

DRASTIC RULES TO COMBAT INFLUENZA

Downtown Stores Ordered to Close at 3:30 P. M.

OFFICES SUSPEND AT FOUR

Decision to Enforce Stringent Regulations Reached After All-Day Conference of Officials.

All downtown stores to close at 3:30 P. M. and offices to close at 4 o'clock...

The order, together with a list of rules for preventing the spread of the disease, came after an all-day conference of health officials...

"We have not called this conference because of any marked increase in the number of reported cases in the Spanish influenza, but because of our belief that more stringent regulations during the next few days will have a direct tendency to shorten the period during which regulations of any sort will be needed."

People Asked to Co-Operate. Preventive measures promulgated at the beginning of the epidemic resulted in Portland suffering less from the illness than any other city of like population in the Nation...

"I appeal to the people of this city to observe the regulations of the health authorities and to assist in the enforcement of all preventive measures. The people will appreciate that the continuance of the epidemic in Portland and other cities in the United States will go far to seriously cripple the output of ships and to otherwise impede in many ways the successful furtherance of the Nation's war program..."

Business Hours Shortened. Statistics unmistakably show that the epidemic is on the increase where people are permitted to congregate, and these regulations have been issued to prevent, where possible, groups of people from assembling."

The order follows: All houses, buildings and places where people are accustomed to congregate and all houses, buildings, mail-order houses and places where goods, wares or merchandise are bought or sold at either retail or wholesale and all barber shops and public buildings shall be and remain closed; provided, however, that this order shall not be construed to prevent the opening of the places herebefore mentioned from 10 o'clock A. M. to 12 o'clock P. M. on Sunday, and between the hours of 9 o'clock A. M. and 3:30 o'clock P. M. of each day...

Drastic Rules in Force. All employees in all office buildings should be released by their employers at 4 o'clock P. M. of each day, provided, however, that this shall not include janitors, elevator operators, or those employed by persons engaged in rendering medical assistance of any kind. This order is effective on and after Monday, November 4, 1918, until further notice.

Consult Physician, Is Plea. 4. Where there is sickness in the family, allow but one member to wait on patient, and that person should wear a mask with the patient wear a mask and resume it before they enter the room. The patient shall also be screened by hanging sheet across the room or whatever way is practiced. The room shall be kept thoroughly ventilated at all times.

5. Consult your physician immediately should your bodily symptoms be in any way below par as experience has shown that many people are quite ill and yet have symptoms which ordinarily would be disregarded.

6. The public should observe absolutely the recommendations with regard to spitting in public places.

7. Avoid needless crowding; influenza is a crowd disease.

8. Sneeze your coughs and sneezes, others do not want the germs which you would throw away.

9. Your nose, not your mouth, was made to breathe through—get the habit.

10. Remember the three C's—a clean mouth, clean skin, and clean surfaces.

11. Try to keep cool when you walk and walk a great deal for exercise and to maintain bodily vigor. Keep warm when you ride and sleep.

12. Open the windows always at home at night; at the office when practicable.

13. Wash Hands Before Eating. Your fate may be in your own hands. Wash your hands before eating.

14. Don't let the waste product of digestion accumulate—drink a glass or two of water on getting up, before meals, and on retiring.

15. Don't use a napkin, towel, spoon, fork, glass or cup which has been used by another person and not washed.

16. When the air is pure, breathe all of it you can. Breathe deeply.

Yesterday's health bureau reports brought the total number of deaths from influenza up to 227. Of the 22 reported two had previously been reported in The Oregonian. New cases were 212, about the same as for the past 10 days, though a big falling off from Friday's record of 269.

Total Deaths Now 227. Three deaths were reported at the city's emergency hospital.

Deaths reported yesterday were: K. Eguchi, 24, hotel clerk, 264 1/2 Front street; Charles H. Kennedy, 68, carpenter, 228 Main street; Cora Vummer, 830 Going street; Nick Barber, 12, 474 East Caruthers street; George William Jarboe, 28, truck driver, Venable Hotel; Emma E. Aua, 23, 219 North Syracuse;

Charles Fisher, 37, millman, 372 East Clay street; Robert Gerard McPherson, 24, 393 Aspen street; Mrs. Maude C. Soyler, 22; Mrs. Ella Eleis Campbell, 36, rooming-house keeper, 200 Jefferson street; Alfred J. Hoot, 31, fireman; Hugh James Priest, 39, millman, 871 Oberlin street; John Beagle, 46, laborer, Ashland; Otto Neul, 35, McMinnville; Mrs. Hazel B. McKelvey, 39, 220 East Forty-ninth street; Jimmie Wagner, 6, 1668 East Seventh street North; Harry M. Slater, A. 108 North Twentieth street; Robert E. Wilson, 21, logger, 544 East Thirtieth; Eleon Shell, 3, 726 East Twentieth; Charles R. Shell, 28, farmer, 726 East Twentieth.

SERUM TREATMENT ADVISED

Members of Hospital Association to Be Inoculated.

Members of the National Hospital Association are requested to call at the office in the Mohawk building, Third and Morrison streets, today between the hours of 10 to 2 o'clock for inoculations against the influenza. Every evening 11 deaths in Ellensburg of this organization have been doing inoculations for the accommodation of their members and unable to get to town either during the day or evening, consequently to facilitate matters, the physicians and nurses will give their time today and they request that as many as possible avail themselves of this opportunity to be inoculated.

KITTITAS STORES ARE CLOSED

Spread of Influenza Spurs Officers to Drastic Action.

ELLENSBURG, Wash., Nov. 2.—(Special.)—A rigid quarantine covers every portion of Kittitas County. Not a store in the county, except those selling drugs, is allowed to remain open. Groceries, meats and other necessities may be obtained by phone only. All meetings have been banned. There have been 11 deaths in Ellensburg. No estimate is possible as to the number of cases.

CAMP CONDITION IMPROVING

Number of Influenza Cases Is Steadily Decreasing.

TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 2.—(Special.)—Influenza is being successfully combated at Camp Lewis. The number of cases has decreased perceptibly this week, according to the health report issued today. The quarantine, however, is still rigidly enforced. Deaths for October totaled 138. During the month 2948 cases of influenza and 948 cases of pneumonia were treated.

Nurses Called For

HOOD RIVER, Or., Nov. 2.—(Special.)—Through the Red Cross emergency committee, a call was issued today for women who have had nursing experience to enter the homes of families, all of whom are ill with influenza. The Cottage Hospital, with Miss Josefa Stamper, superintendent, and all but one of her nursing force are needed for patients needing attention, was found in dire straits. Retired nurses and other women responded at once to relieve the hospital. Health Officer Edgington reports total cases to date in the county exceeding 250.

New Cases at Oregon City

OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 2.—(Special.)—Seventeen new cases of influenza in Oregon City are reported to City Health Officer Dr. J. W. Norris by the city physicians, but these are of a very mild form and none will prove serious, according to attending physicians. Dr. M. C. Strickland, County Health Officer, reports only a few new cases in the county. There have been no cases from the disease for the past two days.

Bend Has First Fatal Case

BEND, Or., Nov. 2.—(Special.)—The death of William Elliott yesterday was the first influenza victim in Bend. Physicians have reported about 100 cases, all carefully isolated. Mr. Elliott was the third son of the Elliott family to die in the past seven months, a brother having been taken by influenza at camp only a week ago, and his body brought here for interment.

Astoria Situation Improves

ASTORIA, Or., Nov. 2.—(Special.)—The influenza epidemic appears to be subsiding here. Not a single death from the disease was reported last night or today and while a few new cases have appeared, they are generally mild. One soldier died at the Post Hospital at Fort Stevens today. Carlos Berger, aged 30, of Carroll, Ia.

San Francisco Conquering Epidemic

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 2.—As indication that the epidemic of Spanish influenza in San Francisco is being conquered, the Board of Health announced tonight that 462 new cases were reported for the 24-hour period ending at 5 P. M. Yesterday the new cases numbered 552, and the day previous 399.

Seattle Deaths Increase

SEATTLE, Nov. 2.—The number of new cases of Spanish influenza, 242, reported today, showed a decrease over yesterday, but the deaths increased. Today 17 were reported, against 15 for yesterday. City health authorities plan on Monday to open public stations for the free administering of vaccine.

CITY COMMISSIONER QUILTS

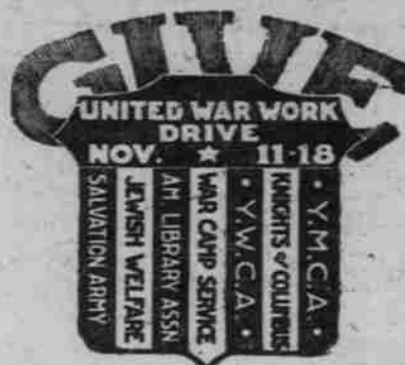
Head of Tacoma's Water and Light Department Is Disgruntled.

TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 2.—(Special.)—Hamilton F. Gronen, Commissioner of the city water and light department, quit his place today, it is said, although he disappeared immediately before the council session and could not be found. It is understood that he will resume the practice of his profession as an engineer.

Seattle Far Over Top

SEATTLE, Nov. 2.—Final official figures on Seattle's fourth liberty loan subscriptions, announced tonight by the King County chairman, were \$25,969,256, or \$3,909,000 over the city's quota. King County's subscription was \$1,356,950, exceeding its quota by more than \$400,000. There were 138,322 subscribers to the loan in Seattle as against 78,979 for the third liberty loan.

Phone your want ads to The Oregonian. Main 7070, A 6095.



Exchange and Return Goods Privilege Temporarily Withdrawn—Order State Council of Defense

New Store Hours

In the interests of public health the MEIER & FRANK store shopping hours effective tomorrow and until further notice will be

9:00 A. M. to 3:30 P. M.

Telephone connection with the store will be maintained as usual until 6 P. M. to care for the urgent needs of our patrons. Deliveries will be made as usual.

We are deeply gratified at the expressions of appreciation received from different quarters commending our announcement of yesterday and the previous day, in which we told the public that, until such time as the ravages of the Spanish influenza epidemic in Portland are definitely halted,

We Have Discontinued Advertising Merchandise

This momentous decision was taken, following a conference of the heads of the business, as being the logical sequence of the programme steadily adhered to by this store since the epidemic assumed a serious character— THAT NOTHING SHALL BE LEFT UNDONE

To Stamp Out the Spanish Influenza

The determination not to advertise items and prices—a precautionary measure entirely of our own devising—is in keeping with the numerous other safeguards put forth by this store to protect the shopping public and our 2000 employes and to hasten the day when the influenza shall be driven out and the ban lifted to the great relief of us all.

The elimination of items and prices from our announcements for the immediate reason that certain people get the impulse from this source to buy articles which are not to them (although, of course, such articles may be to others) essential is, though considered by many a drastic step, but a further indication of the fact that

Business Is a Secondary Consideration

with the MEIER & FRANK COMPANY where the public health or other vital community need is involved. There is no length to which we are not prepared to go to serve the community's interest now or at any time.

Although we could wish, in the interest of the shopping public, that other institutions in like circumstance to ours should follow our lead in this important matter of eliminating items and prices from their store announcements until a marked improvement is evident in the influenza outlook, we do not urge this as of obligation but we do most emphatically aver that

The Least Any Store Should Do Is to Abide by the Injunctions of the Mayor and Health Authorities

to the end that the influenza menace to our community be removed. This store has given full force to every request of the proper authorities. It has established certain safeguards of its own. It welcomes further suggestions directed toward the common good.

We Have Done Everything Possible to Make Shopping Safe

for our patrons and our co-workers—what these safeguards are we have published from time to time. Our advertising has been consistently in accord with the programme adopted by the stores. If people must come down town to shop we know of no safer place than this great daylight store with its change of air every 6 minutes, its 16 elevators and above all its 7 escalators—the only Portland installation.

During the present emergency do not hesitate to Use the Telephone

Use the Home Phone if possible—call A 6101 and we will deliver what you want or if you cannot use the Home Phone call Marshall 4600. There are both Home and Pacific Phones in every one of our 60 odd departments. There are 6 of the most capable telephone operators in our Main Exchange, 34 trunk lines, not to speak of 297 house phones.

By order of the Council of National Defense a ten-day period—from December 25 to January 4 inclusive—is allowed for the exchange or return of Christmas presents bought between now and Christmas.



City and out-of-town mail orders receive special attention at this time. Our Personal Service Bureau insures a prompt and satisfactory filling of all orders that are received by mail.

OIL EMBARGO DISAVOWED

COMPANIES' SALE RESTRICTION HELD UNAUTHORIZED.

Limitations Fixed by Supply Concerns Never Sanctioned Nor Ordered by Authorities.

Disclaimer that the Federal or state fuel administration has instructed the big oil concerns to refuse to sell to retail dealers who keep open on Sunday and before and after 6 A. M. to 6 P. M. of week days was issued yesterday by Fred J. Holmes, fuel administrator for Oregon.

Mr. Holmes declares he has investigated assertions that this or that Government committee or bureau has ordered the oil companies to withhold supplies from those not recognizing

the general closing agreement, and says no authority for such action has been found.

"The position of this office should be clearly understood," said Mr. Holmes. "We are ready to enforce any instructions issued by the National fuel administration, but we do not sanction the enforced closing by the oil companies."

The Irvington Garage & Auto Company has told Mr. Holmes the Associated Oil Company notified it to sell only between the specified hours or go without gasoline and oils. Others have reported similarly.

The question whether the oil companies should be permitted to continue their practices has been referred by Mr. Holmes to M. L. Requa, director of the National oil division, fuel administration, at Washington.

Laborer Attempts Suicide

G. W. Bowman, a laborer, attempted to kill himself with gas at 51 North Sixth street yesterday. He was taken to the Good Samaritan Hospital unconscious. His condition is serious.

OPINION MAY BE CHANGED

Conference on Warm Springs Irrigation Bond Issue to Be Held.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 2.—The capital issues committee has shown more evidence of change of opinion regarding the Warm Springs irrigation bond issue, and today asked for a conference with Senator McNary and Representative

Sinnot on Monday on the question of priority shipments of cement in case the project shall be approved.

The conference will be held Monday.

Buchtel to Attend Convention.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 2.—(Special.)—Rapid dissipation of the Spanish influenza epidemic in the East is indicated in a telegram received by the Public Service Commission announcing that the annual convention of the National Association of Railway Commissioners,

to be held in Washington November 22, will not be called off or postponed. It is considered likely that Commissioner Buchtel will attend the meeting for the Oregon Commission.

Judge Tucker's Son Has Influenza.

Presiding Judge Tucker, of the Circuit Court, yesterday received word that his son, H. W. Tucker, is ill with influenza at a naval hospital at Cleveland, Ohio. The son enlisted in the Navy last year at San Pedro.

At Once! Stops Stomach Distress!

Indigestion pain, food souring, acidity, gas, and heartburn go instantly! Pleasant relief!

Wonder what you ate to upset your stomach?

Don't bother! Here is relief!

The moment Pape's Diapepsin reaches your unsettled stomach all the lumps of indigestion pain, sourness, gases, acidity, headache and dyspepsia go.

Costs so little at drug stores.

UPSET? Pape's Diapepsin WILL PUT YOU ON YOUR FEET



When You Begin to Sneeze or Cough is the time to stave off an attack of influenza.

PUROLA Influenza Treatment

will reduce the fever, allay congestion and break up the irritable symptoms.

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