

FEWER CASES OF INFLUENZA ARE REPORTED

Crest of Epidemic May Not Be Reached Here Before End of Present Week.

DOCTORS VISIT BOROUGHS.

During the last 24 hours there has been a decrease in the number of influenza and pneumonia cases reported, but local health authorities are of the opinion that the crest of the epidemic, which was expected about Thursday, may not arrive until Saturday. This means that a large number of new cases may be expected each day until that time.

During the period between 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon and 10 o'clock this morning 436 influenza cases were reported, making a total of 4,551. There were 21 new cases of pneumonia. During the last 24 hours there have been 16 deaths from pneumonia, two from influenza and 12 in which both pneumonia and influenza were held responsible.

It was stated this morning that there would be no modification of any of the regulations affecting the opening of saloons or places of amusement. The liquor dealers' organization has made several offers to be permitted to conduct their business in a limited way, but they have been refused.

TENTS FOR HOSPITALS.

Plans for tents are on route to the adjutant general's office at Harrisburg, according to a statement made last night at the health department. It is the intention of Director William H. Davis to have them erected in the Washington park playground, where they will serve one of the city's dense centers of population.

The tents were arranged for through Dr. Karl Schaffle of the state health department who has been in the city for two days making a study of the epidemic. Dr.

Schaffle has made a careful study of the situation at Homestead, where there are hundreds of cases. As a result tent facilities for 100 cots are on their way to Homestead. They will be accompanied by a state engineer who will select the site for a hospital and supervise the erection and flooring of the tents. Among the sections visited by Dr. Schaffle yesterday were Turtle Creek, Wilmerding, Brodbeck and Wilkinsburg.

There are 410 cases in Wilkinsburg. During the last 24 hours 26 new cases have been reported. The percentage of pneumonia cases is not considered alarming. During the last 24 hours 11 were reported. The schools are open, but the strictest medical inspection prevails and children showing the slightest sign of taking the disease are sent home.

City and state health officials are investigating reports concerning the violation of liquor-selling regulations by wholesale and retail dealers. Under Dr. Royer's orders the facts in such cases may be presented to the license court judges, if the authorities find the violations were deliberate.