

City's Public Schools to Stay Closed Pending Further Notice

While rural schools in Yellowstone county will open Tuesday, public schools in Billings will remain closed, according to an announcement from Sterling Wood, chairman of the board of trustees. Fratt Memorial school and St. Patrick's high school, however, are scheduled to begin classes Tuesday morning, the Rev. W. P. O'Rourke, pastor of St. Patrick's parish, announced.

Decision to keep city public schools closed was reached after

a conference of trustees, and the continuation of the closing is a result of sentiment expressed by a large number of Billings parents, Wood said. The parents, he added, expressed the hope that schools would remain closed for a time as a precaution against a recurrence of the polio epidemic.

A date for the reopening has not yet been set, the chairman said.

Meanwhile, children under 18 will be released at 7 a. m. Tuesday from quarantine to their home premises, according to a plan announced by city and county officials. All Billings churches will be open Sunday, but no Sunday school classes for children will be resumed until October 28. All local theaters will open Sunday, while the beer halls, bars, other businesses and public meeting places will open Monday.

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