HEALTH BOARD'S MORE STRINGENT RESTRICTIONS

Ulric Dahlgren Issues Rules for Restaurants and Stores

DISEASE SEEMS ON WANE

In the various rulings and recommendations made by the Board of Health in regard to the present epidemic of influenza and pneumonia a single principle has been used. It has been to conserve the health of the community and to prevent the contagion or transmission of the disease by preventing all crowding in public places of people who might be carriers of the disease, also to prevent the common use of drinking vessels and dishes, whereby the disease might be transmitted more easily than by proximity or contact.

More especial attention has been paid to crowding in which transients from out of town are mixed with the townpeople. Some of these travelers can be carriers of the influenza, and it is probable in this way that the trouble has been brought to Princeton.

Acting upon this general principle, the Health Officer has closed all movie houses, pool rooms, and other gatherings or meetings in their jurisdiction. They have also requested all stores or centers of distribution to cease selling ice cream, cakes, and pies, and drinks over counters where these goods are to be consumed on the premises or in the adjacent streets. Such goods can be sold, where they are in containers, as bottles and boxes, etc., and are taken away to be consumed in the purchaser's premises or in some other locality where no crowding will result.

They have also requested the closing of schools and churches.

In regard to hotels and restaurants where regular meals are served, the managers are requested to serve meals in their dining rooms only to their regular guests, or to such a number of persons that no crowding will result. The Health Officer or other members of the Board will make inspections, and if crowding takes place in the dining room or in lobbies, ante-rooms or doorways, or outside of the building by persons waiting to be served the premises will be closed. No such closures or restrictions have been ordered during this epidemic for dirty premises, as all were clean.