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FLU SITUATION IN CITY AND COUNTY SHOWS IMPROVEMENT

Disease Was on the Increase the First of the Week But Reports For Yesterday Again Show Decrease—Ban on Tight in County Yet.

Health authorities were considerably worried the first part of this week when reports from physicians showed the number of influenza cases in the city and county again on the increase, however, they are all feeling much better this morning over the situation and believe that there will be no repetition of the serious condition of a few weeks ago.

The situation was at its most serious point on Tuesday when 33 new cases were reported for the day but the great majority of these cases were in the county while only a few cases were reported from the city. The report for yesterday showed only 28 cases in both city and county with the city's percentage still on the decrease.

Dr. J. S. Locke, County Health Officer, this morning stated that there seems to be some confusion about the lifting of the ban in the city. Some country people are of the opinion that the ban was lifted for the entire county but such is not the case. Dr. Locke said that the ban was still on tight in the county and that no public gatherings would be permitted. No church service will be permitted in any part of the county except in Maysville.

Dr. Locke explains that the lifting of the ban was the action of the City Board of Health which has no authority over the county but stated that as soon as the situation cleared sufficiently the ban would be lifted in the county as well.

Dr. Locke explained that there was no quarantine on the county and that all were free to come and go when they liked but that crowds, where the disease seems to spread more rapidly, would be prevented until the situation in the county had cleared up much more than it seems at the present.

It is pointed out by the authorities, who today feel much better over the local situation that the cases now being reported are in a much milder form than those at the first outbreak as is shown by the small number of cases of pneumonia developing.

The Calendar maker has a good deal to do with numbering our days.

WORK HOURS OF CROSSING WATCHMEN ARE REDUCED

C. & O. Railroad Cuts an Hour a Day Off the Work Schedule of Crossing Watchmen in Maysville—City Would Not Give Consent.

The Chesapeake & Ohio railroad company has notified all of the crossing watchmen in the city of Maysville that in the future their day's work will be nine hours instead of ten hours as in the past.

This plan was presented to the City Council at its last meeting in a communication from the railroad company in which they asked that council give their consent to the change. Council refused to act in the matter however as they feared their endorsement of the change might relieve the company of blame and shift that blame to the city should some one be injured at any of the several street crossings in the East end after working hours.

The railroad company has acted on the matter without the consent of council and in the future the railroad crossings will be protected only nine hours a day.

CHARLIE MAKES A HIT IN "EASY STREET"

People fell off the chairs laughing at Charlie Chaplin at the Pastime this afternoon. The million dollar comedian is certainly funny in "Easy Street." If you want to laugh take the family to the Pastime tonight and see Charlie in his best comedy. First show will start tonight at 6:30, so every one will be given an opportunity to see Chaplin. A big western picture and another comedy will also be shown.

DIVORCE IS SOUGHT

In the Mason Circuit Court Clara Outten has filed suit for a divorce from her husband, Robert L. Outten. The wife charges habitual drunkenness and cruel and inhuman treatment. They are residents of Maysville.

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MAYOR URGES ALL TO REDEEM SAVINGS STAMPS PLEDGES

Maysville Falls Short on Its War Savings Stamp Quota and Mayor Urges all to Redeem Pledges and Purchase Stamps.

Maysville has fallen short on its War Savings quota. Many have agreed to purchase stamps who have not yet redeemed their pledges and some have not yet purchased. Mayor Russell this morning issued the following proclamation addressed to the citizens of Maysville:

To the Citizens of Maysville: America's great task will not be finished until the nations at the peace conference have decided on terms of peace that will insure justice and establish a durable, lasting peace. Until these terms have been ratified and put into effect a considerable portion of our armed forces must remain overseas to occupy strategic points and to help police Europe. Many of our gallant troops, who have nobly borne their share, will be returned home speedily, but many months must elapse before all can be returned. To maintain the necessary armed forces and to continue the necessary war activities will require large expenditures, the funds for which the government expects to raise by taxation and by loans; and a large portion of the money to be loaned is expected through the medium of WAR SAVINGS STAMPS.

In the War Savings campaign last June many of our citizens pledged themselves to purchase WAR SAVINGS STAMPS. Not all of these subscribers have redeemed their pledges to date, although these pledges are regarded as moral and patriotic obligations to the Treasury Department which no loyal American will purposely neglect. There are also, in our town, many persons who have not purchased any WAR SAVINGS STAMPS, and this fact, along with the failure of many persons to redeem their pledges, has caused our community to fall short of its War Savings quota, which does not reflect the patriotism that animates our citizens. THEREFORE, now I, Thomas M. Russell, Mayor of Maysville, do hereby call on the patriotic men, women, and children of our town to make good their War Savings pledges; and upon all to buy as many WAR SAVINGS STAMPS as they can, and thus rally to the support of our nation, so that America's great task can be finished. THOMAS M. RUSSELL, Mayor.

ACTIVE CAMPAIGN FOR BOYS' RESERVE PLANNED

Kentucky Will Make Great Effort to Enlist Large Number of Boys in the Boys' Working Reserve This Year.

Kentucky is preparing for a very active campaign this coming year for the United States Boys' Working Reserve. Last year several hundred boys between 16 and 21 years of age worked on the farms of Kentucky in a patriotic endeavor to help feed the army of Uncle Sam. This year, although the Armistice has been signed there is greater need than ever for boys' work. Herbert Hoover, who is now abroad, cables to Washington that unless the people of the United States come to the rescue on the farms and work as they have never worked before, famine will stalk through the devastated parts of Europe with results as horrible as war. Mr. Hoover says the enormous total of 20,000,000 tons of food must leave America next year if the men and women and the helpless little children of Europe are to be fed.

Under the direction of the U. S. Department of Labor, the U. S. Boys' Working Reserve of the nation will carry out a far more intensive program than last year. As will be recalled, the State Y. M. C. A. of Kentucky managed the reserve last year although, owing to circumstances, the start was late. This year the work has already commenced. The Federal Government, the Kentucky State Council of Defense and the Y. M. C. A. is in charge. Philo C. Dix, State Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. will be the Federal State Director, C. A. Terbaugh Associate State Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. will be Associate State Federal Director, and George E. Stephens will be the Executive Federal State Director. The headquarters will be at room 345 Association Building, Louisville, Ky. Mr. Stephens was executive secretary in charge of publicity of the recent United War Campaign in Kentucky, and has had an experience of many years in agricultural and publicity work.

ANOTHER LOCAL BOY DIES A HERO

Mrs. James Greenlee of East Second street late this afternoon received a telegram from the War Department announcing the death of her son, Alvin L. Rourke, from wounds in France of October 12. Young Rourke better known as "Red" was 25 years old and enlisted a few days after war was declared.

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K. T. INSPECTION HELD LAST NIGHT

Inspection of the local order of Knights Templar was held last night with Hon. Bates Shackelford, of Richmond, Grand Warder of the Grand Commandery of the state, present. Mr. Harry Clark received the degree and following the initiation—the Knights were served a splendid lunch by Col. Charles Rhomiller.

To those who have accounts and whose accounts are desirable. We will make payments due February 1, instead of January 1. P. J. MURPHY, Jeweler and Optician.

WOMEN'S CLUB TO OBSERVE FOOD CONSERVATION WEEK

Special Program Is Arranged by the Mason County Women's Club For Friday Afternoon Urging All to Conserve Food.

The Mason County Women's Club will observe Food Conservation week, on Friday with a special program arranged by Mrs. T. M. Russell, president of the club, in accordance with the wishes of Federal Food Administrator Herbert Hoover. The program will be a very interesting one and every house manager who can possibly do so should be in attendance.

This special meeting which has been planned for several days and which promises to be one of the most interesting meetings of the Women's Club held in recent weeks will be held at the Red Cross headquarters at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon and while it is urged that all members of the club be present the meeting will be open to the public all of whom will be quite welcome.

The women of no county in the state have been more patriotic during the war through food conservation than have been the Mason county women and they will answer this latest call from the government in the manner they answered the first call when our nation was in the grip of war.

IMPROVEMENTS AT COURT HOUSE ABOUT COMPLETE

The improvements recently ordered by the County Commissioners at the County Court House are now about complete. A very attractive room for the private use of the Commissioners has been provided by running a partition through the room occupied by Squire Fred W. Bauer and the hall way through the Court House has been put in condition for new paper. When completed these improvements will add much to the looks of our old Court House.

25 barrels New Crop New Orleans Molasses just arrived and on tap \$1.25 per gallon. Bring your jugs. They are fine. R. LEE, LEVEL.

The First Presbyterian Church will hold its regular prayer meeting tonight at 7 o'clock.

SCHOOLS ASKED TO GIVE A FOOD SAVING PROGRAM

Influenza Epidemic Has Greatly Interfered With World Relief Work in Kentucky.

Louisville, December 5—Spanish influenza, which in some counties has broken out anew and in others is beginning for the first time, has interfered materially with World Relief Week which the Food Administration is conducting throughout Kentucky and the nation. At the Food Administration office this morning the statement was made that not more than twenty counties would be able to carry out the full program.

The chief remaining event of World Relief Week will be the exercises to be held in the public schools Friday. Every school whose constituency is not stricken with the influenza will give a program, and the public will be invited to attend. Miss Alexina Booth, of Louisville, chairman of the schools and college section, has written a letter to every teacher in the State setting out the purposes of World Relief Week and asking full cooperation. With each letter she enclosed a special program, prepared in Washington, for the school exercises.

Federal Food Administrator Fred M. Sackett, in this connection, has issued the following request:

"In view of the shortage of the world's food supply and the calls to come upon our people from the millions abroad who are face to face with famine I earnestly request that every school hold their exercises on Friday, December 6, and that the parents and friends be invited to attend."

The response to this appeal has been satisfactory and Mr. Sackett is confident school programs will be given everywhere except where the local health situation prevents.

The many friends of Mr. Charles E. Dietrich will be glad to know that there is a marked improvement in his condition. He expects to be able to get out in a few days.

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A SHORT SESSION OF CIRCUIT COURT IS SEEN

December Term of the Mason Circuit Court Will Be Uneventful One—Few Cases Set For Trial.

The present or December term of the Mason Circuit Court which will open in earnest on December 16th will probably be the most uneventful term in recent years it is seen from the short calendar. Only five jury cases have been set on the calendar.

A jury trial having been demanded by the parties the following cases are set for trial, December term, 1918:

Wednesday, December 18—Bramer vs. Mefford; Holtz vs. Bartlett; M. C. Hutchinson vs. Price Lucas & Co.

Thursday, December 19—Bramer vs. Mefford.

Friday, December 20—Ham vs. Hord.

NOTICE

Eastern Stars will have a social game of 500 members after their meeting, which is to be held Friday evening, December 6th, at 7 o'clock at their regular meeting place in the Masonic Temple. There will be business of importance to discuss and all members are urged to attend.

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