CITY TEACHERS VOLUNTEER AID FOR RED CROSS

500 Promise to Help Influenza Patients at Girls' High School Meeting

San Francisco school teachers met yesterday morning in the auditorium of the Girls' High School and volunteered to assist in the care of influenza patients in other Red Cross efforts in the present situation.

Cards were distributed and teachers signed promises to care for patients, take care of children, do typewriting or answer telephones calls in the Red Cross headquarters.

The need for immediate help was told in short address by Dr. Britton, Mrs. J. P. Casseday, President George E. Gallagher and Miss Agnes Regan of the Board of Education.

SCHOOLS ARE ENLISTED

Afterward the principals met and resolved to offer the teaching staff of each school meeting to the Red Cross as early as possible. The Red Cross agent called in the neighborhood.

Plans were also made for the use of the kitchen of the science departments in the high schools, to be ready for the sick.

Some objection was voiced at the outset to the idea of an indoor meeting of the teachers, but Miss Regan frankly told the principal of the incident in the hall. There is too much fear in San Francisco today, and too much of the idea that influenza means death. Certainly the teachers are one of the most helpless groups of the community.

LAUGHED AT IDEA

'Last week I laughed at the idea of the mask,' Britton said. 'I wanted to be independent and I did not realize that the cost of such independence was the lives of others. Today I must realize that the military authority was needed and the cost of it was very great. The Red Cross would be needed here as quickly as possible.'

When the cards were distributed and the call was made for signatures, the response was practically unanimous.