

# MASK WEARING OBLIGATORY IN S. F. SCHOOLS

Education Board Issues Rule  
Affecting All Teachers  
and Pupils

## FEWER DEATHS REPORTED Influenza Preventive Measure Meant Also to Restore Confidence

Four hundred and seventy-three cases, 322 of which were reported by mail, is yesterday's influenza record, according to the Board of Health. While yesterday's death record was twenty-five, as compared with thirty-four the day previous, the number of cases jumped, Friday's total being 441.

Teachers and children attending the public schools were yesterday ordered to remask immediately by the Board of Education as a preventive against the spread of influenza.

The order of the Board, signed by President George E. Gallagher, reads:

"The Board of Education has resolved to order all teachers in the public schools to wear masks at all times within the school buildings, until further orders, and to request that all children attending said schools be masked also. This course is taken because of the prevalence of influenza in the city, the earnest recommendation of the Board of Health, the marked diminution in the actual attendance of pupils. It is hoped that this course will diminish the spread of the disease, will restore confidence among the parents of the children and will render unnecessary the future action by the Board of Health requiring the actual closing of the public schools. This order of the Board of Education is effective immediately."

Fifty apprentice nurses from Mare Island arrived here yesterday and were taken to the San Francisco Hospital on Municipal Railway cars. Fifteen more are due today from Mare Island as the result of the petition for assistance made to the Navy Department through Admiral J. L. Jayne by the city authorities. The other ten nurses needed at the hospital will be drawn from the Yerba Buena station. The appeal of President John A. Britton of the Red Cross for practical nurses is expected to provide nurses by tomorrow.