

MEANS OF FIGHTING PLAGUE ARE LACKING

Stronger Health Law and Additional Hospital Needed.

DEATH TOTAL YET MOUNTS

Score of Victims of Influenza Reported Thursday, With New Cases Listed Totalling 102.

SUMMARIZED REVIEW OF INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC IN PORTLAND SINCE OCTOBER 13, 1918. Total number cases reported 16,355. Total deaths reported 1,151.

Inadequate law and lack of machinery to enforce the present law stands in the way of a rigid quarantine of influenza cases in Portland, according to Dr. E. A. Sommer, director-general of the organization waging war upon the epidemic in Multnomah County.

Stronger state health laws is the only remedy, according to Dr. Sommer's statement made before a gathering of business men, guests of A. L. Mills at the Benson Hotel yesterday noon.

When Dr. Sommer was selected as the man to take charge of the influenza epidemic, I told him to write his own ticket and I would see that his orders were carried out.

Dr. Sommer Commended. "If closing the city is the order I'll enforce it to the letter. But if this city had a proper hospital in which to care for people suffering from communicable diseases, we would not have the difficulties to surmount that daily confront us."

Resolutions commending the work of Dr. Sommer and the health authorities, pledging future support to the health bureau in any measures needed to handle the influenza epidemic and also pledging support for a stronger state health law were passed prior to adjournment of the meeting yesterday.

Yesterday's records at the city health bureau show 102 new cases and 29 deaths reported. Compiling of records since January 1 show an aggregate number of 307 deaths from influenza and 4719 new cases thus far in January.

At the Theaters.

Hippodrome. A PESKY, fun-loving, fearless comedy mule, "Dynamite," who has a local following because his antics and personal achievements are memorable, is featured in the clever turn offered by Happy Harrison as the top-

PIMPLES ON CHIN ITCHED BADLY

Spread Over Face. Scaled Over. Cuticura Heals.

"I had pimples, mostly on my chin, but they spread to other parts of my face. They scaled over and were very large, and my skin was sore and red. They itched very badly and caused disfigurement. Then I used Cuticura. I put the Cuticura Ointment on and left it for about five minutes, and then I washed it off with the Cuticura Soap and hot water. Now, I am healed." (Signed) Miss Elizabeth Hughes, Raymond, Calif.

For hair and skin health Cuticura Soap assisted by the Ointment is supreme for daily toilet purposes.

line attraction on the new bill at the Hippodrome. "Dynamite," fearless, funny and apparently gifted with a sense of humor, is only one of Miss Harrison's offerings.

"Apple Blossom Time" is redolent of Springtime and scented blossoms in the really attractive rural setting and atmosphere provided for the Betty Elders company. Their offering is made up of songs, interpolations and imitations, amazingly genuine, of birds and other sounds of a musical nature.

The photoplay features unforgettable Broncho Billy (George M. Anderson) in a big sensation of Western color called "Red and Yellow Blood."

FIRE DAMAGE IS \$100,000

WAREHOUSE AND OFFICES AT PENDLETON GUTTED.

Cotton Bunting in Basement Ignited From Candle Carried by High School Boy in Dark.

PENDLETON, Or., Jan. 23.—(Special.)—One of the worst fires in Pendleton's history this morning caused damage estimated to be from \$100,000 to \$125,000 to the People's Warehouse and the office of H. W. Collins and C. E. Nelson.

The fire broke out in the basement of the People's Warehouse about 9 o'clock when cotton bunting became ignited from a candle which Lloyd Austin, a high school boy, was using because the lighting plant had been put out of operation by a furious windstorm during the early morning hours.

The flames spread rapidly in the large basement, which was filled with merchandise, and got between partitions and walls. Firemen worked for two and a half hours flooding the basement before the fire was put out.

The offices of Mr. Collins and Mr. Nelson were gutted. Books and furniture were saved.

The flames did not reach the upper part of the big mercantile store, but practically the entire stock was badly damaged by the dense smoke and by the water. Most of the loss was covered by insurance.

When the flames Fire Chief Ringold and Firemen Charles Payne and Barney Oldfield were overcome by smoke.

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SOCIETY NEWS

MRS. CHARLES T. WHITNEY entertained yesterday for her niece, Mrs. William Mintzer (Agnes Hardy) of San Francisco, who is visiting here with her husband and baby daughter all of whom will leave today for their home in San Francisco.

Mrs. J. N. Teal and Miss Genevieve Thompson were hostesses on Wednesday for a charming tea honoring Miss M. Brenda Francilly, international representative of fatherless children of France, who gave a most interesting and appealing talk to the 70 guests who were asked to meet this distinguished visitor.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice E. Crumpacker were hosts for a pretty informal dance Wednesday evening at their residence honoring Mrs. John S. Napier, who will leave within a few days for New York where she plans to sail for England to join her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Polly Tongue Lombard yesterday entertained with an informal bridge party honoring Mrs. Harry Coyne Brooks, of Bend, at her home in the Wickersham apartments.

Congratulatory messages are being showered upon Mr. and Mrs. Lovelle D. Winters (Isabella Macleay), upon the birth of a son, who made his advent January 15. The little chap has been named in honor of his father.

The Association of Collegiate Alumnae luncheon scheduled for Saturday, February 1, has been postponed owing to the influenza situation.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Anderson and son, Arthur, of Champion, are spending a few days in this city, registering at the Multnomah Hotel.

EMPLOYERS TO MEET FOR LABOR SURVEY

Problem of Providing Work for Returned Soldiers Up.

PLEDGES WILL BE ASKED

Enlargement of Industrial Establishments to Give More Work Will Be Considered.

More than 100 principal employers of labor in Portland and from other parts of the state will gather tonight at the invitation of the United States Employment Service to consider labor conditions of the reconstruction period.

Enlargement of business and industrial establishments to provide employment for more men will be one problem given special attention.

According to Captain J. O. Conville, who is in charge of the sailors' and soldiers' division of the bureau, about 1000 returned men have been given jobs to date.

Of the men placed, about one-sixth have left their jobs for various reasons. Many of these have come back to the bureau for another job, one man having been given no less than four different jobs.

Of the employers who have returned questionnaires sent out by the bureau, about 7 per cent would not agree to take back the men who went into the service, according to Captain Conville.

During the first half of the week the bureau placed 1571 men, in addition to the soldiers who registered at the Liberty Temple branch, Wednesday 882 men were placed, Tuesday 347 and Monday 339.

Portland, Wake Up!

Millions of Dollars Are Being Sent EAST Annually for Ready-Made Clothes—

What's the reason? Why do you patriotic citizens insist upon supporting Eastern cities, when we have our own streets to pave and Bonds to buy? Don't you know it's the payrolls that build our cities and keep us prosperous? Every Suit that you have tailored here or elsewhere keeps a tailor busy almost a week.



Open Saturday Evenings Till 8 o'Clock



Here's What I'll Do Friday and Saturday as a Special Offer

Men's Suits and Overcoats \$35 Made to Order

Match Them Elsewhere (If You Can) For Less Than \$45 to \$50

I've an immense quantity of woollens and a well equipped shop. If Portland men will provide the work I'll employ every soldier and sailor who applies, and is qualified, at union wages.

Suits made to Order in 24 Hours When Necessary

Ray Barkhurst

Portland's Leading Tailor CORNER SIXTH AND STARK

WOMEN'S CLUBS

MRS. F. M. WILKINS, state regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution, will arrive from Eugene today to preside at a meeting of the state executive board, which will meet at the Central Library, room F, this afternoon at 1:30.

The Mayflower Club met Monday evening in the blue room of the Hotel Portland, with a large attendance. A number of legislative matters were discussed, including the bill to create a court of domestic relations and the child welfare bill.

The members of the executive committee of the Portland branch of the North Pacific Board of Missions, of which Mrs. J. W. Goff is chairman, entertained the visiting Presbyterian women at luncheon Monday at the Hotel Portland.

The South Mt. Tabor Community Club will give the fifth of a series of entertainments at the Joseph Kilgus school this evening. All residents of the community are invited to attend.

Talent from Portland shipyards will furnish the programme of the Portland Woman's Club at the Multnomah Hotel assembly room this afternoon at 8 o'clock.

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A vesper service of unusual interest has been planned for the Y. W. C. A. at 4:30 Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Dorcas Spencer will give a talk on "The Y. W. C. A. in France Before, During and After the War."

The Red Cross auxiliary of the First Presbyterian Church will meet all day today in the church hours. Members of Multnomah Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will join the auxiliary at this time.

At the recent election of officers held by the auxiliary of Company D, 162d Infantry, Mrs. Margaret Head was elected president, Mrs. J. P. Beckwith vice-president, Mrs. Hal E. Caborn secretary-treasurer and Mrs. E. McEntee

press correspondent. The auxiliary is interested in the success of the dance and entertainment to be given by the United War Auxiliaries reception committee at the Auditorium February 14 to raise funds to be used for returning Oregon soldiers and sailors.

A birthday party attended by members of the Lavender Club and other friends of Mr. and Mrs. John Dorr was given at the residence of the latter, 802 Sixth street North, on Wednesday afternoon. Those present included Mr. and Mrs. Dorr, Mrs. George Allen, Mrs. James Smith, Mrs. Mary Guthrie, Mrs. A. Mortenson, Mrs. C. J. McVey, Mrs. John Neiswander, Mrs. J. H. Debow, Mrs. C. H. Adamson and Mrs. Amelia Gengelbach.

The Alaska Society will meet at the Imperial Hotel Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

Sugar Supply on Decrease. PARIS.—Prior to the war there were 208 sugar factories in France producing 700,000 to 800,000 tons annually. Of these only about sixty factories, making 150,000 to 200,000 tons of sugar, are outside the invaded regions.

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are required for the restoration of the factories and fields, as it is now believed that it will require almost two years to reconstruct the properties. It is possible that many of the destroyed factories never will be rebuilt.

SNOW FLAKES advertisement featuring a box of Snow Flake Sodas and a woman's face. Text includes: "With Soups—and broths. You will find Snow Flakes satisfying in every particular. You will enjoy immensely their delicious salty crispness and rich texture. Don't ask for crackers, say Snow Flakes. Your grocer can supply you." and "Wrap me in a bundle and take me home with you."