

Asian Flu Not Yet An Epidemic

Washington — U. S. Public Health Service officials expressed "concern" today over large scale local outbreaks of Asian flu but said the disease had not yet become a nationwide epidemic.

Some officials believed that New York City, hard hit by the disease, may be in for a month-long flu siege.

One PHS official said "There is not going to be enough flu vaccine available to do a whole lot of good" now in New York, Milwaukee and other areas where large numbers of flu cases are reported.

"It looks as if the flu beat vaccine production to the draw," he said. "Manufacturers are turning out vaccine as fast as they can but the flu won't wait."

A PHS spokesman said there has been no change in the virulence of the disease.

"It is not a killing flu," the spokesman said. He added there were only some 15 deaths associated with it, generally from after-effects.

Council Approves Jackson St. Paving

Paving of East Jackson st. between Bear Creek and Genesee st. was approved by the city council last night. The section is in the front of the proposed Sears Roebuck and company store and shopping center.

The section will be 52 feet wide and about 960 feet long. Concrete curbs and gutters will be installed. Paving the section was requested in a petition signed by 40.17 per cent of assessable property owners, and the city which owns 42.11 per cent of the property along the street at Hawthorne park.

Action on a proposal to pave Niantic st. to a 30 foot wide section was deferred until the next council meeting. The street would be less than the normal 36 foot requirement, but residents indicated petition signers were not in favor of the wider street.

The council authorized construction of a storm sewer in the Earhart subdivision between Riverside ave. and Bear creek. The city now maintains an open ditch on the property. Cost of the project is \$8,235 which was covered in the recent sale of storm sewer bonds. The section of sewer is included in the city's storm sewer program.

Approval Granted
Approval was granted Yellow Cab company to raise airport limousines rates from 75 cents to \$1 per person to and from downtown locations. The council also granted a raise in the present special cab charge to or from the airport from \$1.25 to \$1.50. The company said increased operating cost made the raises necessary.

An ordinance was approved to spread more fairly city assessments on improvements. The ordinance covers subdivisions constructed after original assessments made by the city.

Another ordinance adopted accepted a right-of-way across

The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, a woman, editor and two writers. Each article is a summary of an actual report. The Family Council does not give advice; it merely reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

Jane R.—I want to put my sister-in-law wise.

Felix R.—We shouldn't rock the boat.

Jane R.—A few months ago my young niece, a girl of 13, came to spend a few days at my home. I noticed she looked very unhappy and I asked her what was wrong. She burst into tears and said, "My father doesn't love me."

I figured her parents had had some sort of squabble and I tried to reassure her, explaining that even though parents have

Las Vegas, Nev.—P—Adverse weather conditions today forced the Atomic Energy Commission to call a 24-hour postponement in the firing of the final nuclear shot of the 1957 test series.

The test, 24th of the year, was rescheduled for 5 a.m. p.s.t. Saturday. The about average yield shot, dubbed "Morgan," will be triggered from a balloon 500-feet above Yucca Flat.

an argument now and then, they don't stop loving one another. She just shook her head and said it wasn't like that. She said she could tell from the way her father looked at her mother that he hated her. Nothing I said seemed to comfort her.

Knowing my brother to be something of a Don Juan, I decided to look into the matter. I couldn't get anything definite out of him, but I very much suspect he is having a serious affair.

I have no influence with him, but I feel if my sister-in-law were put wise, she could do something to save the marriage. She is now blissfully ignorant. My husband is against saying anything.

Felix R.—I don't think we have anything definite to go on, except this little girl's notion—and it may be that, just a childish notion. How can a child that age really see things like that?

Jane's brother is the kind of man who doesn't know how not to flirt with women, and they are all crazy about him. Yet we have every reason to believe he has always been faithful to his wife. She seemed very happy last time we saw them both and he appeared as affectionate as ever.

He did seem a little troubled and distracted when we saw him alone once, but that could mean anything. Basically, he's a decent sort of man and very fond of his family.

I think the best thing we can do is just keep our mouths shut about all of this. I am against rocking the boat when it comes to anybody's marital problems.

Jane says her woman's intuition tells her something really serious is going on, but I say all the more reason then to keep quiet. Maybe they'll work it out for themselves.

The Council.—We agree with Felix it is unwise to rock the boat when it comes to other people's marital problems, but both Jane and Felix overlook the fact they are now in possession of a piece of information they may have no right to withhold.

Jane's brother and his wife ought to know their daughter is seriously disturbed about their relationship. It may be a difficult thing to tell them and it may very well have the effect of "rocking the boat," but it doesn't seem right that these parents should be kept in the dark about their child's suffering. Jane should simply repeat what the child said to her, without embellishment.

Jane's brother may be a "decent sort of man and very fond of his family" and still get involved beyond his depth in an extra-marital affair. It is just possible his child's unhappiness could be the life belt that will save him from disaster.

If the whole thing is nothing more than "a childish notion," the parents still ought to know about it so they can help their daughter to a better understanding of her family life.

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Girard Joking, Witness Thought

Maebashi, Japan — U. S. A. witness testified today he thought Spl 3 William S. Girard was joking when he shot at Japanese metal pickers the day the Illinois soldier shot and killed Mrs. Naka Sakai.

Gumpei Sakai (no relation to the dead woman) said at Girard's manslaughter trial that Girard fired at several other metal pickers on the morning of Jan. 30.

Girard fired an empty shell cartridge into Mrs. Sakai's back that afternoon while she was gathering shells at the Camp Weir firing range.

Sakai, a prosecution witness, said that during the morning Girard was resting near a small hill called Chocolate Drop, about 250 yards from Hill 655 where Mrs. Sakai died.

Sakai said Girard suddenly rose from a prone to a sitting position and fired an empty shell

Binoculars Reported Missing from Counter

Four pairs of binoculars were taken from the Western Thrift store, 30 North Central ave., Wayne Richard Welty, 237 Girard dr., reported to city police Wednesday night.

Police said the binoculars were taken from a counter display some time between Sept. 20 and Oct. 1. Police said the binoculars were valued at more than \$60.

at Japanese scrap collectors from the grenade launcher on his M1 rifle.

"I thought it was Sainashi (done in a joking manner)," he said. "The soldier was laughing when he shot at us."

After taking Sakai's testimony, the court recessed until Saturday.

Geologically at least, Australia is thought to be the oldest of the continents, being the most level in surface and the most regular in outline.

Friday, October 4, 1957

MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THREE

Apartment Blaze Injures Firemen

Portland — U. S. — Six firemen were injured by smoke or flying glass and some 40 persons, most of them elderly, fled a four-alarm fire in a three-story apartment building near downtown Portland Thursday night.

The fire broke out in the basement of the Iris apartments near SW 3rd and Mill and within minutes smoke filled upstairs apartments.

Firemen helped the dazed tenants, most of them elderly pensioners and widows, down ladders. The nearby Blanche apartments also were ordered evacuated as a precautionary measure but the flames did not reach them. No tenants were injured.

Damaged was confined mostly to the south half of the Iris apartments. Assistant Fire Marshal Walter Stickney estimated loss at \$30,000.

At least four firemen were overcome momentarily by smoke and two other firefight-

NEW GOVERNMENT ROLE
Lamar, Colo. — U. S. — Arthur E. Lamper bequeathed his U.S. Savings Bonds to the federal government when he died Aug. 26. "I feel a moral obligation for my share of the debts of the United States," Lamper wrote in his will.

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