

WARY NO 'FLU' HERE? PREDICTIONS DON'T TEND TO

Predictions of Recurrence
Fail to Come True.

WAR'S EFFECTS DOUBTED

Just Year Ago California Expert
Advocated Mask, Wore One and
Himself Contracted Malady.

When the "flu," the never-to-be-sufficiently-anathematized Spanish influenza, finally flattered away, just where did it go, and why did it not return, as so many medical gentlemen predicted it would this winter?

The doctors don't know. One year ago the pages of Portland papers held columns that dealt with the strange, unheralded plague. Summary of the grim news showed: Eight additional deaths; 270 new cases in 12 hours; masks to be worn in all public gatherings; acute shortage of nurses; meeting of business men called by Director-General Sommer.

The wearing of cotton masks in public places, to fend away the terrible, half-dreaded, half-jested bacillus, was in controversial stage, while thousands of citizens had voluntarily donned the odd-looking safeguards. Tip from San Francisco, said to be an expert in epidemics, was hurrying Dr. Karl Meyer, who advocated the mask, who wore one, and who was himself to contract the malady.

"Winter is 'fluless,'" said the doctor, "a little at a time, gradually, it will be with us in lessened severity next winter, perhaps for several years to come."

And the winter of 1919-1920, except for an occasional case here and there—which may very well be but our old foe, the gripe—is "fluless." Up the flu, or wherever it may have vanished, the fact is that influenza did not return.

There are said to be 1,000,000 cases in Japan, and in China, where the pestilence is stalking as it did last season in America. But this is particularly potent and pestiferous germ, this most malignant molecule of the lot, is not in the western hemisphere to any appreciable degree. "I don't know why there was not a recurrence of the disease," admitted Dr. E. J. Laube, "but I believe that the last word has been said about the influenza, if it was influenza. It has been noted in the past that 'flu' epidemics were usually recurrent, at least in minor degree, for a year or so following the main assault. This one did not act according to that tradition. It did not come back. Why, I cannot say."

Was It Influenza? Dr. Robert C. Brown believes that influenza did not tarry in America because it was not the true type of the disease. He says that he fought it on that assumption, and with results that proved to him in its success that his foe was not the customary "flu."

"It was a severe streptococcus infection, an especially severe germ, that was the cause of the 'flu' epidemic," said Dr. Hall. "I have always doubted that it was influenza, and am convinced that it was not. Not for influenza usually comes back. In my opinion the malady that we called 'Spanish influenza' was an entirely new infection in a new phase. It was a streptococcus infection. To my own satisfaction I demonstrated that it was a streptococcus serum in treating my patients during the epidemic, and with markedly successful results."

Plagues operate in cycles, and the influenza has whirled away upon its course of destruction, far from America, which it will not visit again in the wheel of an unknown law revolves, according to the opinion of Dr. Andrew C. Smith.

Psychological Effect Doubled. "All epidemics seem to be subject to the law of cycles," said Dr. Smith. "While active at all times, certain maladies have such cycles of intensity, following the fruition of which the disease wanes and lies dormant for a year or so, or for many years. It was such a cycle, in the instance of influenza, that reached its maximum of intensity last year. Was there a psychological effect contributory, such as the nervous tension of the war period? No, I do not think so."

But the psychological effect of the war on the nervous vitality of an overworked people, lessening the power of resistance, may have had an important effect on the epidemic appearance of influenza in America last year, just as the successful close of the battle drama may have influenced beneficially the health of the entire nation and made a wholesale return of the pestilence impossible, believes Dr. E. K. Gamble, who also subscribes to the theory of epidemic cycles.

"It is all a speculative matter," opined Dr. Gamble. "Why should influenza have been so malignant last year and so comparatively unknown this year? Was it a new disease? I do not know. But going into the war, with an accompanying high nervous tension prevalent throughout the nation, may have resulted in a general lowering of vitality."

"Flu" Goes in Waves. "Then the 'flu' struck. Always present in less recognizable forms, it reached its maximum of malignancy and attacked practically all susceptible material. Having thus vented itself, it one follows this theory, the influenza waned and passed for lack of further victims."

"But it is all speculative. My observation runs back three or four years. The year before the big epidemic there were epidemic numbers of sore throats and severe coughs, painful and widely prevalent. And in 1916 a variation of the malady accompanied by bronchitis also epidemic."

In my opinion these were all phases of the influenza, which is with us at all times in various guises. When it is mild it is called the gripe. When it is severe it is called 'flu.' Just why, I am unable to say, but it goes in waves over the country."

Sheepman to Appeal. KJAMATH PALES, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Attorneys for Dan Brosnan, a wealthy sheep raiser of Merrill, have given notice that they will appeal from the sentence of the justice court, which fined Brosnan \$100 for profanely abusing the American flag. The offense, according to witnesses, taking place during a Christmas street brawl at Merrill.

Settlers Vote Today.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Lewiston orchards tomorrow will vote on the question of establishing an irrigation district covering 4,000 acres of highly improved orchard lands.

SOCIETY NEWS

MRS. J. SHERMAN O'GORMAN entertained most charmingly with a bridge luncheon at the Betty Lampe tea shop last Saturday in honor of Mrs. James Ambrose, who left Sunday for California. Mrs. O'Gorman's guests included Mrs. Ambrose, Mrs. Ralph Meyer, Mrs. Ray Matson, Mrs. George Peters, Mrs. Harry Nichol, Mrs. Kenneth Hauer, Mrs. Harry Stephenson, Mrs. John Plagemann, Mrs. Guy Porter, Mrs. S. T. Trommold, Miss Sarah Patrie and Miss Harriet Kern.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Halstead, who have been spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. William MacMaster, at their country home, Ardour, returned to their home in Riverside, Cal., last Saturday. They were very much entertained during their visit.

It will interest many Portlanders to hear that Mr. and Mrs. John G. Edwards, who have been abroad for a year, are spending the winter in Florence, Italy, and later will go to the Riviera.

Henry Failing Cabell, who has been spending the holidays with his parents, Colonel and Mrs. Henry E. Cabell, returned the last weekend from Harvard, where he will continue his studies at the law school there. Mr. Cabell served in the army as a captain.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nunn will be interested to hear that they are about to sail from New York the middle of March for Italy. They probably will be away about a year. During their absence Mr. and Mrs. Judd of Pendleton will occupy their residence.

Mrs. Mischa Pelz was the charming hostess for a prettily appointed luncheon in her apartment at the Laurette on Thursday, honoring Mrs. Mischa Guferson of Seattle. Covers were laid for Mrs. Mischa Guferson, Mrs. H. H. Hall, Mrs. D. Nemerowsky, Mrs. Blaine B. Coles, Mrs. Eloise Hall Cook, Mrs. L. E. Harkin and the hostess.

The friends of Captain James D. Baise will be interested to know that he is now a Walter Reed hospital, Washington, D. C., taking a preventive treatment for severe gasing. Reports are encouraging for his ultimate recovery. He returned from France last August.

Mrs. James Zan and Mrs. N. E. Ayer will leave for California today, to stay several weeks. They will go first to San Francisco and then to Del Monte where they will join their mother and sister, Mrs. Samuel Smith and Miss Laura Smith, who left Portland last week. Mrs. Ayer's brother, Russell Smith, who is participating in the golfing at Del Monte.

Portland Alumnae of Kappa Alpha Theta will meet today with Mrs. F. H. Young, 420 east Forty-sixth street North.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Russell and son, Warren, will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Russell today.

The Psychical Club will meet tomorrow in the church parlors, East Seventh and Hassalo streets, at 2:30. Mrs. R. C. Allen is secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Wingate of Astoria are the guests of Mrs. William Dunlop on Astoria today.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Shevlin are in town on a business trip. Mrs. Shevlin has been away from the city several weeks. Mrs. Shevlin is the daughter of the late Mr. Shevlin, who left several weeks ago for the south. Mrs. Shevlin and her family, together they spent the holidays in the south.

Women's Activities

FOLLOWING the action of the Portland Federation of Women's Clubs in taking up the question of the standard of the motion pictures shown in Portland several clubs will discuss and take action this week. Today the progressive women's assembly will meet in the Portland hotel, where Mrs. E. B. Colwell on "The Educational Value of Motion Pictures." The stir that has arisen in club and film circles is causing the clubwomen to take great interest in this matter.

The parent-teacher circles too, are taking the subject up. Mrs. Helen Elkins, president of the Alne worth circle, said: "I feel sure that our women will endorse the measure and the stand of the city federation. I feel very deeply on the subject."

The Alne worth assembly meets tomorrow at 2:30. Mrs. C. W. Hayhurst and Miss Little Stearns will be honor guests and Dr. Bertha Dymond will speak on "Corrective Physical Exercise for Children."

The housewives' council will meet in the library at 2:30.

Woodlawn parent-teacher circles will meet tonight at 8 o'clock in the regular meeting and luncheon of the Portland Women's Ad Club. The luncheon will be in the Benson hotel, as usual. All members are asked to be present. The club is heading a movement to do away with the practice of some untidy citizens have acquired of bordering the highways with refuse and tin cans. The chairman of the committee is Miss Bessie Colwell, who hopes to stir up sentiment in favor of keeping the highways clean, attractive and a credit to the city.

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Mrs. S. L. Lockwood will be chairman for the luncheon to be given January 26, in the Benson hotel, by the Portland Woman's Research club.

The State Federation luncheon of January 24, at Portland hotel will be an important affair. Mrs. John Van Zante of the state executive board is chairman of the programme and Mrs. D. M. Watson of reservations. Mrs. Sarah A. Evans, Mrs. Charles H. Castner and Miss Little Stearns will speak. Those who would reserve tables should do so as soon as possible.

Following are committee members who will make reservations: Mrs. T. J. Mendonhall, Sellwood 1711; Mrs. S. H. Thatcher, Sellwood, 1521; Mrs. D. M. Watson, Main 3576, chairman.

Miss Little Stearns wishes it known that the free lectures on child welfare which she is giving in Portland are tendered through the courtesy of farmers, dairymen, dealers and members of the Oregon dairy council as a part of a nation-wide educational movement for the proper nourishment of children who suffer from indigestion, ignorance and poverty.

On Monday Miss Stearns spoke before the Chamber of Commerce and the Visiting and School Nurses. Today she addresses the women of the First Christian church and the Albina Citizens' association. Her engagements for the week as thus far arranged are as follows: Wednesday, Almsworth Parents and Teachers, 3 P. M.; Thursday, Woman's Auxiliary, American Legion, 3 P. M.; public library staff, 8:30 P. M.; Friday, Overlook club, 3 P. M.; Franklin High Parents and Teachers, 8 P. M.; Saturday, Portland Civic league, Benson hotel, 12 noon; Daughters of the American Revolution, Benson hotel, 2 P. M.

The Women's association of the First Congregational church will meet Wednesday from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. There will be Red Cross and charity sewing and those who desire may take their own work. Box luncheon will be served at noon. All women interested in making friends among the church members are invited to attend.

The Alameda Tuesday club will meet today at 2:30 o'clock with Mrs. L. F. Fuller, 751 East Twenty-eighth street North.

The Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs has issued an official announcement of its endorsement of Mrs. B. B. Clark, Red Cross chairman, as treasurer of the General Federation of Women's Clubs. This is a most important position. As president of the Iowa federation Mrs. Clark brought great credit to the organization in advancing its interests so that today it has more federated clubs to its credit than any other state in the union.

The Woman's City club, Kansas City, has put on a fine flourishing campaign for 2000 members that it has outgrown its present quarters and has signed a contract for new club rooms in a fine new business building at an annual rental of \$6000. Misses in citizenship to meet the demands of the new building. As president of the Iowa federation Mrs. Clark brought great credit to the organization in advancing its interests so that today it has more federated clubs to its credit than any other state in the union.

Both the communist labor party and the communist party are the outgrowth of the party of the socialist party. The sole difference existing between the two, according to the brief of Mr. Hoover, has arisen principally from international dissension and desires of certain individuals to direct the energies of the left wing movement. The purpose and principles are practically the same, the brief further asserts.

Individual Blame Cited. An important conclusion drawn by Mr. Hoover in his briefs covering the growth of both parties is that each and every member of the communist party of America or the communist labor party, pledges himself knowingly to the principles and tactics of the party. He is not a passive member, he is an active member, he is a member of the party having broken relations at an assembly in Chicago the latter part of August, called by the socialist party of America.

The Portland Shakespeare Study club will meet tomorrow in the gray parlors of the Multnomah hotel at 2 P. M.

Mr. Albert M. Browne, president of the club, will be the hostess for the afternoon.

Miss Elizabeth E. Woodbury is the instructor. "Richard III" is the book.

Rev. Bishop Logan H. Root is the guest of Bishop Walter Taylor and Mrs. Sumner at Bishopcroft. Dr. Root is a distinguished authority for things Chinese and is en route to his diocese at Hankow, China.

The meeting of the Mothers' and Teachers' club of the Brooklyn school called for Wednesday afternoon has been postponed. Mailbox being prevalent, the health board has made a ruling that no meeting can be held in the school. Notice of this meeting will be given later.

MILLMAN HURT; MAY DIE

Bandon Worker Near Death as Result of Accident.

BANDON, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—William Burpee of Bandon is near death as the result of an accident at the DeFoe sawmill at Bullards today. The main drive belt broke while running at high speed and the end struck Burpee on the head and threw him 20 feet, causing injuries from which he is not expected to recover.

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SIX "RED" CITIZENS ARE INDICTED HERE

Communist Leaders to Be
Prosecuted by State.

RELEASE OF 4 ORDERED

Investigation Shows Radical Party
Has 111 Members in Portland.

Aliens in Federal Hands.

Carl W. Oster, state organizer for the communist labor party; James Laundry, an active worker in the party whose activities also have included the defense of the party; and workmen's council in Portland; Joseph Orman, Mike Stofjva, Fred W. Fry and Claude Hurst were indicted under the criminal syndicalism act of the state by the Multnomah county grand jury yesterday.

These men are the first batch to be indicted. They are American citizens who were rounded up in the recent federal raids. Aliens are being attended to by the federal authorities, but prosecution of citizens has been left to state officers. All indicted were members of the English-speaking branch of the communist labor party. The release of four other members of that branch was requested by the grand jury.

Prisoners to Follow. Local investigations showed that in Portland there were approximately 55 members in the English-speaking section of the communist labor party, 17 in the German-speaking branch, and nine in the Lithuanian branch. The men indicted all will be prosecuted under the criminal syndicalism act of the last legislature, which provides a ten-year imprisonment and fine of \$1000 as a maximum for persons convicted of membership in any society which teaches, advocates or affirmatively supports the propriety or expediency of doing any act of physical violence as a means of accomplishing any industrial or political ends.

In a brief prepared by A. E. Hoover, special assistant to Attorney-General Palmer, in the hands of District Attorney Evans, it is held that the communist labor party openly advocates the overthrow of the government and the United States by force and violence.

Party Estimated at 30,000. The communist labor party has grown to an approximate strength of 30,000 in the United States since September 3, 1919, when an organization convention was held in Chicago. Its leader there was John Reed of New York, and its members were from the wing of the socialist party, the wing and the party having broken relations at an assembly in Chicago the latter part of August, called by the socialist party of America.

Indifference on the part of many people throughout the city is interfering with the speedy clean-up of the census, according to W. D. Bennett, supervisor of this district, who sounded a warning note yesterday that there is too much of a "let-George-do-it" atmosphere to insure the greatest success for his staff of enumerators.

One Portland business man, who depends upon this city absolutely for work to keep his establishment going, made the enumerator in his district call back at his hotel six times, said Mr. Bennett, by way of illustration. "I finally took up this case and personally telephoned this man. He said he would attend to it and fill out his slip. He did not do it, and when the enumerator called it was not ready. For the second time I called him by phone and had to threaten to report him before he would fill the slip."

"That is the attitude of one man dependent for business upon the city in which he apparently takes mighty little interest."

Mr. Bennett met with members of the Oregon Hotel Men's association yesterday at noon in the Hotel Benson, it being the occasion of their regular monthly session. A statement was expressed at the public given the situation in their regard by Mr. Bennett, but after he explained his position it was the unanimous feeling of those present that the subject is of such great importance that it behooves everyone to give it their utmost co-operation. He was assured of support.

RADICAL RAIDS DELAY CENSUS

Enumerators in Eastern Cities Fear

Enumerators are Officers.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Radical raids by the department of justice have caused a slowing up of the 1920 census count in New York, Boston and other cities with large foreign-born population, according to reports today to Sam L. Rogers, director of the census bureau. In order that foreigners may be assured that census enumerators are not department of justice agents the director has ordered interpreters to precede enumerators in districts inhabited by foreigners.

Protests from Minneapolis that Los Angeles officials are touring the city in disguise are being investigated by the census bureau.

KEYMEN HERE GET RISE

Western Union Increases Are Retroactive to January 1.

In common with 32,000 of their fellow employees in other cities, the local employees of the Western Union who have been six months or more in the service of the company will participate in salary increases exceeding \$5,000,000 a year, retroactive to January 1. Employees who have been a year or more in the service will have a 10 per cent increase and those who have been six months, but less than a year, will receive 10 per cent. Only employees who receive less than \$250 a month will participate.

Manager Williams of the local office states that these increases are in pursuance of an agreement reached some time ago between the management and the Association of Western Union employees, says Manager W. R. Williams of the local office. The Western Union is one of the large corporations engaged in the process of collective bargaining with its employees and this is the latest of the increases which have been negotiated as a means of offsetting to a certain degree the increased cost of living which has fallen so heavily on the salaried class.

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