from rain; brushing, it seems to me, ice to close the pores.

CLOCKS PUT BACK BY WESTERN UNION

Five hundred of the 600 Western Union telegraph clocks in and about New Orleans were readjusted under governmental orders at 2 a. m. Sunday, according to the estimate of J. C. Jackson, assistant manager of the local branch of the Western Union.

"The clocks," he explained, "are on open relay circuits connected with a master clock at the local headquarters which corrects the individual service clocks twenty-four times a day, on the hours, by bringing the minute hand straight up to 'twelve' and the hour hand to the proper hour; in case any slight variation has occurred during the hour just elapsed. At 2 o'clock Sunday morning (daylight saving time) the clocks were automatically corrected, and of that hour an employe stationed at the master clock, waited for one minute to see and then threw the clock's hand back to 2. This employe did fifty-nine more times, and at the end of the hour the clocks pointed to 2 o'clock, readjusted."

Complaints reached the telegraph headquarters Sunday to the effect that some of the clocks still were giving old time. This, Mr. Jackson says, was due to some defective condition, either in the particular clock complained of, or between it and the master clock. Not more than 100 of the clocks went uncorrected, according to the estimate of Mr. Jackson, made Sunday night, and these, he says, will be corrected today by personal visits of employes to the clocks complained of.

ADMIRAL IS MARRIED; COMING TO ORLEANS

Washington, Oct. 27.—Rear Admiral Benjamin Tappan, U. S. N., and Mrs. Alice W. Tyszowski, widow of T. M. Tyszowski, were united in marriage at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the home of the bride, Aithe Hall, Alexandria county, Virginia, Chaplain J. B. Frazier, U. S. N., and Rev. W. B. Everett, Jr., of Clarendon, Va., officiating.

Rear Admiral Tappan recently has been transferred from the position of commandant of the naval district of Washington to command of the eighth naval district with headquarters at New Orleans.

NEED TOYS FOR CHILDREN.

Dr. Corput Asks Public to Help Amuse His Patients.

If you have any toys you can spare, or, if you are not lucky enough to have a child of your own and cannot find any little stuffed rabbits or imitation woolly dogs about your house, but can manage to spend money in a worthy cause and will purchase toys, send them to Dr. G. M. Corput at the Emergency Hospital or, better still, to the headquarters of the New Orleans chapter of the American Red Cross, 816 Carondelet street, whence they will be forwarded to the hospital.

Dr. Corput has a personal appeal Sunday for any sort of playthings except those that make a noise. There are seventy-five children in the Emergency Hospital at present, some of them left orphans by the influenza, and the doctor is eager to provide them with some sort of diversion.

Soldier's Burial Monday.

The funeral of Sergeant James L. Pelletier, 3239 Pritchard street, who died at Camp Greene, North Carolina, Thursday, will take place Monday. Burial will be in St. Louis cemetery. Sergeant Pelletier was the son of James B. Pelletier, dealer in antiques. Mr. Pelletier also has two other sons in the service, Sergeant Major Rene Pelletier and Sergeant Roger Pelletier, both in France.

Broken Pole Falls on Taxi.

An electric light pole was run into and broken off by a taxicab driven by Arthur Martin, 811 St. Ferdinand street, Sunday night. Although the pole fell across the taxi, neither the driver nor any of the passengers were injured.

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of the family forget the epidemic sement. Make today and these th these double-faced records:

I'm Sorry I Made You Cry, Just a Baby's Prayer at Twilight,
God Be With Our Boys Tonight,
Somewhere in France Is the Lily,
Your Lips Are No Man's Land But Mine,
Just Like Washington Crossed the Delaware, General Pershing Will Cross the Rhine.

SUFFRAGISTS SEEK PETITION SIGNERS

"I feel more confident now than ever that we are going to win a victory in November and I think the appeal of Governor Pleasant for the support of the suffrage claim is just grand," said Miss Jean Gordon, president of the Louisiana State Suffrage Association, Sunday.

Miss Gordon kept her headquarters at 420 Camp street open Sunday in order to give every woman wishing to add her name to the petition an opportunity to do so. She said that several lists had come in during the day from all parts of the state, and if it had not been for the influenza and bad roads in the country sections, the list would contain several thousand more names.

"We are going to put in a strenuous day of it Monday and many of the stores on Canal street will be decorated for our cause, and we expect to add several hundred more names to our petition as this will be our last day to work. The petitions must all be in Monday night as they will be mailed to the governor Tuesday," she said.

Miss Gordon has had many experiences during the last three weeks while soliciting signatures for the petition, and said only a few women had refused to sign it. She said she asked one woman employed in a factory if she would sign the petition, and that she replied: "No, I think a woman's place is at home keeping house for her husband." Miss Gordon then asked her why she was not at home, and her answer was she had to make a living for her two brothers.

She told of one woman who came to headquarters and said she wanted to sign the petition asking for woman's suffrage, saying, "I have given my country my tribute. I have given my two boys to go to France to fight and have just come from paying my taxes, and now I think I am entitled to my rights."

ELK DISPENSARY WORK IS REDUCED

Work done by the Elks' Dispensary has been reduced one-half during the last few days, so pronounced has been the improvement in the influenza situation. Last Wednesday, almost 1200 patients were treated, while Sunday the number visited was between 500 and 600. This decrease has been a big relief to the Elks, who have been working day and night since the opening of their dispensary.

Many business men who are members of the Elks, spent a day of rest at the dispensary Sunday. This allowed some of those who have been putting all their time in dispensary work to take a much needed vacation.

No let up in the work is probable until the situation is entirely under control. More than 300 prescriptions were filled Sunday. The demand for this number was for tonics and other medicines for after effects. Numerous supplies of milk, crackers, bread, eggs and oranges, also are given away.

The automobile shortage continued Sunday but conditions were better than Saturday night, when the rainy weather kept many cars away. It was so difficult to hire automobiles the medical staff was greatly handicapped in its work. All auto owners are urged to report, or have their chauffeurs report, to Waldo Pitkin, vice-chairman of the dispensary committee.

INFLUENZA MASKS DOOMED BY DOCTORS

Influenza masks are harmful to the wearers, in that they prevent the free breathing of fresh air, which is essential at this time, and do not keep out germs, because the wearers are continually breathing impure air; besides, there are no orders from the War Department, Public Health Service or local or state health boards requiring their use.

These statements were made Sunday night by Dr. G. M. Corput, the United States Public Health Service, in charge of the fight against influenza in Louisiana, after he had visited a restaurant, where he had asked the waiters why they were wearing the masks, and none of them could give him a reason.

He ordered them to remove the masks and not to wear them again.

Masks are worn by virtually all the attendants and waiters at soda fountains and restaurants, and as a rule their use is required by employers. With these positive statements from Dr. Corput it is expected that masks will rapidly disappear.

P. J. AVILES DROWNS IN LAKE AT PARK

Philip J. Aviles, 28 years of age, of 7013 Jeannette street, was drowned in the artificial lake at Audubon Park at 11:40 o'clock Sunday morning.

Aviles, who was manager of the export department of the Albert Mackie Grocery Company, was stranded in a canoe race with 15-year-old Sterling Harris of 626 Webster street, when the canoe overturned, and before aid could reach him he went under for the last time.

W. F. Schwartz, 7800 Peters avenue, witnessed the accident, but as he was unable to swim he could not assist the drowning man. The body was recovered about 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon by Sergeant Major L. G. Peyraud of Camp Martin.

Press Fight on Carfare Raise.

"The labor organizations are not going to let up on the fight against the raise in street car fares and the increase in gas and electric light rates," said R. W. Stephens, editor of the Labor Advocate, Sunday. "We have more than $30000 in our fund to fight the case and we are going to carry it to the highest courts, if necessary.

Mr. Stephens said organizations have been severely handicapped from contributing to the fund because of the influenza epidemic, which prevented them from holding meetings. He stated all of the organizations would contribute funds from their treasuries, but it will be necessary, he says, to raise additional funds for these funds to be with-

drawn before the organizations can replenish their treasuries.

"I feel that I would be remiss in my duty if I did not sincerely plead the cause of my people for early consideration of their religious rights. As the official defender of our faith, which is dearer to us than life itself, I shall animadvert on the untruth recently reported in the daily press, to the effect that the understanding of Catholic faith, sacrifice and sacraments mean to our people whose vision is not eclipsed by the things of time.

"Our churches closed, with the festival day of God abolished from the calendar, and for the third time, with the lamb offered in secret as in the catacombs when might was right, we realize that we are living in a vale of tears in these days of sorrow, when the grim reaper is mercilessly striking down the flower of our manhood and womanhood. Because we may not enter our churches' doors we are as in a dreamy land, and as we remember the new Pilgrim we have no heart to sing the song of the Lord (Ps. 136:4). If sick at heart and weary of the world's bustle, turmoil and confusion we often listen to the people whisper in our soul of Him who bids us to come apart and rest awhile (Mark 6:31) in His temple, and we venture to commit the crime of entering alone, with none of the mocking crowd to accompany us and with no crowd within as we cross the threshold to fall on our knees, is no room in the Lord's inn; even though we enter the home of our Emanuel by a side door, because we would not scandalize the little ones or the weak of faith but rather the Nicodemus come by stealth, lest a thousand lynx eyes are upon us, a thousand tongues must spread the sensational news and a thousand pens bravely consecrated must denounce us to the strong arm of the law as endangering the health of the city.

"A modern Aesculapius, fearful lest we make the House of God a den of drinkers, smugly warns us that we are placing our churches on a level with the saloon. He made the wonderful discovery, no doubt, through the solicitous truths that some pious old man, or worse still, some innocent child, with more of the love of God than the fear of man in their hearts, stopped in by a side door, as friends often do when calling on one another to tell the Lord of life and death, like Mary and Martha of old, in accents of tender faith and love: 'He whom Thou lovest is sick.' (John 11:3) Another equally learned disciple of the healing art gravely informs us (as a result we presume of his long personal experience) that we can pray as well at home as in our churches, though incarnate wisdom has said that His House is the house of prayer.

"Alack and lo for shame! The churches are adopting the old saloon custom of keeping the side door open on Sunday.' Has the child left of a would-be journalist of our city. Has Southern journalism become so anemic that it must needs, if it would enlighten and amuse its patrons, make the House of God the butt of a cowardly jest? Is Southern chivalry become only a name? Verily man's inhumanity to man has made countless thousands mourn.

"We are told that our churches are closed because they draw crowds. When we ask what constitutes a crowd, the reply is, 'Fifty persons or more.' Again we are told by those who seem to know that it is not so much numbers as proximity of those who are in a crowd. In a certain metropolis, according to the daily papers, the churches were allowed to hold services on Sundays for at least forty-five minutes. In a large Southern city the congregations were advised to hold their services on the lawns outside of their churches. Do we wonder then that the ordinary rank and file of our citizens are confused at the contradiction of doctrine and practice?

"It matters not, apparently, as far as the public health is concerned that the cheek by jowl the cars are congested and the saloons and restaurants doing business as usual. We understand that the public utilities must not stop, but we are curious to know how all these utilities are immune, and why it is that our churches with their lofty ceilings and many windows ensuring a constant circulation of air, with none but people as close to each other as we often see the patrons of a street car, are deadly centers of infection?

"Far be it from us to dictate to the guardians of the public health. Nor have we any intention to add to their already heavy burdens. We remember the words of the Wise Man, 'Honor the physician for the need thou hast of him' (Eccli. 38.1.) We cannot refrain, however, from letting the various boards of health know officially how we feel on the subject of closing our churches, and as less wise we would venture to say that far from being jeopardized the public health would be improved, were it given to our people to have free access to the ministrations of religion in our churches.

"'There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio,
Than are dreamt of in your philosophy.'

"W. W. SHAW,
"Archbishop of New Orleans."

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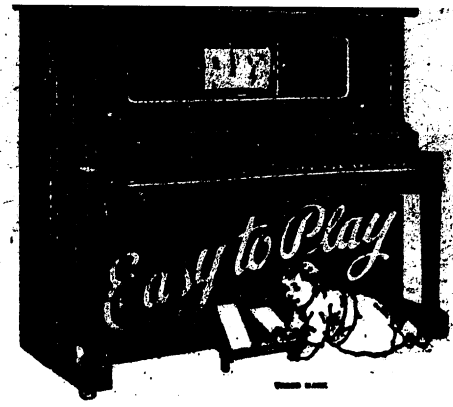

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