

RADICAL STEPS BY HARRISBURG ANTICIPATED

Mayor's Proclamation. Sanctions Opening of City Beginning at 5 A. M. Tomorrow.

STATE'S ACTION WAITED.

Theaters and Saloons Decide to Open Monday—School Opening Deferred.

State health authorities were expected, today, to take radical measures to prevent the lifting of the influenza closing order in Pittsburgh prior to the date formally set yesterday by Dr. R. Franklin Royer, state health commissioner — Saturday, November 9.

Such action is looked for as the inevitable result of the proclamation issued last night by Mayor Babcock, "authorizing and encouraging" the lifting of the ban beginning at 5 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Quarantining of the city—which means a state order prohibiting the stopping of passenger trains or other passenger-carrying agencies passing through the city to take on or discharge passengers—is considered a possible measure, in the light of a statement made by Dr. Royer last night when notified of Mayor Babcock's proclamation.

EFFECT VARIED.

The effect upon the city of Mayor Babcock's action has been varied. Representatives of the theaters and motion picture houses met last night and unanimously decided to reopen Monday. The Retail Liquor Dealers' Association has expressed itself as standing by the decision of the mayor, and the department of health. The public schools, it is understood, will await the completion of a plan assuring the safety of the pupils before opening.

Though the churches of the city were closed by order of the city health authorities, and are therefore not affected by the state ban, many of them have announced that they will hold no services until next Sunday, while others, including the Catholic diocese of Pittsburgh, have announced that services will be resumed tomorrow.

All Catholic churches in the city probably will be open for service tomorrow morning.

Announcement of this was made at the chancellor's office, St. Paul's Cathedral, shortly after 10 o'clock this morning. It was stated that permission to open the churches applies only to the city proper, inasmuch as churches out-