INFLUENZA SWEEPING NATION; PITTSBURGH UNDER QUARANTINE

Public Health Service Sends Aid to Sections Where Epidemic Rages.

FEWER CASES HERE

Southwestern Pennsylvania Has Escaped Serious Outbreak So Far.

ARMY CAMP'S SUFFER

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4—Spanish influenza continues its rapid spread among the army camps today. Reports today from the Public Health Service show that the disease has become epidemic in many more cities, with 12,971 new cases reported and 719 deaths. In the New England states, the disease has reached epidemic proportions. New York, and all parts of Pennsylvania, Maine, Delaware, Virginia, and the District of Columbia have been quarantined. The Public Health Service is in charge of the situation in different places.

Measures Taken in Many Directions by Health Authorities to Check Disease

SALOONS ARE CLOSED

Also All Places of Amusement—Church and School Attendance to Be Limited

PROTECT HOSPITALS

Rapid work was done yesterday by the Pittsburgh Department of Health in the enforcement of the State Health Department's order directing immediate closure of all saloons and places of amusement. The health officials and other city officials were kept busy all day, and from time to time new orders were issued, which were put in effect as rapidly as possible.

The saloons were ordered closed immediately upon the receipt of the official order in the city yesterday morning. So were the theaters. The orders were generally obeyed, especially by the saloons, which were closed up by the saloon keepers without any difficulty.

The Board of Health has closed all schools and places of amusement, and the health authorities are doing everything possible to prevent the spread of the epidemic.

Hundreds of Places Closed

There are approximately 1,500 saloons in the city, and every one of them has been ordered closed by the order. All movie houses, and a majority of the large theaters, have been closed by order of the health authorities. All places of amusement, including the amusement parks, have been closed by order of the health authorities.

The number of deaths in the city is approximately 1,500, and the death rate is about 4 per cent. This does not include cases of pneumonia and influenza, which are on the increase.

Influenza Sweeping Nation; Health Service Rushes Aid

Washington, D. C.—The Public Health Service has issued a bulletin dealing with the spread of the disease, which contains all known available information regarding the disease. Simple methods are given in its prevention. Measures to prevent spread and care of patients are also given. Readers may obtain copies of this pamphlet free of charge by writing to the Surgeon General, United States Public Health Service, Washington, D. C.