

## SIX-IN-STORE RULE CHANGED; CHURCHES AND MOVIES OPEN

### Board of Health Again Revises Quarantine Regulations Guarding City In Influenza Epidemic.

## ONE CUSTOMER IN 200 SQUARE FEET

### Alternate Seats in Churches and Theaters Must Be Left Vacant—Doctors and Laymen Split.

One customer to every 200 square feet of floor space allowed in each Columbia store.

Churches may hold services, providing members of the congregation occupy every other seat.

Picture shows may open providing patrons occupy only every other seat.

Once more the Columbia Board of Health has reversed itself on the matter of restrictions for preventing the spread of influenza. The foregoing orders were adopted at the meeting of the board in the Commercial Club rooms at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The first order regarding customers allowed in each store was voted by the Board as a whole without dissent. The other two orders were carried by lay members of the board. The doctors, not only voted against permitting the churches and picture shows to open, but registered a protest in each instance.

On each motion, the first permitting churches to open, and the second, permitting the picture shows to open, the vote stood:

No: Doctors Kampschmidt, Stine, Norris.

Yes: Rothwell, O'Bryan, Hickman and Jackson.

After these two orders had been carried by the lay members of the board, the doctors called attention to the fact that they registered a protest and refused to assume responsibility in the matter. In regard to the order rescinding the previous action of the board, which permitted only six customers in each store, the doctors were in favor of allowing one person to each 100 square feet of floor space. On the suggestion, however, of members of the committee, representing the business men of the town, it was decided to go ever farther and restrict customers to one for each 200 square feet of floor space.

### Business Men to Help.

Each store must measure its own floor space and put on the door the number of persons allowed in the store at one time. The committee of business men composed of C. O. Selders, J. P. Hetzler, I. A. Barth, R. B. Price, Jr., W. B. Nowell, A. F. Neate and A. J. Estes, appointed at a meeting last Friday to confer with the board, was present at yesterday's session. This committee will act as a subsidiary committee of the Health Board and will shoulder the responsibility in connection with the enforcement of the floor space regulation. Members of the committee made it plain from the start that they did not attend the meeting with a view of giving advice to the Health Board or that they felt antagonistic in any way to the board. One member stated that it had been incorrectly reported by a Columbia newspaper that such a sentiment existed at the meeting of business men Friday. They desired the board to know, they said, that they came merely to confer and to offer any assistance possible and not to hamper or to dictate.

When the board was first called to order Dr. Dan G. Stine made the following statement:

"I want to say to you gentlemen as we open this meeting that we are receiving this committee with a feeling that is absolutely unbiased by the article that appeared in a Columbia newspaper Friday. We do not feel that the article represented the opinions or feeling of the committee in any degree.

"I do, however, want to explain the situation regarding the epidemic as viewed by Dr. Kampschmidt and myself.

### What the University Did.

"In the first place we have been through a large epidemic in the University community.

"Although we were prepared for this we viewed its onset with dread. The lowest mortality that had been reported—not from camps—but from large and well-equipped city hospitals showed a mortality that varied from 12 to 25 per cent. As we have had more than 1,000 cases from influenza among students this would have meant the death of more than 120. As it is we have lost in the University and Army hospitals, only 14 a mortality of a little over 1 per cent. I hope this has not belittled the seriousness of the disease in the eyes of the community. It was only because of the aid that the Army extended us that we were able to give such prompt hospital care to student sick. During this epidemic we protected the town by a most rigid quarantine of our student community. When the epi-

## THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Generally fair and cooler tonight and Tuesday. Lowest temperature tonight above freezing.

For Missouri: Generally fair tonight and Tuesday. Cooler tonight and east and south portions Tuesday.

### Weather Conditions.

The weather this morning is stormy in Iowa and Nebraska and northward into Canada, but precipitation so far has been light; the center of the disturbance is traveling toward the Lakes. South and west of the Missouri the weather is mostly fair, and similar conditions prevail south of the Ohio. On the Pacific coast rain has been general.

There is no severe cold in sight but lower temperatures are indicated for all territory west of the Mississippi during the next 36 hours.

In Columbia generally fair weather will prevail over Tuesday although with some cloudiness Tuesday and cooler. Probably no freezing before Tuesday night.

### Local Data.

The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 67, and the lowest last night was 50. Rainfall 0.00. Relative humidity noon yesterday was 79 per cent. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 64 and the lowest was 39. Rainfall 0.00.

### The Temperatures Today.

7 a. m.	50	12 m.	63
8 a. m.	58	1 p. m.	62
9 a. m.	58	2 p. m.	64
10 a. m.	60	3 p. m.	65
11 a. m.	62	4 p. m.	64

demic invaded the town during the abandonment of the quarantine at the instigation of the Ministerial Alliance (I use the term instigation purposely) both Dr. Kampschmidt and myself viewed the possibilities with alarm. The hospital facilities of the town are inadequate for the care of this unusual amount of sickness and yet Columbia has an unusually large number of small families and single individuals far removed from relatives or others whose duty it would be to care for them. The University hospitals are now barely adequate to the care of the student sick.

"We are aware of what has happened in other small cities of the state. We hear that now in Philadelphia steam shovels are digging trenches to bury the uncoffined dead. As this is a small community and as those hurt by this epidemic will be our friends and patrons and as we realized that the whole responsibility of the outcome will be upon the shoulders of the board, is it any wonder that we should be somewhat drastic in our advice to the Board of Health?

### The Columbia Situation.

"We now have reported to the board more than twice the number of cases per population that St. Louis has, and yet many of our townspeople view their situation as serious and belittling the situation here.

"The quarantine regulations of the board will stand criticism. It is only they who are ignorant of the nature of the contagion who would be moved to criticize. The epidemic is essentially one that it is impossible to stamp out as is smallpox or scarlet fever. It is a crowd disease. If there is no crowding of individuals within doors there will be no rapid spread of the disease and means can be arranged for the care of the sick. If there is such crowding, it is possible that there will be a number of deaths due to the exhaustion of the means of extending aid to the sick.

"A large percentage of people in all communities are bound to be infected with the disorder before it disappears, but it is a scandal to any community to have so many sick at one time that it cannot care for them.

"As to the ministers, I fear that they are waxing hysterical. I can not otherwise explain their intemperance and somewhat unchristian language. In bringing about the opening of the town, they did something they are sorry for. I am sure, but wouldn't it be more manly to acknowledge the mistake and pitch in and help us provide for the care of the sick. The word "hell" was never used in connection with a minister at any board meeting nor do I believe that any member privately insulted any minister.

### Suggests a Committee Aid.

"I would suggest that the Commercial Club or some other organization of merchants and professional men appoint a committee to act with the board and share with it, its responsibilities. Either that, or call Dr. Saunders or some other physician of note and get an honest and intelligent criticism of the board's action.

"In answer to the criticism that the board has not quarantined homes and contacts. Here again the nature of the epidemic is the reason for this departure from usual quarantine regulation. We did quarantine houses at the University, yet 50 per cent of the student body already had the disease. We have in Columbia about 400 cases reported to the Board of Health. Say that the average family consists of four or five members, this would mean an attempt to quarantine about 2,000 individuals. The inability of the board to do this is apparent.

"A quarantine never hurt business in a wide spread epidemic. The more rigid the quarantine, the safer the individual feels on the business streets of the city. Without a quarantine, the individual shuts himself in his house and transacts as little business as possible.

### The Disease Itself Hurts Business.

"It isn't the ban that is hurting

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## DANIELS SEES END OF NAVAL BURDENS

### Gives Reasons, However, for Urging Three-Year Building Program.

## TELLS NAVY DEEDS

### 50,000 Mines Laid, "Wonder" Ship Launched, New Explosive Made.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Competitive building of mighty weapons of war is drawing to a close. The tax burden of this kind of competition will soon be lifted.

Secretary of the Navy Daniels predicts this in his annual report, published today. But he points out that the three-year naval building program he is urging is essential because, under the proposed league of nations, the United States will have to contribute a force commensurate with its wealth and responsibilities.

His report adds that naval vessels will have large peace tasks of survey and discovery and protection in addition to police duty of an international as well as of a national character.

Secretary Daniels reveals definitely that Admiral Benson will be American naval advisor at the peace conference.

Some of the Navy's achievements not hitherto emphasized are recorded, condensed, herewith:

Destroyers steamed an average of 275,000 miles a month.

During July and August last, American escort vessels accompanied 3,444,012 tons of shipping to and from France.

More than 50,000 American mines were laid in strategic areas in European waters.

American naval forces operated from the Mediterranean to the White Sea.

The last year saw orders placed for four battleships, one battle cruiser, two fuel ships, 223 destroyers, fifty-eight submarines and many less important craft.

The battleship New Mexico, recently launched, has proven to be a marvel, with its electric propulsion.

The Navy, faced with a shortage of TNT, developed TXN, a "first cousin" to the other explosive, and started a plant which by next year can produce enough xylol for 30,000,000 pounds of TNT.

American battleships hereafter will be armed with 16-inch guns, making our craft the heaviest armed vessels in the world.

Incidentally, Secretary Daniels fired the first shot for what may become a governmental insurance system. He announced he will ask congress to continue war insurance—at cost—to men in the regular and reserve Navy organizations. Further he suggested it would be wise to offer this insurance at cost to civilian employees of the government.

## SISTERS DIE TOGETHER

### Influenza Fatal to Mrs. Frank Pemberton and Miss Celestia Thornton.

Mrs. Frank Pemberton and Miss Celestia Thornton, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac J. Thornton of 19 Williams street, died yesterday of influenza within a few hours of each other.

Mrs. Pemberton's husband was formerly proprietor of the Palms.

The double funeral will be conducted tomorrow morning at the Thornton home.

## BAKERY CHANGES HANDS

### L. F. Streng Purchases Crosswhite Shop.

L. F. Streng of Sedalia has purchased the new Crosswhite bakery on North Eighth street. The business opened December 1, under the new management.

Mr. Streng has been in the bakery business in Sedalia for the last ten years. He was a member of the firm, Streng & Leffler.

"My bakery is open for inspection at all times," said Mr. Streng this morning. He manufactures a special loaf of bread which he has named "Columbia Maid."

## Go to Agricultural Meeting.

A committee from the College of Agriculture, composed of A. J. Meyer, J. Kelly Wright and J. C. Hackleman, will meet with the agricultural committee of the Association of Commercial Clubs of Missouri at Jefferson City tomorrow. The meeting was called by the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture.

## Garfield May Go to Europe.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—President Wilson has asked Garfield, head of the Fuel Administration, to hold himself in readiness for an assignment to Europe presumably as a member of America's economic reconstruction commission.

## EBERT USES TROOPS TO HALT OUTBREAK

### Bloody Riots Take Place in Berlin—Pillaging Continues.

## RUSSIANS FEED FIRE

### Bolsheviki Help Organize Spartacus Group—Munich Is Involved.

By United Press.

PARIS, Dec. 9.—Chancellor Ebert's government is bringing new troops into Berlin in an effort to crush the Spartacus movement, which has now spread throughout the northern suburbs, according to dispatches to the L'Information today.

Pillaging continues, the dispatch says, especially in the populous quarters.

One confused dispatch received here from Berlin declares Karl Liebknecht's followers have organized a revolution throughout Germany. The Reichstag building in Berlin is reported to have been taken and the trouble appears to have spread to Munich and Pilsen. Bloody riots are taking place in Berlin.

Another message says that Allied intervention in Prussia may save the government.

## Russian Bolsheviki Help Revolt.

By United Press.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 9.—Ten thousand members of the Republican guard were ordered under arms in Berlin last night to quell rioting there, according to dispatches received from that city today.

The best Bolsheviki organizers from Russia are arriving in Berlin to lead the Spartacus group. The Spartacus followers broke up non-socialistic meetings in Munich and compelled the police to promise removal of all national flags, according to a dispatch from that city today.

## ASK 500,000 REGULARS

### War Department Plans Large Standing Army After War.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The War Department will soon ask Congress to authorize a peace-time standing army of one half million men, according to present plans. The department does not contemplate recommending universal military training.

These two outstanding features of the department's Army reorganization plan were learned today from a source close to both Secretary of War Baker and Chief of Staff March.

## U. S. HONORS GREAT BRITAIN

### Sets Aside Day to Express Gratitude For Part Country Played in War.

The United States today was winding up a three-day celebration of Britain Day. Many cities celebrated Saturday and Sunday, while Kansas City and others celebrated today. The day was set aside to express gratitude to Great Britain for the part the country played in bringing the war to a successful end.

Major General Leonard Wood was the principal speaker at Kansas City today. Four-minute men spoke at the theaters and churches and airplanes flights were held at the parks.

At New York British and Australian officials spoke at luncheons Saturday, while a message from King George was read at a mass meeting at the Hippodrome yesterday.

## GIRLS AND TRUNKS JAM TRAIN

### But University Men Must Wait for Permission to Depart.

All the sorority houses except the Kappa Kappa Gamma, Alpha Delta Phi and Chi Omega houses were closed yesterday for the Christmas holidays. Boarding houses stopped serving meals Saturday night.

University girls and great loads of trunks have been going out on every train since Friday afternoon but the men conspicuously absent for the first time in the history of the University. They are held here waiting on discharges from the S. A. T. C.

## HAS NEW RAILWAY SOLUTION

### Congressman Would Combine Lines Under Federal Charter.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—A national railway system under federal incorporation and charter, but not owned by the Government, is provided in a bill introduced in the House today by Representative Gray of New Jersey.

The plan is unlike any other that has been submitted and in the opinion of Gray furnishes a solution of the railway problem.

## Delmar Peterson in City.

Cadet Delmar Peterson, a former student of the University, has arrived from Berkeley, Cal., where he has been attending an aviation school. He is visiting friends here. He attended school here in 1916-17 and is a member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity.

## FIVE VOLUNTEER AS NURSES

### More Are Needed, However, to Care for Influenza Patients.

Only five women have responded to the call for home nurses so far, according to Mrs. W. T. Stephenson, chairman of the bureau of home nursing here. The bureau was established in response to an appeal by Columbia doctors for more nurses to care for influenza patients in their homes.

One reason for the small number of applicants is the fact that many of the women who took the courses in home nursing have gone home for the holidays. Mrs. Stephenson said this morning. Volunteers should leave their names with Mrs. Stephenson at War Work Headquarters, 1005 Broadway.

## MAYOR TAKES NO ACTION

### Has Not Used Authority Given Him by Council.

Mayor J. E. Boggs has taken no action on the authority given him by the city council to discharge officials in order to save money. The resignations of G. W. Barkwell and F. F. Stephens from the hospital committee have not been decided upon by the Mayor.

## TO TALK PEACE JAN. 3

### Preliminary Conference to Be Held in French Foreign Office.

By ED. L. KEEN

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

PARIS, Dec. 9.—The formal sessions of the associated governments' conference will begin about January 3, it was believed here today.

They will be held in the French foreign office and will continue five or six weeks. After peace terms are fully formulated, then Germany will be invited to send delegates to Versailles, where the general peace conference will take place.

The peace congress will largely be a mere formality, as Germany presumably will accept the terms without much quibbling, inasmuch as she has acknowledged she is beaten and unable to resume hostilities.

In the meantime Premier Lloyd George and Foreign Secretary Balfour will visit Paris next week and informally confer with President Wilson, Colonel House and other American representatives.

There will be similar conferences with Premier Clemenceau and other Frenchmen, and also with Premier Orlando of Italy and Foreign Minister Sonnino, who will accompany King Victor Emmanuel to this city.

## Paris Crowded; Cables Jammed.

By FRED S. FERGUSON

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

PARIS, Dec. 9.—The peace delegates of all powers are expected to reach Paris by the end of this week.

Paris is becoming more congested every hour. Prices of everything are skyrocketing. The authorities are trying to untangle the worst cable congestion on record.

## MISS NOE AT FORT SHERIDAN

### Columbia Nurse to Go to New York or Minneapolis.

Mrs. Katherine Noe, formerly chaperon at the Acacia house here, is now in Minneapolis, according to a letter received here.

Mrs. Noe went to Minneapolis to be with her daughter, Miss Evelyn Noe, a trained nurse who was formerly at Parker Memorial Hospital here. Shortly after Mrs. Noe arrived, Miss Noe was sent to Fort Sheridan to care for returning soldiers. In a short while Miss Noe thinks she will be sent to a hospital in New York City or returned to Minneapolis.

## MAY SPEED S.A.T.C. DISCHARGES

### Men Likely to Get Away Before December 21.

Indications are that the S. A. T. C. unit here will be demobilized before December 21, the date previously announced, according to information received at headquarters today. Nothing definite is known regarding the exact date of demobilization.

The work of signing the necessary blanks has been progressing night and day for several days and is about completed now.

Orders have been received for the demobilization of the naval unit before December 21.

## REV. M.A. HART'S NEPHEW KILLED

### Airplane Accident Thought Cause, Although Details Are Lacking.

The Rev. M. A. Hart received a message today that his nephew, Lieutenant Charles E. Blevins, of Mt. Sterling, Ky., was killed in France November 15. He was in the aviation section, so it is supposed that he met his death in an airplane accident.

He was a graduate of the University of Kentucky and had only been in France about two months. He was buried at Winchester, England, with military honors.

## Giving Discharges at Manhattan.

Manhattan, Kan., Dec. 9.—Mustering out of Section B, S. A. T. C. began here Saturday with the discharge of 237 men, all from Nebraska.

## LEADERS PICKED FOR RED CROSS CAMPAIGN

### E. S. Stephens Is County Field Representative—Defoe Heads City.

## TO SOLICIT DISTRICTS

### Tuberculosis Stamps Will Be Given With Membership Instead of Sold.

The committee which will conduct the Christmas Red Cross membership drive in Columbia and Boone County was appointed at a meeting of the Red Cross directors at War Work Headquarters this afternoon.

The organization for the county is as follows: Field representative, E. S. Stephens; chairman of the Christmas roll call of Boone County, Robert Hill; speakers' bureau and publicity chairman, J. E. Wrench; city chairman, L. M. Defoe; captain of district chairmen, Jesse H. Smith; captain of school teachers, S. C. Brightman; chairman of Hallsville, Tom P. Brown; chairman of Centralia, Charles W. Penn; chairman of Sturgeon, Dennis Spellman; chairman of Rocheport, William Sapp; chairman of Hartsburg, Elmer C. Mace; manager of supplies, Mrs. W. T. Stephenson.

L. M. Defoe was elected chairman of the city committee, which is composed of the following members: First Ward, S. M. Stevenson, George S. Starrett and Mrs. L. D. Shobe; Second Ward, E. B. McDonnell, John W. Vesser and Mrs. F. G. Harris; Third Ward, J. E. McPherson, J. M. Wood and Mrs. J. N. Taylor; Fourth Ward, G. D. Edwards, Louis Ingold and Mrs. W. E. Harsh.

The city committee will meet at War Work Headquarters, 1005 Broadway, at 2 o'clock tomorrow to receive instructions for conducting the campaign. The ward committees will subdivide their wards into districts and appoint soliciting committees in each district. These districts will be made small enough to be covered in a single day.

The cost of Christmas membership this year will be \$1. Ten Red Cross anti-tuberculosis stamps will be given to every Red Cross subscriber. The American Red Cross is this year appropriating \$2,500,000 to the campaign against tuberculosis, so the Red Cross seals are not sold this year but are given to each Red Cross member in token of the share each has in the fight to conquer tuberculosis.

The Red Cross service flag is also given to members. The flag this year has an inner blue border indicating the second year of service since America actually entered the war.

Dozier Stone has given the use of the headquarters for the duration of the campaign.

The meeting of the local Red Cross to elect officers was not held yesterday because one of the committees was not ready to make its report. The election probably will be held the last of the week.

## \$27,500,000 FOR PROPAGANDA

### That is Sum Raised by German Agents in U. S.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Germany propagandists in this country raised \$27,500,000 for carrying on their work here. A Bruce Bielaski told the Senate investigating committee today. Bielaski said \$12,500,000 of this fund was raised through loans from New York banks.

Of the total sum Bielaski said \$1,800,000 was spent in the Bolo Pasha affair, \$1,700,000 in purchasing the New York Mail, \$400,000 to \$500,000 on propaganda among Jews and hundreds of thousands among Irish.

## \$7,500 BOND FOR W. W. STICE

### Man Charged With Assault Held to Circuit Court.

William W. Stice, who was charged with assault with intent to kill following the firing of a shot at his wife, was held in default of \$7,500 bond this afternoon, by Justice John S. Hicknell. The case will be presented to Judge David Harris in Circuit Court tomorrow in an attempt to get the bond lowered.

## SECOND FIRE AT SAME HOUSE

### Delta Delta Delta House Further Damaged by Blaze.

The Delta Delta Delta sorority house, which was damaged by fire Friday night from defective wiring caught fire again this afternoon from the same cause. There were no girls living in the house. Little damage was done. The fire was put out immediately.

## Less Cotton Ginned in 1918.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Cotton ginned for the first eleven months of 1918 was approximately 200,000 bales below the same period last year, the Department of Commerce announced today. To December 1, the report shows that 9,563,124 bales were ginned from the 1918 crop. Included in this figure were 25,741 bales of sea island cotton. Cotton ginned prior to December 1 in cotton producing states included Missouri, 41,447 bales.