

THREE MORE DOWN WITH INFLUENZA

Eight Cases in San Francisco Show Epidemic Is Spreading, Is Word of Health Officer

Spanish influenza displayed further progress in San Francisco yesterday when three additional cases were reported to the Health Department, making a total of eight patients now afflicted with the disease in the city.

The cases reported yesterday announced by Dr. W. C. Hassler, Health Officer, are as follows:

Ansuelmo, Joseph, residing at 1010 Conte street, reported by Doctor Sewell.

Lucich, Miss Ruth, of Reno, reported by St. Luke's Hospital.

Rock, Walter, 12 years old, residing with parents, 1145 Vallejo street, reported by Doctor F. H. Osmun.

In each case the patient has been moved to the Isolation Hospital.

All of the patients, now isolated, are progressing favorably according to Doctor William C. Hassler, who is in charge of the campaign against the disease in this city. The health officer said:

There is grave danger of an epidemic here as well as that which occurred in Boston. The cases so far isolated have been gathered from practically every section of the city which is an indication that the influenza is well distributed.

The present climatic condition is in our favor and we must put forth every effort to secure control of the situation before the weather changes. However, the disease is spreading rapidly and every citizen should consider himself duty bound to assist the authorities in reporting any suspicious case.

Many requests are being made upon the health department for medical preventives. In this regard Dr. Hassler authorized the following statement:

Dobell's solution as a gargle is recognized as the best known preventive and has been used in the foreign countries as well as in the New England States where the disease has secured a strong foothold. In addition to using the gargle, many medical authorities who have made a study of the disease abroad, recommend the use of boracic powder by snuffing through the nostrils.