EPIDEMIC GAINS IN EIGHT COUNTIES

Total Deaths in State from Influenza Since October 1, 18,554.

1,000 ILL IN ST. MARYS

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE TIMES.]

HARRISBURG, Oct. 22.—Up to 6 o'clock tonight, 4,183 new cases of influenza were reported from 35 counties. The disease shows a steady increase in Allegheny, Armstrong, Cambria, Westmoreland, parts of Fayette, Somerset, Bradford and Elk counties. St. Marys, Elk county, now has a total of 1,000 cases.

The totals of deaths, including those in reports delayed over the week-end and arriving up to today, are 13,271 from influenza and 5,283 from pneumonia, a total of 18,554 deaths since October 1.

Eleven Die of Penumonia.

SHARON, Pa., Oct. 22.—Eleven deaths from pneumonia following attacks of influenza have occurred in Sharon, Farrell and Sharpsville in 24 hours. Two deaths occurred in the new emergency hospital in the Buhl Armory. There are a score of patients in the hospital. Local physicians believe the disease is on the wane.

Fewer Cases in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 22.—(A. P.)—There were 463 new cases of influenza reported in Philadelphia for the 24 hours, a slight decrease as compared with the previous days report. For the last 48 hours, 521 deaths from influenza and 385 from pneumonia were reported.

Greensburg Closes Schools.

GREENSBURG, PA., Oct. 22.—At a meeting of the School Board it was decided to close school houses here until the epidemic had passed. The teachers will be asked to volunteer to serve as nurses in the emergency hospital opened here a few days ago.

Dr. I. M. Portser, state health representative, said 40 members of the Sisters of Charity had volunteered their services as nurses and they will probably be assigned to the emergency hospital.

The coal and coke companies of Greensburg and vicinity are inoculating all employes in an effort to prevent the disease from interfering with the output of coal.

More Deaths at Bradford.

BRADFORD, PA., Oct. 22.—Twelve new cases and three deaths is the report of the influenza situation in this city. At Lewis Run, a small halmet south of Bradford, 75 cases are reported, and a school house is being fitted up with cots for the patients there.

Dies on Automobile Trip.

MONACA, PA., Oct. 22.—Taken ill with pneumonia, while returning by automobile to his home in Maxwell, Tenn., from Darby, near Philadelphia, John Morgan, aged 38, died in a tent along the roadside here today. Morgan, his wife and his son, had been on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Morgan, at Darby. They traveled by day and spent the nights in a tent. The body was shipped to Darby this evening.

CHILDREN BEST IN SCHOOLS, SAYS BURNS

Reports Causing Board to Decide Against Closing for Grip.

INFLUENZA FIGURES

While the Pittsburgh Board of Public Education yesterday adopted a resolution providing that the schools shall not be closed on account of the prevailing epidemic of Spanish influenza two members of that body did not vote for the resolution, although they did not have their votes recorded against it. The action was opposed in a brief statement by Dr. A. L. Lewin, but no negative votes were heard when the question was submitted by President David B. Oliver. Mrs. Mary J. Cowley asked to be recorded as not voting.

Superintendent of Schools William M. Davidson, with Director of Hygiene Burns, submitted reports showing that school attendance since the epidemic started is 40 per cent below the total enrollment, or 27,257 out of 77,487 pupils out of school. The superintendent pointed out that as 10 per cent of the "whole number enrolled" is out of school all the time on the average, the falling off due to the influenza is probably 30 per cent or about 20,000 pupils. Of the total number out, the superintendent announced, as far as he has been able to ascertain, only 6,070, or eight per cent have influenza, and among this number there have been only 53 deaths.

Among the teachers, Dr. Davidson reported, 64 having influenza, have recovered and returned and there are now 164 suffering from the disease and out of school. There have been two deaths among the teachers.

Schools Best Place for Them.

"School, for the five hours the children spend there, is the best possible place for them in the course of this epidemic," Director Burns informed the board. He said all authorities are agreed upon this, provided there is rigid medical inspection in the schools, and declared that school medical inspection in Pittsburgh is regarded as among the best of such inspections in the country. Director of Health Davis told him, Dr. Burns said, that the Health Department wished it had the same effective means of keeping tab on the influenza elsewhere in the city as it has in the public schools.

Precautions Being Taken.

Besides the usual health safeguards, these additional precautions are being taken for the schools, Director Burns announced:

All cases of sickness returning to school, whether pupil, teacher or other employe, to be admitted only after consultation with the school medical inspector.

All children or other persons in the school found to have a cold in the head or sneezing and coughing are sent home at once and the school medical inspector notified.

Temperatures of all school rooms required to be maintained between 68 and 70 degrees Fahrenheit.

All school rooms are air-flushed hourly by opening windows and doors for five minutes.

All visiting of persons sick, by teachers or pupils, forbidden.

Any child or teacher with symptoms of prostration, headache, backache or other evidence of sudden illness sent home immediately and not allowed to return until approved by the school medical inspector.

All teachers requested to instruct the children that when obliged to cough, sneeze or expectorate at any time, especially during the prevalence of the epidemic, a handkerchief should be used.

Figures for Every School.

The figures for districts in the city given by Supt. Davidson follow:

North Side District.

School.	Number Pupils Enrolled	Pupils Absent Oct. 22	Pupils Absent Account Influenza	Pupils Died from Influenza
City View	[illegible]	58	...	..
Clayton	611	265	135	..
Columbus	932	322	17	..
John M. Conroy	1,129	749	145	..
Mary J. Cowley	1,001	363	35	..
Duquesne	356	80	21	..
East Park	719	223	76	2
East Street	583	[illegible]	48	..
Fineview	323	78	72	..
Hall's Grove	461	165	314	..
Latimer El.	[illegible]	81	16	..
Linwood	412	184	17	..
Lockhart	[illegible]	197	17	..
Longfellow	144	[illegible]	4	..
Manchester	1,522	158	65	1
Horace Mann	894	182	42	..
McNaugher	588	104	7	..
John Morrow	836	249	[illegible]	1
Perry	[illegible]	[illegible]	51	1
Schiller	[illegible]	212	5	1
Spring Garden	481	166	33	..
Spring Hill	522	97	10	..
Troy Hill	493	165	11	..
Valley	131	90	1	..
Daniel Webster	531	[illegible]	90	2
Woods Run	713	320	160	1
Allegheny High	828	95	6	..
Irwin Ave. Junior	439	94	7	..
Latimer Junior	1,725	272	10	..
Total	18,787	6,796	1,334	11

South Side District.

Allen	1,616	298	15	..
American	497	[illegible]	28	..
Bane	399	167	115	..
Bedford	486	182	9	..
Beechview	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
Beechwood	614	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
Beltzhoover	975	331	142	2
Birmingham	486	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
Bon Air	86	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
Brashear	457	[illegible]	132	1
Brookline	409	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
Carrick	[illegible]	141	41	1
Chartiers	44	[illegible]	8	..
Esplen	374	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
Harwood	631	147	5	..
Humboldt	719	217	10	..
Jefferson	759	124	20	..
Knox	429	[illegible]	15	2
Lee	345	73	10	..
Luckey	292	92	32	..
Montooth	230	135	50	..
Morse	606	272	4	..
Prospect	973	328	37	..
Snodgrass	622	172	29	..
Stevens, Thad	306	111	[illegible]	..
Westlake	[illegible]	259	4	..
West Liberty	317	154	[illegible]	..
Whittier	363	[illegible]	7	..
Wickersham	[illegible]	224	[illegible]	..
Riverside High	149	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
South High	1,5[illegible]	85	[illegible]	..
South Hills High	495	154	[illegible]	..
Total	15,[illegible]	5,[illegible]	825	6

Central District.

Business High	675	[illegible]	10	1
Fifth Ave. High	882	140	11	..
Bellefield	725	211	25	..
Brown's	73	19	..	..
Forbes	1,065	317	117	2
Franklin	1,215	519	..	2
Gladstone	823	166	40	..
Glenwood	473	241	240	..
Grant	461	117	4	..
Greenfield	603	209	..	..
Hancock	455	163	14	..
Hazelwood	1,280	326	..	..
Holmes	1,144	654	20	1
Letsche	750	17[illegible]	..	..
Logan	432	197	147	..
Madison	563	219	[illegible]	..
Miller	940	443	..	..
Minersville	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
Moorhead	1,100	[illegible]	[illegible]	2
McKelvy	1,149	4[illegible]	25	..
Penn	563	[illegible]	560	..
Roosevelt	649	370	10	..
Rose	625	264	..	..
Soho	750	169	7	..
Somers	490	169	6	..
Squirrel Hill	18	2	..	1
Watt	1,012	241	169	..
Total	17,846	6,250	800	10

East End District.

Andrews	[illegible]	264	[illegible]	..
Baxter	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
Bayard	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
Belmar	1,4[illegible]	441	[illegible]	..
Bennett	[illegible]	[illegible]	90	..
Braddock	[illegible]	[illegible]	150	..
Colfax	[illegible]	259	4	..
Crescent	409	203	175	..
Dilworth	681	271	15	..
Fort Pitt	221	125	21	..
Forward Ave.	[illegible]	122	52	..
Foster, S. C.	424	119	68	..
Friendship	[illegible]	193	9	..
Fulton	704	309	..	..
Garfield	621	110	16	..
Homewood	1,2[illegible]	431	149	..
Larimer	1,110	29[illegible]	123	1
Lawrence	[illegible]	[illegible]	12	..
Lemington	781	[illegible]	111	..
Liberty	[illegible]	[illegible]	11	..
Lincoln	1,018	402	260	1
Linden	441	279	111	..
McCandless	4[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
McCleary	[illegible]	171	[illegible]	..
McKee	[illegible]	[illegible]	4	..
Morningside	[illegible]	[illegible]	15	..
Mt. Albion	[illegible]	[illegible]	4	..
O'Hara	442	290	145	..
Osceola	120	[illegible]	12	1
Park Place	335	118	[illegible]	..
Ralston	300	151	140	..
Reiziensteins, J. E.	[illegible]	130	[illegible]	..
Shakespeare	490	182	72	..
Springfield	259	162	[illegible]	1
Sterrett	242	177	58	1
Swisshelm	165	62	[illegible]	..
Sunnyside	219	74	56	..
Washington	426	215	80	..
Wightman, Thos.	534	290	140	1
Woolslair	637	197	[illegible]	..
Peabody	1,425	247	[illegible]	3
Schenley	1,729	309	[illegible]	4
Westinghouse	188	112	11	..
Ind. Home	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
Total	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]