

### INFLUENZA FIGHT AT EUGENE IS SUCCESS

#### Protective Measures Bring Epidemic in Control.

#### WORK WELL SYSTEMATIZED

#### Card Index and Daily Reports Make Sure Every Sick Person Gets Prompt Attention.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Oct. 26.—(Special.)—One result of the influenza epidemic at the University, which has now been checked, is the development of a system of strict health supervision which is expected to be of great protection in any similar future emergency. Precautionary and protective measures now in force against the influenza are to be retained until the danger is definitely past.

The ban on meetings of all kinds on the campus other than class sessions will continue until the student health committee, headed by Dr. John F. Board, professor of zoology, considers the situation safe once more. Daily health reports are required from every student, every member of the faculty and every employe of the University here. Each sick person is turned over to the university physicians at once for observation or treatment.

#### Sick Sent to Infirmary.

With the hospitals and emergency infirmaries practically emptied of sufferers, an even more intensive campaign of observation of suspected cases has been installed. Hereafter every person showing the slightest symptom of any disease is to be removed from his residence to the infirmary for observation and not to be permitted to remain in the residence places.

Even before the epidemic reached Eugene, arrangements were under way at the time of opening of college for the establishing of two infirmaries, one for men and one for women. These were hardly more than opened when the epidemic struck the campus. Immediately there followed the opening of three more emergency infirmaries, one for the men and two for the women, making the total infirmary accommodations sufficient for 48 women and 60 men. The infirmaries are under the direction and supervision of three university physicians and the university head nurse, assisted by 11 other nurses.

#### Spread of Contagion Checked.

The problem of checking the spread of the contagion has been handled under a system evolved by the faculty

committee on student health, on which are Professor A. R. Sweetser, head of the department of bacteriology; Miss Louise Ehrmann, dean of women; Miss Mabel L. Cummings, head of the department of physical education for women; Dr. E. S. Conklin, professor of psychology; and Dean H. Walker, graduate manager of student activities, with Dr. Board as chairman.

Each case of illness, under the rules, must be reported before noon to the central health office of the campus. With each student, faculty member and employe indexed on a separate card, the health office under Dr. Board has been keeping the closest possible track of health of all.

#### Dean Ehrmann Watches Women.

Dean Ehrmann, of the health committee, has been keeping a personal check of the women's cases. Whenever a report failed to come in from any of the women, it was assumed that for some reason she had not appeared in her classes that day. Dean Ehrmann then undertook the task of finding the missing girl, from data given on the card in her possession.

Once in the infirmary the cases were treated by the regular university physicians with the privilege of calling in any others they might desire. Here again complete returns have been kept showing the exact progress of each case.

The effort of the university has been to give the best possible care of every sick student during the present epidemic. The infirmaries, well equipped and furnished, have been kept in a condition which has pleased the attending physician, including out-of-town medical men who were called in to attend to some of the cases. Dr. E. B. Pickel, of Medford, while at the university attending a student from his home, made an inspection of the university's infirmaries and expressed himself as delighted with the preparations.

A similar statement was made by Dr. J. C. Zan, of Portland, who also visited Eugene to attend to some private cases and observed the university's infirmary system while here.

#### Sweetser Is Sanitary Head.

Professor A. R. Sweetser, head of the department of botany and bacteriology in the university, has been made chief sanitary officer and clothed with power to make and enforce any regulation he may deem necessary with regard to sanitation and ventilation in the buildings.

The whole campus is plastered, on every wall and bulletin board, with enormous orange-colored placards bearing a warning to students, faculty and employes to be careful to protect themselves and others against the epidemic by taking health precautions listed on the card. Other cards cautioning the reader to "cover every cough" are tacked up in classrooms and at other points where they may easily be seen. All persons coughing in class are directed to leave.

The university has the machinery, in the opinion of the health committee, to deal with almost any health emergency.

In deciding to keep the university open during the epidemic President Campbell was guided by a desire to avoid spreading the malady out over the state through the medium of students leaving here for their homes. It was his idea that the disease could be better handled by isolating it as far as possible.

### WASTE RUNS RIOT AT NATION'S CAPITAL

#### Bureau of War Risk Insurance Conspicuous Offender.

#### 14,000 CLERKS EMPLOYED

#### Representative Madden, of Illinois, Makes Startling Statements in Course of House Debate.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Oct. 26.—Now that the liberty loan campaign is out of the way and public discussion of governmental waste will not be construed as an attempt to hinder the raising of war funds, a more general exposition of inefficient and extravagant management of Government business at the National capital is expected.

Everyone who visits the capital on official business knows that conditions are bad so far as efficiency is concerned, and an inspection of the appropriation bills shows the extravagance. Representative Martin B. Madden, of Illinois, who, in private life, is known as an expert in the organization of operating forces in large enterprises, has started the discussion.

In the debate on the emergency deficiency bill he took exception to an appropriation of \$7,500,000 for the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, in addition to the regular appropriation of \$5,500,000, making a total of more than \$13,000,000 for this one bureau.

#### Bureau Has 14,000 Clerks.

"They have 14,000 clerks there," said Mr. Madden, "and I have letters in my possession to the effect that there is not a clerk down there who does more than one day's work in a week."

"I have further information that some clerks supposed to be working at night report for duty at 6 o'clock, immediately after reporting for duty go out to supper and when the theater is open they go to the theater and never come back."

"One of the heads of divisions of War Risk Insurance whose name I am not permitted to use came to see me the other day. He told me that the people in the office over which he presides are so thick, so crowded, that there is not standing space for them, to say nothing about desk space; that there is no work for them to do; that there is no need for their services."

The War Risk Insurance Bureau is the branch of the service that handles the insurance and allotments of the soldiers. It is the bureau concerning

which there has been most complaint of delay.

Members of Congress have been for months flooded with letters from dependents of soldiers complaining that they do not receive their allotments. These members know that the work has not been accomplished; they also feel that the delay has not been due to lack of clerical help in the bureau.

The belief seems to be general that there has been poor judgment in the selection of the people to organize and supervise the work, so that it shall be done systematically, promptly, and with the least waste of time and effort.

"What Mr. Madden said on the floor of the House regarding the clerical situation is practically confirmed by almost every person who comes here and works a few days in a clerical capacity."

#### Some Inclined to Revolt.

Many a person has come here from out in the states to engage in Government work, and has been astounded at seeing the number of clerks with nothing to do.

Some of them have been so disgusted that they wanted to return home—their conscience revolting against taking the Government's money without rendering a just return.

Most of them, however, after a few weeks, become accustomed to a condition which they did not imagine could exist, and they settle down to the regular routine, putting in the time pretty much as the others do, drawing their salaries and trying to find a decent place to live within their incomes.

The employe who told Mr. Madden that there was not a clerk who did more than a day's work in a week probably overstated the situation, for there are some who do a day's work every day, but for practical purposes the statement was not far from true.

"Why do they employ needless clerks?" someone asked of a man familiar with Governmental business.

#### More Help Called For.

The explanation is a plausible one. When complaints are made of inefficiency, the responsible head of a bureau has but one excuse or defense, "I haven't help enough." So he receives additional help until the clerks are so numerous as to be in each other's way.

The complaints continue to come in, and the chief has no other recourse than to raise the same defense, that he hasn't help enough. He must either put it on the ground that he hasn't help enough or that he is incompetent, and he chooses the former.

The result is that Washington is crowded with clerks who work in crowded offices, eat in crowded dining-rooms, and sleep in crowded apartments.

It is amazing that the influenza epidemic has not resulted in disaster to the population of the city of Washington.

### STUDENTS LEARNING TECHNIQUE OF ARMY

#### Affairs at O. A. C. Regain Orderly Appearance.

#### "FRATS" VACATE HOUSES

#### Week-end Social Engagements and Evening Calls Are Forbidden; Afternoon Strolls Allowed.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Oct. 26.—(Special.)—Affairs at Oregon Agricultural College are steadily and surely assuming a state of order, and the S. A. T. C. men are showing the results of their military training and discipline. The men have been assigned to their respective companies and are enjoying their work. The barracks, near old Cauthorn hall and overlooking the entire campus, are being rushed to completion. The first building, three stories high, will be ready for occupancy before long.

The boys, who have no uniforms yet, make a motley army—some in dark suits, some in light, some in overalls, some in shirt sleeves and khaki trousers; but they are "getting" the Army stuff in true American spirit and with characteristic enthusiasm. Some of the companies are already quite soldierly in appearance and in the manner in which they are drilling, and the men are quick at learning.

#### Smoking Forbidden on Campus.

The great army presents an interesting scene at mess time. The embryo officers and soldiers are getting good "feats" and doing justice to the excellent cooking. The "K. P.s" are becoming educated in lines of work heretofore unknown to many of them. Yesterday after mess there was convocation addressed by President Kerr, who told the students they could not afford to stay from a single class. "Your future is involved in the manner in which you receive the instruction imparted to you, and if you wish to make a success you must make the best of every opportunity," he said.

President Kerr warned the men against gambling, drinking and smoking on the campus. They may smoke, however, in barracks.

Major Cross gave the young men what he termed "a straight-ahead United States talk," full of sound advice and learning, and a goodly amount of wit that made the boys applaud frequently. The young men were banked at one end of the armory. The mess tables are arranged on the main floor space and at the side the ranges are placed and the white-capped cooks

hold sway and the K. P.s assist in their particular way.

The girls' gym building is being used by the men, but the co-eds are looking forward to the day when they can have their indoor gym training that has been impossible so far this semester. Some of the men who lived in fraternity houses have received orders to move to one of the halls, as rooms has been made for them there. The Kappa Theta Rho boys, who are among those to be transplanted, have loaned their piano to the Chi Omega girls to meet the needs of the day. Several of the sorority houses are taking charge of some of the furniture, victrolas, rugs, clocks and other prized possessions of the fraternity men who are now in the S. A. T. C. All members of the Student Army Training Corps are to sing—at least, they will try and do their best. Dr. D. V. Polling, who has had decided success as a song-leader, is encouraging the boys and they are beginning to "make the rafters ring" with their patriotic and popular favorites.

The college boarding-house, a new project at the school, is training the girls to meet the needs of the day. The project is arranged along the lines of institutional management. Generally only seniors in home economics are eligible to be received into one of the groups which includes manager, assistant manager, cook, assistant cook and others who prepare and serve meals. The boarding-house is self-supporting. The girls take turns at all duties, the entire shift being made in six days.

#### Business Training Is Popular.

Many of the girls are taking pharmacy, commerce and other courses which will fit them for a business or professional life, but home economics is as popular as ever.

Mrs. Mary Fawcett, dean of women, has been deeply interested in the girls who have been ill with the influenza and has made the rounds of all the houses and given her entire time to their welfare. Miss Cyrus, head nurse of the college, has systematized the work well and called in person at the houses to see that proper care is given. The college has trained nurses in its employ and the services of these nurses and of several excellent doctors are at the disposal of the sick students, free of charge. The weather has been fine and those who have had the prevailing colds are able to get about and are improving rapidly, while many have recovered entirely.

There is a ban on week-end dates, and no men are allowed to call at the sorority or girls' residence halls. Girls are permitted to go walking in the afternoon with the men students, but not in the evening. This rule will continue until the quarantine is lifted by Dean Fawcett.

#### South Bend to War on Speeders.

SOUTH BEND, Wash., Oct. 26.—(Special.)—The City Council has determined to make war on automobile and motorcycle speeders on the business streets in this city, and orders have been given to the police to round up all drivers who persist in violating the speed law. Several accidents have been narrowly averted recently when speeding motorcycles passed intersecting streets at a high rate of speed. The police have begun rounding up auto drivers who run their machines at night without tail-lights burning.

### ALL PORTLAND READY FOR WAR CAMPAIGN

#### Department Heads Are Named For November Drive.

#### BEN SELLING IS CHAIRMAN

#### Henry Reed, in Charge of Residence Solicitation, Busily Engaged in Building Up Organization.

As has been the case in other war activities, several of the city's most able business men and organizers have been enlisted to direct the big drive of the United War Work cause, to be conducted simultaneously throughout the United States the week of November 11-18.

Heading the city campaign forces will be Ben Selling and Everett Ames. Mr. Selling holds the post of chairman, while Mr. Ames is serving as manager. With the assistance of state leaders and representatives of the seven great bodies joined in the enterprise they have already worked out most of the details of the campaign calculated to raise Portland's allotment of \$300,000 of the \$770,000 sought from the state of Oregon quickly and efficiently.

Well-known war workers have consented to take charge of departments of the campaign as follows: Charles F. Berg, publicity; T. G. Ryan, speakers; W. E. Coman, employes of industrial concerns; Nathan Strauss, foreign corporations; Miss Getta Wasserman, executive secretary.

In the campaign of solicitation there are to be divisions covering the downtown sections, or "city center," and likewise the house-to-house canvass about the "city circle." A. E. Boyle and C. D. Brunns, as colonels, will direct the two armies of workers to invade the business sectors. Each will have 10 or 12 captains with a hustling corps of workers under his command.

Henry E. Reed has been selected to have full charge of the house-to-house solicitation. He is busily engaged in building up the organization which will put over this big task.

As the time for the drive draws near the city organization will be established in the Liberty Temple, from which the activities will be directed.

Organizations merged in the drive are the Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Knights of Columbus, Jewish Welfare Board, American Literary Association, Salvation Army, War Camp Community Service.

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We use every precaution to safeguard our employes and customers. Our store is properly fumigated—we do not permit crowds to congregate. Our aisles are broad, ceilings are high. The store building occupies an entire block, with windows on all four sides and a great light well in the center, which afford perfectly sanitary circulation—aided by a modern air-purifying system which changes all the air in the building every 20 minutes, making this store more comfortable, more sanitary and safer than the average home. We advise the public to use every precaution against sickness. Dress warm. Keep your feet dry. Carry an umbrella. Eat proper foods. Breathe fresh air. Remember, "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

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and Scarfs  
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Flannelette Skirts, Etc.

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Our delivery wagons will bring any of these articles to you. Phone us. Atomizers, Listerine, Peroxide, Camphor, Zepyrrol, Olive Oil, Paraffin Oil, Pills, Sterilized Gauze, Absorbent Cotton, Gauze Masks. We have a well assorted stock of best preventives and all orders will be given prompt attention.

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Electric Heater Pads  
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Electric Water Heaters  
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Medicine Glasses  
Sterilized Gauzes  
Absorbent Cotton  
And many other articles

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