THEATERS AND MOVIES CLOSED BY 'FLU' ORDER

All theaters in Illinois, including moving picture houses, will be closed today for an indefinite period.

The action was ordered last night by the executive committee of the emergency commission recently created to combat the influenza-pneumonia epidemic. It will be promulgated as a legally binding order of the state department of public health and will be enforced by local authorities throughout the state.

In Chicago, Health Commissioner Robertson this morning will send a letter to Acting Chief of Police Alcock asking for immediate enforcement.

Public Schools Here Stay Open.

The commission also agreed to stop all lodge meetings and night schools, but the public schools having a system of medical inspection such as that in Chicago will not be closed.

In the announcement concerning the theaters the phrase “and all other places of public amusement” was used, but probably additional rulings will be required for its interpretation.

At the request of the commission Marquis Eaton, president of the Chicago chapter of the American Red Cross, announced the decision to the newspaper men, who had been waiting outside the closed doors for almost five hours.

Decision Is Unanimous.

"The commission unanimously recommended," Mr. Eaton said, "that the

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