

## CITY GETS SET TO FIGHT FLU, IF NECESSARY

Nurses Called Upon to Mobilize for Action Should Disease Spread.

Plans for mobilizing the nursing force of Indianapolis for action if an influenza epidemic develops were made yesterday.

The situation is not alarming—the action was taken to meet any emergency that might develop.

Fifteen new cases of influenza were reported to the city board of health today, making sixty-eight in the city which have been reported. Nearly all of them are in mild form.

William Fortune, president of the Indianapolis chapter of the Red Cross, presided at the meeting.

After a meeting a request was made that all graduate nurses in the city register with Grace Cook, director of the central directory for registered nurses, No. 12 Bungalow park. Her telephone numbers are Main 6542 and Auto. 27-418.

**READY TO PUT DOWN MENACE.**

All practical nurses are requested to register at the Red Cross Teaching Center, 413 Chamber of Commerce building. Miss Margaret Scott, director, Her telephone numbers are Auto. 27-732 and Main 52-1111.

Under the leadership of the Red Cross it is hoped to provide an organization which will work effectively in the event that influenza should become as widespread as during the war.

The members of the committee, in addition to Mr. Fortune, were: Miss Anne Cruse, secretary of the Red Cross chapter; Mrs. W. F. Holt, chairman of the chapter committee on nurses; Miss Tupper, Public Health Nursing association; Miss Maude Miller, Sunyside sanatorium; Miss June Grey, registered nurse; Miss Margaret Scott, director of the Red Cross teaching center; E. C. Foster of the Charity Organization society and Dr. H. G. Morgan, city sanitarian.

There is a shortage of nurses in Indianapolis at the present time, it was reported, the demand for nurses being strong always at this time of year. Should the "flu" become serious the nursing problem would be a serious one to solve, it was stated.

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All officers and enlisted men at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, numbering about 825, have been restricted to the post to prevent the spread of the disease.

"It is simply a precautionary measure," Adjt. Lewis declared. "We have had but eight or nine cases of influenza and there have been no deaths. Before the war, the cases were contracted in Indianapolis we have restricted the soldiers to the post, except when official business takes them away and have barred civilians."

The 600 nurses in Indianapolis all are now, according to Miss Grace Cook, director of the Central Directory for Registered Nurses.

"There really is a shortage of nurses," said Miss Cook. "Should an epidemic of influenza develop we would not be able to provide a nurse for every person who is ill, but we want to make plans so that we provide a nurse for every household and give each patient attention."

Some time ago a survey was made of the city and all nurses who are not now following the profession but could be called upon in case of an emergency were listed, as far as possible. The names of others who could be called upon are being sought.

Dr. W. H. Klinz, assistant secretary of the state board of health, says that there is little "flu" in Indiana. Most of the illness reported as influenza is grippe, he declared.

Another encouraging report today was that the death rate from pneumonia is not above normal for this time of year.

## PRICE OF BREAD TO JUMP A CENT

Indians will have to pay more for its daily bread soon.

This was indicated yesterday by Mair Price Commissioner Stanley Wyckoff. He announced that the Marion county fair price committee would meet at the Chamber of Commerce at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon to take up the question with wholesale bakers of the city.

The increase probably will be 1 cent per loaf, wholesale, which will be passed along to the consumer in the form of a cent a loaf increase.

The new price of bread would be 95 cents per pound loaf and 11 cents for a 1½-pound loaf, wholesale. The retailer would be allowed to charge 11 and 16 cents, respectively.

Investigation of the price of bread and flour has been on for a month, Mr. Wyckoff announced. He stated that the bakers had presented him with their claims and that he had gone into the situation fully before Chairman John T. White of the fair price committee called tomorrow's meeting. Mr. White was ill today and was unable to attend Mr. Wyckoff's press conference.

The bakers, according to statistics gathered by the fair price commissioner, today are paying \$15.50 to \$14 for white hard wheat flour, out of which they make their bread and rolls, whereas sixty to eighty days ago they paid \$12 to \$17.50 per hundred pounds of flour. Bakers get 27½ pounds of bread from the 166 pounds of flour in a barrel.

It takes, according to Mr. Wyckoff's figures, 300 pounds of wheat to make 166 pounds of flour. "We saw wheat, from which it largely is made, today was quoted at \$3.05 per bushel at Minneapolis and 104½ pounds of bread per barrel wholesale.

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## Wilson Able to Take Up a Little Business Now

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—President Wilson has now reached a point of convalescence where he is able to transact a considerable amount of routine business daily as well as take an active interest in politics and world affairs, which was learned yesterday.

As soon as the president has had breakfast he is wheeled into the south

and goes over official business with him.

Secretary Tumulty generally sees the president while he is taking his airing and goes over official business with him.

The week of March 7 to 14 has been

proclaimed "Teachers' week" by Gov.

Goodrich. He asks that during this

week consideration be given to the

matter of the supply and the rewards of

teachers and that "the press, the pulpit,

societies, clubs and educational and

social agencies" do their part.

and old, setting aside an appointed time

during the week for this purpose."

In his proclamation the governor sets

out the necessity for more teachers for the

Indiana schools and for encouraging

young people to become teachers.

**MANY TEACHERS LEAVING PROFESSION.**

GRADUATION threatens the

prosperous Methodist church which will be

held at the home of Mrs. Herman Denzer,

210 South State street, this after-

noon.

**Lott Lee will speak at the Fletcher**

Place Methodist church on Thursday

evening.

**Miss Edna Fehr of 843 Prospect street**

is recovering from a serious operation at

St. Francis hospital.

**Members of the Athenee club will enter-**

tain their husbands Friday night at

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**The Young Ladies' Missionary Circle**

will meet at the home of Miss Clara

Lindstrand, on Kansas street, this after-

noon.

**On a small easel on the desk at the**

Madison Avenue branch library with the

sign, "Have You Read This?" are placed

at a time the very cream of the latest

or best books of the library, as a suggestion

to those patrons who want help in

the selection of books.

**SAVINGS SHOW VAST INCREASE**

**State Loan Association Official**

**Compares 1919 and 1918.**

**Receipts of savings and loan associa-**

**tions in the United States increased**

**from \$4,112,694 in 1919 to \$10,800,000**

**in 1918, as compared with 1919.**

**According to figures in a report made**

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