CHURCHES ARE CLOSED UNDER HEALTH ORDER

Sale of Liquor in Clubs as Well as on Hotel Tables Stopped to Thwart Influenza.

HEALTH INSPECTOR DIES.

All church services, including Wednesday evening prayer meetings, are now discontinued under an order issued at noon today by William E. Davis, director of the department of health, who is concentrating the efforts of all personnel in his charge upon stamping out the influenza epidemic. The action of the director in respect to the churches was taken following telegraphic instruction from State Health Commissioner P. F. Royer. The instructions also carried authority to stop the sale of liquor and all entertainments in clubs and to eliminate the serving of liquor in dining rooms of hotels.

Among the soldiers quartered in the Pittsburgh district the number of new cases of influenza is on the decline while the condition is the reverse among the civil population. In the 24 hours ending at noon today 57 cases had been reported. Of this number, 156 were reported during the last 24 hours. In addition to the influenza there were 13 cases of death from pneumonia for the 24-hour period. This is not greatly above the normal, but in several cases the cause is directly attributable to influenza.

Among those who have died of pneumonia is Joseph Werner, for many years...