

MADISON WIS 1218P OCT. 10-1918

DR E. S. HAYES
(EAUCLAIRE WIS.)

above
DUE TO THE PREVALENCE OF INFLUENZA THROUGH OUT THE STATE
AND IN CONFORMITY TO THE REQUEST OF THE SURGEON GENERAL
OF THE UNITED STATES PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE THE WISCONSIN STATE BOARD
OF HEALTH ISSUES AND ADVISORY ORDER TO ALL THE HEALTH
OFFICERS LOCAL HEALTH BOARDS AND CITY COUNCILS TO IMMEDIATELY CLOSE
ALL SCHOOLS CHURCHES SUNDAY SCHOOLS THEATRES MOVING PICTURE HOUSES OTHER
PLACES OF AMUSEMENT AND PUBLIC GATHERINGS FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD
OF TIME LOCAL BOARDS OF HEALTH SHOULD HOLD MEETINGS IMMEDIATELY
INCORPORATING THE SUGGESTIONS HEREIN OUTLINED RECORD THEIR ORDER IN THE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING PUBLISH IT IN LOCAL PAPER OR
PRINT IT AND POST IT IN FIVE OR MORE CONSPICUOUS PLACES
AND ATTACH SECTION 4608 OF THE STATUS AS THE
PENALTY PROVISION FOR VIOLATION OF THE ORDER

C A HARPER
STATE HEALTH OFFICER

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Members of the Local Board of Health

After the Flue is over
After the last card is off,
After all temperatures are normal
After theres no more cough
We Will All Look Like This, ----



For in the days of Flue
And the popular red tag
When temperatures were raging
And backackes were the fad
We All Looked like this ----



First Church of Christ, Scientist

Eau Claire, Wisconsin

October 10, 1918.

To the Board of Health,
Eau Claire, Wis.

Gentlemen:

The Board of Trustees of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Eau Claire, Wis. protest against the closing of christian churches in the present condition of public fear. The Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science has written in her volume, Micellaneous Writings (page 229) "A calm, Christian state of mind is a better preventive of contagion than a drug, or than any other sanative method; and the "perfect Love" that "casteth out fear" is a sure defense."

Some measure of this thought is recognized even by the medical profession of to-day; and it is felt that the church as the avenue of this state of mind should be allowed to assemble for the purpose of worship. It is earnestly hoped that the Board of Health will reconsider their order as effecting christian services on Sunday.

By the Clerk,

G. Wright,

At a meeting of the Board of Health called Oct 6-1918 at the office of the Board, the following motioned was adopted and a copy sent to Mrs J. D. R. Stevens, Pres of the Womens Club this City.

Mrs. J. D. R. Stevens, Pres,
Womens Club.
Eau Claire. Wis.

Dear Madam;

At a meeting of the Board of Health, this date, it was decided to advise you to portpone the State Convention of Womens Clubs in this City Oct 9-1918 as a matter of prevention to those attending and to this community.

We have no epedemic in this City at this time but influenza is epedemic in many localities throughout the State. The highly contagious nature, virulence and high mortality rate in this disease at this time, prompts this board to offer the above advise.

Very Respectfully,

W.H. **

W. H. Burns

Pres.

J. M. Lyman

J. J. Furr
Exc Officer & Sec.

Oct 6-1918

At a meeting of the Board of Health, the following precautionary measures were advised for the prevention of Influenza.

Influenza is a highly contagious disease and is communicated almost entirely by the discharges from the nose and throat.

You should not sneeze or cough without covering the mouth and nose with a handkerchief.

You should not spit except in some receptacle where contents can either be destroyed or disinfected.

You should not visit those afflicted with influenza or la grippe and patients suffering from such disease should not mingle with others in the family or attend shows, public assemblies or other gatherings.

All cough colds with sneezing or coughing being contagious should be handled on the same lines.

People suffering with influenza should occupy warm well ventilated rooms, eat nourishing but easily digested food, pay attention to the normal excretory function and a mild antiseptic nasal douche and gargle should be used at least twice daily not only as a relief to the patient but as a preventive.

The above published several times in the Leader and Telegram.

Oct 11-1918--

Special meeting called... Present, --B^arnes, Farr, Lyman, Hayes, Midelfart.

Closed the Rest Room.

Moving Picture places-----decided to leave the order as given.

Oct 9-1918

Prof. BuDahn,
City.

Dear Sir;

With treferece to the teachers convention.--

In view of the wide spread epedemic of Influenza throughout the State,we the Board of Health of the City of Eau Claire would respectfully advise that the convention called for Oct 18 & 19 be postponed until the present epedemic subsides.

Respectfully,

W. H. Baeris

Pres.

J. R. Lyman

Lyman

Widelfaur

J. F. Farr

Exc Off. & Sec.

Farr

The following was sent to the Sacres Heart Hospital, Luther Hospital. Mt Washington Sanatorium. E.C. County Asylum and School Nurse.

Oct 9-1918

Dear Madam;

We, the Members of the Board of Health, City of Eau Claire, would respectfully advise the following;--

All visitors to the Hospital, except in exteem cases be excluded until the present State wide epedemic of Influenza has subsided.

We would not reccommend at this time, admittance of patients suffering from influenza or pneimonia following same unless cared for by special nurse and isolated.

We are prompted to so from the experience of other hospitals notable GreenBay wis., where over 30 of the Sisters have contracted the disease, one recently died as the result, 20 of the helpers and nurses in training have it and two not expected to live and patients in the hospital for other illness and surgical treatment has contracted influenza with some fatal results attributed directly to thos disease. Dr. DeBooth in attendance on cases from Naval Station in this hospital contracted influenza and died last week.

Respectfully

M. A. Barnes

Chairman

J. R. Lyman

Hayes

Mudelford

J. F. Farr

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OFFICE
BOARD OF HEALTH
Eau Claire, Wisconsin.
October 10, 1918.

In accordance with the recommendation of Rupert Blue, Surgeon General of the United States Department of Public Health and Hygiene, and pursuant to a call of the State Board of Health, relative to the dangers of local epidemic of Spanish Influenza and for the protection of the people of this community from the disease named, the following order and regulations were adopted by the Board of Health of the City of Eau Claire, to be effective throughout said City beginning at 12 o'clock midnight, October 10th, 1918.

Public meetings and gatherings of all descriptions must not be held and must be avoided.

All schools, colleges and similar institutions are closed until further notice from the Board.

Churches and religious meetings on Sundays and at other times must not be held until further notice.

Lodge meetings must not be held.
Conventions of any kind, dances, entertainments or social functions at which people are called to assemble must be postponed until further notice.

Theater and Moving Picture shows are closed until further order from the board.

All activities at the Public Library must cease. All outstanding books to be called in. Books from places where cases exist to be handled or destroyed under the supervision of the Board of Health.

Loitering or congregating of persons in business places is prohibited.

Table utensils used in serving food or refreshments of any kind at hotel, restaurants, ice-cream parlors, saloons and places of similar service must be promptly sterilized with boiling water after serving anyone individual person.

Meetings and games and similar activities at the Y.M.C.A. to cease until further notice.

Street Cars and Railway Stations must be kept clean and well ventilated.

Parents will keep children at home and watch closely.

Call a physician on first symptoms and report developments.

Persons recovering from the disease must not mingle with the public until fully recovered.

Any neglect or refusal to observe orders of the Board of Health and protective regulations shall be punished in accordance with

Section 4608 of the State Laws covering said offence.

Careful reading and constant observance of the regulations and suggestions for prevention and treatment of Spanish Influenza should be maintained by every person within the City and the sincere and constant co-operation of the people of this city are earnestly requested by the Board of Health.

Prevention of the spread of this disease in this community depends absolutely upon the loyal and intelligent effort of every citizen and the Board of Health anxiously awaits your cordial support.

Placards and notices will be issued and put up in accordance with this order and the same must be maintained in accordance with law.

The Board of Health feels that "Safety First" is the wisest policy and from experience relies confidently upon the support of the citizens at this critical time.

BOARD OF HEALTH,
CITY OF MAU CLAIRE,
W.E.BARLES, Chairman,
DR. E.S.HAYES,
DR. J.V.R.LYMAN,
DR. CHR. MIDELFART,
DR. J.F.FARR,
Health Officers.

Meeting of the Board of Health called to order in the office of the Board of Health Oct 10-1918 and the above resolutions were passed.

The above minneographed and a copy given to every business place with Fight the Flu cards .

Oct 23-1918

Joint meeting of the Board of Health and Y.M.C.A. called to order in the office of the Board of Health.

Present--W. H. Barnes, Drs, Lyman, Midelfart and Farr.
Mr. Wheeler, Melby, Lockwood, Lange, & Keith.

Mr Lange acted as spokesman for the Y.M.C.A. committee. He stated that at their Directors meeting a few nights previous, that the argument came up that either the ban should be lifted or the saloons be closed tight.

Sec. Melby stated that he personally had counted 50 men in Bruce Browns at 8:30 the night before.

Barnes--I should say from the statements made that "We should not open the Y but draw the lid closer.

Dr. Lyman--opposes the lifting of the lid. refers to the condition of other cities.

Mr. Wheeler--After hearing the conditions, and talking over things with the Board of Health I think the results show that the Board of Health are doing all they can and I approve of the precautions.

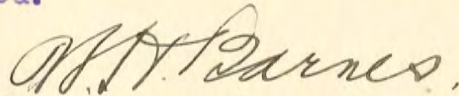
Results of the meeting---

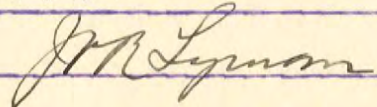
Moved and seconded that 10 or 12 men be allowed in the Gym of the Y taking exercise, that there be no audience or that no man with a cold be allowed to play.

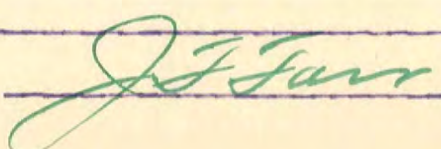
Oct 24-1918

Special called. All members present--

Moved and seconded that there be no sales, openings or any special means of drawing the public to any business place while the City is under closing orders of the Board of Health and that said business places be duly notified.







Hays
 Midelfart
 Farr

Oct 28-1918

Joint meeting with the Red Crosse held in one of the parlors of the Y.M.C.A.

Present--Miss. Dougherty, special representative of the Red Crosse, Mrs Coffin, Mrs Lockwood, Mrs McGraw, Mrs Jim Joyce, Mr Lange and Miss. Fiske----Dr. Farr, Mr, Barnes, Dr. Lyman and Dr. Hayes.

Miss Dougherty addressed the meetin. Urged appointing of an Ependemic Committe whose purpose would be to co-operate with the Board of Health in every way possible in handling the Influenza Epedemic. Making a survay of this Red Crosse District relative to nurses, volunteer workers, general conditions. etc.

Some of the duties of this committee would be if the need arose, to establish a cooking station, provide hot food to families afflicted, to furnish conveyances to carry the nurses and workers to places afflicted, to carry food where needed. To supply bed shirts maskd etc. to provide help from other places if necessary. etc. etc.