

# SAN FRANCISCO THEATERS WILL OPEN SATURDAY

## Health Board Lifts Ban on Downtown Places as In- fluenza Falls Off

## SERVICES ON SUNDAY Schools to Take Up Studies; Masks Off Within Week, Supervisors Say

SAN FRANCISCO theaters and places of amusement will be reopened Saturday afternoon. This was authorized by the Board of Health yesterday, when only six new cases of influenza were reported. Theaters and schools in the Mission district east of Valencia street and north of Union street, between Hyde street and the bay, where there are still many cases of influenza, will not be allowed to open until later.

A committee from the Board of Supervisors appeared at the meeting of the Board of Health and said that the Board expected to revoke the mask ordinance within a week.

Churches will be permitted to open Sunday, and the schools, with the exceptions noted, will reopen Monday morning.

### MANAGERS RESPONSIBLE FOR WEARING OF MASKS

Managers of the theaters and other places of amusement are to be held responsible by the Board of Health for the enforcement of the mask ordinance, and in every theater the order to wear masks must be thrown upon the screen before each performance.

Hotels and restaurants will be permitted to resume use of orchestras and entertainers, but no permits will be given for dancing.

The order permits the opening of bowling alleys, billiard parlors and public meetings of all kinds, with the provision that all persons wear masks.

### THEATERS TO GIVE WAR WORK LEADERS RECEIPTS

Theater men announced that the net receipts of Saturday, both afternoon and evening, would be donated to the United War Work Campaign.

Morris Meyerfeld, representing the Curran, Columbia, Alcazar and Orpheum theaters, said that the managers of these houses had already decided to give the net proceeds of the Saturday matinee and evening performances to this cause. Representatives of the moving-picture houses said that they had no doubt that every other manager in the city would follow this example.

Yesterday seventy-five cases of influenza were reported to the Board of Health. Only six new cases were reported for the day, many of the reported cases dating as far back as November 7. Twelve deaths were reported, the smallest number since the epidemic began.

### EPIDEMIC CONQUERED, SAYS DR. EGEBERG

"The epidemic has been conquered," said Dr. J. C. Egeberg, assistant chief surgeon of the emergency service, yesterday. "Our good record is due to the unselfish devotion of the workers of the Red Cross, the doctors, nurses, hospital attendants, volunteer workers and all others who did such valiant service, together with the loyal co-operation of the public."

Dr. Egeberg paid special tribute to the stewards and ambulance drivers of the emergency service who have worked twelve-hour shifts and have taken no days off since the epidemic began. "The Red Cross Motor Corps was on the job every minute," he said, "and did most efficient work."

Following is the order issued by the Board:

Whereas, The Health Officer has reported to the Board that the influenza epidemic has subsided to such an extent that the disease can be said to be under control; and whereas, the Board of Health is desirous of removing the restrictions heretofore imposed on all forms of public assemblage, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Board of Health hereby grant permission,

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# Theaters, Schools And Churches to Reopen in City

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subject to the strict observance of the masking ordinance, for the holding of church services in all churches of all denominations, commencing on Sunday next, and that the Sunday-schools may be reopened on that day; that all theaters and movie houses may reopen commencing with the matinee performance on Saturday, November 16; that music, but not dancing, be resumed in the cafes, cabarets and restaurants, commencing on Saturday evening; that all pool and billiard parlors and shooting galleries may reopen at that time; that the public and private libraries reopen on Monday and that all clubs, banquets, lodge and labor union meetings may be resumed and that concerts be resumed in the Civic Auditorium. The permission here granted does not apply to schools, theaters nor movie houses within the limits of the following districts:

North of California, east of Hyde, north of Union to bay shore; south of Market to Valencia, and south of Valencia to San Jose avenue to county line, Corbett avenue and Sloat boulevard.

Dr. William C. Hassler, health officer, said that unless there is a "flare-up," the Mission and North End districts probably would be cleaned up sufficiently in about ten days for the withdrawal of the restrictions made by the Board of Health yesterday.

Dr. Hassler stated last night that the order of the Board of Health would also apply to auctioneers and others who conduct a business where crowds are gathered. These would not be permitted to open for business until Monday, however, the health officer said.

## REDWOOD CITY WINS FIGHT ON INFLUENZA

REDWOOD CITY, November 13.—Redwood City has won its fight against influenza, and the Board of Health issued an order today authorizing the motion-picture theaters to reopen Saturday night, the churches on Sunday and the schools Monday.