VACCINATION AGAINST ‘FLU’ HERE IS URGED

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Inoculation is Approved at Conference of Medical and Industrial Men.

PLANTS AFFECTED

Results of Preventive Treatment in Navy Yards Presented at Meeting.

An organized effort to check the influenza epidemic in the mill and munition districts about Pittsburgh, involving the cooperation of Army, Navy and war production representatives, was announced yesterday at a meeting which was held to induce every worker and resident in the territory involved to be vaccinated against influenza without delay.

The meeting was called at the office of Commodore R. C. Daas of the U.S.N., following the receipt of a report that the epidemic is increasing at Homestead and the Monumahma Valley, and that the production of war material is already seriously hampered.

The Carnegie Steel Company, whose employees are to be vaccinated, has been advised that at the present time the epidemic has spread to the extent of 25 per cent, or 2,600 men. Similarly disquieting figures were received from several other concerns. It was agreed that immediate steps must be taken to provide medical officers of the government to take charge of the fight against the epidemic.

Commodore Denic there presented the conference with Commodore Adam, United States Navy; A. L. Scovell, Red Cross Department; Capt. Mahon, Department of the Navy; Major George S. Oliver, executive officer at Pittsburgh, and other officers of the Army and Navy on an equal basis.

Results Here Are Good.

Radio reports that the treatment used by the Carnegie Steel Company has proved very effective and that he and his assistant were treating more than 500 employees with the same vaccine. Other reports state that the employees have not been on a single case of influenza and that among the workers of the Philadelphia Electric Company, 2,500 of whom had been vaccinated, not one case of influenza had developed.

Philadelphia Record recently printed the following on inoculation of workers by D. C., and its corps of special representatives have been active in campaigns to prevent the spread of influenza.

Thirty-five hundred employees of the company were vaccinated by Dr. W. J. Kendal, and his assistants inoculated labor men who had not cooperated with the public health officers.

The heavy call on the company’s medical department resulted in the employment of Dr. J. E. Henderson and Dr. W. J. Kendal, who have not been on a single case of influenza, one doctor one for each of the latter.

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