

FLU IS ON THE WANE IN SEC. B BARRACKS

PROMPT ATTENTION CHECKS SPREAD OF DISEASE—MEN VACCINATED

Influenza is on the wane in Section B. The situation is well in hand it is thot that the crest of the epedemic has been reached. The number of cases has been decreasing each day.

The hospitals have been taxed to their capacity. The Elks' Temple has been turned into a convalescent hospital where the men are taken, as soon as they are well enough to be moved.

Howard L. Hatfield is medical supply sergeant. He has been a busy man. Facilities for caring for such a large number of patients was at first necessarily limited. Sergeant Hatfield was entrusted with the job of securing the equipment and now has everything that is needed.

The local chapter of ~~the~~ Red Cross, and the Spokane chapter have aided in the work materially. The citizens of the community have also responded to the needs of the men. The jams and fruits have been a big help to the sick men and they appreciate heartily the gifts.

Sergeant Keane has had charge of the transportation of the sick men and has kept two motor trucks busy day and night. His rest periods have been rather uncertain.

Five hundred men were vaccinated in short order Friday night when a case of smallpox was discovered in Section B barracks. The vaccination of the men had been delayed on account of the Influenza epidemic but quick action resulted with the discovery of the disease. Some of the men vaccinated were in Section A and were men whose vaccination did not take with the first application. The entire time used to vaccinate the men was a little under two hours.
