

“FLU” SITUATION GROWING BETTER FROM DAY TO DAY

Dr. Manning Says New Chart Shows the Wisdom of Putting Lid on Gatherings Here.

The Spanish influenza situation is improving slowly. Friday 110 new cases were reported to the health commissioner's office and the number of deaths was 24. Three bodies of Omahans were sent here for burial from Fremont, Fort Riley and Camp Dodge. This makes a total of 132 deaths here since the epidemic started.

City Health Commissioner Manning has taken special steps to stop the gathering of crowds at funerals. "It is at funerals that the anti-crowd order is being violated most," he said. "The people should know that there is very great danger in crowding at such places, especially in chapels at undertaking establishments. Only the close relatives are allowed to enter the chapels. The danger is in the crowding and not in any contagion from the dead."

In regard to the foot ball game scheduled to be played here between Cotner and Creighton university teams Saturday, Dr. Manning has ruled to leave it "up to public opinion."

"National and state authorities have ruled strictly against the gathering of crowds even in the open air," he said. "I have not made a positive order against playing this game, because you can't exactly force health down the throats of the public. But I don't believe that the game will be played when the school authorities realize that there is very grave danger or that the public will attend if it is played."

Dr. Manning is particularly delighted with a chart which is being prepared by his office, showing the progress of the "flu" contagion here. It shows unmistakably the wisdom of the closing order here.

The line on the chart indicating the number of cases of "flu" in the city starts at 140 on October 5, the first day when all public gatherings were closed. It reaches its greatest height three days later when on October 9 there were 540 new cases reported in the city. This, says Dr. Manning, was the "period of incubation" during which the germs inhaled by people before the anti-crowd order went into effect, developed and produced the disease.

After October 9 the effect of the closing order is seen. The line on the chart plunges downward and on October 12 there were only 110 cases a day. Since then the number of cases has fluctuated, but never gone above 150.

Hospital room for patients is now hard to get and Dr. Manning is trying to solve this problem. The cases reported now are milder than in the early days of the epidemic.

As to when the ban will be lifted, Dr. Manning says not. It all depends. It won't be until all danger from crowding is past. And at present the anti-crowd order applies to outdoor gatherings as well as to those indoors.

Popular Young Matron of Omaha Victim of "Flu"

Mrs. Harry Graves, Shedd died Thursday night of Spanish influenza after an illness of two days. An apparently light attack of influenza developed suddenly into pneumonia and Mrs. Shedd passed away before her husband, who was absent from town on a business trip, could be recalled. Mrs. Shedd was Madge Bullard, daughter of W. C. Bullard, Omaha lumberman. She was one of Omaha's most beautiful and talented young matrons. She is survived by her husband and a sister, Mrs. Joe Ellingwood, and a younger brother, Will, who is away at school. Her mother died about a year ago.

The funeral will be held in the residence, 700 North Fortieth street, at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon, with interment at Forest Lawn cemetery.

Officers Declare Situation is Improved as They Arrange Pastimes for Men Outdoors.

Three deaths from influenza were reported from the Fort Omaha Balloon school Friday morning. The total number of deaths is now 26. Army officials declare that the situation is improved and that the epidemic is almost completely under control. Every precaution against the disease is being taken at the fort and officers say that the quarantine ruling will continue until all danger is past.

Albert L. Coldiron of the 49th balloon company died early Friday morning following an attack of Spanish influenza. His home was in Oklahoma City, and the body will be taken there for burial.

Few New Cases. Albert Durin, Carlisle, Pa., and William J. Britton, Dontoct, Tex., died from the disease Friday morning. Durin was a member of the 60th balloon company and Britton belonged to the 60th company.

Only a very few new cases of the disease have developed at the fort the last few days.

Outdoor Entertainment. Major P. Van Nostran, executive officer at the fort, has planned entertainment for the soldiers and has arranged for outdoor moving pictures and has provided for band concerts every night. Foot ball teams have been organized and boxing and wrestling matches have been planned. The officers at the fort are doing their best to make life cheerful for the shut-in soldiers.

Columbia Records for November of Great Variety. The November catalogue of Columbia records, which has just been issued, contains much of interest for all lovers of music, from the classical to the rag.

Since Hawaii is now an ally of Italy, it has become quite the thing to have Neapolitan songs played on the ukulele and island guitars, and it is more than interesting to hear how extremely well this music sounds on the instruments of the land of flowers. Several new records of this kind are offered.

Records by a great number of artists are offered in the new catalogue, some of the more famous being Stracciari, Lazaro, Georges Baklanoff, Barbara Maurel, etc. Several records by the famous Naval Reserve band are among the November release as well as a great number of others of all sorts, and anyone with a love of music should not fail to get the new catalogue at once.

Call Off Creighton Game with Cotner to Avoid Flu. Creighton University officials called off the game scheduled for Saturday between the university football team and the Cotner Bulldogs after a conference with the Cotner officials Friday morning. The move is in accordance with the regulations passed by Health Commissioner Manning.

"It was through no desire on the part of the college authorities to violate the health commissioner's ruling that plans for playing the game Saturday were being completed," said Father McWilliams, athletic director. "We were bound by contract with the Cotner team and the officials of the game. It was simply to fulfill our contract that we planned playing the game and we did not want a crowd. We conferred with the Cotner officials and they agreed to call off the game, much to our relief."

Volunteer Services in Hospital During Epidemic. Awaiting government orders to serve as dietitian in an army hospital, Miss Nellie Farnsworth, federal food agent, has volunteered her services to Clarkson hospital where there is a pronounced shortage of help. Miss Farnsworth will "stay on the job" in the Omaha hospital until she receives a call elsewhere.

Miss Elizabeth Chamberlain of St. Paul will succeed Miss Farnsworth as emergency home demonstration agent for Omaha, according to announcement made by Mrs. Emma Davison of Lincoln, state agent. Miss Chamberlain will arrive in a few days.



MRS. H. G. SHEDD.

TERROR OF FLU HAMPERS WORK OF AIDING SICK

Woman is Deserted by Sister Who Fears Contagion and Whole Families Are Suffering.

So thoroughly have the people of Omaha been convinced of the deadly contagion of Spanish influenza that the Visiting Nurses' association finds difficulty in getting the help that is usually forthcoming in cases of illness among neighbors, according to Miss Clara Thomas, one of the directors of the Visiting Nurses' association, who has charge of the telephone calls in the office.

In one case a woman who lives in the thirty settled district beyond the Deaf and Dumb institute, too far for the nurse to call often, the sister of the patient refuses to enter the home. She brings food, leaves it on the doorstep and scuttles away in terror, allowing her sister to take care of herself as best she may.

One call which recently came to the office reported a whole family in a foreign district ill. When the nurse arrived the youngest baby was dead, and the second child, aged 2, critically ill. Taking this baby in her arms, the nurse carried it to St. Joseph's hospital, where it was cared for. The foreign women of the neighborhood refused to give any assistance, avoiding the home as if it were accursed.

Not every case, however, brings forth a story of fear and selfishness. There is the case of a young man of considerable means, who devoted himself to service among his poorer neighbors. Family after family was benefited by his unselfish care, until he, too, succumbed to the infection and now lies critically ill.

In spite of busy times brought on by the "flu," new babies keep arriving as usual. Two nurses are detailed especially for this work. One is a former member of the staff who has married and has a little baby of her own. She is unable to work among contagious cases, but has offered her services as a maternity nurse, to relieve one of the present staff. Five little babies have been ushered into the world by the Visiting Nurses this week.

Aged Man is Killed in Fall Down a Stairway. Leopold Heller, a money lender, who lived at the Chapman hotel and had offices in the Crouse block at Sixteenth and Capitol avenue, fell down the steps about noon Friday and was so seriously injured that he died before Dr. Watters, who answered the call, could arrive. Heller was 73 years of age.

Guislain, Hero of Lille, Related to Omaha Girl?

Omaha friends are speculating on the probable relationship of the counselor of Lille with the family of Jean Marie Guislain, Belgian artist, who married Miss Rose Coffman, daughter of Mrs. Victor Coffman, of Omaha.

The Guislain family was prominent in the official life of Belgium before the war. The father was Belgian ambassador to one of the South American countries, and a brother is an officer of high rank in the army.

An uncle and two aunts of Mr. Guislain have been living in Boston since the war. Mr. and Mrs. Guislain are also making their home in Boston.

Scorned Huns' Offer. The Guislain mentioned in the following war dispatch describing the entrance of a correspondent into Lille, who is quoted as saying that the Germans offered him a million to betray his country, at once recalled to Omaha people the prominence of the Guislain family into which Rose Coffman married and led to speculation as to probable relationship.

Paris, Oct. 18.—"I have just witnessed the most touching spectacle of my life. The whole city, in a delirium of joy, was ready to throw itself upon us, the first to enter Lille," telegraphs the war correspondent of the Petit Journal. "Tonight at 9 o'clock, near Armentières, an officer shouted to us, 'Lille is taken.' We speeded our auto on the road of victory. Two miles from Lille two young girls ran out in front of our automobile, crying and sobbing with joy. They have gone, they have gone. Vivent les Anglais, viva la France!"

JUDGE REFUSES WRIT TO WOMEN IN HOSPITAL

Redick Announces Determination Not to Interfere With Municipal Authorities.

Judge Redick in district court yesterday afternoon announced his determination not to interfere with the administration of the health commissioner in case of women committed to the Detention hospital, except when it may be shown that the action of the health department was not prompted by honest motives.

In the cases of Inous Carthrum and Marie Wells, he denied writs of habeas corpus and declined to hear evidence in either case, as he believed that interference by the court in such cases would be inimical to the health interests of the city.

The petitions, asking for the writs, alleged that these women were held without proper authority in the form of mittimus.

Belongs to City. "The power to pass upon her physical condition," the judge stated, in the Carthrum case, "has been delegated to the municipal authorities, and if she is held on a legal order of the health department, she cannot be said to be illegally detained, unless it can be shown that the order was wrongfully issued. To substitute the judgment of the court for that of the police powers, properly exercised, would interfere with the municipal and state legislation and would be mischievous. Health rules are adopted for the benefit of the public, and some individuals must suffer by reason of their enforcement."

Five Denied Writ. Five similar cases recently were heard in Judge Redick's court by the introduction of medical evidence from both sides and in each instance a writ of habeas corpus was denied.

Mrs. Carthrum, arrested at Twenty-fourth and Burdette streets, and Miss Wells, whose address was given by the police as 2933 North Forty-third street, are held on charges of being afflicted by communicable diseases.

Attorney for the women stated that he would take the Carthrum case to the state supreme court for a ruling. The judge denied an appearance bond.

Brother of South Side Man Killed on Battle Front. W. L. Browning of Twenty-first and I streets, is in receipt of a telegram stating that his brother, Stephen C. Browning, was killed in action on September 12. Mr. Browning was an employee of the bureau of animal industry until last May, when he left for Camp Funston and was soon sent across.

This is the first reported death of the 25 bureau of animal industry employees who have been called to military service.

Allied War Work Campaign To Have Offices in Paxton. The Allied War Work campaign, representing a united drive to finance the war activities of seven organizations: Red Cross, Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Jewish Relief, Knights of Columbus, Salvation Army, and War Camp Community Service, is having headquarters fitted up in the Paxton Hotel building and will be open for business by Monday.

Automobile Thieves Get Two Cars Thursday Night. Two automobile thefts were reported to the police Thursday evening. C. C. Hornby of the Hunter apartments reported that his car was taken from in front of his residence, and Dr. O. S. Hoffman, 3507 Harney street, reported that someone drove a roadster belonging to him away from in front of his residence last night. Neither car has been recovered.

Commercial Travelers' Dance Postponed to Nov. 16. The Entertainment committee of The United Commercial Travelers of America, has announced the postponement of the regular monthly dance, October 19, until Saturday, November 16. This action is taken in accordance with the wishes of the health department's closing order.

MAJOR MAHER IS HONOR GUEST AT C. OF C. DINNER

Chamber of Commerce Gives Farewell Luncheon to Maj. J. G. Maher, Ordered to Washington.

Major John G. Maher, head of the quartermaster's department in Omaha, who has been ordered east, ostensibly for overseas duty, was the guest of honor Friday noon at luncheon at the Chamber of Commerce, given by members of that organization.

The luncheon assumed the form of a farewell party, replete with congratulatory remarks concerning the major's splendid work while in Omaha. There was an evident heartfelt regret among those present at the prospect of seeing Major Maher leave Omaha, but all expressed their desire to see him entering the more active duties "over there."

C. C. George, president of the Chamber of Commerce, presided at the luncheon and introduced the various speakers, among whom was John W. Gamble, chairman of the executive committee, Chamber of Commerce and Charles B. Keller. "Nebraska is indeed fortunate in having sons of the caliber of Major Maher to send to the front," Mr. Keller said in closing his talk, "and how fortunate, will be demonstrated when the war is terminated with our boys in Berlin. And this will come when such men as the major arrive 'over there.'"

The major's response was short but bespoke his deep friendship for Omaha, the state and every one in it. "I've simply performed my work as best I could," the major said, "and my duties when called upon. It is the part of a soldier, but I do not deserve such great credit as has been given me here today."

"All honor and credit in this great world conflict is to be given not to the higher officials but solely to the boys—the boys—in the trenches. They are the ones who are going to win this war and don't you ever forget it. It is the private who is to be honored and to him shall all the credit go."

"As for myself, I shall always cherish a great love for Omaha and this state and when this war is won—and won by the unconditional surrender of the Germans—I shall return here to make my home."

Jews of Vienna Ask for Place Among Nations. Paris, Oct. 18.—(Havas).—A mass meeting of Jews was held at Vienna October 14, and a resolution was passed asking that the Jewish people be admitted into the league of nations, according to advice received here. The Jews also asked that they be represented at the peace conference.

It was pointed out at the meeting that the large number of Jews in Austria-Hungary entitle members of that race in the formation of Austrian federal states, which has been suggested in official circles.

Increased Wheat Acreage Held to Be Unnecessary. Washington, Oct. 18.—Julius H. Barnes, president of the food administration's grain corporation, believes that further extension of wheat acreage would be unnecessary and unwise. In a letter today to Senator Hiram Bland of Nebraska, Mr. Barnes said a fair yield from the present large acreage with new peace developments opening new sources of supply, would necessitate congressional appropriation to make effective the present price guarantee.

Royalties Visit Hospital. London, Oct. 18.—King George, accompanied by Queen Mary and the Princess Mary, paid a visit today to the big American base hospital at Dartford, 18 miles from London. They were escorted through the hospital by American Red Cross officials.

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Our boys are now following the great leader of our Allies "over there," fighting the battle of the United States, fighting without thought of being heroes—but fighting that men, women and children may not be tortured, burned and mutilated. Fighting against the bestial foe of America and mankind. No greater heroes nor braver men ever fought on the battle-fields of France than our "Sammies." Men with dauntless spirits—men of red blood, courage, energy, vim and vigor are needed every day behind the lines as well as behind the guns. You need iron in the blood! Every healthy man or woman should have about as much iron in his or her body as there is in an ordinary "penny" nail. To gain this iron, the best way is to take an iron- tonic, called "Iron-tic," a combination of iron in its most soluble form, discovered by Dr. Pierce and experimented with by his physicians at the Surgical Institute in Buffalo, N. Y.

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WAR PUZZLES



FOUR GERMAN ZEPPELINS DESTROYED

By French on return from raid on England, one year ago today, October 19, 1917.

Find an Airman. YESTERDAY'S ANSWER Left side down at elbow.

WAR MOTHER AND BABE WAITING IN VAIN FOR DADDY

Happy Mother Too Ill to Be Informed of Death of Soldier Husband "Somewhere in France."

Mrs. Harold Browning, young war bride, was married a year ago to her soldier-lover, and a few months later, brushed away her tears and kissed him goodbye as he marched away to war.

Soon she knew she was to become a mother and, happy in love and hope, she sewed tiny garments and dreamed of the happy home she would make for her soldier when he returned.

Last week a baby son was born to the young mother who is radiantly planning for "daddy's home coming." The girl's nurse declares it is the one thing for which the young mother is living.

But the father will not come home. Word came yesterday that Harold Browning was killed in action in France.

The mother, too ill to be told that her husband had paid the supreme sacrifice and that her baby son is fatherless, talks constantly of his homecoming and of his pride in his little son.

Browning's home was formerly in Missouri but he was well-known in Omaha where he worked for many years as a government inspector in South Omaha.

Tidal Waves Destroy Town of Mayaguez, in Porto Rico. Washington, Oct. 18.—Tidal waves which followed the earthquake in Porto Rico added to the death toll and devastation, the American Red Cross was advised today in cablegrams from San Juan. The city of Mayaguez, the third largest in the island, practically was destroyed by the rush of water, while the town of Aguadilla was badly damaged.

Civil Service Examinations. Washington, Oct. 18.—(Special Telegram).—Civil service examinations will be held November 12 for presidential postmasters at the following places: Strawberry Point, Ia., \$1,600; Edgemont, S. D., \$1,600; Tulare, S. D., \$1,600; Valley Springs, S. D., \$1,600; Putnam, S. D., \$1,200; Chelsea, Ia., \$1,100; Conrad, Ia., \$1,100; Ansel, Neb., \$1,500; Genoa, Neb., \$1,600; North Bend, Neb., \$1,700.

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- Berg Hats for Young Men.....\$3.00 to \$5.00
- Famous "Mayo" Hats .....\$3.50
- Golf Caps .....65c, 75c to \$2.50
- Boys' Cloth Hats .....65c to \$1.50

Main Floor, Arcade

Iowa Man Gets Commission as a Second Lieutenant. In the list of men recommended for commissions as second lieutenants by the central officers' training school, Camp Lee, Virginia, appears the name of Leo Anthony Bell of Cherokee, Ia. Lieutenant Bell has been assigned to the infantry replacement camp, Camp Grant, Illinois.