Barred by Flu, Father Sees Baby With Spying Glass

Deputy Mine Inspector, Denied Admittance to Hospital, Visits From Outside.

Deputy Mine Inspector J. Wesley Gebb of the Industrial Accident Commission carried his spy-glass with him when he went to the hospital yesterday to visit his wife and his brand-new baby, for when he got there the authorities would not let him in on account of the influenza epidemic.

Much discouraged, he turned to go, when a brilliant thought struck him—the spy-glasses were in his pocket. Gebb stood in the court and gazed upon wife and baby through the window (and the glasses) until the attendants told him that his time was up.

Red Cross in New Quarters To Face Flu

SAN FRANCISCO Chapter of the Red Cross opened its influenza campaign headquarters at 1032 Mission street.

There will be maintenance of the campaign until the epidemic ends.

All business connected with the work will be there conducted.

The chapter was overwhelmed at its Montgomery street offices.

A new location was sought with the outcome that the use of the Mission street building was given by the owner, Henry Brown of Napa to the service.

The telephone service is installed under Park 8646.

All applications for assistance and for employment during the epidemic will be handled through the temporary headquarters.

RED CROSS SITE IS FLU HOSPITAL

300 Beds To Be Installed; Volunteer Force Busy Completing Buildings.

Three hundred beds are to be installed at once in the American Red Cross headquarters building at the old City Hall site for influenza patients. Work to complete the building was begun yesterday by a large force of volunteer workmen.

The structure will be ready for occupancy at the latest next Thursday, it was announced yesterday from Red Cross headquarters.

Inspection of the building was made by medical surgeons yesterday, and it was declared satisfactory. This was done at the direction of Commandant George of the Mare Island Navy Yard.

The hospital, as already announced, will be in charge of a naval medical unit consisting of five doctors, forty orderlies, sixty laboratory assistants, master at arms, and a kitchen crew.

Twelve graduate nurses must be added to the detachment. They will be paid $25 a week. Applications should be filed at once with F. H. L. Gregory, chairman of the Red Cross influenza committee, 1032 Mission street.

In the building will be established, six large well-lighted wards, heated and ventilated, with ample kitchen and dining room service. Little interior alteration will be required. Shower baths will be installed for the medical staff. Influenza patients will not require the baths, as sponge baths alone are used during the course of the disease.

‘Peak’ of Epidemic At Camp Lewis Passed

CAMP LEWIS, TACOMA (Wash.), October 26.—The crest of the influenza epidemic is past,” says the weekly camp health report issued today. During the week 927 cases of influenza developed here against 1,034 cases reported the previous week, a decrease of 127 cases.

Increase in daily admissions to the base hospital due to influenza began September 17 last, and reached the high mark of 212 admissions in twenty-four hours on October 12. Since that time there has been a consistent decrease, according to the health report.

There were 396 cases of pneumonia and fifty-five deaths, all but two due to pneumonia, during the week. The high mark for pneumonia was reached October 21, when there were eighty-five admissions to the base hospital from that disease.