

REOPENING OF S.F. MEETINGS ESTABLISHED

Shows Resume Performances;
Churches Renew Services Sun-
day; Other Affairs Monday

Certain Districts Are Excepted;
Unmasking Due to Come Soon;
Adopt Resolution Unanimously

The theatres of San Francisco, except in the Mission and North Beach districts, will reopen next Saturday afternoon.

Churches will reopen on Sunday and the public schools on Monday.

Music but not dancing may be resumed in the cafes Saturday evening. Billiard and pool rooms and shooting galleries are permitted to open at the same time. Club, lodge and labor union meetings and banquets may be resumed on Monday. Masks must be worn for at least another week.

These decisions were reached at the Board of Health meeting yesterday when it was reported that an epidemic no longer existed and that the new cases had fallen almost to the zero mark.

UNMASKING TO FORECAST.

Dr. Hassler said after the meeting that he might recommend a proclamation by the Mayor on Thursday, November 21, to announce the day of unmasking. It will depend upon the daily health reports during the coming week.

Dancing in cafes will probably be resumed simultaneously with the general unmasking. If influenza continues in check Dr. Hassler is inclined to withdraw all special orders and restraints issued because of the epidemic one week from to-day. San Francisco is to have a week off for good behavior—if she continues to behave, the original date set being Thanksgiving Day.

The special regulations established at the Board of Health meeting operative after Saturday noon of this week, are contained in the following resolution, adopted unanimously:

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

CHURCHES TO REOPEN.

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, 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 theatres 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, and 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, labor union meetings may be resumed and that concerts be resumed in the Civic Auditorium. The permission here granted does not apply to schools, theatres, movie houses, libraries 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. George Ebricht of the State Board of Health announced last night that notification had been sent to cities throughout the State that application for permission to open theaters could be made through their respective health officers, who in turn could apply to the State board for a ruling.

FLU CASES DECREASE.

The number of new cases reported to the Board of Health here yesterday was so small that it was regarded by Dr. Hassler as almost negligible. He said:

We are including cases now where the diagnosis is not entirely certain, and where it appears in the mildest form. We are also receiving reports by mail which are four or five days old. It is probable from our reports that not over a dozen influenza cases originated in San Francisco yesterday. The one concern of the health authorities now is to continue such precautions that there shall be no return this winter.

In the case of the districts where theatres are not yet allowed to reopen it was because that is where the disease is not yet thoroughly stamped out. Practically all of our cases now are coming from these districts. We are anxious to work as little hardship anywhere as is consistent with public health and safety.