

## Report No New Polio Cases in 48-Hour Period

Officials Decline  
To View Epidemic  
In Area as Broken

Billings went through the last 48-hour period with no reports of new polio cases within the city and none in Yellowstone county's rural areas, according to health officers. However, authorities declined to describe the epidemic, which thus far has resulted in eight deaths, as broken.

Mayor B. E. Biddinger said Friday that he has been informed by the bureau of state services in Washington, D. C., that United States Senator Charles A. Gillilan, who is expected to make a study of the polio epidemic here, has been delayed in leaving for Billings and will not arrive until Sunday. The arrival from Denver of a regional representative of the National Foundation of Infantile Paralysis is also postponed, the mayor said he was told late Friday.

Ways and means of combatting the current polio epidemic were discussed Friday night at a meeting of the Yellowstone County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, Inc., held at St. Vincent hospital.

Conferring with the group were Dr. B. K. Kilbourne, state epidemiologist; Frank E. McDonnell, of Great Falls, state representative of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis; Mayor Biddinger, Louis Doussan, Frank Merrill, Wallace Ryan, Dr. Roy Motledge and Sister Ascella, superintendent of St. Vincent hospital.

McDonnell praised the manner in which the officers and members of the local chapter were meeting the test. Doctors, nurses, physiotherapists and members of the hospital staffs also came in for commendation by McDonnell.

Curtis J. Walsh, chairman of the Yellowstone chapter, presided at the meeting with the following officers and members in attendance: George Hutton, Robert M. Waters, Mrs. Alice Thomas, Mrs. Marguerite Palmer, Don C. Shedy, Dr. Louis W. Allard, Dr. A. E. Strupp, Harold Beeman, Mrs. Carl Bustell and Judge Guy C. Derry.

Police reported that no parents were tagged Friday for allowing their children to violate the quarantine restricting minors to their own premises. Since the ban was invoked Sunday 40 parents had been

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