

CITIZENSHIP

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State Representative

The Federal Congress 67th Session, enacted a law for the promotion of welfare and hygiene of maternity and infancy, known as the Sheppard-Towner law. The Governor of Illinois promptly accepted the provision of the act. Briefly stated the Act calls for the Federal Government to pay to the State of Illinois a yearly sum of \$53,000.00 for the next five years, a like sum to be added by the state so that a yearly sum of \$106,000.00 is made available to the state and expended by the state board of Public Health in the care of mothers and infants in the following manner:

1. Instruction in Public Health.
2. Medical Advisory Service.
3. Establishment of Infant Welfare Stations.
4. Supervision of Training of Midwives.
5. Birth Registration Campaign.
7. Administration.

The Federal Government has made one payment to the state of Illinois, but the state auditor is withholding this payment from the State Health Department and is advised by the Attorney General that it will be necessary for the next state legislature to set aside an amount equal to the Federal Grant and designate that amount of money specifically for the use outlined above before the money can be used by the state department of health. The question for the next Legislature meeting in January, 1923, is "Shall Illinois Accept This Federal Grant?"

Forty-two states have accepted the provisions of the Sheppard Tower Act.

Another piece of legislation which will be considered by the next Legislature is the securing of appropriation for the establishment of a Farm Colony for Women Offenders in the state. This bill has passed, but without an appropriation and the women's organizations throughout the state are interesting themselves in this legislation, believing it is the sort of humanitarian and welfare laws that are in need of special support. Information in detail concerning this matter will appear in this column in a subsequent issue.

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Sound Device Measures Sea.
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Just Find.
Sometimes you can't follow a man's "line of reasoning" because it is merely a line of talk.—Boston Transcript.

Drake but Half a Pirate.
Many of the exploits of Francis Drake were looked upon as piracies, but for the most part he had at least quasi-official sanction from his government for what he did.

Take Heed of Losing Friend.
You hardly make a friend in a year, but you can easily offend one in an hour.—Chinese Proverb.

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