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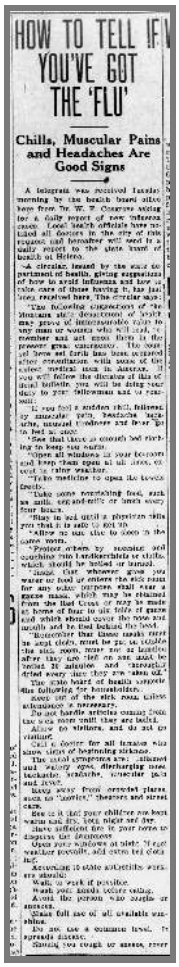

HOW TO TELL IF YOU'VE GOT THE 'FLU'

Chills, Muscular Pains and Headaches Are Good Signs

A telegram was received Tuesday morning by the health board advising from Dr. W. F. Cogswell asking for a daily report of new influenza cases. Local health officials have notified all doctors in the city of this request and hereafter will send in a daily report to the state board of health at Helena.

A circular, issued by the state department of health, giving suggestions of how to avoid influenza and how to take care of those having it, has just been received here. The circular says:

"The following enjoyment of the Montana state department of health may prove of immeasurable value to any man or woman who will read, remember and act upon them in the present grim emergency. The suggestions have been set forth here have received after consultation with some of the ablest medical men in America. If you will follow the dictates of this medical bulletin, you will be doing your duty to your fellowman and to yourself.

"If you feel a sudden chill, followed by muscular pain, headache, backache, unusual tiredness and fever go to bed at once.

"See that there is enough bed clothing to keep you warm.

"Open all windows in your bedroom and keep them open at all times, except in rainy weather.

"Take medicine to open the bowels freely.

"Take some nourishing food, such as milk, egg-and-milk or broth every four hours.

"Stay in bed until a physician tells you that it is safe to get up.

"Allow no one else to sleep in the same room.

"Protect others by sneezing and coughing into handkerchiefs or cloths which should be boiled or burned.

"Insist that whoever gives you water or food or enters the sick room for any other purpose shall wear a gauze mask, which may be obtained from the Red Cross or may be made at home of four to six folds of gauze and which should cover the nose and mouth and be tied behind the head.

"Remember that these masks must be kept clean, must be put on before the sick room, must not be handled after they are put on and must be boiled 20 minutes and thoroughly dried every time they are taken off.

The state board of health suggests the following for householders:

Keep out of the sick room, unless absolutely necessary.

Do not handle articles coming from the sick room until they are boiled.

Allow no visitors, and do not go visiting.

Call a doctor for all persons who show signs of beginning sickness.

The usual symptoms are: Inflamed and watery eyes, discharging nose, backache, headache, muscular pain and fever.

Keep away from crowded places, such as "movies," theaters and street cars.

See to it that your children are kept warm and dry, long night and day.

Have sufficient fire in your home to hasten the drying.

Open your windows at night. If very weather prevails, add extra bed clothes.

According to state authorities, avoid alcohol.

Walk, if work if possible.

Wash your hands before eating.

Avoid the person who coughs or sneezes.

Obtain full use of all available sunshine.

Do not use a common towel. To spreads disease.

Should you cough or sneeze, cover

How To Self Diagnose

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