

# INFLUENZA SWEEPING NATION; PITTSBURGH UNDER QUARANTINE

Public Health Service Sends Aid to Sections Where Epidemic Rages.

## FEWER CASES HERE

Southwestern Pennsylvania Has Escaped Serious Outbreak So Far.

## ARMY CAMPS SUFFER

(THE ASSOCIATED PRESS TO GAZETTE TIMES.) WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—Spanish influenza continues its rapid spread both among the civilian population and in army camps. Reports today to the Public Health Service showed the disease had become epidemic in many more cities, while 12,972 new cases were reported among soldiers training in this country.

Behind the New England district, the disease now has reached epidemic proportions in New Jersey and also in parts of Pennsylvania, Maine, Delaware, Virginia and thus far 161 doctors and a large number of nurses have been ordered to report to Public Health Service officials in charge of the situation in different places where the disease is especially prevalent. An official of the service was sent to Trenton to take charge of the campaign in New Jersey.

**Pneumonia Doubles in Camps.**  
There was no record to show the pneumonia and death rates among the civilians, but in army camps pneumonia cases nearly doubled, being 1,331 today against 690 yesterday. Deaths in army camps, however, decreased, being 131, compared with 290 the day before. The total number of cases in the camps now is 125,776, pneumonia cases 6,623 and deaths 2,566.

Camp Funston, Kansas reported the heaviest increase in influenza today, with 1,271 new cases, while Camp Jackson, South Carolina and Sherman, O., each reported more than 1,000. Although both Camp Dix, New Jersey, and Grant, Illinois, reported fewer cases of influenza, the pneumonia and death rates at those points increased, with 399 pneumonia cases and 53 deaths at Grant and 172 pneumonia cases and 53 deaths at Dix.

In the Suburbs against the disease among the civilian population the Public Health Service has sent physicians to Nashville, Tenn., Norfolk, Va., and has calls from West Point, Va., Annapolis, Pa., Berlin, N. B., Eastport, Me., Chester, Pa., and

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### ALL ABOUT INFLUENZA IS TOLD IN FREE BOOK ISSUED BY GOVERNMENT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—The surgeon general of the United States Public Health Service has just issued a publication dealing with Spanish influenza, which contains all known available information regarding this disease. Simple methods relative to its prevention, manner of spread and care of patients also are given. Readers may obtain copies of this pamphlet free of charge by writing to the Surgeon General, United States Public Health Service, Washington, D. C.

### Measures Taken in Many Directions by Health Authorities to Check Disease

### SALOONS ARE CLOSED

### Also All Places of Amusement—Church and School Attendance to Be Limited

### PROTECT HOSPITALS

Rapid work was done yesterday by the Pittsburgh Department of Health in the enforcement of the State Health Department's order directing measures to prevent the spread of Spanish influenza. The health officials and other city officials conferred all day, and from time to time new orders were issued, which were put in effect as rapidly as possible.

The saloons were ordered closed immediately upon the receipt of the official order in the city yesterday morning. So were the theaters. The orders were generally obeyed, especially by the places of amusement. Where not obeyed by the saloons a second notice brought speedy compliance.

The Board of Public Education took measures to restrict the activity of the schools and the consequent chance of contagion, especially by the stoppage of enrollment for night schools. Measures were taken to protect the hospitals by ordering an end of unnecessary visiting, and the churches by the issuance of instructions to limit attendance.

### Hundreds of Places Closed.

There are approximately 1,400 saloons in Allegheny county which are affected by the order. All must close their doors, and a majority of them did so during yesterday.

The number of motion picture theaters in the city is approximately 163. The number in the county outside the city is about as large. This does not include the vaudeville houses and larger playhouses. Practically all closed their doors yesterday or last night.

Health Director W. H. Davis communicated with Police Superintendent R. J. Alderdice upon receipt of the official state order in Pittsburgh yesterday morning, and patrolmen were instructed to see that the order was carried out to the letter.

Orders calling of public meetings were issued. Many indoor meetings which had been scheduled will not be held.

### State Commissioner's Order.

The official order sent to the Pittsburgh Health Department by Dr. B.

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Portsmouth, Va., which will be filled as soon as possible.

### Ban On Gatherings Urged.

Telegrams have been sent to all state health officers to the effect that emergency medical and nursing aid from the Public Health Service and the Red Cross, in connection with influenza, will be supplied only by requests sent to the surgeon general of the Public Health Service by state health officers. This action, it was explained, was in the interest of the state and intelligent handling of the disease.

### Philadelphia Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 4.—Influenza is on the increase in Philadelphia, 28 new cases having been reported in the last 24 hours. As a result of the epidemic Philadelphia will, after a lull tonight, be "back" for the first time in its history. The order also applies to places of amusement but leaves the judgment of the local authorities whether churches and Sunday schools should be closed for the epidemic period, and in compliance with an order issued by the state health authorities, the order also applies to places of amusement but leaves the judgment of the local authorities whether churches and Sunday schools should be closed for the epidemic period.

### Church Services Suspended.

Church services have been suspended throughout the state, religious services in Philadelphia were suspended today until October 21 and the grand jury is scheduled for the week between Philadelphia and the United States of America.

### Spread Through Ohio from Camps.

COLUMBUS, O., Oct. 4.—Spanish influenza is spreading rapidly through Ohio, according to reports received by the health department today. Reports show that in almost every instance the disease was brought in by recruits from Army or Navy camps.

### Deaths Reported.

Several instances, the State Department of Health reports, the disease has been carried to Ohio by infected men from the Great Lakes. Two hundred and fifty cases have been reported at the Wilbur Wright Army Air Corps camp near Dayton.

### New York Cases Under Order.

NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—The spread of Spanish influenza by relaying contagion on the city's transportation lines, notwithstanding the closing of the public establishments and of the houses of prostitution, motion picture houses and theaters, was ordered today by the Health Department.

### Boston Cases Reported.

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### Indiana Cases Reported.

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### Annapolis.

ANNAPOLIS, MD., Oct. 4.—The influenza epidemic among the inhabitants of the Naval Academy and the second victim today was Charles E. Grace, a member of the fourth class, reported by the health authorities at the Naval Hospital. About 700 students are afflicted with the disease, most of the cases being reported by the health authorities.

### Yale Cases Reported.

YALE, Conn., Oct. 4.—To prevent members of the Students' Army Training Corps and all others at Yale University from spreading the disease into effect today. All buildings were closed to visitors and entrance was limited to those who were necessary for the maintenance of the university.

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R. Royer, state commissioner of health, reads as follows: "Whereas the spread of epidemic influenza has become a public health problem of such magnitude that it is necessary to enforce strict quarantine measures in order to prevent the further spread of the disease, and whereas it is the duty of the state health officer to enforce such measures, I hereby order that strict quarantine be enforced in this city and county from and after the date hereinafter named."

The last statement issued yesterday from the Pittsburgh Health Department after a conference of health and hospital officials, reads as follows: "It is the duty of the Department of Public Health that at all churches and Sunday schools, and in all places where large numbers of persons who have been exposed to the disease are gathered, strict quarantine measures be enforced. The Department of Public Health is hereby notified that it is the duty of the health officer to enforce such measures, and that it is the duty of the health officer to enforce such measures, and that it is the duty of the health officer to enforce such measures."

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### Other Orders and Advice.

The intention of all underlings in the health department is to prevent the spread of the disease by the enforcement of strict quarantine measures. The Department of Public Health is hereby notified that it is the duty of the health officer to enforce such measures, and that it is the duty of the health officer to enforce such measures."

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