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## EPIDEMIOLOGIC NOTES AND REPORTS INFLUENZA

To date, in addition to the epidemic in Hong Kong, outbreaks of influenza-like illness have been reported from Singapore, the Philippines, Taiwan, and Indonesia. A2 strains from Singapore and Taiwan have been found to be similar to those from Hong Kong. None of these areas has had a major influenza outbreak during the past $2-3$ years.

On September 2, 1968, two cases of influenza-like illness in Atlanta, Georgia, were reported. The first case was a man who became ill with a typical influenza-like illness characterized by fever, malaise, cough, and myalgia 4 days after his return to the United States from the Far

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East; 2 days later his wife, who had not left the United States, also became ill. A2 influenza virus isolates from both of these persons have been shown to be similar to the $A 2 / H o n g$ Kong/ 68 strains. With the continuous air and sea traffic from the Far East, it is quite likely that (Continued on page 330)

TABLEI. CASES OF SPECIFIED NOTIFIABLE DISEASES: UNITED STATES
(Cumulative totals include revised and delayed reports through previous weeks)

| DISEASE | 36th WEEK ENDED |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { MEDIAN } \\ 1963-1967 \end{gathered}$ | CUMULATIVE, FIRST 36 wEEKS |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | September 7 , 1968 | $\text { September } 9 \text {, }$ $1967$ |  | 1968 | 1967 | $\begin{gathered} \text { MEDIAN } \\ 1963-1967 \end{gathered}$ |
| Aseptic meningitis | 191 | 144 | 55 | 2,354 | 1.775 | 1,280 |
| Brucellosis | 3 | 3 | 8 | 148 | 179 | 179 |
| Diphtheria. | 11 | 7 | 7 | 121 | 79 | 127 |
| Encephalitis, primary: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arthropod-borne \& unspecified | 42 | 40 | - . | 794 | 1.084 |  |
| Encephalitis, post-infectious | 10 | 11 | . | 367 | 627 |  |
| Hepatitis, serum | 71 | 38 | 568 | 2,946 | 1.480 | 27,108 |
| Hepatitis, infectious | 723 | 590 | 568 | 30,248 | 26,179 | 27,108 |
| Malaria | 60 | 32 | 2 | 1,509 | 1,355 | 70 |
| Measles (rubeola) | 92 | 194 | 450 | 19,558 | 57,620 | 239,590 |
| Meningococcal infections, total | 23 | 21 | 24 | 2.000 | 1.663 | 2,018 |
| Civilian | 23 | 21 | . . | 1,823 | 1,550 |  |
| Military | - | $\rightarrow$ | -- | 177 | 113 | ... |
| Mumps | 593 | -- | - - | 124,406 | - . |  |
| Pohiomyelitis, total | 2 | 3 | 3 | 37 | 26 | 71 |
| Paralytic | 2 | 2 | 2 | 37 | 22 | 60 |
| Rubella (German measles) | 243 | 123 |  | 43.588 | 39,723 |  |
| Streptococcal sore throat \& scarlet fever. | 4,401 | 4.477 | 3.957 | 300.505 | 323.474 | 291.323 |
| Tetanus | 4 | 6 | 5 | 105 | 152 | 172 |
| Tularemia | 1 | 2 | 2 | 138 | 125 | 178 |
| Typhoid fever | 24 | 13 | 13 | 244 | 285 | 283 |
| Typhus, tick-borne (Rky. Mt. spotted fever) | 10 | 18 | 12 | 228 | 250 | 198 |
| Rabies in animals ....................... | 37 | 80 | 67 | 2,483 | 3,130 | 3.130 |

TABLE II. NOTIFIABLE DISEASES OF LOW FREQUENCY

|  | Cum. |  | Cum. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Anthrax: | 3 | Rabies in man: | - |
| Botulism: | 4 | Rubella, Congenital Syndrome: Tenn.-1 | 5 |
| Leptospirosis: Fla.-1, Hawaii-2, Tenn.-1 | 30 | Trichinosis: | 47 |
| Plague: ................. | 2 | Typhus, murine: | 21 |
| $\underline{\text { Psittacosis: W.Va.-1 }}$ | 35 |  |  |

INFLUENZA - (Continued from front page)
there have been other introductions of the new A2 strains into the United States; however, to date, no outbreaks of influenza-like illness have been reported from the Atlanta area or elsewhere in the United States.
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## OUTBREAK OF TYPHOID FEVER - Missouri

An outbreak of typhoid fever has occurred among 200 persons who attended a Church of God (Independent Holiiness) summer camp in Audrain County, Missouri, from August 1 to August 11, 1968. Persons attending the camp were from Missouri, Illinois, Oklahoma, Arizona, Kansas, and Mississippi. Investigations in each of the states involved have documented 35 clinical cases of typhoid, including 19 cases in Missouri 15 cases in Illinois, and one case in Oklahoma, in the 175 persons contacted to date. Cultures from eight cases were positive for Salmonella typhi; two of these isolates were phage typed and are type C-1. Stool cultures are being obtained from all persons who attended the camp, and investigation for the vehicle of infection is in progress.

The phage type $\mathrm{C}-1$ is relatively uncommon and accounted for only 12.4 percent of 1,817 isolates of S. typhi typed in the United States between 1956 and 1961. There-
fore, any case of typhoid fever from whom $S$. typhi C-1 is isolated may be related to this outbreak and should be investigated. Any documented cases should be reported to NCDC.
(Reported by E.A. Belden, M.D., M.P.H., State Epidemiologist, Missouri Department of Health and Welfare; Mr. William Johnson, Sanitarian, Audrain County Health Department; Norman J. Rose, M.D., M.P.H., State Epidemiologist, and Mary Louise Brown, M.S., Division of Laboratories, Illinois Department of Public Health; D.L. Carpenter, M.D., M.P.H., State Epidemiologist, Oklahoma State Department of Health; D.E. Wilcox, M.D., State Epidemiologist, Kansas State Department of Health; M.II. Goodwin, Ph.D., State Epidemiologist, Arizona State Department of Health; D.L. Blakey, M.D., M.P.H., State Epidemiologist, Mississippi State Board of Health; and a team of EIS Officers.)

## PRIMARY AMEBIC MENINGOENCEPHALITIS - Virginia

On August 13, 1968, a 15-year-old female resident of the State of Washington was admitted to the Medical College of Virginia Hospital, Richmond, Virginia, with a 3 -day history of illness that began with frontal headaches, anorexia, and parosmia. The headaches became more severe, and on August 12 nausea, vomiting, and nuchal rigidity developed. The patient was seen by a local physician and referred to the hospital.

Previous history included frequent earaches, which required myringotomy when she was a child. Also, 8 days prior to admission, the patient had swum in an inland lake near Richmond, and the following day she had swum in a chlorinated pool. There was no history of head trauma or known exposure to any other cases of meningitis.

On admission the patient was lethargic and febrile (temperature $103{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ ). Other vital signs were normal. There was nosignificant abnormality of nasal or gingival mucosa or tympanic membranes. She had nuchal rigidity and a Babinski reflex on the right.

Lumbar puncture revealed increased cerebral spinal fluid pressure of $300 \mathrm{~mm} \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. The fluid was cloudy and contained $310 \mathrm{RBC} / \mathrm{mm}^{3}$ and $300 \mathrm{WBC} / \mathrm{mm}^{3}$ of which initially 87 percent were neutrophils. Motile forms of amebae were seen in the fluid. After preliminary investi-
gation, these were felt to be Naegleria $s p$.
The patient was treated with emetine, chloroquine, metronidazole, and tetracycline antibiotics. Despite this therapy, the patient became comatose and died in pulmonary edema on the second hospital day.

This is the ninth case of primary amebic meningoencephalitis to be diagnosed at the Medical College of Virginia; six of these were 1951-52 cases diagnosed retrospectiyely from necropsy specimens. These patients all presented with fulminating purulent meningitis, failed to respond to antibiotic therapy, and died within 48 hours after admission. A history of swimming in inland lakes was common to all. The causative organism, the freeliving Naegleria sp., was isolated from the last two cases.

An epidemiologic investigation is being carried out to find additional cases and to evaluate the role of swimming in inland lakes in the pathogenesis of this condition.
(Reported by Paul C.White, Jr., M.D., Director, Bureau of Epidemiology, Virginia State Department of Health, Richmond; William P. Wagner, M.D., Director, Chesterfield County Health Department, Chesterfield, Virginia; Richard J. Duma, M.D., Infectious Disease Division, Department of Medicine, Medical College of Virginia, Richmond; and and an EIS Officer.)

## CURRENT TRENDS

## MEASLES - United States

For the first time since 1912*, the number of reported cases of measles on a weekly basis has been fewer than 100 . For the week ending September 7,1968 , only 92 cases were reported to NCDC.

From August 11 through September 7, 1968, (weeks $33-36$ ). 566 cases of measles were reported. This is a decrease of 350 cases from the 916 cases reported for the preceding 4 -week period. Although the usual seasonal pattern of decreased incidence of measles in the summer is evident in Figure 1, the percentage decrease between 1968 and 1967 is less than the percent decrease of 1967
from each of the previous 3 years. Because of the extremely low incidence of reported cases of measles during 1967 and 1968, the ordinate (vertical) scale (Inset Figure 1) has been changed from multiples of 4,000 to 500 cases in order to compare more readily the decrease between 1967 and 1968.
(Reported by State Services Section, and Statistics Section, Epidemiology Program, NCDC.)

* Year when reporting of measles morbidity began on a national basis.

Figure 1
REPORTED CASES OF MEASLES BY 4-WEEK PERIODS, UNITED STATES
JULY - DECEMBER, 1964-1968


TABLE III. CASES OF SPECIFIED NOTIFIABLE DISEASES: UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 7, 1968 AND SEPTEMBER 9, 1967 (36th WEEK)

| AREA | ASEPTIC <br> MENINGITIS |  | Brucellosis | Oiphtheria | ENCEPHALITIS |  |  | HEPATITIS |  |  | MALARIA |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Primary including unsp. cases |  | Post- <br> Infectious | Serum | Infectious |  |  |
|  | 1968 | 1967 |  | 1968 | 1968 | 1968 | 1967 | 1968 | 1968 | 1968 | 1967 | 1968 |
| UNITED STATES... | 191 | 144 | 3 | 11 | 42 | 40 | 10 | 71 | 723 | 590 | 60 |
| NEW ENGLAND........... | 6 | 4 | - | - | 4 | - | - | 2 | 37 | 44 | 2 |
| Maine............... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | 5 | - |
| New Hampshire...... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | - |
| Vermont............ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Massachusetts...... | 4 | 2 | - | - | 3 | - | - | - | 21 | 26 | 1 |
| Rhode Is land....... | 2 | 2 | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 9 | 7 | - |
| Connecticut........ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | 2 | 6 | 1 |
| middle atlantic...... | 33 | 19 | - | - | 9 | - | 2 | 14 | 109 | 80 | 34 |
| New York City...... | 22 | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | 28 | 38 | 2 |
| New York, Up-State. | 2 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | 8 | 11 | - |
| New Jersey.... | - | 14 | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | 21 | 20 | - |
| Pennsylvania....... | 9 | - | - | - | 8 | - | 2 | 5 | 52 | 11 | 32 |
| EAST NORTH CENTRAL... | 42 | 24 | - | - | 8 | 21 | 1 | 2 | 72 | 89 | 1 |
| Ohio..... | 17 | 9 | - | - | 3 | 19 | 1 | - | 15 | 11 | - |
| Indiana............. | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| Illinois........... | 5 | 11 | - | - | 4 | 2 | - | 1 | 24 | 36 | - |
| Michigan........... | 18 | 3 | - | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | 27 | 34 | - |
| Wisconsin.......... | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | 5 | - |
| WEST NORTH CENTRAL... | 7 | 6 | 2 | - | 11 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 39 | 35 | - |
| Minnescta.......... | 4 | 4 |  | - | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | 13 | 10 | - |
| Iowa................ | - | 1 | 2 | - | 4 | 2 | - | - | 5 | 3 | - |
| Missouri............ | 1 | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 17 | 9 | - |
| North Dakota....... | 2 | - | - | - | 4 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - |
| South Daknta ..... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - |
| Nebraska............ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | 1 | - |
| Kansas............. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 11 | - |
| SOUTH atlantic....... | 22 | 49 | - | 3 | - | 2 | 2 | 2 | 78 | 54 | 4 |
| Delaware........... | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | 3 | - |
| Maryland........... | 7 | 43 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 11 | 11 | - |
| Dist. of Columbia.. | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - |
| Virginia........... | 3 | 4 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 12 | 11 | 3 |
| West Virginia...... | 4 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 14 | 1 | 1 |
| North Carolina..... | 3 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 8 | 2 | - |
| South Carolina..... | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 5 | 3 | - |
| Georgia. . . . . . . . . . | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 18 | 16 | - |
| Florida............. | 3 | 1 | - | 3 | - | - | 2 | - | 6 | 7 | - |
| EAST SOUTH CENTRAL... | 12 | 7 | 1 | - | 2 | 1 | I | 1 | 36 | 29 | 5 |
| Kentucky............ | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 8 | 11 | 1 |
| Tennessee.......... | 10 | 3 | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 15 | 10 | - |
| Alabama. ${ }^{\text {a }}$. . . . . . . . | - | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 5 | 3 |
| Mississippi........ | 1 | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 9 | 3 | 1 |
| WEST SOUTH CENTRAL... | 7 | 5 | - | 8 | 2 | 4 | - | 1 | 52 | 74 | 1 |
| Arkansas........... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 16 | - |
| Louisiana.......... | - | 4 | - | 8 | 2 | - | - | - | 13 | 16 | - |
| Oklahoma............ | - | 1 | - | - | - | 4 | - | - | 4 | 5 | 1 |
| Texas... | 7 | , | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 35 | 37 | - |
| mountain. ............. | 5 | - | - | - | - | 4 | - | - | 35 | 31 | - |
| Montana............. | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6 | 8 | - |
| Idaho. . . . . . . . . . . | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | 7 | - |
| Wyoming........... | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | 2 | - | - |
| Colorado........... | 1 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 14 | 1 | - |
| New Mexico......... |  | - | - | * | - | 1 | - | - | 4 | - | - |
| Arizona............ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | 14 | - |
| Utah................ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | - |
| Nevada. . . . . . . . . . . | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| PACIFIC............... | 57 | 30 | - | - | 6 | 6 | 3 | +8 | 265 | 154 | 13 |
| Washington. . . . . . . | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 29 | 10 | 1 |
| Oregon. . . . . . . . . . . | - | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | 22 | 12 | - |
| California......... | 50 | 22 | - | - | 6 | 6 | 3 | 45 | 213 | 130 | 12 |
| Alaska............. | - | - | - | - | - | - |  | - | - | 2 | - |
| Hawaii............. . | 5 | 5 | - |  | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - |
| Puertu Rico.......... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 30 | 14 |  |

## FOR WEEKS ENDED

SEPTEMBER 7, 1968 AND SEPTEMBER 9, 1967 (36th WEEK) - CONTINUED


TABLE III. CASES OF SPECIFIED NOTIFIABLE DISEASES: UNITED STATES

## FOR WEEKS ENDED

SEPTEMBER 7, 1968 AND SEPTEMBER 9, 1967 (36th WEEK) - CONTINUED

| AREA | STREPTOCOCCAL SORE THROAT \& SCARLET FEVER | TETANUS |  | TULAREMIA |  | TYPHOID |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { TYPHUS FEVER } \\ \text { TICK-BORNE } \\ \text { (Rky. Mt. Spoted) } \end{gathered}$ |  | RABIES IN ANTMALS |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1968 | 1968 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Cum. } \\ & 1968 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 1968 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Cum. } \\ & 1968 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 1968 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Cum. } \\ & 1968 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 1968 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Cum. } \\ & 1968 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 1968 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Cum. } \\ & 1968 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| UNITED STATES... | 4,401 | 4 | 105 | 1 | 138 | 24 | 244 | 10 | 228 | 37 | 2,483 |
| NEW EngLand. . . . . . . . | 426 | - | 2 | - | 46 | - | 7 | - | 1 | - | 70 |
| Maine..方. . . . . . . . . | 6 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 53 |
| New Hampshire..... | 17 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 2 |
| Vermont............. | 41 | - | - | - | 46 | - | - | - | - | - | 11 |
| Massachusetts..... | 41 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 3 | - | 1 | - | 3 |
| Rhode Island....... | 26 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Connecticut........ | 295 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 3 | - | - | - | 1 |
| middle atlantic...... | 128 | - | 13 | - | 7 | 1 | 20 | 1 | 16 | 1 | 36 |
| New York City...... | 5 | - | 6 | - | - | - | 9 | - | - | - | - |
| New York, Up-Statc. | 122 | - | 4 | - | 7 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 29 |
| New Jersey......... | NN | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | - | 6 | - | - |
| Pennsylvania....... | 1 | - | 3 | - | - | - | 3 | - | 7 | - | 7 |
| EASt NORTH CENTRAL... | 198 | - | 9 | - | 8 | - | 28 | - | 8 | 1 | 236 |
| Ohiv............... | 7 | - | - | - | 1 | - | 12 | - | 6 | - | 86 |
| Indiana............. | 60 | - | 2 | - | 1 | - | 3 | - | - | - | 76 |
| Illinois........... | 45 | - | 5 | - | 5 | - | 12 | - | 2 | 1 | 32 |
| Michigan........... | 26 | - | 2 | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 12 |
| Wisconsin.......... | 60 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 30 |
| WEST NORTH CENTRAL... | 222 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 12 | 19 | 29 | - | 7 | 9 | 609 |
| Minnesota.......... | 8 | 1 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 185 |
| Iowa............... | 65 | - | 2 | - | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 100 |
| Missouri. | 3 | - | 2 | - | 7 | 19 | 22 | - | 1 | 2 | 88 |
| North Dakota....... | 80 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 98 |
| South Daketa.. | 9 | - | - | - | 2 | - | 1 | - | 4 | - | 79 |
| Nebraska........... | 25 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 3 | - | 1 | - | 25 |
| Kansas............ | 32 | - | - | 1 | 3 | - | 2 | - | - | - | 34 |
| SOUTH ATLANTIC....... | 583 | 1 | 24 | - | 9 | 1 | 49 | 5 | 125 | 5 | 277 |
| Delaware........... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Maryland........... | 55 | - | 3 | - | - | - | 9 | - | 13 | - | 5 |
| Dist. of Columbia.. | 9 | - | 2 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 |
| Virginia............ | 179 | - | 4 | - | 2 | - | 9 | - | 41 | 1 | 103 |
| West Virginia...... | 200 | 1 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | 34 |
| North Carolina..... | 2 | - | 2 | - | 2 | - | 2 | 3 | 34 | - | 10 |
| South Carolina..... | 23 | - | 2 | - | - | - | 3 | 2 | 8 | - | - |
| Georgia............ | - | - | - | - | 3 | 1 | 13 | - | 26 | 1 | 44 |
| Florida... | 115 | - | 9 | - | 2 | - | 12 | - | 3 | 1 | 80 |
| EAST SOUTH CENTRAL... | 1,006 | 1 | 14 | - | 7 | 1 | 29 | 3 | 43 | 7 | 540 |
| Kentucky........... | 99 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | 6 | 1 | 10 | 5 | 270 |
| Tennessee. | 734 | - | 5 | - | 5 | 1 | 16 | 2 | 28 | 2 | 247 |
| Alabama............ | 97 | 1 | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | 22 |
| Mississippi........ | 76 | - | 3 | - | 1 | - | 7 | - | 2 | - | 1 |
| WEST SOUTH CENTRAL... | 530 | 1 | 20 | - | 41 | - | 30 | 1 | 22 | 3 | 410 |
| Arkansas........... | I | - | 4 | - | 14 | - | 5 | - | 5 | 2 | 53 |
| Louisiana........... | 3 | - | 8 | - | 6 | - | 3 | - | - | - | 37 |
| Oklahoma. | 55 | - | - | - | 8 | - | 12 | 1 | 10 | - | 117 |
| Texas.. | 471 | 1 | 8 | - | 13 | - | 10 | - | 7 | 1 | 203 |
| MOUNTAIN..... | 763 | - | - | - | 6 | - | 13 | - | 5 | 2 | 67 |
| Montana............ | 26 | - | - | - | 6 | - | - | - | S | - | - |
| Idaho.............. | 81 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - |
| Wyoming............ | 17 | - | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 3 |
| Colorado........... | 432 | - | - | - | 3 | - | 2 | - | 4 | - | 3 |
| New Mexico......... | 85 | - | - | - | - | - | 6 | - | - | 2 | 28 |
| Arizona............ | 52 | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | - | - | 32 |
| Utah................ | 60 | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Nevada. . | 10 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 |
| PACIFIC.............. | 545 | - | 16 | - | 2 | 2 | 39 | - | 1 | 9 | 238 |
| Washington......... | 47 | - | 1 | - | 2 | - | 2 | - | 1 | - | 2 |
| Oregon.............. | 49 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | 4 | - | - | 1 | 6 |
| California......... | 282 | - | 14 | - | 1 | 2 | 33 | - | 1 | 8 | 230 |
| Alaska.............. Hawaii.......... | 8 159 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Hawail.............. | 15 |  |  |  | - | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| Puerto Rico.......... | 3 | - | 8 | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | - | 17 |

*Delayed reports: SST: Me. S
(By place of occurrence and week of filing certificate. Excludes feral deaths)


## EPIDEMIOLOGIC NOTES AND REPORTS VACCINIA OUTBREAK－Indiana

On April 24，1968，during a school immunization pro－ gram，a $\mathbf{i}$－year－old girl received a primary smallpox vacci－ nation on the right arm，despite a history of eczema in her family；she had a normal primary response．Her 16－month－ old brother developed severe eczema vaccinatum 9 days later and was hospitalized and treated with Vaccinia Im－ mune Globulin．Subsequently the four other members of the family developed vaccinia of varying severity．The inter－ vals between vaccination of the girl and onset of illness in the other family members were 9 days for the 16 －month－ old brother， 14 days for her 5 －year－old sister， 4 －year－old sister，and 2－1／Q－year－old brother，and 16 days for the mother．Other than the 7－year－old girl，no family member had been previously vaccinated．Vaccinia virus was iso－ lated from specimens taken from two of the six family members．All patients recovered with no residua．

Investigation revealed that the family lived in crowded conditions，and that the siblings and mother of the vacci－ nated child had close and prolonged contact with her．
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## Editorial Note：

Although the 16 －day interval between date of vacci－ nation of the girl and onset of illness in her mother is within the incubation period range known for vaccinia，${ }^{1}$ the mother may have been infected by her 16 －month－old son，who had extensive skin involvement 7 days prior to onset of the mother＇s symptoms．

Outbreaks of vaccinia and herpesvirus infection in families or in other small groups such as patients on pedi－ atric wards have been reported．${ }^{2}$ Incidents of multiple cases of eczema vaccinatum have occurred among members of families，in schoolrooms，or on pediatric wards after a mass vaccination campaign has saturated the particular group with vaccinia virus．${ }^{3,4}$ However，there have been no previous reports of vaccinia outbreaks of this size from a single source of vaccinia．

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