entitled to the insurance benefit.

One effect of the scheme is expected to be an improvement in the national physique, which is said to have suffered considerably because so many mothers are denied necessities and are sometimes obliged to resume work before fully recovered.

### Chautauqua Man to Speak.

Arthur E. Bestor, general secretary of the national Chautauqua movement, will speak at the meeting of the Men's league of the Sunday Evening club at the City club Wednesday evening on "The New Patriotism." Samuel Ross, barso, will sing.