

'FLU' MASKS TO BE OUSTED THANKSGIVING

Celebration of National Holiday Probably to Be Attended by Discarding Gauze Devices

Churches, Theatres and Schools Expected to Reopen Soon; Final Decision Due in Few Days

Thanksgiving Day will be celebrated in San Francisco by the discarding of gauze masks, if the present rate of decrease in influenza continues. Requests that the theatres be opened next Saturday were made by theatre managers yesterday, and the question will be decided this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at a special meeting of the Board of Health.

The date for discarding the masks was announced by Dr. William C. Hasler, health officer, yesterday.

Opening of the churches on Sunday and the schools on Monday will be decided at the meeting today on the theatre question.

The meeting today will be attended by managers of theatres, the health committee of the Supervisors and members of the Board of Health.

Mask and other emergency health regulations will be strictly enforced by the police up to the date set for unmasking.

Twenty-one deaths and 114 new cases of influenza were reported yesterday.

CROWDS BRING INCREASE.

Dr. Hasler said that a slight increase in the number of cases might be expected at the end of this week because of the large crowds that gathered to celebrate the allied victory. He said that 80 per cent of those who took part in the celebration wore masks, and that the number of any material increase in the number of cases is slight. It will be four days before the health officers can determine whether any harm was done.

There were 614 cases of influenza-pneumonia at the San Francisco hospital last night, and other hospitals were filled to nearly their capacity with influenza patients.

Proposals to reopen the theatres was made to Dr. Hasler by Irving H. Acaruna of the Ackerman & Harris Circuit; Howard Graham, J. A. Parington, Eugene Roth and Louis Greenfield, motion picture theatre managers, and Maur M. J. Cohn, representative of the film exchanges. Representatives of unions of musicians and theatrical and motion picture houses were also present.

CALL ON THE MAYOR.

Dr. Hasler told the petitioners that he believed it would be safe to allow the holding of public meetings very soon, but said he preferred to wait a day or two before making any decision as to the exact date. The theatrical men said they were willing to reopen their places with the understanding that they would close them at once if there was a renewal of the epidemic.

Later in the day the theatre managers called upon Mayor Rolph and the Board of Supervisors to call attention to the fact that four weeks has been the maximum time for the closing of amusement places in other cities and that this period would end here at midnight tomorrow.

Supervisor Hayden presented a resolution to the board asking that the theatres be allowed to reopen as soon as possible. Supervisor Schmitt called for reopening next Saturday. Supervisor Meschery asked the Board of Health for information regarding the safety of reopening of places of amusement at this time. The resolutions were referred to the health committee, which will present them at today's meeting.

How They Brought The Good News

By LANNIE HAYES MARTIN

The Midnight Squad of Hours had swept

The streets of sound; the city slept. Brave fathers dreamed of valiant sons

And woke, wept, prayed and cursed the Huns

And slept again. And to her breast The dreaming mother once more pressed

Her boy, so safe!—a babe again— So safe from crimes and cruel men!

And Silence put her finger tips Upon the worn World's wailing lips. Then sudden sound far down the street—

A muffled cry, a rush of feet. And "Entry!" "ENTRY!" louder grew.

"Har-ter Peace's Come!" ("You bet it's true!")

"De Hun he's done!" "De WAR is won!"

"De Kaiser's chased it, on de run!" "Har-ter Pipet! Pipet! Victories!"

"Kilob de Boche! De whole world's FREE!"

A hundred thousand doors were flung

As wide as Joy! The bells were rung.

And in the streets, in every tongue The world's new Freedom-Song was sung.

"And just to think us 'news'ers' bring"

De whole big noise!" grinned Casey Young

Stanford Training Camp to Continue

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, November 12.—The Students' Army Training Corps here will continue its activities, notwithstanding Germany's surrender to the terms of the allied armistice. President Hay Linden Wilbur, regional director of the Northwestern Division of the N. A. T. C., today received a telegram in that effect from Colonel Rees, chairman of the committee an education for the War Department. President Wilbur was further notified by another telegram from the War Department that plans are now being prepared for the future of the Student Army Training Corps.

Governor Whitman Wins Recount Fight

NEW YORK, November 12.—Supreme Court Justice Newburger today granted an application filed for Governor Whitman for an order to show cause why an inspection should not be made of the votes cast in the recent gubernatorial election. A copy of this order, which is returnable Friday, will be served through the mails on Alfred E. Smith, the Governor's Democratic opponent, who was elected by a plurality of about 7,000.

Policeman Suspended For Assault on Man

Policeman George Bailey of the traffic squad was arrested yesterday morning and charged with assault with a deadly weapon for having shot John Mendler, 13 Bannam place, during a brawl in a saloon at 14 Embarcadero.

Chief of Police White suspended Bailey from the department and directed that charges be filed against him before the police commission.

\$3,500,000,000 Loan Sought by Britain

LONDON, November 12 (British Wireless Service).—A new loan of £700,000,000 was called for in the House of Commons today by Andrew

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