

HEALTH OFFICERS ISSUE WARNING TO ELIMINATE CROWDS

While reports from the Portland offices of the Oregon state board of health verify the belief that the rumored epidemic of Spanish influenza, or "flu" is abating; the state health authorities are keeping in touch with the situation and are endeavoring to arouse public interest in methods of protection against flu cases.

This is indicated by a circular letter received by the Salem health board. At the present time there are very few cases of flu in Salem, and these are so nearly allied to common severe colds, that often there is serious doubt if the so called flu cases are the genuine article, according to local physicians.

There has been general complaint that many public places in Salem are conducted carelessly, from a common sense view point, in many cases, especially during epidemic times, people are permitted to congregate in show houses and other places with an entire disregard to regulations which prohibit the crowding of aisles and exits. During the recent smallpox epidemic in Portland, and during the recent flu scares in that city, the police and health departments took precautions to obviate necessity for the complete closing of theaters and public places by causing strict enforcement of the fire ordinances which forbid the crowding of these places above seating capacity.

Dr. R. E. Pomeroy, city health officer for Salem, states that there is absolutely no cause for alarm, but asks for the cooperation of the general public in the prompt reporting of all suspected cases and in the observance of quarantine regulations. The following extracts from emergency influenza regulations formulated by the state board of health outline the situation:

"All persons, whether physicians, nurses, heads of schools, teachers, boarding house and hotel managers, and heads of households are required to report to the health officer all circumstances which reasonably indicate that a case of Spanish influenza is developing, giving the health officer all possible assistance. "While the policy of the state board of health is against closures of churches, schools, theaters and other places, it does earnestly request the cooperation of the general public in the matter of voluntarily avoiding unnecessary exposures."

Millerand And Cabinet Given Confidence Vote

Paris, Jan. 30.—The cabinet of Premier Millerand was given a vote of confidence in the chamber of deputies today at a session attended by virtually all the members. The vote was 510 in favor of the ministry to 79 against it, and with no abstentions from voting.

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THIRD PARTY DEBATE CENTERS AROUND STATE BANKING PROPOSITION

After adoption of those parts of their platform calling for the abolishment of the state senate, voting by mail, the public ownership of all public utilities, and inserting in the preamble of the platform in brackets the word "Taken from the bill of rights of the constitution of Oregon" after the quotation of the word "abolish," discussion by delegates to the Land and Labor party of Oregon convention here this afternoon centered on the clause calling for the creation of a state bank.

Much discussion of this word "abolish" and the possibilities of it being construed as meaning the overthrow of all present forms of government prompted the convention to vote in this insertion.

Admits Being I. W. W. Admitting that he is an I. W. W., and has attended meetings of the Soldiers, Sailors and Workmen's Council in Portland, J. C. Strudgion championed the removal of the word "abolish" from the preamble, saying that radicals, in drawing up papers for action, have failed because of the misinterpretation placed on it. He said that the people fail to grasp the distinction between the suppression and permission of free speech, and cited the deportation of reds in support of this contention. The reds were deported for "too much free speech," he said, "and the very men who deported them go merrily along as they wish."

Strudgion referred to an attempt of the radicals to get the municipal auditorium in Portland to speak in, and Mayor George L. Baker refused them. Frank E. Coulter rose to his feet and remarked:

"Old Gilly George up in Portland might fool us; he hasn't got any sense anyway. But we won't pay any attention to him now."

Press Attack Explained. A half hour after the session reconvened after noon was devoted to the enlightenment of the press on a statement made during the morning by D. C. Murphy of La Grande, that the papers were "capitalistic sheets" and would attempt to "camouflage" the real intent of the organization. Mr. Murphy explained that when he spoke it was of the press in general, and he meant nothing personal, as had been interpreted by several of the delegates.

L. H. McMahan of Salem said that he knew all the reporters in Salem and knew that they would not attempt to "color up" the proceedings of the session. "What happens to the stories when they reach the editor is a question," he said.

Mail Voting Passed. The plank calling for mail voting passed unanimously when one of the delegates declared that during a recent election each vote cost \$10, and that only 25 per cent of the people voted.

The vote to abolish the state senate passed 28 to 3. In speaking of this O. B. Goldman, of Corvallis, declared that the Anglo-Saxons had abolished the house of Lords, "and as the senate is patterned after it, I don't see why we shouldn't abolish it."

The delegates hoped it finish today, and probably will hold a night session to complete the organization of the new party.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS TO TO CONVENE SATURDAY

The Salem Sunday school association will entertain the "Young Peoples Division" conference of Marion county Sunday schools, at the First Presbyterian church, Saturday and Sunday, January 31 and February 1. Between 50 and 100 out of town delegates are expected. Three official delegates from each organized Sunday school class, of the teen age, and five delegates from each Sunday school at large, in the city, are also expected to be in attendance. A number of helpful suggestions will be offered, and demonstrations of value to both students and teachers will be carried on. All young people of the teen age are extended a special invitation to attend.

The program for the two days follows: Saturday 2:45 p. m.—Song service. Special music, ladies glee club Willamette university.

3:10—Why we are here, speaker, Rev. Harold Humbert.
3:40—Delegates get acquainted.
3:50—Demonstration of an organized class in session, the Beta Sigma class, First M. E. church of Salem. Mrs. E. E. Fisher, teacher.
4:20—Committee appointments. In charge of conference chairman.
.....Banquet. Paper. The older boys responsibility for the younger boy, W. P. Walters. Paper. The older girls responsibility for the younger girl. Mrs. Maude Mochel. Special music, piano solo, Donald Allison. Address, "The new Crusade," Rev. Harold Humbert.
Sunday
9:45 a. m.—Delegates attend city Sunday schools.
11—Delegates attend city church services.
2:45 p. m.—Song service, led by Dr. Troy. Special music, Gertrude Aldrich
3:15—Divisional conferences (boys) led by W. P. Walters. (Girls) led by Miss Margaret Fisher. (Leaders) led

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BORAH SAYS PARTY'S PROMISE NOT FILLED

Washington, Jan. 30.—Senator Borah, republican, Idaho, told the senate today there was not "the slightest evidence" that congress proposed to carry out the special promise "of the republican party to reduce government expenditures."
Opposing the bill for creation of a unified government air service because of its cost, Senator Borah said manifestations of extravagance in this country were just as great now as they were during the war.
"The republican party made the special promise in the last campaign to reduce government expenditures," the senator said. "But there isn't the slightest evidence that this republican congress proposes to carry out that promise."

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