

# POLICE PROHIBIT HALLOWEEN CELEBRATIONS; BAN CROWDS

Pittsburgh's usual Halloween celebrations are prohibited this year, according to an order sent to Superintendent of Police R. J. Alderdice by Director of Public Safety Charles B. Prichard yesterday.

Director Prichard, at the request of Maj. W. H. Davis, director of the Department of Health, instructed the police to stop the congregating of crowds in downtown Pittsburgh, East Liberty, the North Side and the South Side, to forbid the sale of confetti, the throwing of foodstuffs or other useful commodities, and in general to interpret the ruling of the state health authorities and Federal authorities rigidly.

Masqueraders will be allowed on the streets of their own districts, should they desire to so appear, but they must not congregate in crowds, and in general all unusual activities on Halloween will be frowned upon.

Ticklers and brushes are particularly forbidden, and confetti throwing will not be allowed because in contact with the hands, clothes and the persons of the people throwing enhances the danger of spreading influenza.

Similar prohibitory orders will be issued by other municipalities in the county.