

Influenza Now Epidemic in Army Camps

Disease Attacks American Troops in Germany; 163 New Cases Reported During Week Ended Jan. 9

Rapid Increase in U. S. Surgeon General Blue Assures Public There is No Reason for Alarm

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—Influenza has become epidemic in several army camps, particularly in the Middle West, Surgeon General Ireland of the army announced today, and it has made its appearance among the American troops in Germany. While the disease is increasing among the civilian population of the United States, it has not reached epidemic form and Surgeon General Blue, of the public health service, said today there was nothing in the situation to cause alarm.

The malady, as it has appeared both among soldiers and civilians, is of a mild type and the resulting death rate proportionately has been far below that of the war-time epidemic, while the incidence of pneumonia also has been much lower.

Blue Ready to Curb Disease Surgeon General Blue said the state health authorities apparently had the situation in hand wherever the disease had occurred—and in many states it is not prevalent—and that no request for Federal aid had been received.

As a precautionary measure, however, Dr. Blue has representatives in these states cooperating with state authorities and a corps of doctors trained in fighting this particular malady is available.

Epidemics have been reported from Camp Grant, at Rockford, Ill., and Fort Sheridan, near Chicago, Tex., and the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, but the number of men in those camps is much smaller than it was during the war, when influenza caused thousands of deaths among the service men. The form of the disease in this country apparently is much milder than that which has made its appearance among the troops in Germany.

During the week ending January 9, 163 new cases were reported among the soldiers on the Rhine, this representing an increase of sixty-five over the week before. Twelve deaths from the disease were reported, while there also were six deaths from pneumonia.

Grip Is Diminishing CAMP GRANT, Ill., Jan. 20.—"We are down to and below the normal number of hospital admissions, so it can hardly be said we are still contending with an epidemic," Colonel Arthur M. Whaley, camp surgeon, said today.

Colonel Whaley added that the camp hospital was receiving a very few influenza cases and had an extremely limited amount of pneumonia.

The camp epidemic reached "peak" a week ago, according to the camp authorities. There have been two deaths from pneumonia in the last twenty-four hours.

2,514 New Cases of Influenza in Chicago

1918-19 High Water Mark for That Disease and Pneumonia Has Been Passed

Special Correspondence CHICAGO, Jan. 20.—With 2,514 new influenza victims and 297 new cases of pneumonia reported today, the twin plagues represented the high-water mark of the 1918-19 epidemic, with a total of 2,400.

Two theaters were closed and three others warned to improve their ventilation systems immediately by Health Commissioner Robertson in his campaign against the rapidly spreading contagion. More than 100 landings were reported for failure to provide sufficient heat to tenants.

Hundred theaters were investigated by members of the sanitary squad Monday night. In 60 per cent of them investigators found all regulations of the department were being complied with. In only four theaters were sneezing and coughing noticeable.

Numerous casualties among influenza fighters have been reported. Thirty-six are from the Medical Bureau, nineteen from the nurses' corps, two from the Health Office, one supervisor from the field, three quarantine officers and six health photographers in the general offices of the Health Bureau.

There have been 4,977 cases of influenza and 1,087 cases of pneumonia reported since the epidemic began this season, with a total of 115 deaths, forty-six from influenza and seventy from pneumonia.

The epidemic continues to spread rapidly, but the death rate remains low, said Dr. Robertson. "There is nothing to fear if the public follows the advice of the department."

The influenza germ found in the throat, lungs and nasal discharges of victims is the old influenza or gripple germ discovered in the early 90's, according to Dr. E. O. Jordan, bacteriologist of the University of Chicago, who has been conducting research along these lines. All of the bacteriological laboratories in Chicago are now working on influenza germs as a result of a conference Monday at which such action was proposed.

Appeals from the Naval Hospital at the Great Lakes Training Station for more doctors, nurses and carpenters were made as the epidemic gathered strength there.

There are now 600 cases of influenza and fifty cases of pneumonia at the station. The number of deaths has been small, according to naval officers, who have reported only six since the epidemic began.

Influenza Gaining In City; Death Toll Slightly Increased

There was a marked increase in the total number of influenza cases reported to the Chicago Health Department Monday, with a total of 140, half of which are in Brooklyn. In Manhattan 41 cases were reported yesterday, as compared with twenty deaths yesterday and seven on Monday.

Dr. Royal S. Copeland said he believed pneumonia to be on the decline. The new cases reported yesterday, however, numbered 129 as against 116 on the previous day, and the number of deaths increased from 36 on Monday to 57 yesterday.

In order to study the situation in Chicago, where influenza is epidemic again, Dr. Hermann H. Biggs, State Commissioner of Health, has sent Dr. E. S. Godfrey, epidemiologist of the department, there.

Wife Found in a Traveling Grip



A black suitcase and a note pinned to the baby's garments are all the clues the authorities have to the identity of "Broken Blossom," the mother of the eight-week-old boy Robert F. Bohland, of 700 Shelton Street, Bridgeport, Conn., discovered when he opened his traveling bag after a train journey from New York early Monday morning. It is supposed the suitcases were switched in Grand Central Terminal. The note said "Broken Blossom," betrayed by the child's father, was leaving for her home in California. The police are directing a country-wide search for her and, meanwhile, the youngster, unaware that he is the center of a thrilling mystery, is making himself at home in the baby ward of the Bridgeport Hospital.

Cut in Bread Loaf Mrs. Bennett Files Agreed On to Meet Her Reply in Suit Flour Price Raise Over Husband's Will

Widow Claims All Personal Property With Exception of New York Herald Co. and All French Realty

The size of the bread loaves sold here probably will shrink in the near future, it developed yesterday at a meeting between Federal Food Administrator Arthur Williams and representatives of grocers' associations. The question of cutting down the loaf will be definitely determined today at a conference between the Food Administrator and wholesale bakers.

The preliminary conference on bread held yesterday, was called by Mr. Williams to learn the views of the grocers on increasing the price. The bakers informed Mr. Williams last week that they would probably be forced to increase because of an advance in the flour price from \$12 a barrel to \$15.

Mr. Williams asked the grocers to retail the bread to handle it on a reduced margin. He was told by Peter H. Alnor, president of the New York Retail Grocers' Association, that the grocers were now receiving a gross profit of 15 per cent on the bread they handled. He said that he did not see how they could work on a lower margin. He also declared that advancing the price of bread would add to the general unrest and bring abuse upon the retailer, although he was not responsible for the higher price.

"You could add ten cents to the price of some commodities and five cents to others without provoking a murmur from the people," Mr. Alnor said, "but if you add one cent to the bread price you drop a match in a powder magazine."

Mr. Williams suggested that the bakers be asked to use the flour offered by the government, at a price considerably below that of the one now readily available, what he called "super flour," by combining the two flours. Mr. Williams thought, the bread price could be kept down. Mr. Alnor and others present said they had learned that the government's flour was not satisfactory for baking the kind of bread being turned out at present. They said that consumers would object to turning back to anything even remotely resembling war bread.

It was then agreed upon by the conferees that the best way out of the dilemma was through the reducing of sizes.

At the office of the United States Grain Corporation, 42 Broadway, it was said that bakers are using the grain corporation standard, which is what which sells for \$10.55 a barrel, in proportions of 80 from 25 to 40 per cent.

Mr. Williams said that the quality of flour without sacrificing the quality of their bread. The price of the so-called baker's patents was quoted yesterday at from \$15.15 to \$15.50.

It was also stated that the government is attracting large numbers of consumers, who make their purchases directly from the grain corporation, with a view to cutting out the middleman, at 42 Broadway.

Clears Dead Woman's Name Judge May, of the Kings County Court, set aside yesterday a jury verdict returned several weeks ago, convicting of petty larceny Mrs. Beattie O'Connor, who fell dead in her home at 48 Livingston Street, Brooklyn, Sunday. Mrs. O'Connor was held guilty of stealing a fur coat from Mrs. Adel Bardwell. Judge May expressed belief in her innocence.

Mrs. O'Connor was wealthy. Judge May said he knew her and was certain that she was not guilty of theft. She was released from the hospital last week and the court was waiting for her to appear in court when she was thoroughly restored mentally for exoneration. Her death intervened and Judge May took the unusual course of establishing a post-mortem exoneration.

Policeman Faces Trial As Alleged Heroin Addict Patrimen Solomon Cernys, of the Clymer Street precinct, was one of forty policemen arraigned on charges before Deputy Police Commissioner John A. Leary at Brooklyn Headquarters yesterday. He is alleged to be addicted to heroin. He was certified for trial on that ground by Police Surgeon Patrick J. Murray, who examined him after policemen refused to sleep in the same room with him. Cernys is said to have been sent to an institution, where he remained seventy-two days, but returned to the habit immediately upon his discharge.

Boettler Charges Dropped Court Dismisses Complaint of Brutality in Raid Charges that Police Inspector William F. Boettler assaulted Jacob Malaga immediately after the latter's restaurant, at 223 East Twelfth Street, was raided several weeks ago and dismissed yesterday by Magistrate Sweetser, in the Essex Market Court. Malaga, who was taken with four detectives in the restaurant by fourteen other men in the restaurant by four detectives of Inspector Boettler's staff, alleged the inspector struck him with a club, and told him if he did not get out of the Malaga's district he would be killed.

After Malaga had admitted he had been fined \$200 for connection with a case of alleged contraband drug dealing, the case was dismissed, the magistrate stating that a police inspector must be allowed some measure of discretion.

Crimes Wiped Out by Valor Service Men Given Clean Record for City Services Three men who fought overseas, it was announced yesterday, have been certified for appointment on the police force, in spite of the fact that they were involved in offenses designated as felonies while under sixteen years of age. President Morris Cukor of the Municipal Civil Service Commission announced that the ruling would serve as a precedent favoring ex-service men.

The crimes of which the men were convicted now are classified as juvenile delinquency. Under Sections 284 and 734 of the Greater New York Charter no person convicted of a felony may become a member of the Police or Fire Department. The commission, however, exercised its discretionary power, President Cukor stated, in line with a policy of accorded fullest possible recognition to those candidates who had made amends for their past by their willingness to endure the hardships and risks of battle service.

Chicago Express Wreck Kills One, Injures Seven Engine Leaves Track and Nine Cars Follow, Tearing Down Wires PITTSBURGH, Jan. 20.—Joseph J. Lower, of Fort Wayne, Ind., was killed and seven other persons were injured when the Pittsburgh and Chicago Express on the Pittsburgh Fort Wayne & Chicago Railroad was wrecked between East Liverpool and New Waterford at 8:20 o'clock this morning. The train was torn down by the wreck and railroad officials here were without many details concerning the names or the injured or the extent of their injuries.

The heavy train, consisting of two engines, three express cars, four day coaches, two sleepers, a diner and parlor car, was speeding west when one of the engines left the rails. Immediately nine cars followed. Two physicians who happened to be on board gave first aid to the injured.

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Tribune Fresh Air Fund Has Biggest Year

Contributions for 1919-20 Total \$62,893, the Largest Amount Realized Since Work Started in 1877

360,000 Children Aided Last Twelve Months Saw 1,696 Persons Added to the List of Subscribers

The fiscal year of the Tribune Fresh Air Fund closed on January 16. Below is given the final list of contributions to the fund to be credited to the work of the year.

In point of contributions received, the year 1919-20 was by far the most successful in the forty-three years of the fund's history. Beginning in 1877 with a total of contributions for the year of \$187.62, the fund closed its work for 1919 showing gifts from the public amounting to \$62,893.

Contributions for 1919, the fund's next best year, amounted to \$46,784.56. There was, therefore, a net increase for the year just ended of \$16,108.44, or approximately 84 1/2 per cent.

This increase was almost entirely due to an accession of new friends to the work, 1,696 persons who had never before made gifts lending their financial support in 1919.

This brings the total amount contributed by the public in support of the Tribune Fund's work during forty-three years up to more than \$1,250,000. During this period the fund has sent to the country for summer vacations nearly 360,000 children from the tenements of New York.

CONTRIBUTIONS Previously acknowledged \$60,210.40 Miss C. L. Morgan 10.00 L. F. Dommerich 10.00 In memory of D. B. B. 12.50 Mrs. Mary H. Lones 10.00 Julia F. Seny 5.00 Dr. A. D. Moxie 10.00 Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Scoville 25.00 James D. Williams 5.00 Baitie & Renwick 5.00 Herkimer Fresh Air Committee (additional) 16.88 Advertising Department, The Tribune 1.22 H. H. Camp, Twin Lakes 1.60 Berkshire Fresh Air Committee (additional) 24.75 In memory of Walter 10.00 Norman Harbour 6.00 Miss Susan Knox 3.00 G. M. Taylor 2.00 "Granny" 25.00 Anonymous 1.02 D. E. Oak 2.00 Advertising Department, The Tribune (additional) 2.18 Sidney Newburg 10.00 W. J. Eloff 5.00 James Kenner 2.00 G. A. McClellan 3.00 W. H. Southwell 3.00 Pelton Water Wheel Co., Inc. 3.00 Owego, N. Y., Fresh Air Committee (in addition to entertaining children) 51.00 For 1919-20 1,392.00 The Little Mothers' Aid Association 7000.00 Teachers and officers of the fourth Street Reformed Church 7.50 J. H. B. 15.00 Total of contributions as acknowledged \$62,893.75

CORRECTIONS Contribution of July 20, acknowledged as \$25.00 25 Total \$62,893.00 Deduct: Contribution of \$5.00 acknowledged twice on July 11 and July 12 5.00 Net total for season 1919 \$62,893.00

She Berated Wilson and Her Will Is Declared O K Family's Fight Over Mrs. Lucy J. Wade's Estate Fails to Move the Jury

The fact that Mrs. Lucy Johnson Wade, who was a sister, niece and nephew of Mrs. Wade, in support of their allegation that she did not possess testamentary capacity, was her arrangement of President Wilson and his Administration. Whenever she discussed the President, it said, she would work herself into a rage, and it was with great difficulty that she was calmed. Notwithstanding this attitude toward Mr. Wilson, she is shown by the letters written by Mrs. Wade that she possessed a clear and lucid mind. Witnesses testified to the same effect.

Mrs. Wade, who was more than seventy years old at the time of her death, was the wife of Thomas M. Johnson, former Mayor of Cleveland. She left an estate valued at about \$150,000.

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Mrs. Bennett said that Mr. Higgins has not collected any funds under the French will, but that he has taken an active part in the negotiations regarding the sale of the French real estate and has given his name to the Surrogate's Court for reopening the probate of Mr. Bennett's American will, with it and the two be probated together.

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JOHN WANAMAKER Formerly A. T. Stewart & Co. Store hours—9 to 5 Broadway at Ninth, New York

Good morning! This is January 21! The weather today will probably be snowy or rainy and warmer.

Up in the Engadine, near Pontresina, Switzerland, years ago our walking parties kicked and scraped the snow aside to pick flowers growing beneath the snow.

It was worth the trouble! So also it is often well worth while to quietly dig down through chilly human nature and find beautiful things growing under the frozen surface.

It is common in certain kinds of rock to find gold mixed with quartz. Our aim in storekeeping is to make the Store reveal something more than the people expect.

(Signed) John Wanamaker, January 21, 1920.

American composers' concert In the Auditorium Today at 2.30 p. m. Compositions of STANLEY R. AVERY

Madame Buchout... soprano Sudwarth Frasier... tenor Percy Richards... basso The Composer, organ and piano First Gallery, New Building.

Clearaway—fine dresses for women 150, today, at 20 to 50 per cent. less. Now \$29.50 to \$250

Originally \$59.50 to \$450, in our own stocks. Thirty are evening gowns. The others are day frocks of tricolette, satin, Georgette crepe in light and dark shades, and duvetyne. Sizes 34 to 42. Second floor, Old Building.

Immaculately tailored suits for Spring Now on view in the Women's Suit Salons

The severely tailored slimly-lined costume is always the refuge of the smart and conservative woman when she wishes to be distinctive, in a season when distinction is to be gained by charm of line and beauty of tailoring rather than by extravagance of material and elaborate design.

One grows very intolerant of suits that suggest no restraint on the part of the designer. The slim tailored costume is the aristocrat at all times. Two New Models

One of midnight blue tricotine made on simple straight lines and gifted with a little straight vest of silver cloth that forms a perfectly unbroken line down the front—a line very becoming to most women. The long notch collar is another feature of this suit—an unusually good collar that carries out the long line idea and gives an austere touch to the costume. The pockets and part of the bodice of the coat are touched with embroidery in black silk.

The other suit is of equal simplicity, has a clever collar, is long of line and original of cut. A white tricolette vest distinguishes this suit, which is also of dark blue tricotine, and touches of old blue and black embroidery relieve its severity. Second floor, Old Building.

FEBRUARY SALE OF FURNITURE



We didn't start the February Sale for Furniture a day too soon. The people were ready. They wanted the service. They came in larger numbers than to any previous February Sale. They are coming, every day. Some are taking the furniture now. Some are making selections, and will take the Furniture after February 2. We will extend that courtesy to all who wish it. It is

A Great Furniture Sale with more than a million dollars of home furniture at savings of 10 to 33 per cent—every piece of our regular stocks included (except office furniture and the special collections in Les Galeries Belmaison and Au Quatrieme). Good furniture—plenty of it—low prices. Fifth and Sixth Galleries, New Building.

Good Blankets Odd lots—can't duplicate—reduced White blankets, single and double bed size, were \$12, \$12.50, now \$9.50 pr. White blankets, double and extra large size, were \$11, now \$8.50 pr. Gray blankets, plaid effects, double bed size, were \$13.50, now \$10.50 pr. And some Bedspreads at \$3.50 each

Extra fine white crocheted spreads, large size, 81 x 91 inches, in a number of choice designs; were \$4.25. Fourth Gallery, New Building.

Blankets of camel's hair Like finding gold nuggets to get these warm, luxurious blankets from abroad. We ordered them long ago, and had no idea when they would get here. They go as fast as they are seen by men and women who know how good they are. 50, size 60x82 in., \$32.50 14, size 72x90 in., \$47.50 Natural tan brown color, with dark brown Grecian Key border, bound with brown silk. Fourth Gallery, New Bldg.

Another belated group of Oriental rugs enters the January Sale at a quarter less 25 RICH MAHALS, ROOM SIZE \$193 to \$795—prices that will invite investment; beautiful coloring and design; very durable rugs for library, living-room, dining-room, hall or den; 9'x6'6" to 19'x13'2" feet in size. 50 SILKY MOSOUL, HEARTH SIZE, \$57.50 to \$75. Third Gallery, New Building.

Fine OVERCOATS 1,520 \$50 to \$80 grades \$40 to \$49.50 grades \$41.50 \$31.50 (Burlington Arcade Store) (Broadway Corner Store)

201 are \$50 grades 202 are \$65 grades 306 are \$55 grades 212 are \$70 grades 246 are \$60 grades 197 are \$75 grades 156 are \$80 grades

This is what happened: There is a concern near here that operates retail stores and makes its own clothing. During the past season factory trouble arose, and stopped the production; so, in order to supply their stores, they had to buy clothing in the open market.

Later, when the trouble was settled, these overcoats were finished—but too late for the active selling of the season; and they were offered to us—under-price—because we have the natural outlet for good overcoats of this kind. There will be—

Usters and ulsterettes—fine types of winter coats. Some are single-breasted; others double; and they are made of sturdy woollens—in smart patterns and colorings—with yoke linings of silk. 1002 Overcoats in the Broadway Store—All to go at \$31.50

Many a man will look ahead when he reads of this sale; and picture in his mind the advantage of buying a GOOD, practical overcoat for next winter. Burlington Arcade floor, New Building, and Broadway Corner Store.

Complete services of old English glass finger-bowls in lovely shapes and color are part of the collection of old glass Au Quatrieme. In Georgian green, apple green, pink, puce and pale canary yellow, they are not only lovely as finger-bowls, but as vases for short-stemmed flowers they are charming. The designs vary from bowl-shaped to a form with a tiny flange with two lips. Prices, \$3, \$4.50, \$6, \$8 and \$10. Old English single glasses in Georgian green, apple green and white are also in the collection of old English glass Au Quatrieme. Fourth floor, Old Building.

