

INFLUENZA CASES UP TO NOON SHOW MARKED DECLINE

Morning's Total Is 45, With Two Deaths Compared With 81 and Eight for Thursday Morning.

RIGID LAW TO BE REQUESTED

State Health Board Wants Authority to Enforce Quarantine, Stop Business and Travel.

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contagious diseases, moderate quarantine of influenza cases must suffice," Dr. E. A. Sommer, director of the consolidated health bureau, declared in explaining the need of stronger health laws.

Mayor Will Enforce Orders
Confirming Dr. Sommer's statement of lack of enforcing machinery, Mayor Baker said:

"Suggestion has been made for a rigid quarantine. We have but 300 policemen and they are divided into three shifts and an inspector's bureau. The force is not adequate to enforce a rigid quarantine, but if such an order is given I'll call upon the fire department, the Multnomah Guard and all organizations needed to enforce it. If closing the city is the order, I'll enforce it to the letter."

"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. A hospital is an absolute necessity at all times and especially during such an emergency as we are now experiencing. It should be a place properly equipped to care for people suffering from contagious diseases. There are families in this city who are not receiving proper care, and such a condition should never exist."

300 Hospital Beds Available
Mild cases of influenza should be sent to the hospitals immediately, according to Dr. Sommer, rather than remain in the homes without proper care until the patient is in a critical condition.

"Observations at the hospitals show that only the extreme cases are there," he said, "and many fatalities could be avoided if those afflicted were immediately taken to a place affording proper accommodations. We have 200 vacant beds and plenty of nurses at the hospitals."

It was also announced this morning that practical nurses can be secured by telephoning the consolidated health bureau.

Pendleton Conditions Good

Pendleton, Jan. 24.—Notwithstanding there has not been a case of influenza reported in Pendleton since Saturday, there is no thought of lifting the ban for some time. There are still five homes under quarantine. It is now more than a week since there has been a death from influenza. The outbreak of smallpox in which 13 cases have been quarantined, also seems to be well in hand. No new cases have been reported since last week, and it is thought further spread of the disease has been checked.

Ban Lifted at Joseph
Joseph, Jan. 24.—By order of Mayor A. W. Schupp, the influenza ban.

PORTLAND'S INFLUENZA CHART

DATE	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
CASES	400	350	300	250	200	150	100
NEW CASES	272	263	169	183	118	102	
DEATHS	23	7	33	21	21	20	

Total new cases in 1919 to date, 4764; total deaths in 1919 to date, 309; new cases reported up to noon today, 45; deaths reported up to noon today, 2.

which has been in effect for over three months, has been lifted. Schools, churches, shows and public meetings of all kinds are permitted. As the malady is practically gone from the vicinity, it is believed that it will not be necessary to close again this spring.

Man With a Fat Wad of Bills Fined For 'Bootlegging'

Francisco Cabin, with two suit cases filled with liquor, and a large roll of currency, was arrested this morning by Deputy Sheriff Christofferson and Beckman at the Union station, as he was stepping off the train from California. He pleaded guilty to a bootlegging charge shortly after, before District Judge Dayton and was fined \$100. He peeled a bill from his pocket roll with utmost nonchalance and departed in peace, but without his liquor.

Beating of Swords Into Plowshares Reflected in Plan

Washington, Jan. 24.—(I. N. S.)—The beating of swords into plowshares is reflected in the government's plan for the disposal of the vast quantity of T. N. T., most deadly of explosives, held by the war department.

There were on hand at the time the armistice was signed \$3,000,000 pounds of this destructive agency, and most of it will be sold to the department of agriculture for farm blasting purposes, and to mining concerns for peace time uses, General C. C. Williams, chief of ordnance, told the house military affairs committee this afternoon.

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PLANS FOR LEAGUE OF NATIONS TO BE SHAPED AT PARIS

Committee Upon Which All Associated Powers Will Be Represented to Be Appointed.

PRES. WILSON MAY PRESIDE

President's Memoranda and Ideas of Gen. Smuts to Form Basis on Which Body Will Work.

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shiem had won a brilliant victory when the associated powers consented to treat with their representatives."

Anti-Bolshevik Aroused
Prince Lvoff regards the action of the supreme inter-allied war council as a mistake, taking the attitude that it gives official recognition to the Bolshevik regime at Moscow.

"It will mean the loss of a month's time in settling the Russian question and will make it more difficult to suppress the Bolshevik movement," declared Prince Lvoff. "I suppose that the conference hopes that the meeting on February 15 will not take place through the failure of qualified representatives to appear."

"Such a circumstance would leave the allies with clean hands and ready for energetic intervention in Russia. I believe that it would be pure folly should Nicolai Lenin, the Bolshevik premier, attempt to call a truce for attendance at the Princes Island conference."

Poles Wonder Why
Professor Kellogg, speaking from the viewpoint of the Polish people, took a similar view. In part he said:

"It will be very hard for the Poles to understand why the allies are sending a mission to Poland to see what artillery, rifles, supplies and munitions are needed to enable them to fight the Bolsheviks successfully while the associated powers are inviting the Bolsheviks to cease murdering and go to the gates of Constantinople to talk over the situation."

"Poland has been the cockpit since 1914 and now when the world struggle is over she must keep on fighting the Bolsheviks on her eastern frontier, while the Ukrainians and Bolsheviks, led by German and Austrian officers, are adding the Poles on her southern boundary. Lemberg is now surrounded on all sides and there is only a narrow gateway for communication with Cracow and Vienna."

Great Need for Food
"Not long ago I saw recruiting stations where Austrian officers were gathering volunteers for the Ukrainian army that is waging war against Poland."

"There is great need of food in Poland. We have managed to get some condensed milk into the country by way of Switzerland, but most of the supplies must be shipped in through Danzig."

"There are heavy difficulties in shipment by way of Danzig, for the channel is still mined and is only 22 feet deep. We hope that Marshal Foch will compel the Germans to remove the mines. The railways from Danzig into Holland are bad, also."

"It requires about 60,000 tons of food monthly to feed Poland. If we can get the food in, we have been promised by Ignace Paderewski, the new Polish premier, to have enough rolling stock to distribute the supplies from Warsaw."

Lodi Is Danger Center
"Lodi has become the danger center of Poland because it is a breeding place for Bolshevikism. The place is filled with skilled workers who are all idle, owing to the fact that the machinery in the factories was all carried off by the Germans when they retreated. The Polish government is distributing pensions among these workmen but owing to the high prices many families starve and fighting breaks out continually."

"Lemberg is in a bad way. There has not been a drop of milk taken into that city since November 1. There is a scarcity of medical supplies and I saw Polish soldiers with their wounds bandaged with straw. The Polish women make wonderful fighters. I have seen them in struggles alongside of the men wielding their rifles and bayonets like veterans. They are taking part in battles against the Bolsheviks and the Ukrainians."

Germany's Greatest Menace
"General Pilsudski is mobilizing two new classes which ought to give the Polish army 100,000 additional troops. But in reality most of them are without rifles or cartridges."

"The most serious menace to Poland seems to come from Germany. According to persistent reports, good German troops are being organized for an offensive against the Poles. It is likely that a couple of good German divisions, properly equipped, would practically wipe Poland off the map, unless the allies prevented it."

A portion of the French press is taking the view that the Russian decision shows the existence of an Anglo-American agreement to oppose some of the French agreements. While this is untrue, nevertheless members of the government say that the result conveyed a clear warning to the French representatives to harmonize their views with those of President Wilson and Premier Lloyd George.

Russians Not Agreed
The Russian officials who are in Paris conferred among themselves, and while M. Sazonoff, former Russian minister, announced that he would not treat with the Bolsheviks, it is understood that there has been no formal agreement among the representatives of the non-Bolshevik governments.

It is pointed out by some of the Russian here that while Lenin may declare a truce between Russians and non-Russians, the red armies could continue to slaughter all who opposed them in Russia.

A section of the French press that has continued to comment upon the significance of the Russian decision, pointed out today that the French diplomats must adopt a more conciliatory tone and stand the chance to lose everything."

Delays to 1920 Is Feared
England and America, it was declared, hold the decisions of the conference. Japan is merely following the lead of her ally, England, while Italy is only a doubtful supporter of France. Belief is gaining ground that the final peace pact may not be signed this year and that the conference may lag over into 1920.

The warring Russian factions are going to hold up the progress of the conference for about a month. The action of the Bolshevik regime at Moscow is being watched closely and the delegates are anxious to see what steps are taken to end the fighting and terrorism in Russia. It is thought that the Russian decision may place an important trump card in the hands of the Germans, as the Germans may argue that the Bolsheviks committed many crimes as they did and that, if the Bolshevik regime were formally recognized Germany should get equal recognition.

League Question Up, Saturday
By William Philip Simms
Paris, Jan. 24.—(U. P.)—The league of nations is formally taken up at Saturday's session of the general peace congress. It was learned from authoritative sources today.

Much of the work in preparing drafts of the various nations' programs for the league is being done by the respective delegations outside the joint meetings, and it was expected that preliminary would be in such shape as to permit of a full discussion of the broad outlines of the plans Saturday. The American delegation, it is understood, spent two hours in going over their league plans late Thursday, with the result that the formal draft was practically completed. Yet it was reported that neither the American nor the British plans would be presented in their entirety Saturday, though they are farther advanced as regards details than any of the others. Apparently, President Wilson and Premier Lloyd George will wait until the other programs are submitted and thoroughly discussed; then they will bring forward the programs of their delegations.

Correspondents to Be Admitted
The correspondents, it was announced today, will be admitted to the full meeting Saturday, as at the initial session of the plenipotentiary congress last Saturday. Meanwhile the meetings of the "steering committee" continue secret.

Among other subjects to be discussed Saturday are responsibility and punishment for the war, reparations for war damages, international labor legislation and the international status of ports, waterways and railways. In connection with the latter proposition, it is believed the Dardanelles, the Bosphorus and Constantinople will be considered.

A move is expected to be made to internationalize that area that there may be an open exit from the Black sea, assuring continuous access of Russia's wheat to the world. The Berlin-to-Bagdad railway would be the first object of internationalization of the railways.

Today's session of the supreme war council, in addition to completing the program for Saturday's discussions, was expected to take up certain matters in connection with the armistice of occupation. This was forecast by the presence of Marshal Foch, Field Marshal Haig, General Diaz and other members of the associated powers' military council.

Alleged efforts to delay crystallization of the league of nations, or at least to obstruct the laying down of its freedom principles as applicable to questions of territorial rights, were seen today in attempts by certain powerful political cliques to have Premier Clemenceau demand the Saar valley and Syria for France.

Ship Disposal to Be Discussed
Paris, Jan. 24.—(I. N. S.)—President Wilson conferred with Colonel E. M. House Thursday night on matters that were on the program for consideration by the supreme inter-allied war council today.

It was understood that the disposition of units of the surrendered German fleet would be up for consideration. Some American naval authorities are contending that the German submarines and small craft should be distributed among the allied navies, while others suggest that they be held pending a final decision as to their disposition. Another proposal was that the minor German fleet be sold and the proceeds used to help pay the indemnities that will be imposed on Germany.

The supreme council is also considering the manner in which the German battleships and the German merchant ships shall be employed. It has already been decided, however, that for

the time being the German ships will be utilized for carrying American and Canadian soldiers homeward. On the return voyage the ships probably will carry food cargoes.

President and Mrs. Wilson entertained a number of soldiers, military chauffeurs and non-commissioned officers at tea this afternoon. Dr. Grayson acted as master of ceremonies.

American Delegates Chosen
By Lowell Mellett
Paris, Jan. 24.—(U. P.)—President Wilson has selected the American representatives on the special commission created by the league of nations to settle various Russian factions at Princes Island. They were expected to be announced today.

The other associated powers were understood to be showing similar celerity in preparing to undertake solution of problem in which speed is recognized as a vital element. No word has yet been received from the soviet government in response to wireless messages sent out Wednesday night announcing the allied proposal.

France, first of the "Big Five" to cry out against the Russian plan which was eventually adopted, soon will be completely reconciled in the opinion of a French official in close touch with political and military affairs.

French Press Is Divided
Special Cable to The Journal and the Chicago Daily News
Paris, Jan. 24.—The Russian decision of the peace conference is a striking victory for American diplomacy. It is understood that President Wilson won Premier Lloyd George to this view during his visit to England, and that Britain and the United States since then have stood together against the French Premier Clemenceau and Foreign Minister Pichon.

Conservative French papers are furious over what they call the surrender to the Bolsheviks. The Echo de Paris splutters venomously, saying that the liberal papers and party politics are the evil guests of the Quai d'Orsay. The Liberal papers, on the other hand, are exultant, renewing their praises of President Wilson's joyous editorials, declaring that this decision will swell his prestige immeasurably. Between these extremes the big moderate French press accepts the decision calmly, though some of the papers wonder whether the Bolsheviks will accept the allies' invitation.

Britons Indorse Decision
Special Cable to The Journal and the Chicago Daily News
London, Jan. 24.—Emphatic approval of the policy of the associated powers relative to Russia was expressed in official parliamentary and diplomatic circles Thursday. Practically the whole of the British press takes a like view, meeting as heretofore manifested, meets with universal condemnation, but

scarcely anyone ventures to define it. This is just where the Marconi conference, if it takes place, ought to help, it is argued.

We need light both on the Bolsheviks and on the Marconi conference. We wish them to stand forth for potent inspection. Besides, all the other contending groups in Russia, so far as we can see, move in a fairly thick haze. We feel that we can see them more sharply in the persons of their representatives on Princes Island if they will send such men to talk."

Several members of parliament stated that in their opinion the Bolsheviks will appear at Marmora only if they think their dream of bringing about the collapse of the bourgeoisie world has already gone glimmering. It is pointed out that Bolsheviks as it was first seen and Bolsheviks as it now appears wear wholly different aspects. First it stood for peace at any price; latterly it has been alone among the great international forces and is apparently bent not only on war, but on war conquest.

Germans Favor Publicity
By John Grassman
Berlin, Jan. 24.—(Delayed)—(U. P.)—Germany's delegates to the peace congress favor full publicity of all proceedings. The United Press was officially informed today.

In response to a query, Philip Scheidemann and Count Brockdorff-Rantau,

who will represent Germany at Versailles, said they sustain the attitude of America and Great Britain that the conference must be open.

"Germany is in favor of no secrecy whatever," declared Scheidemann. "Having accepted all of President Wilson's points, she wishes to begin with the demand that the peace treaty must be arrived at openly."

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