

# FIRST PATIENTS AT THE EMERGENCY HOSPITAL TAKEN IN LAST NIGHT

Order Given at 3 O'clock Yesterday for Opening and at 9 O'clock First Patients Arrived—Fifty Beds With Equipment Brought From Oteen.

Exactly three hours after a final decision had been reached yesterday afternoon regarding the emergency hospital for influenza victims, Vice-Chairman M. A. Erskine, of the Red Cross committee, announced the Monford avenue school building, in which the hospital is located, was ready for patients. At 9 o'clock the first patient, a Miss McDowell, of Atkinson street, suffering with influenza, was admitted to the hospital. Shortly afterwards five others were taken in and later in the night six more, making 12 patients there by midnight.

The increase in the number of new cases continued yesterday when 136 were reported, this being the largest number since the middle of last week. No deaths have been officially reported to the city health department since the last notice. Twenty-three doctors made the reports yesterday.

At the hospital yesterday afternoon electric wires were strung and the school building for the first time was completely lighted up last night. Fifty beds, with full equipment were rushed to the building from Oteen hospital shortly after Mr. Erskine flashed the news to Col. Lyster that the city was finally ready for the emergency hospital. Five wards were opened yesterday, one for white males; one for white females; one for colored males; one for colored females and one for white children. Arrangements will be made today to open a ward for colored children.

**Mrs. Wilson Supt.**  
Miss Rose Batterman was in charge of the hospital last night, although Mrs. E. F. Wilson, who was superintendent of the emergency hospital last year, will be in charge, beginning today. Ten nurses will be on duty during the day and eight at night. The meals for the patients will be served from the diet kitchen in the basement of the school, to be prepared by volunteers and the nurses will be fed at the Masonic temple emergency kitchen for the present, being taken to and from the temple in automobiles.

People who have no business at the hospital are urged to remain away, and in order to see that those without business do not go there, a city policeman will be on duty, one for day and one for night.

It was stated that only patients who cannot be taken care of at home in the proper manner will be accepted for treatment at the emergency hospital and the health officials hope that persons who can get good attention and food at home will remain there, as the hospital is only for those who actually need to be taken care of, or by reason of the crowded condition of the cases in their home, being unable to get in the other hospitals, will be forced to come to this hospital.

Dr. Reynolds was not present at the Red Cross meeting yesterday, as at former meetings, it being stated that he was attending a life and death case. Those present expressed the opinion that the situation seemed to warrant the opening of the hospital, especially after hearing reports from Miss Weaver, Mrs. Rollins and

Miss Miller, who are intimately familiar with conditions. The general feeling, as voiced by Mr. Erskine and Mr. Lipinsky was, however, that opening should come only as a last resort, since more than the closing of the school building for weeks and large expense was involved. It was expressed that the news of the opening would have a bad psychological effect, creating general depression and thereby an unwholesome atmosphere.

**Fast Work to Open**  
The vice chairman reported that the hospital could be opened in two hours' notice, in a practical way if he was notified by three o'clock in the afternoon.

Chairman Raout, who has been very reluctant to open the hospital until the emergency required, said it seemed as if the time had about come. It was reported that all the hospital superintendents favored opening. Mayor Roberts, who had been listening intently, stated at this point with much positiveness that he was not ready to vote in the absence of the health officer. The chief executive said that the responsibility, so far as the city is concerned, rested with the health officer and he was not going to assume this responsibility of another. It being suggested that Dr. Reynolds wanted the hospital opened, reply was made that then it was for him to say so, and that on the previous day he had said he did not know that the emergency then required opening of the hospital.

The mayor's view seemed to represent that of the others present. "We will wait until he comes," said the mayor. Then the motion of Mr. Lipinsky was adopted that Vice Chairman Erskine open the hospital at the request of Dr. Reynolds. It will be in charge of Mrs. E. F. Wilson, as superintendent. Dr. Reynolds will be chief of staff and name the doctors composing the staff.

The committee has received a number of contributions, perhaps \$1,000 in all, but has refrained from any insistent appeal until the emergency required. It is stated, and the public is asked to send contributions to Treasurer Chas. W. Brown at the Central bank. Money is needed and needed now, hospital or no hospital, but especially with the opening of the hospital. Nurses must be paid, other help provided, food and medicine furnished and all this eats into money. Liberal contributions and many of them are required by the situation, it is stated, and that now.

Some people have the mistaken view that food from the emergency Red Cross kitchen in the Masonic temple (phone 78) is supplied only to the very poor. On the contrary, it is stated, the service is for all who need it. And the same may be said of the public health nurses, these being ready to help in emergency, regardless of financial circumstances of the applicants, although it is expected, of course, that those who can, will make their own provision, for help so far as possible.

Mrs. William M. Redwood expresses the thanks of the chapter to

# WATER BONDS BROUGHT GOOD PREMIUM HERE

Bid, Received By Mail, When Successful Bidder Withdrew, to Allow City More Money.

By special arrangements with J. S. Styles, who represented the successful bidder for the \$350,000 issue of city water bonds, bids for which were opened by the city commissioners Monday and continued to Tuesday, a bid submitted by Keane, Higbie and company of Detroit, was accepted and the bonds sold yesterday. This bid was received by registered and special delivery mail a few minutes after the time had lapsed, which had been set by the commissioners for opening the bids, although the postmark showed that the letter had been mailed in Detroit on January 31.

The bid of the Detroit company was \$353,500, for 5 1/4 per cent. bonds, it being figured that the city would save, by accepting this bid, about \$18,000 during the life of the bonds. Mr. Styles said that he would be glad to help save the city this sum and agreed to allow the other company to take the bonds.

The bond money will be used to build the 10-inch pipe line from the new Bee Tree water shed to Asheville, thereby doubling the present water supply for the city. Work on this line has already started and it is expected that the line will be finished by fall.

# SERVICES TODAY FOR LATE MRS. SHERLIN

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at three o'clock for Mrs. R. K. Sherlin, who died at her home, 55 Roberts street, yesterday morning at 3:30 o'clock. Interment will take place at West Asheville cemetery. The deceased was well known here and is survived by her husband, R. B. Sherlin, and her father, T. F. Moore, both of Asheville.

# KILLS WIFE AND HER SISTER; SHOOTS SELF

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 3.—A domestic quarrel following his return from Akron, Ohio, is thought to have been the cause of the killing of his wife and her sister, Mrs. Ola Bennett, by Charley Tibbs at Water Valley, near Fulton, Ky., this afternoon. Immediately after shooting them Tibbs shot himself. Physicians tonight stated there was no hope for his recovery.

# ASSEMBLYMAN DIES

COLUMBIA, S. C., Feb. 3.—W. W. Johnston, member of the house of representatives of the South Carolina general assembly from Clarendon county, died tonight at a local hospital at 11 o'clock from an attack of influenza.

Those visiting women who have aided Asheville women in the making of pneumonia jackets under the direction of Mrs. Chas. S. Jordan. The Modern Woodmen have proffered not only cars but personal services of members, and the night transportation service furnished Vice Chairman Mrs. T. S. Rollins by the detail from the Kiwanis club, under H. E. Gruber, is of great assistance, it is reported.

# CAMPAIGN AGAINST DOPE USERS IS ON

MAN AND WOMAN WITH MUCH DOPE TAKEN.

General Roundup of All Who Have Drugs Without Permission, Will Be Made By Officers.

In what is believed to be a campaign for a general roundup of all dealers in narcotics in defiance of the Harrison national law, local federal officers have started to work in this city. The first arrest made in the general campaign was that of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Coley, alias Mr. and Mrs. Garret, who have been boarding at No. 24 Oak street, yesterday before Judge Wells in police court, while the federal authorities are also holding them for violating the Harrison act.

When their rooms were raided, morphine sulphate, tubes, tablets and heroin, in addition to many syringes for giving the dope, were captured and are now at the marshal's office, being held for evidence before the federal court. The dope is believed to have been stolen from Grant's pharmacy, which was broken into Saturday night, as Mr. Stovall, the manager, identified several of the bottles as coming from his place.

The officers have been unable to find out much about the Coleys, as they appear to have been living here without work, and the couple will not make any statement regarding themselves. While these are the first arrests of the kind in some time, the officers say that they plan to conduct a thorough investigation in the city and other arrests are expected to follow at any time.

# PUSH CAMPAIGN FOR RELIEF IN NEAR EAST

Over Half the Quota for Buncombe County Has Been Forwarded State Headquarters.

John H. Cathey, chairman of the campaign in this county for relief in the near east yesterday reported that more than half of Buncombe county's quota had been raised and that \$6,883.01 of the \$12,000 quota have been forwarded to state headquarters at Raleigh.

Every effort is being expended to put Buncombe "over the top" this week, and if the churches and Sunday schools continue to send in as good reports as were received during last week the quota will be raised.

A large number of individuals have given Mr. Cathey their subscriptions and in making up the statement sent Raleigh yesterday several hundred dollars were included in the personal column.

Subscriptions from the following churches and Sunday schools, the most of which has been paid at the time the pledges were received are as follows: Biltmore Methodist Episcopal Sunday school, \$61.50; Chestnut street Methodist Sunday school, \$878, being more than its quota; Balm Grove Methodist Sunday school, \$120; Haywood street Methodist church, \$600, over the quota; Trinity Episcopal church, \$1,020, and the First Presbyterian church, \$1,440, or over the quota.

ready, but these conditions will be looked after, it was stated.

Several small building permits were granted and J. C. McCurry of Annandale avenue was granted a permit to erect a five room residence to cost \$2,900.

# PREVENTION IS BEST CURE FOR INFLUENZA SAY PUBLIC AUTHORITIES

Every possible Effort Is Being Made In Affected Localities to Stop Further Spread of Disease.

# OUNCE OF PREVENTION WORTH POUND OF CURE

Persons Who Catch Colds Easily and Who Are In Run-down Condition In Greatest Danger.

Influenza continues to spread; and the disease is now prevalent over many sections of the country. It has baffled the medical skill to an unusual extent, and although it has been held in check in most localities it has gotten beyond control in others. The germ has eluded bacteriologists, and medical men now agree that the best cure is prevention.

The surest prevention is to build up the bodily powers of resistance, and to get the system into the best physical condition possible. It is now universally agreed that it is possible to perfect the powers of resistance of the human system so that it can throw off almost any infection, not excepting influenza.

It has been observed that persons who are weak and run-down are more susceptible to the disease than persons who are in robust health, and if you are in a generally run-down condition and below normal weight this warning should be heeded promptly. If you are in this condition nothing on earth will build you up and strengthen you like Tanlac, which contains the most powerful tonic properties known to science. As a reconstructive tonic and system builder it is without an equal and contains the very elements needed by the system to give you fighting strength to ward off disease germs. This is a statement of fact and is supported by the recognized authorities and reference works including the U. S. Dispensatory, the Encyclopedia Britannica, and also by standard text books used in the schools of medicine. This statement is further proven by the fact that millions of persons who have actually taken Tanlac have testified to its extraordinary merit as a medicine and by the fact Tanlac is today having the largest sale of any tonic on the American market.

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