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## THE ELIMINATION OF CARBON MONOXIDE FROM BLOOD, BY TREATMENT WITH AIR, WITH OXYGEN, AND WITH A MIXTURE OF CARBON DIOXIDE AND OXYGEN.<sup>1</sup>

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### INTRODUCTION.

The most important factor in the treatment of cases of carbon monoxide poisoning is the early elimination of the CO from the blood. This fact has been recognized by many investigators, and, as a result, the use of oxygen ( $O_2$ ) was recommended several years ago. Apparently the importance of the early elimination of CO has not been sufficiently emphasized, as many cases do not receive the oxygen treatment, or its administration is delayed several hours after the removal of the victim from the impure air.

Recently, the addition of carbon dioxide ( $CO_2$ ) to oxygen<sup>2</sup> has been recommended as being more efficacious than oxygen alone. In order to determine the relative values of the two treatments—that is,  $O_2$  and a mixture of  $CO_2$  in  $O_2$ , as shown by the speed of elimination of CO from the blood of man, the general effect on the victim, and the resulting condition—the following treatments were studied:

1. Subjects were allowed to breathe normal air.
2. Subjects were allowed to breathe pure oxygen (98.5 per cent  $O_2$ , 1.5 per cent  $N_2$ ).
3. Subjects were allowed to breathe 8 to 10 per cent of carbon dioxide in pure oxygen.

These treatments were given after the subjects had been exposed to from 0.12 to 0.15 per cent of CO in air for a period of approximately one hour, which caused a blood saturation of 30 to 40 per cent, and symptoms ranging from severe basal headaches and dizziness to unconsciousness.

The writers are fully aware that the experiments are not sufficiently extensive to furnish all the data necessary for establishing a formula which would take care of all the factors affecting the elimination of CO from the blood, and likewise all those affecting recovery from CO poisoning; nevertheless, they have accomplished their purpose

<sup>1</sup> Investigations carried on in cooperation with the Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior.

<sup>2</sup> The elimination of carbon monoxide from the blood after a dangerous degree of asphyxiation, and a therapy for accelerating the elimination. By Yandell Henderson and H. W. Haggard. *Jour. Pharm. Exper. Therap.*, 1920, vol. 16, 1-11.

in establishing comparative measurements of the efficacy and merits of the three methods of treatment; and from the information obtained a suitable procedure may be selected.

#### CHEMICAL ACTION.

Chemically, the recognized primary action of carbon monoxide poisoning is the union of CO with the hemoglobin (Hb) of the blood, thus depriving the latter of its function of carrying oxygen from the lungs to the tissues. This union, from the standpoint of gas volumes, is similar to the normal one with oxygen, or, in either case, molecule for molecule—that is, the gas-volume capacity of the hemoglobin is the same whether it is in combination with O<sub>2</sub>, CO, or a mixture of O<sub>2</sub> and CO. However, the union of Hb with CO is a great deal more stable than the union with O<sub>2</sub>, which readily comes off at reduced pressures. Also the relative percentages or tensions of the two gases which will exert an equal combining force are greatly different, that of CO being but approximately 1/300 that of oxygen, or in a ratio of approximately 300:1, which is termed the relative affinity of hemoglobin for CO and O<sub>2</sub>. Thus, the combining force of either of the two gases, when both are present, is the product of the affinity times the tension ( $A \times T$ ), and the amount of hemoglobin that will combine with either gas (providing the tensions are high enough to saturate all of the hemoglobin completely) in a certain CO-air mixture will be in the ratio of these forces, or

$$\frac{\text{COHb}}{\text{O}_2\text{Hb}} = \frac{\text{Aco} \times \text{Tco}}{\text{Ao}_2 \times \text{To}_2} \quad (1)$$

and since the percentage of COHb =  $\frac{\text{Amount of COHb} \times 100}{\text{Total Hb or (COHb + O}_2\text{Hb)}}$ , by substituting from equation (1), according to the rules of proportion,

$$\text{Percentage of COHb} = \frac{\text{Aco} \times \text{Tco}}{(\text{Aco} \times \text{Tco}) + (\text{Ao}_2 \times \text{To}_2)} \times 100 \quad (2)$$

Thus, from equation (1) it can be readily understood why comparatively small quantities of CO in air may form a sufficient amount of COHb to cause oxygen deprivation, resulting in a deleterious effect. For example, 0.05 per cent (or 5 parts in 10,000, this being the usual way of expressing gas tensions), in pulmonary air which contains approximately 1,500 parts of oxygen would result in about 50 per cent of the hemoglobin combining with carbon monoxide.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Percentage of COHb} &= \frac{\text{Aco} \times \text{Tco}}{(\text{Aco} \times \text{Tco}) + (\text{Ao}_2 \times \text{To}_2)} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{300 \times 5}{(300 \times 5) + (1,500 \times 1)} \times 100 \\ &= 50 \text{ per cent.} \end{aligned}$$

It is improbable in CO poisoning that there will be a complete equilibrium established, because, as the equilibrium point is approached, the tendency of the COHb to dissociate into CO and Hb also increases, thus slowing down the reaction, which at first proceeded rapidly. However, it has been found by Henderson and coworkers<sup>3</sup> that with low tension of CO, and with the subject at rest, about half the equilibrium is attained in the first hour and about three-fourths in the first two hours. Should the victims or subjects be exercising, a greater respiratory exchange would take place, and likewise an increase in the amount COHb formed in a given time. With higher amounts of CO in the air, the reaction is faster, and the time required to reach half the equilibrium point is greatly lessened, perhaps to about 15 minutes for concentrations of 50 parts of CO per 10,000 of air.

Thus the chemical reaction of CO poisoning is essentially that of reversible mass action, and can be made to proceed in either direction by changing the mass or tensions of the gases in the pulmonary air or blood; and it is on this basis that methods of treatment have been devised.

#### PHYSIOLOGICAL ACTION.

The principal physiological effects seem to be those of insufficient oxygen supply, or asphyxia.<sup>4</sup> In an exposure to carbon monoxide, the victim's blood is being continually and increasingly incapacitated for carrying oxygen from the lungs to the tissues, the degree of incapacitation depending upon the concentration of the gas and the duration of the period of inhalation, and the severeness of effects depending upon the extent of incapacitation and its duration. A more severe case of poisoning results from a long exposure to a low concentration than from a short exposure to a high concentration, even though the percentage of hemoglobin combining with the carbon monoxide is the same in each case. As the effects are almost in direct proportion to the length of time and the extent of oxygen deprivation, whether the time elapses during exposure or after exposure, it is plainly suggested, and has recently been emphasized by a number of investigators,<sup>5</sup> that the first and most important action in a method of treatment should be a speedy removal of the gas from the blood, so that it can resume its normal oxygen-carrying capacity and thus decrease the danger or extent of tissue degeneration and permanent damage.

<sup>3</sup> Physiological effects of automobile exhaust gas and standards of ventilation for brief exposures. By Y. W. Henderson, H. W. Haggard, M. C. Teague, A. L. Prince, and Ruth M. Wunderlich. *Jour. Ind. Hygiene*, vol. 3, July, 1921, pp. 79-92.

<sup>4</sup> Studies of carbon monoxide asphyxia. By Howard W. Haggard. *Amer. Jour. Phys.*, vol. 60, April 1922, pp. 244-249; vol. 56, July, 1921, pp. 390-403.

<sup>5</sup> The elimination of carbon monoxide from the blood after a dangerous degree of asphyxiation, and a therapy for accelerating the elimination. By Yandell Henderson and H. W. Haggard. *Journ. Pharm. and Exp. Therap.*, vol. 16, 1920, p. 11.

## PRINCIPLE OF TREATMENT FOR REMOVING CO FROM THE BLOOD.

The reversibility of the chemical reaction between CO and the blood is a fortunate one. When a victim of poisoning has been removed to fresh air, he immediately begins (in cases where respiration has not stopped, otherwise artificial respiration must be used) to eliminate that part of the CO which, through dissociation of the carbon monoxide-hemoglobin, is liberated in the lungs, and the portion of incapacitated hemoglobin begins to decrease. But this natural elimination, since it depends upon the mass of O<sub>2</sub> in normal air, is rather slow and does not attain the speed which is often necessary to save life or to reduce the after effects as much as possible; and it has become a practice to give inhalations of oxygen in an almost pure form, thereby increasing its tension both in the pulmonary air and in solution in the plasma, consequently hastening the elimination. This is further aided by increasing the respiratory exchange and, consequently, the removal from the lungs of the CO liberated through dissociation, so that its reunion with Hb is inhibited.

## EXPERIMENTAL WORK.

Careful observations were made on the respiration, heart rate objective and subjective symptoms, and the percentage saturation of the blood. The experiments were planned to secure data as free as possible from individual differences. The same three men were used for three parallel experiments, and each individual took one of the three treatments, so that on completion of the series data were afforded relative to individual differences from which average results could be obtained.

The 1,000 cubic foot gas chamber <sup>6</sup> at the Pittsburgh Experiment Station of the Bureau of Mines was used for the experiments. The carbon monoxide for making the CO-air mixtures was generated by dropping formic acid into heated sulphuric acid, purified through a soda-lime canister, and then metered into the chamber. Samples of the resultant mixtures were taken in duplicate or triplicate at the beginning and end of each experiment. Analyses were made for CO by the liquid-air iodine-pentoxide method.<sup>7</sup> Blood samples were taken at various intervals and analyzed by two methods, namely, the spectrophotometric <sup>8</sup> and the tannic acid.<sup>9</sup>

<sup>6</sup> Described in detail in "Physiological effects of exposure to low concentrations of carbon monoxide." By R. R. Sayers, F. V. Meriwether, and W. P. Yant. Public Health Reports, vol. 37, No. 19, May 22, 1922, p. 1127. Reprint No. 748.

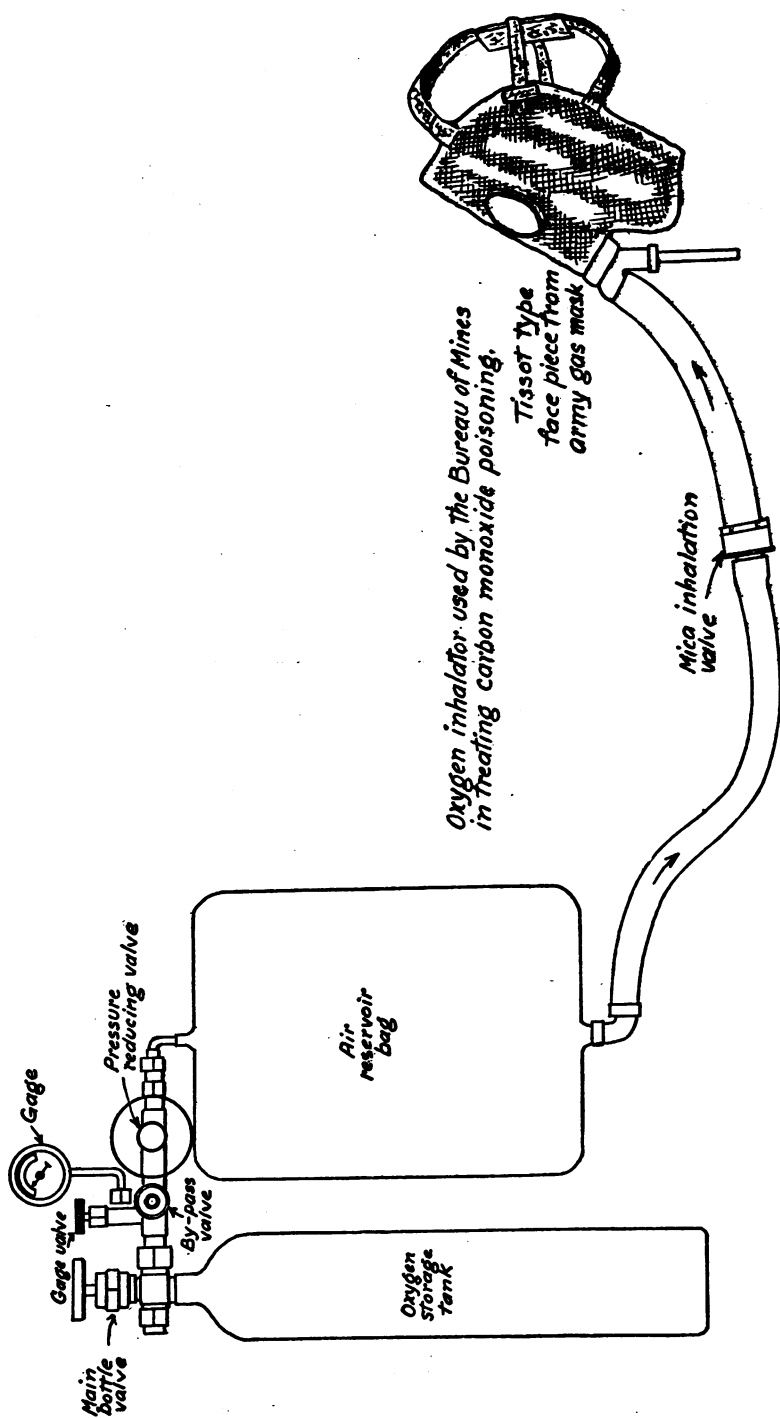
<sup>7</sup> The determination of carbon monoxide in air contaminated with motor exhaust gas. By M. C. Teague. Jour. Ind. and Eng. Chem., vol. 12, Oct. 1920, pp. 964-968.

<sup>8</sup> Work cited in footnote 6.

<sup>9</sup> The tannic acid method for quantitative determination of carbon monoxide in blood. By R. R. Sayers and W. P. Yant. Bureau of Mines Report of Investigations, Serial No. 2356, May, 1922. Public Health Reports, vol. 37, No. 40, Oct. 6, 1922, pp. 2433-2439. Reprint No. 790.

As further data, analyses of the carbon-monoxide alveolar air were made, the samples being obtained by rebreathing 8 times into a 1,500-c.c. rubberized bag. The gas thus obtained should be in equilibrium with the blood, and a determination of the CO content should show any change taking place in the amount of carbon monoxide-hemoglobin. Analyses were made for CO by the liquid-air iodine-pentoxide method previously referred to.

The apparatus used for supplying the  $O_2$  and  $CO_2$ - $O_2$  mixtures to the subject is shown in Figure 1. It is the regulation inhaler used for such work, and consists of a storage tank containing the oxygen at high pressure, a pressure-reducing valve, a gauge to indicate the quantity in the tank, a rubberized supply reservoir, a Tissot type Army gas mask facepiece, and a connecting hose so fitted with mica valves that the gas to be breathed is drawn into the lungs from the air reservoir bag and then exhaled to the exterior, thus giving a continuous and fresh supply. While in use, the valves are adjusted to let the gas escape through the reducing valve into the reservoir at a rate approximately equal to the breathing of the subject. In all experiments, analyses were made on the contents of the storage tanks, and the volume used was calculated from the indicated pressures. Tables I, II, and III include these data.



*Oxygen inhalator used by the Bureau of Mines  
in treating carbon monoxide poisoning.*

FIG. 1.



TABLE I.—Rate of elimination of carbon monoxide as obtained by different methods of treatment—Continued.

Carbon monoxide saturation of blood, per cent.				Carbon monoxide in alveolar air.		Respiration.		Pulse.		Personal data.		Remarks.
Time (min.).	Spectrophotometer.	Tannic acid.		Time (min.).	Parts per 10,000.	Time (min.).	Rate per minute.	Time (min.).	Rate per minute.	Time (min.).	Symptoms.	
SUBJECT, MCCONNELL, TREATMENTS CO <sub>2</sub> -O <sub>2</sub> MIXTURE. VOLUME USED, 596 LITERS. <sup>1</sup>												
0	.....	0.0	.....	.....	0	16	0	90	0	Good condition at time of entrance.....	A urine test for albumin made 165 minutes after test was negative.	
27	.....	12.0	38	1.3	5	14	5	88	30	No symptoms.....		
50	23.0	23.0	60	3.4	55	16	55	86	60	Slight tightness across forehead.....		
OUT OF CHAMBER AT END OF 65 MINUTES AND STARTED INHALATION OF CO <sub>2</sub> -O <sub>2</sub> MIXTURE.												
68	33.0	32.0	.....	.....	80	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	The respiration during the treatment period was very little, if any, deeper than normal.	
89	18.0	20.0	.....	.....	95	23	.....	.....	.....	.....		
111	14.0	11.0	108	0.6	115	24	115	87	115	Frontal headache.....		
STOPPED INHALATION AT END OF 110 MINUTES.												
165	13.0	6.0	165	0.5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
225	7.0	4.0	225	.4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
285	8.0	2.0	285	.4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		



SUBJECT, MASSEY. TREATMENT, OXYGEN. VOLUME USED, 490 LITERS.<sup>1</sup>

0	.....	0.0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	Had bad headache night before: 6 grains acetanilid taken, but in good condition before test.
33	20.0	20.0	30	1.1	.....	.....	.....	40	Slight fullness in head.
57	28.0	30.0	60	2.7	.....	.....	.....	60	No symptoms; feels O. K.

## OUT OF CHAMBER AT END OF 65 MINUTES AND STARTED INHALATION OF OXYGEN.

68	32.0	33.0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
89	19.0	22.0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
110	15.0	17.0	105	0.5	15	18	115	79	115
									No symptoms

## STOPPED INHALATION AT END OF 110 MINUTES.

165	.....	12.0	165	0.5	15	.....	.....	.....	.....
225	11.0	7.0	225	.5	15	.....	.....	.....	.....
235	8.0	5.0	285	.5	15	.....	.....	.....	.....

<sup>1</sup> Analysis of CO<sub>2</sub>-O<sub>2</sub> mixture:<sup>2</sup> Analysis of oxygen used: O<sub>2</sub>, 98.5 per cent; N<sub>2</sub>, 1.5 per cent.

	Cylinder 1.	Cylinder 2.
	Per cent.	Per cent.
CO <sub>2</sub> .....	9.4	10.8
O <sub>2</sub> .....	88.9	87.5
N <sub>2</sub> .....	1.7	1.7

TABLE II.—*Rate of elimination of carbon monoxide as obtained by different methods of treatment.*

Test No. 2, Mar. 1, 1922. Began 10 a. m. Conditions of test: Concentration of CO, parts per 10,000—start, 13.8; end, 13; average, 13.4; duration of exposure, 72 minutes; duration of treatment, 45 minutes.]

SUBJECT, SAYERS. TREATMENT, CO<sub>2</sub>-O<sub>2</sub> MIXTURE. VOLUME USED, 1,238 LITERS.<sup>1</sup>

Carbon monoxide saturation of blood, per cent.				Carbon monoxide in alveolar air.		Respiration.		Pulse.		Personal data.		Remarks.
Time (min.).	Spectrophotometer.	Tannic acid.	Time (min.).	Parts per 10,000.	Time (min.).	Rate per minute.	Time (min.).	Rate per minute.	Time (min.).	Symptoms.		
0	.....	0.0	.....	.....	0	18	0	44	0	Slight cold; otherwise O. K. on entrance....		
30	21.0	18.0	40	1.2	20	18	.....	.....	45	No symptoms.....		
					50	18	45	72	50	Definite tightness across forehead, increasing on walking.		
									55	Slight feeling of dizziness. Headache beginning.		
									60	Dizziness increased.....		
									70	Dizziness and headache.....		
60	35.0	36.0	68	3.6	76	20	.....	.....				
OUT OF CHAMBER AT END OF 72 MINUTES. BEGAN INHALATION.												
88	20.0	20.0	.....	.....	85	37	86	88	.....	.....		
118	8.0	10.0	120	0.8	105	34	.....	.....	.....	.....		
STOPPED INHALATION AT END OF 117 MINUTES.												
195	6.0	9.0	195	0.5	195	19	195	85	.....	.....		
255	5.0	7.0	255	.6	255	18	255	78	.....	.....		
300	6.0	6.0	300	.6	300	19	300	82	300	Headache fingers; frontal in type.....		
360	3.0	5.0	360	.7	.....	.....	.....	72	.....	.....		
420	.....	4.0	420	.6	420	18	420	.....	.....	.....		

## SUBJECT, MCCONNELL. TREATMENT, NORMAL AIR. (SEE REMARKS.)

0	.....	0.0	.....	0	14	0	84	0	Feels O <sub>2</sub> K. on entrance.	.....	It was planned to have McConnell take oxygen and Massey take normal air, but the latter subject collapsed after 2 minutes, and the oxygen was transferred to him, leaving McConnell to take air.
30	23.0	20.0	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	35	Slight tightness across forehead and slight dizziness.	.....	
.....	.....	.....	.....	45	18	45	90	60	Above symptoms increasing.	.....	
70	.....	36.0	65	.....	.....	72	108	72	Dizzy headache.	.....	

## OUT OF CHAMBER AT END OF 72 MINUTES.

85	29.0	33.0	.....	.....	14	90	94	.....	.....	.....	Headache persists.
113	18.0	28.0	120	2.1	102	105	108	.....	.....	.....	
195	18.0	22.0	195	1.4	195	195	195	.....	.....	.....	
455	16.0	18.0	255	.8	255	255	98	250	.....	.....	
300	10.0	13.0	300	.7	300	300	90	.....	.....	.....	Headache persists.
360	6.0	11.0	360	.6	360	360	84	.....	.....	.....	
420	6.0	10.0	420	.6	420	420	84	.....	.....	.....	
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	

SUBJECT, MASSEY. TREATMENT, OXYGEN. VOLUME USED, 610 LITERS.<sup>1</sup>

0	.....	0.0	.....	0	18	0	120	0	Slight sore throat, little "under par".	.....	Although Massey did not feel severe symptoms they were evident to an outside observer. He seemed dazed and dizzy, but walked out unassisted and remarked that he was all right except a little dizzy. The collapse which followed a few minutes later was quick and complete.
30	25.0	20.0	40	2.4	.....	50	100	45	No symptoms	.....	
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	Dizzy on standing	.....	
65	34.0	38.0	67	3.3	.....	.....	.....	60	No symptoms while sitting	.....	
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70	Dizzy	.....	Although Massey did not feel severe symptoms they were evident to an outside observer. He seemed dazed and dizzy, but walked out unassisted and remarked that he was all right except a little dizzy. The collapse which followed a few minutes later was quick and complete.
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	

<sup>1</sup> Analysis of CO<sub>2</sub>-O<sub>2</sub> mixture:
<sup>2</sup> Breathing rapid and deep.  
<sup>3</sup> Analysis of oxygen used: O<sub>2</sub>, 98.5 per cent; N<sub>2</sub>, 1.5 per cent.

	Cylinder 1.		Cylinder 2.		Cylinder 3.	
	Per cent.		Per cent.		Per cent.	
CO <sub>2</sub> .....	8.9	8.0	9.1	8.0	9.1	8.0
O <sub>2</sub> .....	98.8	98.6	98.9	98.6	98.9	98.6
N <sub>2</sub> .....	2.3	1.4	2.0	1.4	2.0	1.4

TABLE II.—*Rate of elimination of carbon monoxide as obtained by different methods of treatment—Continued.*

SUBJECT, MASSEY. TREATMENT, OXYGEN. VOLUME USED, 610 LITERS—Continued.

OUT OF CHAMBER AT END OF 72 MINUTES. BEGAN INHALATION OF OXYGEN AT 75 MINUTES.

Carbon monoxide saturation of blood, per cent.			Carbon monoxide in alveolar air.		Respiration.		Pulse.		Personal data.		Remarks.
Time (min.).	Spectrophotometer.	Tannic acid.	Time (min.).	Parts per 10,000.	Time (min.).	Rate per minute.	Time (min.).	Rate per minute.	Time (min.).	Symptoms.	
90	22.0	25.0			83 95	21 19					
117	.....	16.0	120	1.0	109	18	102	71	74	Collapses while sitting on window sill. Placed on floor and given oxygen to breathe. Unconscious for 2 or 3 minutes.	
STOPPED INHALATION AT END OF 117 MINUTES.											
195 255	10.0 8.0	12.0 10.0	195 255	1.2 1.0	195 255	..... 18	195 255	88 86	..... 230	Feeling O. K. except a little tired. In a much better condition than either Sayers or McConnell.	
300 360 420	6.0 4.0 .....	9.0 8.0 7.0	300 420 .....	1.1 .7 .5	300 360 420	16 16 18	300 360 420	100 80 80	..... ..... .....		

**TABLE III.—Rate of elimination of carbon monoxide as obtained by different methods of treatment.**

[Test No. 3, Mar. 3, 1922. Began 12.45 p. m. Condition of test: Concentration of CO, parts per 10,000; start, 15; end, 14; average, 14.5; duration of exposure, 69 minutes; duration of treatment, 45 minutes.]

SUBJECT, SAYERS. TREATMENT, OXYGEN FROM GIBBS BREATHING APPARATUS. VOLUME, 682 LITERS, INCLUDING BAD LEAK.<sup>1</sup>

Carbon monoxide saturation of blood, per cent.			Carbon monoxide in alveolar air.		Respiration.		Pulse.		Personal data.	
Time (min.)	Spectrophotometer.	Tannic acid.	Time (min.)	Parts per 10,000.	Time (min.)	Rate per minute.	Time (min.)	Rate per minute.	Time (min.)	Symptoms.
0	-----	0	-----	-----	8	16	0	72	0	Slight cold at time of entrance.
38	18	20	-----	-----	30	18	30	74	30	No symptoms except a little tightness across forehead.
			45	2.3	-----	-----	-----	-----	45	Slight headache on walking. Yawned several times.
							57	75	57	Slight dull headache. Dizzy on standing.
63	34	35	68	2.6	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	

OUT OF CHAMBER AT END OF 69 MINUTES. BEGAN INHALATION OF OXYGEN.

93	18	20	100	1.5	77	14	77	82	-----	
					82	18	-----	-----	-----	

STOPPED INHALATION AT END OF 99 MINUTES.

120	15	15	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
180	13	11	180	1.1	180	16	180	68	180	Single, very fleeting sharp pain in head. No continuous headache, palpitation or dizziness.
240	9	8	240	.8	240	17	240	72	-----	
300	-----	6	300	.6	300	17	300	72	300	Feels fine.
360	8	5	360	.8	360	17	360	70	-----	
420	8	4	420	.8	420	17	420	76	-----	
480	7	3	480	.5	480	-----	480	-----	-----	

SUBJECT, McCONNELL. TREATMENT, OXYGEN; VOLUME USED, 478 LITERS.<sup>2</sup>

0	-----	0	-----	-----	0	16	0	90	0	Good condition at time of entrance.
30	22	20	-----	-----	30	18	30	84	-----	
			45	2.8	-----	-----	-----	-----	30	No symptoms.
									42	Tightness, slight dizziness on standing.
60	35	35	68	3.5	50	16	50	90	50	Slight headache, sleepy, yawning a great deal.
									60	Definite headache.

OUT OF CHAMBER AT END OF 69 MINUTES. BEGAN INHALATION OF OXYGEN.

90	22	25	-----	-----	75	16	75	88	-----	
					97	19	-----	-----	-----	
115	18	17	115	-----	103	18	104	86	-----	

<sup>1</sup> Analysis of oxygen used: O<sub>2</sub>, 98.5 per cent; N<sub>2</sub>, 1.5 per cent.

<sup>2</sup> Analysis of oxygen used: O<sub>2</sub>, 98.5 per cent; N<sub>2</sub>, 1.5 per cent.

TABLE III.—Rate of elimination of carbon monoxide as obtained by different methods of treatment—Continued.

SUBJECT, McCONNELL. TREATMENT, OXYGEN; VOLUME USED, 478 LITERS—Contd.

STOPPED INHALATION AT END OF 114 MINUTES.

Carbon monoxide saturation of blood, per cent.			Carbon monoxide in alveolar air.		Respiration.		Pulse.		Personal data.	
Time (min.).	Spectrophotometer.	Tannic acid.	Time (min.).	Parts per 10,000.	Time (min.).	Rate per minute.	Time (min.).	Rate per minute.	Time (min.).	Symptoms.
180	16	11	180	1.1	180	18	180	84	180	Headache remains but not as severe as at same time in test No. 2.
240	11	9	240	-----	240	16	240	84	-----	
300	9	7	300	1.2	300	16	300	90	-----	
360	-----	6	360	.9	360	16	360	84	-----	
420	5	5	420	.8	420	18	420	91	-----	
480	-----	3	480	.5	480	16	480	84	-----	Feels o. k.
1,200	-----	0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	

SUBJECT, MASSEY. TREATMENT, CO<sub>2</sub>-O<sub>2</sub> MIXTURE. VOLUME USED, 772 LITERS.\*

0	-----	0	-----	-----	18	0	80	0	In good condition at time of entrance.
43	22	20	45	1.8	30	16	30	90	50 Slight unnatural feeling in head.
65	34	32	69	3.4	60	-----	60	94	57 Tight feeling in head.

OUT OF CHAMBER AT END OF 69 MINUTES.

87	21	24	-----	-----	72	22	-----	-----	-----
113	10	10	115	1.2	80	26	-----	-----	-----
					95	28	-----	-----	-----
					100	27	-----	-----	-----
					107	30	-----	-----	-----

STOPPED INHALATION AT END OF 114 MINUTES.

180	8	8	180	1.0	180	16	180	88	180	Distinct headache.
240	-----	7	240	1.1	240	18	241	82	-----	
300	8	5	300	.8	300	18	300	96	-----	
360	7	5	363	.7	363	20	363	84	-----	
420	5	4	420	.6	423	18	423	90	-----	
480	7	3	480	.5	480	16	480	84	-----	
1,200	-----	0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	

\* Analysis of CO<sub>2</sub>-O<sub>2</sub> mixture:

	Cylinder 1.	Cylinder 2.
CO <sub>2</sub> .....	Per cent. 8.2	Per cent. 8.3
O <sub>2</sub> .....	90.8	89.1
N <sub>2</sub> .....	1.0	2.6

\* Respiration much deeper than normal.

## INTERPRETATION AND DISCUSSION OF RESULTS.

In a consideration of the efficacy of each of the three methods of treatment used, the average of the percentage saturation found in the blood was plotted against the time in minutes, which resulted in

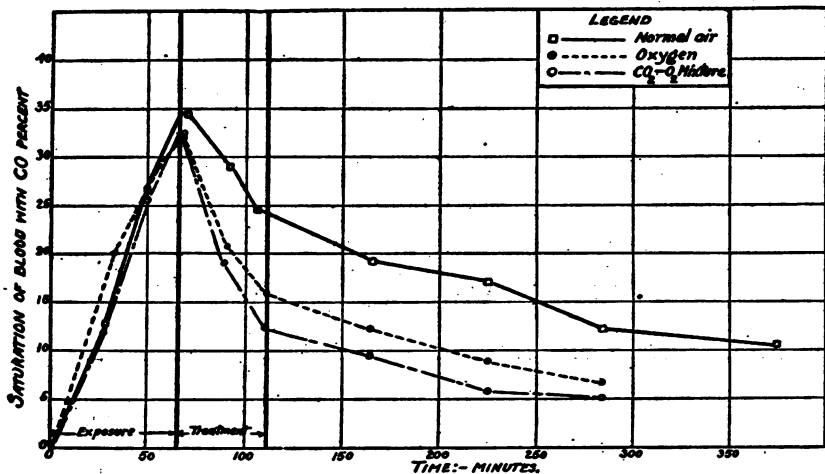


FIG. 2.—Curves showing comparative elimination of carbon monoxide from the blood by inhalations of air, oxygen, and a mixture of CO<sub>2</sub> in oxygen.

the curves represented by Figures 2, 3, and 4. Owing to the rather high concentration, and the like conditions of exposure for all three subjects, there was little difference to be found in the saturation; but

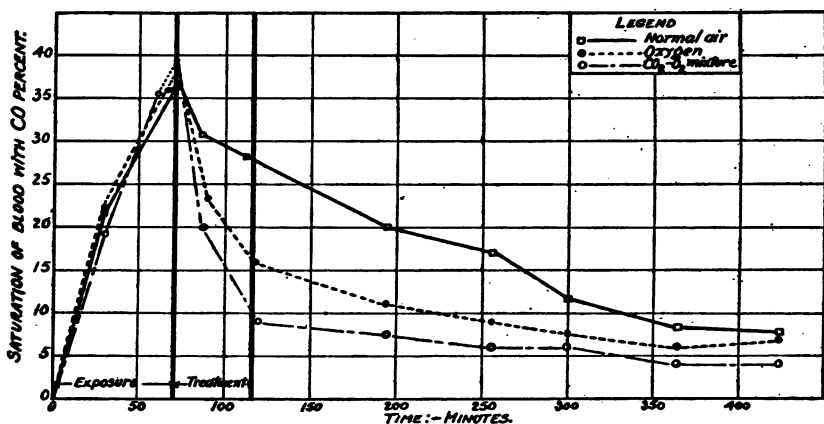


FIG. 3.—Curves showing comparative elimination of carbon monoxide from the blood by inhalations of air, oxygen, and a mixture of CO<sub>2</sub> in oxygen.

the data were recorded for comparison with the development of symptoms. As regards elimination, however, a very decided difference is indicated.

Although we did not attain in each case exactly the same degree of saturation of the blood with CO, a general comparison of the portions

of the curves of each test which fall in the area of treatment shows that there is a difference in the rate of elimination of CO for each of the methods used, and that the speed of the exchange increases in the following order: Air, oxygen,  $\text{CO}_2\text{-O}_2$  mixture.

The difference between the air and oxygen results is explainable on the basis of the relative percentage of oxygen in the inhaled gas, that is, 20.9 as against 98.5. The lung ventilation remained practically normal in the use of both air and oxygen; and the effect is primarily one of increasing the tension of  $\text{O}_2$  in the lungs and in solution with plasma. This same factor explains the increased efficiency of the  $\text{CO}_2\text{-O}_2$  mixture over the elimination with air, but it does not account for the further increase of the  $\text{CO}_2\text{-O}_2$  over that of the  $\text{O}_2$ . By a comparison of the respiration rates and volumes breathed, as given in Tables I, II, and III, it will be noted that there is an increase in each case in which the  $\text{CO}_2\text{-O}_2$  mixture was used;

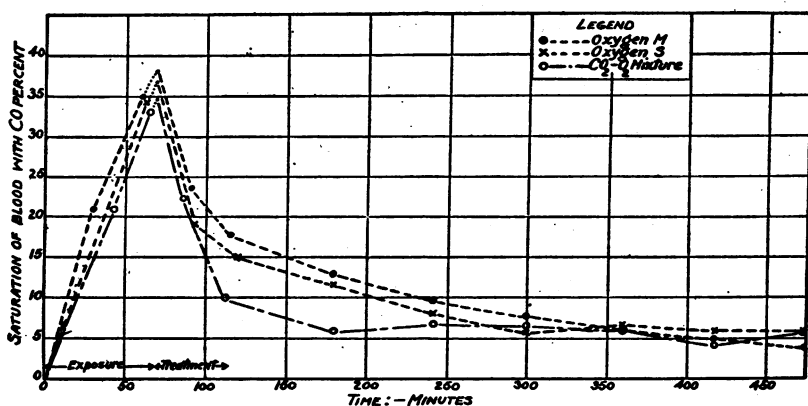


FIG. 4.—Curves showing comparative elimination of carbon monoxide from the blood by inhalations of oxygen and a mixture of  $\text{CO}_2$  in oxygen.

and, further, by comparing these increases it is interesting to find that the elimination was fastest when these increases were the greatest. Although the tension of  $\text{O}_2$  in the inhaled air was only approximately 90 per cent of that when  $\text{O}_2$  alone was used, a more rapid elimination was secured by the increased lung ventilation, which compensated for the decrease in the  $\text{O}_2$  by a more frequent change of the lung gases and the physical effects accompanying it.

A study of all the curves shown on Figures 2, 3, and 4 reveals a regularity in the elimination which would be expected from the type of the reaction. After the curves had been plotted, it was seen that they were of the exponential type, in which the log of any saturation percentage of Hb combining with CO ( $S'$ ) after a time had elapsed, was equal to the log of the initial saturation ( $S$ ) plus a constant ( $b \log e$ ) times the time ( $t$ ) ( $\text{Log } S' = \text{Log } S + (b \log e) \cdot t$ ). This



constant (which is negative) was determined by the method of averages for comparative curves and portion of curves with the following results:

TABLE IV.—*Constants determined by method of averages for different treatment portions of elimination curves, Figures 2, 3, and 4.*

Treatment.	Test No.	From average of determined blood saturations, $b =$	From blood saturations calculated from alveolar air, $b =$
Air treatment.....	1	—0.00160	—0.00193
	2	— .00196	— .00195
Oxygen treatment.....	1	— .00659	(1)
	2	— .00754	(1)
	3	— .00665	(1)
CO <sub>2</sub> -O <sub>2</sub> treatment.....	1	— .00918	(1)
	2	— .0132	(1)
	3	— .0127	(1)

<sup>1</sup>Sufficient data not taken.

The values obtained for these constants plainly demonstrate the importance of increased tension of O<sub>2</sub> in the lungs, as shown by a comparison of those for air treatment with those when O<sub>2</sub> was used. The ratio is nearly 1:4, or approximately that of the relative proportions of O<sub>2</sub> in the inhaled air.

Further, a consideration of the constants for the CO<sub>2</sub>-O<sub>2</sub> treatment emphasizes the importance of lung ventilation during elimination and indicates the value of depth of breathing as against mere increase of rate; for in tests 1 and 3 (Figs. 2 and 4) the rate increase was practically the same, but the volume used by the subject in test 3 was considerably larger, which agrees with the elimination as determined from the blood saturations. In test 2 (Fig. 3), it is much in evidence that the maximum efficacy of the treatment had been passed, as the exceedingly large increase in volume used did not result in a proportional increase in the rate of elimination. However, the constants obtained from all three of the experiments show a marked increase in the elimination of CO by treatment with the CO<sub>2</sub>-O<sub>2</sub> mixture.

In order to condense the data from the different experiments, and represent the average efficacy of each of the three methods, curves were prepared, using arbitrary values for  $S'$  in the equation found to represent the curve of elimination ( $S' = \bar{S} + (b \log e \times t)$ ), the constants  $b \log e$  used being the averages found for each respective treatment (from Table IV). The curves obtained are shown in Figure 5.

These curves, in addition to their use in comparing the elimination resulting from the different treatments, are also of value in making fair estimates of the time required for the removal of carbon

monoxide from the blood, should the saturation at any time be known. For example, supposing that a victim was found to have his hemoglobin 52 per cent saturated with CO, and had no other treatment than air, he would, under normal conditions, have approximately 4 per cent COHb remaining at the end of 600 minutes. Of course, as the initial saturation increases to the stage causing respiratory failure, the elimination will vary accordingly somewhat from the curves given, as they were determined from experiments during which the initial saturation did not exceed 42 per cent. In cases in which persons have reached a state of coma as a result of

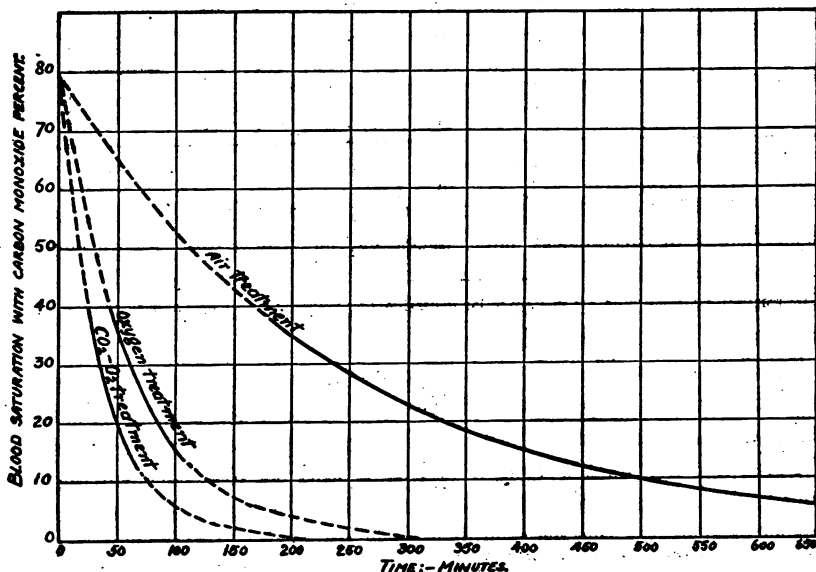


FIG. 5.—Average curves showing comparative elimination of carbon monoxide from the blood by the three different treatments. The data from which the curves were plotted were derived by means of the equation  $S' = S + (b \log e)t$ , using averages of the constants  $b \log e$ .

asphyxiation, the experience of other investigators<sup>10</sup> bears out the importance of the respiratory factor in that the curve will not initially follow that of a rectangular hyperbola. During the period of feeble respiration the elimination will be slower, but will increase directly with the respiration until the latter has assumed a fairly normal rate, and the curve of elimination will then merge with that of the form shown on Figure 5. However, the period of feeble respiration is comparatively short, and the speed of elimination is very rapid after the victim has been removed to fresh air, both of which factors affect the curves.

A series of results obtained from various sources by experimentation was compared with the results found by estimation from the curves, with the following results:

<sup>10</sup> Personal communication from Y. Henderson.

TABLE V.—Comparison of experimental data with values from Figure 5 of this report.

[From data represented on curves of tests 1, 2, and 3, Figs. 2, 3, and 4, described in this report. Men used as subjects.]

Time (minutes).	Blood saturation.		Time (minutes).	Blood saturation.	
	By analysis.	From average, curve Fig. 5.		By analysis.	From average, curve Fig. 5.
Test 1—air treatment:			Test 2—air treatment:		
Initial.....	35.5	35.5	Initial.....	37.0	37.0
20.....	29.0	32.5	13.....	32.0	34.5
37.....	24.5	30.5	40.....	28.0	31.0
95.....	19.0	24.0	118.....	21.0	22.5
155.....	17.0	18.5	183.....	17.0	17.0
215.....	12.5	14.5	228.....	11.5	12.0
305.....	10.5	10.0	348.....	7.5	9.0
Test 1—oxygen treatment:			Test 1—(CO <sub>2</sub> -O <sub>2</sub> ) treatment:		
Initial.....	33.0	33.0	Initial.....	34.0	34.0
24.....	20.5	22.0	24.....	19.0	18.0
45.....	15.0	16.0	45.....	12.5	11.0
Test 2—oxygen treatment:			Test 2—(CO <sub>2</sub> -O <sub>2</sub> ) treatment:		
Initial.....	38.5	38.5	Initial.....	42.0	42.0
18.....	23.5	28.0	18.....	20.0	27.0
45.....	16.0	19.0	45.....	9.5	12.0
Test 3—oxygen treatment:			Test 3—(CO <sub>2</sub> -O <sub>2</sub> ) treatment:		
Initial.....	42.0	42.0	Initial.....	35.0	35.0
16.....	24.0	32.0	18.....	22.5	22.0
45.....	17.5	20.0	45.....	10.0	11.0

[Data from an unpublished report of a similar investigation on carbon monoxide treatment by Dr. H. R. O'Brien. Men used as subjects.]

Oxygen treatment:			(CO <sub>2</sub> -O <sub>2</sub> ) treatment:		
Initial.....	39.5	39.5	Initial.....	36.0	36.0
13.....	35.0	32.0	14.....	24.0	25.0
33.....	26.0	23.5	25.....	19.0	18.0
Oxygen treatment:			(CO <sub>2</sub> -O <sub>2</sub> ) treatment:		
Initial.....	35.0	35.0	Initial.....	46.0	46.0
16.....	25.0	26.0	17.....	28.0	30.0
35.....	18.0	20.0			

TABLE VI.—Comparison of data obtained by other investigators<sup>1</sup> with those obtained from Figure 5 of this report.

Time.	Blood saturation.		Time.	Blood saturation.	
	By analysis.	From average, curve Fig. 5.		By analysis.	From average, curve Fig. 5.
Air treatment:			Air treatment:		
Initial.....	22.0	22.0	Initial.....	18.0	18.0
150 minutes.....	5.0	12.0	60 minutes.....	12.0	14.0
Initial.....	26.0	26.0	120 minutes.....	5.0	11.0
60 minutes.....	17.0	20.0	Initial.....	20.0	20.0
Initial.....	27.8	24.5	30 minutes.....	17.0	18.0
30 minutes.....	27.5	24.5	60 minutes.....	14.0	16.0
70 minutes.....	16.2	20.5	90 minutes.....	8.0	14.0
100 minutes.....	19.6	18.0	Initial.....	21.0	21.0
175 minutes.....	5.1	14.0	180 minutes.....	8.0	10.0
210 minutes.....	0.0	12.0	Initial.....	18.0	18.0
250 minutes.....	0.0	10.0	60 minutes.....	6.4	14.0

<sup>1</sup> Data from Appendix 4, New York State Bridge and Tunnel Commission Report of Tunnel Gas Investigations Problem No. 2, "Physiological effects of exhaust cases." By Yandell Henderson. (Men used as subjects).

The results of this comparison indicate that with fairly normal respiration the average curves (Fig. 5) may be used to estimate within practical limits the rate of elimination, as a variation of 5 per cent is not exceedingly significant from the standpoint of physiological effects. In Table VI, the agreement is not as close as in Table V; but it must be remembered that, owing to the comparatively low initial saturations, the results are more likely to be affected by experimental error.

Thus it seems that the efficacy of the three methods of treatment is within the allowable limits, represented by the average curves, (Fig. 5) calculated from the data obtained as a result of this investigation. The blood was analyzed by two methods and by two different observers, with further confirmation in two instances by calculation of blood saturation from an analysis of alveolar air. The results of the different experiments are well in agreement with each other, there being no unexplainable erratic variations. The curves are similar in type to those representing the amount of a substance remaining in a reacting system after an interval of time. The constants appear to be interrelated in respect to oxygen tension and, to an extent, in respect to lung ventilation, which is in agreement with the work of other investigators.<sup>11</sup> It is unfortunate that no dependable data were obtainable for the elimination of CO as it occurs when the initial saturation is above 45 per cent; but owing to the risk incurred, it is not desirable to go higher in experimental work, as death might even occur at that point should the subject be in a poor physical condition. These high saturation results can only be obtained by chance observations of cases of accidental poisoning; and when such have been obtained, the dotted portions (50 to 80 per cent) of the curves shown on Figure 5 can be checked.

#### DISCUSSION OF SYMPTOMS RELATIVE TO METHOD OF TREATMENT.

The symptoms experienced by subjects during the exposure are considered mild to moderate. Headache and dizziness were the most common symptoms and were exaggerated on exercising. The pulse rate and the rate of respiration during the exposure remained practically normal, as shown in Tables I, II, and III. This was true also during treatment and after treatment, with the exception of the rate of respiration when breathing CO<sub>2</sub>-O<sub>2</sub> mixtures.

The subjects who recovered in air had severe headaches, and were physically unfit for several hours after exposure, usually during the remainder of the day. The rate of elimination of CO from the blood when the subject was breathing air was very gradual, 5 to 6 hours

<sup>11</sup> The treatment of CO asphyxiation by means of oxygen, plus CO<sub>2</sub> inhalation. By Yandell Henderson and H. W. Haggard. Jour. Amer. Med. Assn., vol. 79, Sept. 30, 1922. pp. 1137-1145.

being required to reduce the hemoglobin saturation from about 35 per cent to 10 per cent.

The breathing of oxygen diminished or relieved the symptoms, and there were either no after effects or they were very much less severe than when recovery took place in normal air. This was especially striking in the case of subject Massey (Table II), who collapsed and was given oxygen for 45 minutes, after which he experienced no untoward symptoms other than feeling a little tired. The rate of elimination of carbon monoxide from the blood caused by breathing oxygen was much more rapid than that resulting from breathing normal air. By referring to the curves, it will be noted that the breathing of pure oxygen causes the elimination of the CO about four times as fast as the breathing of normal air.

The breathing of 8 to 10 per cent of  $\text{CO}_2$  in  $\text{O}_2$  caused deeper and more rapid respiration, which became tiring after a few minutes. The rate of respiration and the volume breathed increased from 50 to 100 per cent, varying with the subject. The after symptoms were more severe than those following the breathing of oxygen, but not as severe as when elimination was produced by normal air. The use of 8 to 10 per cent of  $\text{CO}_2$  in  $\text{O}_2$  caused the elimination of the CO from the blood five to six times as fast as the breathing of normal air; in other words, the  $\text{CO}_2$  mixtures removed the CO from 25 to 50 per cent faster than did the pure  $\text{O}_2$ .

Henderson<sup>12</sup> states that breathing  $\text{CO}_2$ - $\text{O}_2$  mixtures produces an increase in blood pressure. This probably causes an increase of flow of blood through the lungs, and would thus aid in the elimination of CO; but in victims that have been gassed over a comparatively long period (several hours), the heart might perhaps be weakened and unable to withstand the increased stimulation for breathing caused by the  $\text{CO}_2$ . However, if the patient is under constant observation, overstimulation may be avoided by temporarily stopping the use of the  $\text{CO}_2$ - $\text{O}_2$  mixture; or, as suggested by Henderson and Haggard,<sup>13</sup> this effect may be prevented by the administration of atropin. Lower percentages of  $\text{CO}_2$  in  $\text{O}_2$  produce less effect; and it is hoped that a safe percentage may be found for routine first-aid work.

#### SUMMARY.

1. Recovery from carbon-monoxide poisoning depends to a great extent upon early elimination of carbon monoxide from the blood.
2. The rate of elimination of carbon monoxide from the blood depends upon the percentage of oxygen in the air breathed, also upon the rate and depth of respiration.

<sup>12</sup> Administration of carbon dioxide after anesthesia and operation. By Yandell Henderson. Jour. Amer. Med. Assn., vol. 76, No. 10, Mar. 5, 1921, p. 672.

<sup>13</sup> Personal communication.

3. Pure oxygen causes the elimination of carbon monoxide about four times as fast as normal air, when breathed by persons who have been gassed until 35 or 40 per cent of the hemoglobin in their blood has been combined with carbon monoxide.

4. Breathing a mixture of oxygen containing 8 to 10 per cent of carbon dioxide causes deep and rapid respiration.

5. Breathing a mixture of oxygen and carbon dioxide (8 to 10 per cent) causes the elimination of carbon monoxide about five to six times as fast as normal air, when breathed by persons who have been gassed until 30 to 40 per cent of their blood has been combined with carbon monoxide.

6. It is recommended that all victims not under a physician's care be caused to breathe oxygen in the purest form available for at least 20 to 45 minutes.

7. It is recommended that physicians use the carbon dioxide-oxygen mixture where possible, and note the results, but when this mixture is not available that they use pure oxygen.

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## STUDIES ON THE PERMEABILITY OF LIVING AND DEAD CELLS.

### III. THE PENETRATION OF CERTAIN ALKALIES AND AMMONIUM SALTS INTO LIVING AND DEAD CELLS.

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#### LIVING CELLS.

It has frequently been stated that penetration of the so-called weak bases is much more rapid than that of the strong bases. Warburg (1), Harvey (2), and others noted that  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  readily penetrated living cells while  $\text{NaOH}$  and allied bases did not. Since ideal conditions for measuring the rate of penetration of bases into living plants by direct determinations were afforded through the structure of the marine alga, *Valonia ventricosa*, it was thought of interest to test these conclusions.

Methods for direct analysis of the sap of living plants have been developed by Osterhout (3) and by the writer (4) in the experiments

on the fresh-water alga, *Nitella*. The internodes of this plant are coenocytic cells, consisting of a central vacuole filled with cell-sap and surrounded by a delicate layer of protoplasm and by the cell-wall. It is possible to pierce the cell-wall by means of a sharp-pointed glass capillary pipette and collect the sap in an uncontaminated condition. The quantities of sap obtainable from *Nitella* are, however, very minute as compared with the amount of sap which can be obtained from *Valonia*, which was used for this investigation. *Valonia* is a spherical one-celled (coenocytic) marine alga. The plants are of various sizes, usually yielding 5 c. c. to 10 c. c., but sometimes as much as 50 c. c. of sap. This quantity affords adequate amounts for accurate determinations. By expressing the cell-sap (free from contamination) into Pyrex tubes and adding indicators, the pH value of the sap of successive plants can be determined at intervals, and the rate of change in pH noted.

This method is described in full in a previous paper (5) on penetration of acids and will not be repeated here. It was found in the study on acids (5) that two sets of determinations for pH values of the sap were necessary: one set with and one without free  $\text{CO}_2$ . The free  $\text{CO}_2$  present in the cell varied as the surrounding medium was changed and as the time during which these conditions prevailed.

When  $\text{CO}_2$  is blown out of the cell-sap, there is removed not only the  $\text{CO}_2$  which is free at the time that aeration begins but also a certain amount of  $\text{CO}_2$  previously present in a combined state, which takes the place of the  $\text{CO}_2$  already removed, until an equilibrium is attained which is compatible with the  $\text{CO}_2$  tension of the so-called  $\text{CO}_2$ -free air which is introduced. Attention is called to this statement in order to avoid misunderstanding about the identity of the  $\text{CO}_2$  of the sap which is removed through aeration.

Since analytical methods can not distinguish anhydrous  $\text{CO}_2$  from  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3$ , these terms are both included in the term "free  $\text{CO}_2$ ."

In addition to making " $\text{CO}_2$ -free" determinations, it was also necessary, in this investigation, to remove the free  $\text{NH}_3$  of the sap in those experiments where ammonium salts or bases were used. For this purpose the expressed sap was aerated with air which was also  $\text{NH}_3$ -free. The system used for aeration, therefore, consisted of a train of three flasks containing, respectively,  $\text{NaOH}$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ , and distilled water.

The pH of normal sap with free  $\text{CO}_2$  is from 6.2 to 6.4; and without free  $\text{CO}_2$  it is 6.6 to 6.8. The sodium salt of brom thymol blue was used as an indicator. No correction was made for the salt error, which appears not to have been determined, but which in any case would not affect the conclusions derived from these data.

Atkins (6) has also estimated the reaction of some marine algæ and found it to be neutral or slightly alkaline. Since his estimations were made upon plants which had been cut or crushed and stained with indicators, the usual criticisms concerning injured tissues or extracted plant juices would apply to his results. He also took no account of the free  $\text{CO}_2$  which probably escaped during the manipulation, thereby causing an increase in alkalinity which was not taken into account.

Hoagland and Davis (7) found by direct methods like those used by the writer that the pH of the sap of a California species of *Nitella* is 5.2. It is of interest to compare this with the pH of *Nitella* at Woods Hole, Mass., and at Washington, D. C., which was found by the writer (8) to be 5.7. These differences are probably due to specific or environmental differences. Similarly the pH of the sap of *Valonia* at Miami, Fla. (6.2 to 6.4), was found by the writer (5) to be higher than that of the Bermuda *Valonia* (6.0) as reported by Crozier (9).

Hoagland and Davis (7) proposed to find out directly by analyzing the cell-sap of *Nitella* whether changes in the alkalinity of the surrounding medium affected the pH of the sap. The water in which the plants were growing was allowed to become alkaline to pH 9.4 through the agency of photosynthesis. The authors noted no subsequent change in the pH of the sap and no exosmosis of chlorides, which always accompanies injury. Atkins (10), on the other hand, using the same method for producing alkalinity in sea water, found that injury occurred in the case of the superficial cells of *Ceramium rubrum*, but not in the case of *Ulva*.

Jacobs (11) subjected flowers of a hybrid *Rhododendron*, containing a natural indicator which turned blue in the presence of alkali, to solutions of ammonium sulphate, chloride, and acetate. Although these solutions were acid, nevertheless the petals of the plant became blue, showing that they had become alkaline.

Hoagland and Davis (7) tested, by the direct method, the reaction of the cell-sap of *Nitella* when placed in solutions of ammonium sulphate, chloride, and nitrate in concentrations of 0.005 M. They found that penetration of ammonium caused a change in pH from 5.2 to 6.2 in 24 hours or less. This change is much less than that obtained by the writer in the case of *Valonia*. Differences may be due to the effects of the salt content of the surrounding medium or to the composition of the sap itself. The influence of Ca on delaying the outward diffusion of chlorides is mentioned by Hoagland and Davis.



TABLE I.—*Viability of Valonia in sea water after exposure to 0.03 M solutions.*

Substance.	Length of life in days after exposure to solutions for indicated time in hours.							
	$\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2	$2\frac{1}{2}$	$3\frac{1}{2}$	4	$4\frac{1}{2}$	$5\frac{1}{2}$
NH <sub>4</sub> OH.....	11	2	1	>1	.....	.....	.....	.....
NH <sub>4</sub> Cl.....	17	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	6
(NH <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> .....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	.....	.....
(NH <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> .....	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
NaOH.....	29	.....	.....	.....	22	.....	.....	.....
KOH.....	29	.....	.....	.....	22	.....	.....	.....

Injury in *Valonia* was determined by the time of survival after the plants had been taken out of the test solution and replaced in sea water alone (see Table I). Exosmosis of chlorides could not be used as a test in this case because of the predominance of chlorides in the sea water itself.

All of the bases and salts were dissolved in sea water. The bases precipitated a slight amount of magnesium; but this was found not to affect the viability of the plants. It was necessary to use sea water, as the plants died rapidly when artificial sea water, such as that used by Harvey, was substituted. Experiments were performed in which the pH of all the solutions was the same, and others in which the molar concentrations were alike.

The concentrations of the bases used, and the resultant pH of the solutions are given in Table II. There seems to be a buffer effect at a pH of about 10.0.

The temperature at which these experiments were done was about 24° C. This is the temperature of the sea water at Miami, and of the running sea water in the laboratory.

The plants were placed in the solutions for various periods of time. They were then removed, carefully and quickly dried on filter paper, and punctured by means of a pointed glass rod. The cell-sap is under pressure and is readily expressed into a Pyrex tube containing indicator. The pH is then noted.

TABLE II.—Concentrations and pH values of solutions of bases and ammonium salts in sea water.

Concentration.	pH.				
	Base.		Salt.		
	NH <sub>4</sub> OH	NaOH or KOH	(NH <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	NH <sub>4</sub> Cl	(NH <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>
0.0015 M.....	9.0	10	.....	.....	.....
.003 M.....	9.4	10.4	.....	.....	.....
.006 M.....	10.0	12	.....	.....	.....
.009 M.....	10.0	12	.....	.....	.....
.030 M.....	10.0	12	7.5	7.6	7.8

The salts of ammonium, owing to the unequal dissociation of their acid and alkali radicals, are specially favorable for noting the effects of the anion and cation separately upon the changes of the sap of *Valonia*. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> have an acid reaction because the acid radical is more highly dissociated than the alkali radical, while (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> has an alkaline reaction for the opposite reason. It was thought that by removing the free CO<sub>2</sub> and free NH<sub>3</sub> from the expressed sap of cells placed in these solutions (by aerating with CO<sub>2</sub>-free-NH<sub>3</sub>-free air), it would be possible to detect and measure the rate of entrance of the anion, i. e., chloride, sulphate, hydroxide, or carbonate, by noting the divergence of the pH from normal.

The experiments of the writer on the changes in pH value of the sap of *Valonia* as affected by ammonium salts confirm, in general, those noted by previous observers. They include, however, not only the end-point of the reaction as obtained by these writers, but also the time curve showing the rate and manner of penetration, and the relative penetration of the different ions.

Figure 1 shows the penetration of NH<sub>4</sub>OH into the cell sap of *Valonia*. The buffer effect at pH 10, noted when ammonia is added to sea water, is not apparent in the cell sap. In the highest concentration of NH<sub>4</sub>OH (0.03 M), even though the pH of the surrounding liquid does not exceed 10, that of the cell sap becomes 11.5. Curves C all show the pH of the sap as it is expressed, before removing any of the free CO<sub>2</sub> and NH<sub>3</sub>. Curve D shows that the pH of the sap is 6.6 after removal of free CO<sub>2</sub> and NH<sub>3</sub>. This is the same pH as that of normal cells. Therefore no permanent chemical combinations with the components of the sap are made, although reversible combinations may occur. The abscissæ represent time in minutes and the ordinates represent the pH values. The dotted lines indicate the lapse of intervals of time too great to be included on the same scale of abscissæ. These data show that the concentration of free base tends to become equalized very quickly on both sides of the semi-

permeable membrane, the pH value of the sap being taken to indicate the amount of free base penetrating. Because of buffer action the pH of the sea water was constant (10) in the 3 highest concentrations of ammonia, but the pH of the sap itself became higher than 10 in the two highest concentrations because no such buffer effect was present.

When qualitative tests with Nessler's reagent were made upon the sap of cells which had been in ammonium solutions, a heavy precipi-

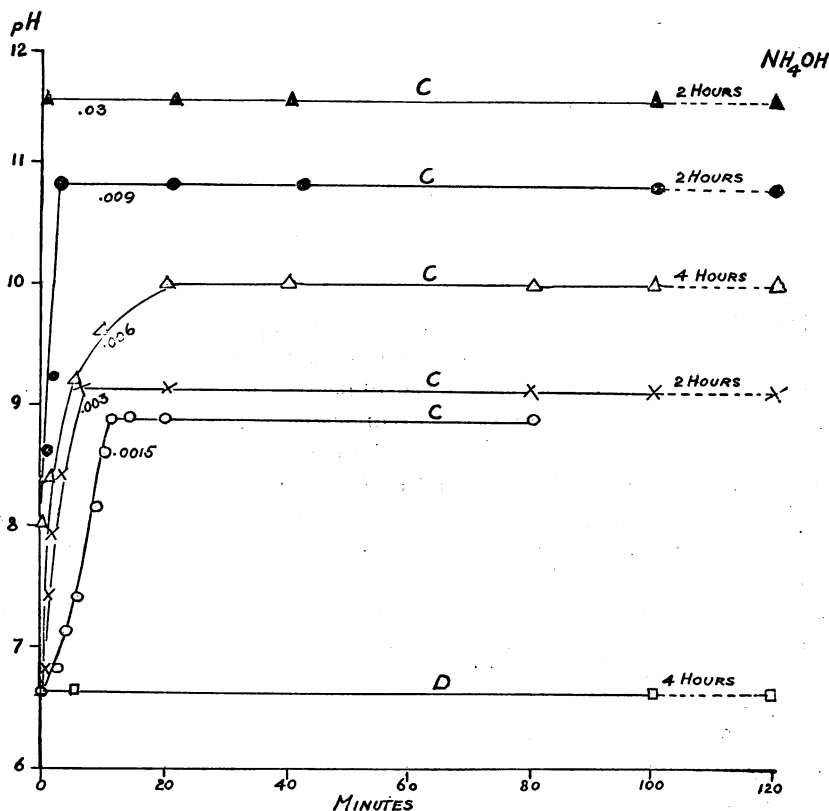


FIG. 1.—The penetration of  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  into the cell-sap of *Valonia*. Curves C all show the pH of the sap as soon as it has been expressed after having been in solutions of the indicated concentrations for the periods of time represented. The dotted lines represent periods of time too great to be shown on the same scale. Curve D represents for all four of the above solutions the pH of the sap after the free  $\text{CO}_2$  and  $\text{NH}_3$  have been removed by aeration.

tate was obtained which showed the presence of ammonia. There seemed to be a slight precipitate in normal sap, but not nearly comparable with the precipitate in the sap of treated cells. The odor of ammonia as the sap was expressed was also unmistakable. It is hoped that quantitative estimations on ammonia penetration by means of the Nessler reaction will be carried out in the near future.

Figure 2 shows the penetration of  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$ . Curve C shows that the pH of the sap becomes 8.6 in one hour and remains at this pH for 5 hours. Curve D shows that when the free  $\text{NH}_3$  is removed from the

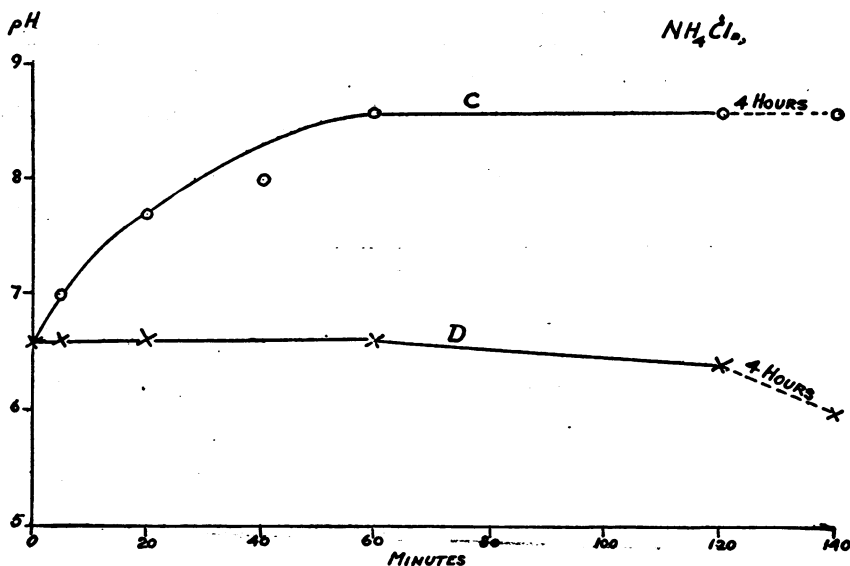


FIG. 2.—The penetration of  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$ . Curve C shows the pH of the sap as it is expressed, and curve D the same after aeration.

sap, a pH of 6.6, which is normal, still persists. After one hour, however, the aerated sap shows a greater acidity than pH 6.6, owing, probably, to the penetration of  $\text{HCl}$  from the dissociated  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$ .

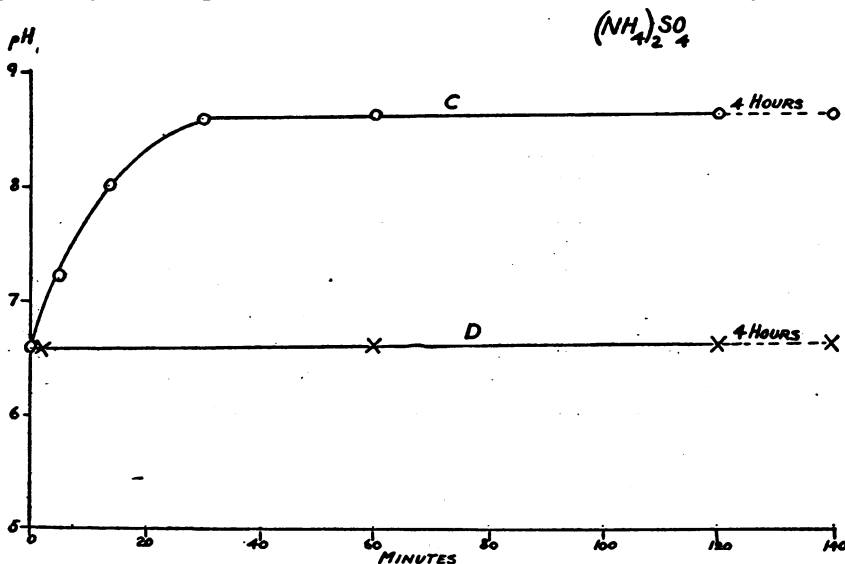


FIG. 3.—The penetration of  $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$ . Curve C shows the pH of the sap as it is expressed, and curve D after aeration.

Figure 3 shows the effects of  $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$ . As in Figure 2, the sap shows an increase in alkalinity to pH 8.6 in 30 minutes, a more rapid

increase than in the case of  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$ . This pH remains constant for 4 hours (curve C). Curve D shows that when the free  $\text{NH}_3$  is removed from the sap the pH is 6.6. No increase in acidity is noted, owing, probably, to the impermeability of the cell to the sulphate ion. This observation is of interest, as it confirms the previous data of the writer on the slow rate of penetration of sulphuric acid into *Valonia*.

The results with ammonium carbonate were thought to be of special interest, inasmuch as both ions of this compound have such facility in entering the sap. Figure 4 shows the effects of the penetration of both the  $\text{NH}_4$  and  $\text{CO}_3$  ions. When the sap from a cell which has been 20 minutes in the solution is first expressed, the

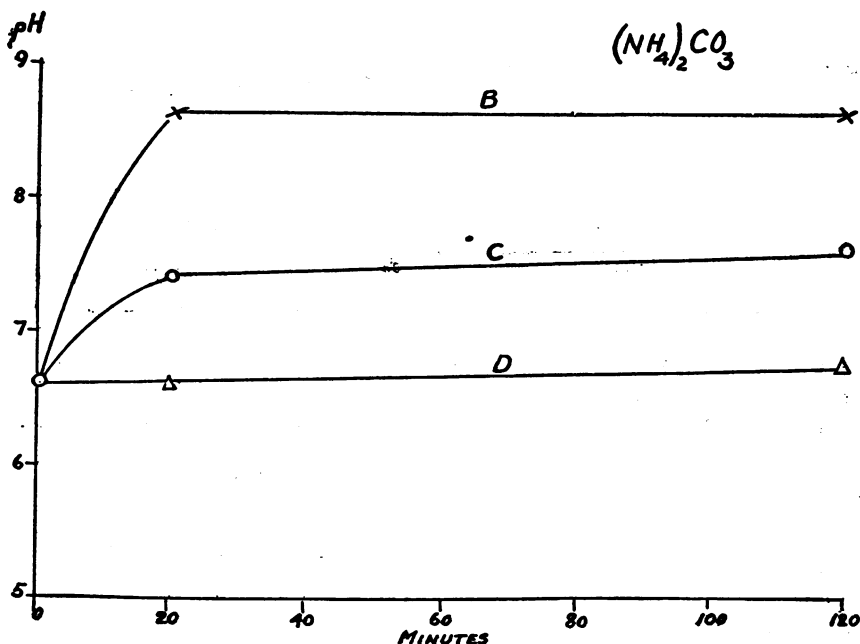


FIG. 4.—The penetration of  $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{CO}_3$ . Curve C represents the pH value of the sap as it is expressed; curve B during, and curve D at the end of aeration. Curve B represents in each case the maximum of alkalinity due to the removal of an excessive proportion of  $\text{CO}_2$ .

pH is 7.5 (curve C). It is possible to follow the effect of the  $\text{CO}_2$ -free- $\text{NH}_3$ -free air upon the expressed sap by noting the color changes in the indicator as the compressed air is blown through the sap. Since the sap at first became more alkaline (pH 8.6), the  $\text{CO}_2$  was evidently more easily removable than the  $\text{NH}_3$ . Even after the cell had been 2 hours in an  $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{CO}_3$  solution the sap still behaved the same as shown in curve B. As some  $\text{NH}_3$  also is undoubtedly removed, together with the  $\text{CO}_2$ , the degree of alkalinity probably does not indicate the full amount of  $\text{NH}_3$  which has penetrated. Continued aeration of the sap removed the free  $\text{NH}_3$  and produced a lower pH. When pH 6.6 was reached, no more change in pH by aeration

could be produced. This is the same pH as that of the normal sap, represented by curve D, and suggests that now all the entering salt has been removed. As no one indicator covered the entire pH range, it was necessary to obtain these readings by taking out samples of sap at intervals and adding the appropriate indicator.

Figure 5 shows a typical experiment with NaOH and KOH in concentrations of 0.003 M (pH 10.4). Lesser concentrations produced an even slower rate of change in pH of the sap. The use of higher concentrations (0.03 M), the pH of which was about 12, did not materially increase the rate of change of pH of the sap. Curves A show the pH of the sap when the free  $\text{CO}_2$  is not removed and curves B show the pH when the free  $\text{CO}_2$  is removed. In the case of NaOH,

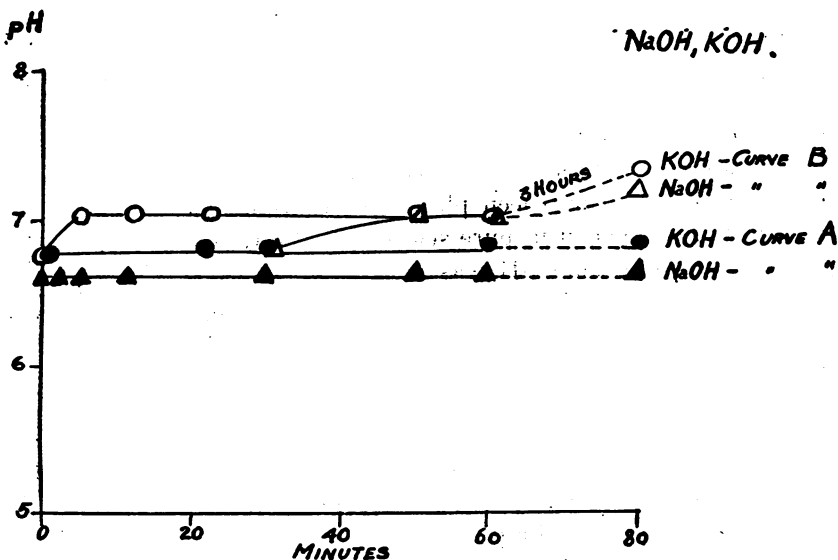


FIG. 5.—The penetration of NaOH and KOH (0.003 M). Curves A show the pH of the sap as it is expressed, and curves B after the free  $\text{CO}_2$  has been removed.

curve A remains at a normal pH throughout the experiment, whereas the corresponding curve KOH shows a slightly greater alkalinity, as though there might have been some penetration of potassium into the sap. Again, curve B shows a more rapid increase in pH in the case of KOH than in the case of NaOH, the pH becoming 7.0 in five minutes while there is no change in the case of NaOH. The ultimate pH of the former is also slightly greater than that of the latter. The rate of penetration of K compounds is, therefore, under similar conditions, slightly more rapid than that of those containing Na. This observation agrees with the observations reported on various K and Na compounds by the writer (12) in a previous publication. It is also evident that the penetration of the strong bases NaOH and KOH is much less rapid than that of  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ , even when the concen-

tration of the latter is much lower. This observation agrees with the observations of former investigators on the relative rates of penetration of strong and weak bases.

The viability of *Valonia* in these various solutions is given in Table I. This shows that  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  is the most toxic of the substances used, and that  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  is more toxic than  $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$ . The slower rate of penetration of the sulphate ion has probably some influence upon the degree of toxicity. This is of interest when compared with the results obtained by the writer in the study on acids, in which it was found that  $\text{HCl}$  is more toxic than  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ , and also that sulphuric acid has a slower rate of penetration than hydrochloric acid.

With ammonium salts it was found that the pH of the sap before removal of free  $\text{NH}_3$ , as represented by curves C, never exceeded that of the solution in which the cell was placed. This may be contrasted with the case of concentrated solutions of  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  in sea water, which was sufficiently alkaline to call into play a buffer mechanism in the sea water but not in the sap, and as a consequence allowed the pH of the sap to exceed that of the outside solution.

When cells which had been placed in solutions of  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  in sea water were again placed in pure sea water, the time required for the sap to regain its normal pH was about two or three times as long as that necessary for the original change in the opposite directions.

In order to determine whether the penetration of the Na ion was affected by the OH ions, two other types of solution were tested: one a solution of Na silicate in sea water (pH 9.3), and the other a solution of Na butyrate in sea water (pH 7.9). The same molecular concentration was used for these solutions as for the hydroxides. Na silicate undergoes hydrolytic dissociation to a considerable extent. There was no change in the pH of the sap after 3 hours in this solution. Presumably neither sodium nor silicate ions penetrated. In the case of Na butyrate, hydrolytic dissociation also occurs; but it might be thought that in this case, since the butyrate ion enters so readily (5), the Na ion also would enter. No change in the pH of the sap took place within 18 minutes. After 27 minutes, however, the pH became 7.5; but there was by this time decided injury of the cell, which cytolized when taken out and placed in sea water. It seems that in this case the butyrate ion entered without or with very little Na. These experiments agree in showing that Na has little penetrating power at any H ion concentration within the pH range 7.9 to 12. It is apparently the impermeability to Na which excludes NaOH from the cell sap. In the case of  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ , it was not possible to determine whether penetration of the whole molecule takes place or only of the  $\text{NH}_3$ .

## DEAD CELLS.

When dead cells were placed in solutions of the salts of ammonium used in these studies, their sap rapidly assumed the pH of the surrounding solution:  $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$ , pH 7.5;  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$ , pH 7.8; and  $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{CO}_3$ , pH. 7.8 (illustrated in Table III). When the expressed sap from dead cells previously exposed to these solutions is placed in Pyrex tubes and aerated by  $\text{CO}_2$ -free- $\text{NH}_3$ -free air, the pH of the resulting sap becomes, respectively, 5.2, 5.2, and 8.8. These values are the same as those assumed by the solutions of these salts in sea water when they are aerated in the same way. In the case of the sulphate and chloride, the acidity is due to the nonvolatile acid left behind, and in the case of the carbonate, to the nearly complete removal of both ions. Both the sap and the solutions were aerated for from 4 to 5 hours, at the end of which time further change had practically ceased.

TABLE III.—*pH of sap of dead cells of Valonia and of surrounding solution before and after aeration with compressed  $\text{CO}_2$ -free- $\text{NH}_3$ -free air. Cells were 30 minutes in solution.*

Substance.	Sap of <i>Valonia</i> .		Solution in sea water.	
	Before aeration.	After aeration.	Before aeration.	After aeration.
$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4(0.03 \text{ M})$ .....	7.6	5.2	7.5	5.2
$\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}(0.03 \text{ M})$ .....	7.6	5.2	7.6	5.2
$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{CO}_3(0.03 \text{ M})$ .....	7.8	8.8	7.8	8.8
$\text{NH}_4\text{OH}(0.03 \text{ M})$ .....	10.0	9.4	10.8	9.4
$\text{NaOH}(0.003 \text{ M})$ .....	10.2	10.2	10.4	10.4
$\text{KOH}(0.003 \text{ M})$ .....	10.2	10.2	10.4	10.4
Sea water.....	8.6	9.1	8.6	9.1

## DISCUSSION.

These experiments further corroborate the theory that the internal H ion concentration of a cell is not determined primarily by that of the surrounding solution, but that the relative H ion concentration of the sap and the environing fluid may be profoundly affected by the nature of the acid or basic radicals present. This is emphasized by the comparable experiments on  $\text{NaOH}$  and  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ , which had practically the same H ion concentration and yet had decidedly different effects upon the pH of the sap of *Valonia*.

Although some writers have called attention to the importance of other than H ions, the importance of the H ions seems to have been quite often overestimated. Before definite conclusions as to the in-



fluence of H or OH ions can be stated, the effects of the chemical nature of the accompanying anions or cations must be determined.

The great permeability of *Valonia* to CO<sub>2</sub> and NH<sub>3</sub> or their derivative ions raises some interesting questions. The case of ammonia is particularly interesting, since Vanzetti (14) has shown that when an ammonium salt in aqueous solution is allowed to diffuse against gravity, the acid radical travels more rapidly than the base, and is in excess in the forefront of diffusion. This finding is in accord with the migration velocities of the ions as determined by the method of transference numbers. Yet when NH<sub>4</sub>Cl, for example, passes through the cell wall and the protoplasm of *Valonia*, the basic radical penetrates with very much the greater rapidity: the cell sap becomes alkaline and ammonia is found to be present in it. In the case of carbon dioxide the anion penetrates with a relative rapidity strikingly in excess of that which would be predicted from the transference numbers.

It will be evident that in trying to account for these differences we must look for distinguishing features—presumably chemical—in the behavior of the two ions concerned, which would place them in peculiar relationship to the protoplasm. Two possible explanations are of particular interest: One is based upon the pseudo-acid and pseudo-basic characters of CO<sub>2</sub> and NH<sub>3</sub>, and the other upon the possibility that they may exist in solution in the form of dissolved gas molecules.

In the latter case we would have to consider the passage of particles which are electrically neutral, and might, for this reason, more easily pass through the wall and protoplasm. Such particles would presumably carry relatively little water of hydration, which would give them additional facility of penetration.

The explanation based upon the pseudo-acid or pseudo-basic nature of the substances in question has been suggested by Loeb (15), who explains the accelerating effect of sodium acetate upon the penetration of acetic acid into *Fundulus* eggs as the result of an increase in the tautomeric or "aci-" form of the acid. This form is considered to be capable of penetrating the cell with some ease. The same possibility of transformation into an "aci-" form exists for carbonates and ammonium compounds; and it may be supposed that for this reason *Valonia* and other forms are particularly permeable to these "aci-" tautomers.

The penetration of acids, bicarbonates, alkalies, and ammonium salts depends at least in part, then, upon the chemical nature of the ions present. For this reason it is interesting to note the fact, expressed by Loeb (13) (p. 707) that on the acid side of the isoelectric point, "the effect of salts on the membrane potentials, osmotic

pressure, swelling of gelatine chloride, and that type of viscosity which is due to the swelling of protein particles, depends only on the valency and not on the chemical nature of the anion of the salt."

By analogy with the experiments of Loeb, one might reasonably inquire whether those properties (swelling, viscosity, etc.) which depend only on the valency of the ions present have anything to do with the regulation of permeability. Certainly in the case of *Valonia* the chemical nature of the ions plays the determining part.

#### SUMMARY.

1. Ammonium salts ( $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$ ,  $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$ , and  $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{CO}_3$  and  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  cause an increase in the pH value of the sap of *Valonia*. This increase is due to penetration of free  $\text{NH}_3$ , which may be removed by aeration of the sap with  $\text{NH}_3$ -free air.

2. Increased acidity of the  $\text{NH}_3$ -free sap, presumably due to the penetration of anions, was observed to be greater in the case of chlorides than in the case of sulphates.

3. Both ions of  $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{CO}_3$  penetrate and can be removed by aeration, the  $\text{CO}_2$  being more rapidly removed than  $\text{NH}_3$ .

4. Different concentrations of  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  having the same pH in sea water may produce different pH values of the sap.

5.  $\text{KOH}$  penetrates very slowly but still slightly faster than  $\text{NaOH}$ .

6. The sap of dead cells assumes the same pH value as the solutions in which they are placed. Their aerated sap has a pH value equivalent to the pH after aeration of the solutions in which they are placed.

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## THE AMERICAN DIETETIC ASSOCIATION TO MEET IN OCTOBER.

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Dr. Louis Burlingham, Barnes Hospital.

Dr. Amy Daniels, University of Iowa.

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### DEATHS DURING WEEK ENDED AUGUST 25, 1923.

*Summary of information received by telegraph from industrial insurance companies for week ended August 25, 1923, and corresponding week of 1922. (From the Weekly Health Index, August 28, 1923, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.)*

	Week ended Aug. 25, 1923.	Corresponding week, 1922.
Policies in force.....	54, 748, 544	49, 858, 834
Number of death claims.....	9, 600	7, 691
Death claims per 1,000 policies in force, annual rate.....	9. 1	8. 0

*Deaths from all causes in certain large cities of the United States during the week ended August 25, 1923, infant mortality, annual death rate, and comparison with corresponding week of 1922. (From the Weekly Health Index, August 28, 1923, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.)*

City.	Week ended Aug. 25, 1923.		Annual death rate per 1,000, cor- responding week, 1922.	Deaths under 1 year.		Infant mor- tality rate, week ended Aug. 25, 1923. <sup>2</sup>
	Total deaths.	Death rate. <sup>1</sup>		Week ended Aug. 25, 1923.	Cor- responding week, 1922.	
Total.....	5, 935	10. 6	10. 7	884	953	.....
Akron, Ohio.....	20	5. 0	5. 5	5	4	59
Albany, N. Y. <sup>3</sup> .....	32	14. 2	15. 3	5	5	111
Atlanta, Ga.....	61	14. 3	15. 6	9	6	.....
Baltimore, Md. <sup>3</sup> .....	164	11. 1	11. 8	28	36	82
Birmingham, Ala.....	51	13. 6	9. 8	6	5	.....
Boston, Mass.....	170	11. 5	11. 6	20	34	57
Bridgeport, Conn.....	26	9. 4	9. 8	6	6	83
Buffalo, N. Y.....	114	11. 1	10. 6	22	24	92
Cambridge, Mass.....	18	8. 4	9. 4	4	3	71
Camden, N. J. <sup>3</sup> .....	34	14. 3	10. 3	8	5	132

<sup>1</sup> Annual rate per 1,000 population.

<sup>2</sup> Deaths under 1 year per 1,000 births—an annual rate based on deaths under 1 year for the week and estimated births for 1922. Cities left blank are not in the registration area for births.

<sup>3</sup> Deaths for week ended Friday, Aug. 24, 1923.

*Deaths from all causes in certain large cities of the United States during the week ended August 25, 1923, infant mortality, annual death rate, and comparison with corresponding week of 1922. (From the Weekly Health Index, August 28, 1923, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce)—Continued.*

City.	Week ended Aug. 25, 1923.		Annual death rate per 1,000, corre- sponding week, 1922.	Deaths under 1 year.		Infant mor- tality rate, week ended Aug. 25, 1923.
	Total deaths.	Death rate.		Week ended Aug. 25, 1923.	Corre- sponding week, 1922.	
Chicago, Ill.	504	9.1	11.0	70	101	63
Cincinnati, Ohio	120	15.4	9.8	22	11	145
Cleveland, Ohio <sup>1</sup>	164	9.6	10.3	24	23	69
Columbus, Ohio	59	11.8	9.3	6	9	62
Dallas, Tex.	31	9.1	13.6	5	3	.....
Dayton, Ohio	36	11.3	11.6	5	2	82
Denver, Colo.	66	12.7	11.5	10	6	.....
Des Moines, Iowa	25	9.3	.....	2	.....	.....
Detroit, Mich.	196	10.3	8.1	34	30	68
Duluth, Minn.	14	6.9	.....	2	.....	46
Erie, Pa.	18	8.3	13.3	0	5	0
Fall River, Mass. <sup>1</sup>	24	10.3	16.4	4	11	57
Flint, Mich.	26	11.5	.....	5	.....	99
Fort Worth, Tex.	13	4.7	10.9	2	4	.....
Grand Rapids, Mich.	25	8.9	8.0	6	3	95
Houston, Tex.	35	11.8	9.7	5	2	.....
Indianapolis, Ind.	103	15.7	13.9	23	13	177
Jacksonville, Fla.	23	12.0	10.7	3	3	.....
Jersey City, N. J.	71	12.0	9.7	14	15	94
Kansas City, Mo.	72	10.7	13.5	10	12	.....
Los Angeles, Calif.	204	16.0	13.6	27	26	101
Louisville, Ky.	50	10.1	11.8	5	7	54
Lowell, Mass.	29	13.1	11.4	6	7	104
Lynn, Mass.	15	7.6	.....	1	.....	26
Memphis, Tenn.	58	17.8	17.4	4	6	.....
Milwaukee, Wis.	98	10.5	6.3	20	9	99
Minneapolis, Minn.	52	6.6	9.0	6	6	33
Nashville, Tenn. <sup>1</sup>	34	14.6	13.0	6	3	.....
New Bedford, Mass.	25	10.0	9.4	12	5	187
New Haven, Conn.	34	10.2	10.4	5	4	65
New Orleans, La.	103	13.3	15.3	6	26	.....
New York, N. Y.	1,132	10.0	9.4	170	173	68
Bronx Borough	140	8.7	7.0	15	11	53
Brooklyn Borough	365	8.8	7.9	58	57	62
Manhattan Borough	502	11.5	11.7	83	94	81
Queens Borough	84	8.2	7.5	9	9	48
Richmond Borough	41	16.8	14.7	5	2	91
Newark, N. J.	94	11.2	11.5	16	15	75
Norfolk, Va.	21	7.9	8.3	4	2	71
Oakland, Calif.	53	11.5	5.8	4	4	51
Omaha, Nebr.	63	16.1	10.9	11	6	119
Paterson, N. J.	18	6.7	11.3	0	8	0
Philadelphia, Pa.	407	11.0	10.7	73	80	95
Pittsburgh, Pa.	106	9.0	13.0	18	24	63
Portland, Oreg.	40	7.6	10.1	5	4	51
Providence, R. I.	50	10.8	11.5	12	12	98
Richmond, Va.	54	15.6	12.0	12	7	147
Rochester, N. Y.	60	9.8	10.7	2	12	16
St. Louis, Mo.	177	11.5	9.3	17	15	.....
St. Paul, Minn.	46	9.9	7.2	6	5	55
Salt Lake City, Utah <sup>1</sup>	19	7.8	7.2	1	2	16
San Antonio, Tex.	39	11.0	15.2	8	10	.....
San Francisco, Calif.	114	11.0	11.7	4	9	24
Seattle, Wash.	52	8.6	7.6	3	5	27
Spokane, Wash.	20	10.0	13.0	0	8	0
Springfield, Mass.	19	6.9	9.3	1	5	14
Tacoma, Wash.	12	6.2	.....	2	.....	56
Toledo, Ohio	59	11.5	12.2	7	9	71
Trenton, N. J.	23	9.4	12.5	4	6	68
Utica, N. Y.	20	10.1	.....	2	.....	42
Washington, D. C.	99	11.8	12.9	13	19	74
Wilmington, Del.	20	8.9	13.1	7	5	142
Worcester, Mass.	45	12.2	10.5	6	6	69
Yonkers, N. Y.	22	10.7	7.9	5	2	108
Youngstown, Ohio	31	12.2	13.8	8	6	109

<sup>1</sup> Deaths for week ended Friday, Aug. 24, 1923.

# PREVALENCE OF DISEASE.

*No health department, State or local, can effectively prevent or control disease without knowledge of when, where, and under what conditions cases are occurring.*

## UNITED STATES.

### CURRENT STATE SUMMARIES.

These reports are preliminary, and the figures are subject to change when later returns are received by the State health officers.

#### Reports for Week Ended Sept. 1, 1923.

ARKANSAS.		CONNECTICUT—continued.	
	Cases.		Cases.
Chicken pox.....	14	Mumps.....	5
Diphtheria.....	10	Pneumonia (lobar).....	4
Influenza.....	11	Poliomyelitis.....	8
Malaria.....	232	Scarlet fever.....	36
Measles.....	29	Tetanus.....	1
Mumps.....	4	Trichinosis.....	4
Paratyphoid fever.....	4	Tuberculosis (all forms).....	23
Pellagra.....	7	Typhoid fever.....	9
Poliomyelitis.....	2	Whooping cough.....	37
Scarlet fever.....	1		
Trachoma.....	3		
Tuberculosis.....	4		
Typhoid fever.....	42		
Typhus fever.....	4		
Whooping cough.....	28		
COLORADO.		DELAWARE.	
		Diphtheria.....	2
		Influenza.....	3
		Measles.....	1
		Pneumonia.....	1
		Scarlet fever.....	8
		Tuberculosis.....	3
		Typhoid fever.....	6
(Exclusive of Denver.)		FLORIDA.	
Chicken pox.....	7	Dengue.....	2
Diphtheria.....	13	Diphtheria.....	11
Measles.....	56	Malaria.....	26
Mumps.....	1	Pneumonia.....	1
Pneumonia.....	1	Scarlet fever.....	1
Scarlet fever.....	1	Typhoid fever.....	8
Tuberculosis.....	66		
Typhoid fever.....	21		
Whooping cough.....	17		
CONNECTICUT.		GEORGIA.	
Chicken pox.....	4	Cerebrospinal meningitis.....	1
Diphtheria.....	30	Dengue.....	1
Dysentery (amebic).....	1	Diphtheria.....	27
Dysentery (bacillary).....	2	Hookworm disease.....	6
German measles.....	3	Malaria.....	55
Influenza.....	2	Measles.....	23
Malaria.....	2	Mumps.....	2
Measles.....	13	Paratyphoid fever.....	1
		Pneumonia.....	11
		Scarlet fever.....	6

## GEORGIA—continued.

	Cases.
Septic sore throat.....	1
Smallpox.....	4
Tuberculosis.....	11
Typhoid fever.....	21
Typhus fever.....	1
Whooping cough.....	14

## ILLINOIS.

Cerebrospinal meningitis:	
Adams County.....	1
Diphtheria:	
Cook County.....	61
Scattering.....	37
Influenza.....	1
Lethargic encephalitis—Chicago.....	1
Pneumonia:	
Chicago.....	63
Scattering.....	10
Poliomyelitis:	
Chicago.....	9
Kankakee County.....	1
McLean County.....	1
Madison County.....	1
Mason County.....	1
Piatt County.....	1
Scarlet fever:	
Cook County.....	16
Scattering.....	32
Smallpox:	
Macon County.....	8
Location not given.....	1
Typhoid fever:	
Cook County.....	12
Scattering.....	71
Whooping cough.....	127

## INDIANA.

Diphtheria.....	18
Measles.....	14
Scarlet fever.....	12
Smallpox.....	7
Tuberculosis.....	26
Typhoid fever.....	31

## IOWA.

Diphtheria.....	23
Poliomyelitis.....	6
Scarlet fever.....	18
Smallpox.....	5
Typhoid fever.....	5

## KANSAS.

Chicken pox.....	2
Diphtheria.....	29
Malaria.....	4
Measles.....	24
Mumps.....	6
Pneumonia.....	8
Poliomyelitis.....	11
Scarlet fever.....	54
Smallpox.....	3
Tuberculosis.....	43
Typhoid fever.....	52
Whooping cough.....	60

## LOUISIANA.

	Cases.
Dengue.....	51
Diphtheria.....	28
Malaria.....	2
Measles.....	4
Poliomyelitis.....	2
Scarlet fever.....	5
Smallpox.....	1
Tuberculosis.....	29
Typhoid fever.....	24
Whooping cough.....	4

## MARYLAND.

Chicken pox.....	1
Diphtheria.....	47
Dysentery.....	8
Influenza.....	4
Lethargic encephalitis.....	1
Malaria.....	1
Measles.....	50
Mumps.....	2
Pneumonia (all forms).....	24
Poliomyelitis.....	1
Scarlet fever.....	27
Tetanus.....	1
Tuberculosis.....	53
Typhoid fever.....	48
Whooping cough.....	49

## MASSACHUSETTS.

Cerebrospinal meningitis.....	1
Chicken pox.....	18
Conjunctivitis (suppurative).....	8
Diphtheria.....	124
Dysentery.....	1
German measles.....	2
Influenza.....	3
Lethargic encephalitis.....	2
Malaria.....	1
Measles.....	35
Mumps.....	20
Ophthalmia neonatorum.....	13
Pellagra.....	1
Pneumonia (lobar).....	11
Poliomyelitis.....	10
Scarlet fever.....	54
Septic sore throat.....	6
Trichinosis.....	1
Tuberculosis (all forms).....	90
Typhoid fever.....	21
Whooping cough.....	77

## MICHIGAN.

Diphtheria.....	124
Measles.....	46
Pneumonia.....	49
Scarlet fever.....	104
Smallpox.....	15
Tuberculosis.....	280
Typhoid fever.....	26
Whooping cough.....	105

## MINNESOTA.

(Exclusive of Minneapolis, St. Paul, and Duluth.)	
Diphtheria.....	24
Measles.....	14
Poliomyelitis.....	1

## MINNESOTA—continued.

	Cases.
Scarlet fever.....	34
Smallpox.....	5
Tuberculosis.....	51
Typhoid fever.....	5
Whooping cough.....	8

## MISSISSIPPI.

Diphtheria.....	23
Scarlet fever.....	4
Typhoid fever.....	33

## MISSOURI.

(Exclusive of St. Louis, Cape Girardeau, and Springfield.)

Diphtheria.....	26
Epidemic sore throat.....	1
Influenza.....	5
Measles.....	16
Mumps.....	1
Poliomyelitis.....	1
Scarlet fever.....	28
Smallpox.....	1
Trachoma.....	7
Tuberculosis.....	6
Typhoid fever.....	25
Whooping cough.....	27

## MONTANA.

Diphtheria.....	8
Poliomyelitis—Great Falls.....	1
Rocky Mountain Spotted fever—Hamilton.....	1
Scarlet fever.....	5
Smallpox.....	7
Typhoid fever.....	10

## NEW JERSEY.

Cerebrospinal meningitis.....	4
Chicken pox.....	6
Diphtheria.....	54
Influenza.....	4
Malaria.....	2
Measles.....	16
Paratyphoid fever.....	2
Pneumonia.....	30
Poliomyelitis.....	18
Scarlet fever.....	17
Typhoid fever.....	21
Whooping cough.....	55

## NEW MEXICO.

Diphtheria.....	20
Measles.....	4
Scarlet fever.....	3
Tuberculosis.....	29
Typhoid fever.....	29
Whooping cough.....	4

## NEW YORK.

(Exclusive of New York City.)

Cerebrospinal meningitis.....	1
Diphtheria.....	75
Influenza.....	5

<sup>1</sup> Deaths.

## NEW YORK—continued.

	Cases.
Measles.....	95
Pneumonia.....	42
Poliomyelitis.....	18
Scarlet fever.....	60
Smallpox.....	3
Typhoid fever.....	38
Whooping cough.....	152

## NORTH CAROLINA.

Chicken pox.....	6
Diphtheria.....	96
German measles.....	1
Measles.....	125
Scarlet fever.....	33
Septic sore throat.....	5
Smallpox.....	20
Typhoid fever.....	60
Whooping cough.....	224

## OREGON.

Chicken pox.....	7
Diphtheria.....	11
Measles.....	4
Pneumonia.....	15
Scarlet fever.....	5
Septic sore throat.....	11
Smallpox.....	9
Tuberculosis.....	11
Typhoid fever.....	9
Whooping cough.....	9

## SOUTH DAKOTA.

Chicken pox.....	1
Diphtheria.....	5
Measles.....	7
Poliomyelitis.....	3
Scarlet fever.....	12
Tuberculosis.....	5
Whooping cough.....	4

## TEXAS.

Dengue.....	8
Diphtheria.....	12
Dysentery (epidemic).....	1
Measles.....	7
Mumps.....	3
Pellagra.....	1
Pneumonia.....	2
Scarlet fever.....	7
Smallpox.....	17
Trachoma.....	1
Typhoid fever.....	50
Tuberculosis.....	16
Whooping cough.....	23

## VERMONT.

Chicken pox.....	5
Diphtheria.....	2
Measles.....	22
Mumps.....	5

**Reports for Week Ended August 25, 1923.**

### SUMMARY OF CASES REPORTED MONTHLY BY STATES.

State.	Cerebrospinal meningitis.	Diphtheria.	Influenza.	Malaria.	Measles.	Pellagra.	Polomyelitis.	Scarlet fever.	Smallpox.	Typhoid fever.
<i>June, 1923.</i>										
Oklahoma.....	1	16	30	10	215	7		34	90	55
<i>July, 1923.</i>										
Colorado.....	1	159			291			62	2	42
District of Columbia.....	1	11			73			23	1	12
Hawaii.....		24	154		11			6		17
Idaho.....		1			12			3		
Iowa.....		53	1		60			61	22	8
Kansas.....		89	1		435	1	8	90	17	108
Michigan.....	9	371			2,027	2	3	453	118	77
Mississippi.....		60	89	13,287	664	880	4	14	22	327
Montana.....		11			49			37	21	19
Oregon.....	6	383		4	960		9	442	124	222
Ohio.....		37	2		22			39	62	5
Oregon.....	1	32			159		5	50	3	8
South Dakota.....		32								
Virginia.....	7	95	140	376	1,680	29	57	72	23	358

<sup>1</sup> Onset previous to week of report.



## PLAGUE.

## San Francisco, Calif.

A case of bubonic plague was reported at San Francisco, Calif., August 27, 1923. The patient was taken ill August 18, 1923. She had been in San Francisco only three days prior to the onset of the disease, and previously resided in Pacific Grove, Monterey County. The diagnosis has been confirmed bacteriologically.

## CITY REPORTS FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 18, 1923.

## CEREBROSPINAL MENINGITIS.

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City.	Median for pre- vious years.	Week ended Aug. 18, 1923.		City.	Median for pre- vious years.	Week ended Aug. 18, 1923.	
		Cases.	Deaths.			Cases.	Deaths.
California:				New York—Continued.			
Pasadena.....	0	1	.....	Buffalo.....	0	1	.....
San Francisco.....	0	1	..... 1	New York.....	5	.....	2
Illinois:				Ohio:			
Chicago.....	1	2	2	Canton.....	0	.....	1
East St. Louis.....	0	1	1	Pennsylvania:			
Massachusetts:				Allentown.....	0	1	.....
Lynn.....	0	1	.....	Johnstown.....	0	1	.....
Springfield.....	0	1	.....	Texas:			
New Jersey:				Dallas.....	0	.....	1
Newark.....	0	2	.....	West Virginia:			
New York:				Huntington.....	0	.....	1
Albany.....	0	1	.....	Wheeling.....	0	1	.....

## DIPHTHERIA.

See p. 2099; also Current State summaries, p. 2089, and Monthly summaries by States, p. 2092.

## INFLUENZA.

City.	Cases.		Deaths, week ended Aug. 18, 1923.	City.	Cases.		Deaths week ended Aug. 18, 1923.
	Week ended Aug. 19, 1922.	Week ended Aug. 18, 1923.			Week ended Aug. 19, 1922.	Week ended Aug. 18, 1923.	
California:				Michigan:			
Los Angeles.....	18	3	.....	Detroit.....	1	.....	1
San Francisco.....	2	.....	.....	Missouri:			
Santa Ana.....	1	.....	.....	Kansas City.....	1	.....	.....
Stockton.....	.....	.....	1	New Jersey:			
Connecticut:				Newark.....	5	5	.....
New London.....	.....	2	1	New York:			
Florida:				Buffalo.....	.....	1	.....
Tampa.....	3	.....	.....	New York.....	8	4	2
Illinois:				Ohio:			
Chicago.....	.....	1	2	Cleveland.....	.....	1	.....
Kentucky:				Toledo.....	.....	.....	1
Louisville.....	1	.....	.....	Youngstown.....	.....	.....	1
Maryland:				Pennsylvania:			
Baltimore.....	.....	1	1	Pittsburgh.....	.....	1	1
Cumberland.....	1	.....	.....				
Massachusetts:							
Boston.....	.....	5	.....				
Brookline.....	.....	.....	1				

## CITY REPORTS FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 18, 1923—Continued.

## LEPROSY.

City.	Cases.	Deaths.
New York:		
New York.....	1	.....

## LETHARGIC ENCEPHALITIS.

Nebraska:		
Omaha.....	.....	1
Wisconsin:		
Milwaukee.....	1	.....

## MALARIA.

City.	Cases.	Deaths.	City.	Cases.	Deaths.
Alabama:			Illinois:		
Birmingham.....	4	.....	Chicago.....	1	.....
Mobile.....	1	.....	Louisiana:		
Tuscaloosa.....	2	.....	New Orleans.....	2	.....
Arkansas:			Maryland:		
Little Rock.....	6	.....	Baltimore.....	3	.....
California:			Massachusetts:		
Los Angeles.....	1	.....	Pittsfield.....	1	.....
Pasadena.....	1	.....	New York:		
Connecticut:			New York.....	17	.....
New Britain.....	1	.....	Tennessee:		
Florida:			Memphis.....	21	2
St. Petersburg.....	1	.....	Texas:		
Tampa.....	1	.....	Dallas.....	1	1
Georgia:			Virginia:		
Brunswick.....	3	.....	Norfolk.....	1	.....
Macon.....	6	.....			
Savannah.....	.....	1			
Valdosta.....	.....	1			

## MEASLES.

See p. 2099; also Current State summaries, p. 2089, and Monthly summaries by States, p. 2092.

## PELLAGRA.

City.	Cases.	Deaths.	City.	Cases.	Deaths.
Alabama:			North Carolina:		
Birmingham.....	1	.....	Durham.....	.....	1
Tuscaloosa.....	1	.....	Wilmington.....	.....	1
Arkansas:			Oklahoma:		
Little Rock.....	1	.....	Oklahoma.....	.....	1
Georgia:			South Carolina:		
Atlanta.....	.....	1	Charleston.....	.....	1
Savannah.....	.....	1	Columbia.....	.....	3
Louisiana:			Tennessee:		
New Orleans.....	1	1	Nashville.....	.....	2
Minnesota:			Texas:		
Rochester.....	1	1	Houston.....	.....	1
			San Antonio.....	.....	1

## CITY REPORTS FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 18, 1923—Continued.

## PNEUMONIA (ALL FORMS).

City.	Cases.	Deaths.	City.	Cases.	Deaths.
Alabama:			Minnesota:		
Birmingham.....	6	1	Duluth.....		1
Mobile.....		1	Minneapolis.....		1
California:			St. Paul.....		4
Eureka.....		1	Missouri:		
Long Beach.....		2	Kansas City.....		4
Los Angeles.....	18	2	St. Joseph.....		3
Oakland.....		3	Montana:		
Pasadena.....		1	Great Falls.....		1
Sacramento.....		3	Helena.....		1
San Francisco.....	4	3	Nebraska:		
Colorado:			Omaha.....		3
Denver.....		2	New Jersey:		
Pueblo.....		1	Atlantic City.....		2
Connecticut:			Hoboken.....		1
Bridgeport.....	2	-----	Newark.....	13	6
Hartford.....	1	-----	Phillipsburg.....		1
New Haven.....		4	Trenton.....		3
Norwalk.....		1	New York:		
District of Columbia:			Albany.....	1	-----
Washington.....		7	Buffalo.....		3
Georgia:			Cohoes.....		1
Atlanta.....		4	Hudson.....		1
Augusta.....		3	Lackawanna.....		1
Illinois:			New York.....	105	70
Aurora.....		1	Rochester.....	6	5
Bloomington.....		1	Rome.....		1
Chicago.....	57	27	Schenectady.....		1
East St. Louis.....		2	Syracuse.....		2
Freeport.....		1	North Carolina:		
Galesburg.....		1	Winston-Salem.....		1
Jacksonville.....		1	Ohio:		
Kewanee.....		1	Akron.....	1	-----
Quincy.....	1	-----	Canton.....		1
Springfield.....	4	2	Cleveland.....	14	12
Indiana:			Columbus.....		2
East Chicago.....		1	Dayton.....	1	-----
Hammond.....		1	Salem.....		2
Indianapolis.....		3	Toledo.....		3
Kokomo.....		1	Youngstown.....		1
Logansport.....		1	Oklahoma:		
Michigan City.....		1	Oklahoma.....		2
Muncie.....		1	Oregon:		
South Bend.....		1	Portland.....		4
Iowa:			Pennsylvania:		
Burlington.....	1	-----	Philadelphia.....	34	15
Muscatine.....		1	Pittsburgh.....		17
Kansas:			Rhode Island:		
Wichita.....		3	Cranston.....		1
Kentucky:			Pawtucket.....		1
Covington.....		1	Providence.....		2
Louisville.....		6	South Carolina:		
Louisiana:			Columbia.....		1
New Orleans.....		5	Greenville.....		1
Maine:			Tennessee:		
Biddeford.....	1	-----	Memphis.....		1
Portland.....	1	-----	Nashville.....		3
Maryland:			Texas:		
Baltimore.....	14	10	Dallas.....		1
Cumberland.....		2	Galveston.....		2
Massachusetts:			Houston.....		2
Arlington.....	1	-----	San Antonio.....		2
Boston.....	9	2	Utah:		
Chelsea.....		1	Salt Lake City.....		1
Fall River.....		3	Virginia:		
Lowell.....		4	Norfolk.....		2
Lynn.....	1	-----	Petersburg.....		1
Medford.....		1	Richmond.....		3
New Bedford.....		6	Roanoke.....		1
Salem.....		2	West Virginia:		
Springfield.....	5	3	Charleston.....		2
Michigan:			Wheeling.....		1
Detroit.....		20	Wisconsin:		
Grand Rapids.....	2	1	Racine.....		1
Hamtramck.....		2	Superior.....		1
Highland Park.....	2	-----			
Muskegon.....		1			

## CITY REPORTS FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 18, 1923—Continued.

## POLIOMYELITIS (INFANTILE PARALYSIS).

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		Cases.	Deaths.			Cases.	Deaths.
Alabama:				New Jersey:			
Birmingham.....	0	1	1	Bayonne.....	0	2	.....
California:				Clifton.....	0	1	.....
Los Angeles.....	0	1	.....	Jersey City.....	0	1	.....
Pasadena.....	0	1	.....	Newark.....	0	1	.....
Connecticut:				New York:			
Waterbury.....	0	1	.....	Albany.....	0	1	.....
Illinois:				New York.....	8	30	3
Chicago.....	3	3	1	Newburgh.....	0	2	.....
Oak Park.....	0	1	.....	Ohio:			
Kansas:				Cleveland.....	0	1	.....
Topeka.....	0	12	1	Oklahoma:			
Massachusetts:				Tulsa.....	0	1	.....
Fall River.....	0	1	.....	Pennsylvania:			
Northampton.....	0	1	.....	Wilkes-Barre.....	0	2	.....
Michigan:				Tennessee:			
Detroit.....	0	.....	1	Memphis.....	0	2	.....
Minnesota:				Wisconsin:			
Duluth.....	0	2	.....	Milwaukee.....	0	3	.....
Nebraska:							
Omaha.....	0	9	.....				

## RABIES IN ANIMALS.

City.	Cases.	City.	Cases.
California:		New Jersey:	
Los Angeles.....	13	Bloomfield.....	2
Oakland.....	1	Clifton.....	1
Pasadena.....	2	West Orange.....	2
Kentucky:		Tennessee:	
Owensboro.....	1	Memphis.....	1
Massachusetts:		Texas:	
Arlington.....	2	Dallas.....	1

## SCARLET FEVER.

See p. 2099; also Current State summaries, p. 2089, and Monthly summaries by States p. 2092.

## SMALLPOX.

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City.	Median for previous years.	Week ended Aug. 18, 1923.		City.	Median for previous years.	Week ended Aug. 18, 1923.	
		Cases.	Deaths.			Cases.	Deaths.
Alabama:				Michigan:			
Mobile.....	0	1	.....	Detroit.....	1	5	.....
California:				Flint.....	0	1	.....
Los Angeles.....	0	2	.....	Jackson.....	0	1	.....
Georgia:				Pontiac.....	0	2	.....
Atlanta.....	0	3	.....	Minnesota:			
Indiana:				Duluth.....	0	3	.....
Gary.....	0	2	.....	Nebraska:			
Kentucky:				Omaha.....	2	1	.....
Louisville.....	0	1	.....				

## CITY REPORTS FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 18, 1923—Continued.

## SMALLPOX—Continued.

City.	Median for previous years.	Week ended Aug. 18, 1923.		City.	Median for previous years.	Week ended Aug. 18, 1923.	
		Cases.	Deaths.			Cases.	Deaths.
New York:				Oregon:			
Buffalo.....	0	1	-----	Portland.....	4	3	-----
Niagara Falls.....	0	9	-----	Vermont:			
North Carolina:				Burlington.....	0	2	-----
Winston-Salem.....	0	7	-----	Washington:			
Ohio:				Everett.....	0	3	-----
Middletown.....	0	1	-----	Spokane.....	3	4	-----
Toledo.....	0	7	-----	Vancouver.....	0	1	-----
Zanesville.....	0	1	-----	Wisconsin:			
Oklahoma:				Kenosha.....	0	2	-----
Tulsa.....	0	1	-----	Milwaukee.....	1	1	-----

## TETANUS.

City.	Cases.	Deaths.	City.	Cases.	Deaths.
Alabama:			Michigan:		
Birmingham.....	1	1	Detroit.....		1
California:			Missouri:		
Los Angeles.....		1	St. Louis.....	1	1
Connecticut:			New Jersey:		
New Haven.....	1	-----	Trenton.....		2
Georgia:			Ohio:		
Valdosta.....		1	Cleveland.....		1
Illinois:			South Carolina:		
Chicago.....	2	2	Charleston.....		1
Kentucky:			Tennessee:		
Lexington.....	1	-----	Memphis.....	1	-----
Massachusetts:			Texas:		
Lawrence.....	1	1	Houston.....		1

## TUBERCULOSIS.

See p. 2099; also Current State summaries, p. 2089.

## TYPHOID FEVER.

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City.	Median for previous years.	Week ended Aug. 18, 1923.		City.	Median for previous years.	Week ended Aug. 18, 1923.	
		Cases.	Deaths.			Cases.	Deaths.
Alabama:				Connecticut—Continued.			
Birmingham.....	10	13	1	New Haven.....	2	5	1
Mobile.....	1	4	-----	New London.....	0	1	1
Arkansas:				District of Columbia:			
Little Rock.....	3	5	-----	Washington.....	10	8	2
California:				Georgia:			
Long Beach.....	0	2	-----	Atlanta.....	5	3	2
Los Angeles.....	4	12	1	Macon.....	1	2	-----
Oakland.....	2	2	-----	Rome.....	1	2	-----
Pasadena.....	0	1	-----	Savannah.....	3	1	-----
Sacramento.....	1	2	1	Valdosta.....	2	1	-----
San Bernardino.....	0	1	-----	Illinois:			
San Diego.....	0	1	1	Chicago.....	9	2	3
San Francisco.....	3	4	-----	Galesburg.....	0	1	-----
Colorado:				Kewanee.....	0	2	-----
Denver.....	4	3	-----	Quincy.....	0	1	-----
Connecticut:				Indiana:			
Hartford.....	1	1	1	Anderson.....	0	-----	1

## CITY REPORTS FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 18, 1923—Continued.

## TYPHOID FEVER—Continued.

City.	Median for pre- vious years.	Week ended Aug. 18, 1923.		City.	Median for pre- vious years.	Week ended Aug. 18, 1923.	
		Cases.	Deaths.			Cases.	Deaths.
Indiana—Continued.				North Carolina:			
Ft. Wayne.....	0	.....	1	Greensboro.....	0	2	1
Hammond.....	0	1	.....	Raleigh.....	1	1	.....
Indianapolis.....	3	1	.....	Wilmington.....	1	2	.....
South Bend.....	0	3	.....	Winston-Salem.....	5	5	.....
Kansas:				Ohio:			
Atchison.....	0	1	.....	Chillicothe.....	0	1	.....
Coffeyville.....	2	1	.....	Cincinnati.....	4	7	.....
Kansas City.....	1	1	.....	Cleveland.....	6	2	1
Lawrence.....	0	2	.....	Columbus.....	2	7	1
Leavenworth.....	0	1	.....	Dayton.....	2	2	.....
Parsons.....	0	1	.....	New Philadelphia.....	0	3	.....
Topeka.....	2	1	.....	Teledo.....	3	1	2
Wichita.....	6	1	.....	Oklahoma:			
Kentucky:				Oklahoma.....	1	2	.....
Covington.....	0	.....	1	Tulsa.....	4	3	.....
Louisville.....	8	7	1	Oregon:			
Owensboro.....	1	4	.....	Portland.....	1	1	.....
Louisiana:				Pennsylvania:			
New Orleans.....	7	4	.....	Braddock.....	0	2	.....
Maine:				Chester.....	0	2	.....
Portland.....	0	2	.....	Erie.....	1	2	.....
Maryland:				Harrisburg.....	0	1	.....
Baltimore.....	14	19	1	Johnstown.....	1	1	.....
Cumberland.....	2	2	1	Mount Carmel.....	0	1	.....
Frederick.....	.....	1	.....	Philadelphia.....	18	10	1
Massachusetts:				Pittsburgh.....	4	.....	1
Boston.....	4	7	.....	Washington.....	2	1	.....
Brookton.....	0	1	.....	Wilkes-Barre.....	0	2	.....
Cambridge.....	0	.....	1	Rhode Island:			
Everett.....	0	1	.....	Newport.....	0	1	.....
Fall River.....	4	1	.....	Providence.....	1	1	.....
Holyoke.....	0	1	.....	South Carolina:			
Lawrence.....	1	2	.....	Charleston.....	1	6	1
Lynn.....	0	1	.....	Columbia.....	2	.....	1
Quincy.....	0	1	.....	Tennessee:			
Michigan:				Memphis.....	4	14	3
Detroit.....	9	1	.....	Nashville.....	8	4	.....
Highland Park.....	0	1	.....	Texas:			
Kalamazoo.....	0	1	.....	Dallas.....	5	3	2
Minnesota:				El Paso.....	1	2	.....
Duluth.....	1	1	.....	Houston.....	0	2	.....
Mankato.....	0	1	.....	San Antonio.....	.....	2	1
Minneapolis.....	3	1	.....	Utah:			
St. Paul.....	1	.....	1	Salt Lake City.....	1	2	.....
Missouri:				Virginia:			
Cape Girardeau.....	1	.....	1	Charlottesville.....	0	1	.....
Kansas City.....	5	3	.....	Lynchburg.....	3	1	.....
St. Louis.....	10	4	1	Norfolk.....	3	1	.....
Nevada:				Petersburg.....	0	4	.....
Reno.....	0	1	.....	Richmond.....	3	3	.....
New Jersey:				Washington:			
Elizabeth.....	0	2	.....	Everett.....	0	24	.....
Hoboken.....	0	.....	1	Seattle.....	1	1	.....
Newark.....	3	1	.....	Spokane.....	1	1	.....
Summit.....	0	1	.....	Tacoma.....	1	2	.....
Trenton.....	1	1	.....	Walla Walla.....	8	1	.....
West Hoboken.....	0	1	1	West Virginia:			
West Orange.....	0	1	.....	Charleston.....	5	5	4
New York:				Clarksburg.....	1	.....	1
Albany.....	2	3	.....	Wheeling.....	1	1	.....
Buffalo.....	4	4	1	Wisconsin:			
Elmira.....	1	21	.....	Marinette.....	0	1	.....
Hornell.....	0	1	.....	Milwaukee.....	1	3	.....
New York.....	41	30	6	Wausau.....	0	4	.....
Niagara Falls.....	0	2	.....				
Rochester.....	0	1	.....				

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## DIPHTHERIA, MEASLES, SCARLET FEVER, AND TUBERCULOSIS.

City.	Popu- lation Jan. 1, 1920.	Total deaths from all causes.	Diphtheria.		Measles.		Scarlet fever.		Tuber- culosis.	
			Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.
Alabama:										
Birmingham.....	178,806	64	2		2		1		8	4
Dothan.....	10,034	0	1		1				1	
Mobile.....	60,777	21								1
Tuscaloosa.....	11,996		1						1	
Arkansas:										
Little Rock.....	65,142		3						4	
California:										
Bakersfield.....	18,638	5			1					1
Eureka.....	12,923	10	1		1					
Glendale.....	13,536	10								
Long Beach.....	55,593	17	2				1		2	1
Los Angeles.....	576,673	157	46	1	11		5	18	39	
Oakland.....	216,261	52	7				1		3	3
Pasadena.....	45,354	15					2		2	1
Richmond.....	16,843		1				1			
Riverside.....	19,341	4	2		1					
Sacramento.....	65,903	21	1	2	1		1		2	2
San Bernardino.....	18,721	9								2
San Diego.....	74,683	38	1		2		2		7	4
San Francisco.....	506,676	121	32	3	88		6		28	7
Santa Ana.....	15,485	6							1	
Santa Barbara.....	19,441	5								
Santa Cruz.....	10,917	4								
Stockton.....	40,296	9							1	
Vallejo.....	21,107	1								
Colorado:										
Denver.....	256,491	68	9	1	2		6			14
Pueblo.....	43,050	12	5				3			
Trinidad.....	10,906				1					
Connecticut:										
Bridgeport.....	143,555	28	6				3		4	7
Hartford.....	138,036	37	4						4	
Manchester (town).....	18,370	3								
Milford (town).....	10,193	2								
New Britain.....	59,316	5	2				1			
New Haven.....	162,537	28	2				1		6	
New London.....	25,688	6							2	1
Norwalk.....	27,743	8								1
Waterbury.....	91,715	20	3		1	1	5		1	
District of Columbia:										
Washington.....	437,571	118			2		1		22	11
Florida:										
Key West.....	18,749	4								
St. Petersburg.....	14,237	2								
Tampa.....	51,603	18	1						1	1
Georgia:										
Albany.....	11,555				1					
Atlanta.....	200,616	64	1		5		1		1	5
Augusta.....	52,548	27								1
Brunswick.....	14,413	6								
Macon.....	52,995		1						3	
Rome.....	13,252		3						2	
Savannah.....	83,252	30							4	3
Valdosta.....	10,783	4							1	
Idaho:										
Boise.....	21,393	2								
Illinois:										
Alton.....	24,682	5	1							
Aurora.....	36,397	12							4	1
Bloomington.....	28,725	7			2					
Blue Island.....	11,424	4	1	1	1					
Chicago.....	2,701,705	537	55	3	22	1	25		174	36
Cicero.....	44,995	4								
East St. Louis.....	66,767	19								
Elgin.....	27,454	5	1				1			1
Forest Park.....	10,768		1							
Freeport.....	19,669	8		1	1				1	1
Galesburg.....	23,834	7			1					
Jacksonville.....	15,713	13							1	1
Kewanee.....	16,026	7							1	
La Salle.....	13,050	3								
Oak Park.....	39,858	9			1				2	
Quincy.....	35,978	5							2	

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City.	Popula- tion Jan. 1, 1920.	Total deaths from all causes.	Diphtheria.		Measles.		Scarlet fever.		Tuber- culosis.	
			Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.
Illinois—Continued.										
Rock Island.....	35,177	4	1				1			
Rockford.....	65,651	15								1
Springfield.....	59,183	17							10	1
Indiana:										
Anderson.....	29,767	3	1				1			
Bloomington.....	11,595	5			1					1
Crawfordsville.....	10,139	2								
East Chicago.....	35,967	10							1	
Elwood.....	10,790	1								
Fort Wayne.....	86,549	15			1					2
Frankfort.....	11,585	3			1					
Gary.....	55,378	15					1			
Hammond.....	36,004	8	1		1		1			
Huntington.....	14,000	0								
Indianapolis.....	311,191	79	5	1	10		2		3	1
Kokomo.....	30,037	6								
La Fayette.....	22,485	15								
Logansport.....	21,626	4								
Michigan City.....	19,457	10								
Muncie.....	36,524	7			2					1
Newcastle.....	14,458	4								1
South Bend.....	70,983	9	1				2			1
Iowa:										
Burlington.....	24,057	3								
Muscatine.....	16,088	5								
Sioux City.....	71,227	0	2		2		1			
Kansas:										
Atchison.....	12,630		3							
Coffeyville.....	13,452	7								
Hutchinson.....	23,298		1		1					
Kansas City.....	101,177				2			3		
Lawrence.....	12,456	7								
Leavenworth.....	16,912	4			1					
Parsons.....	16,028						1			
Topeka.....	50,022	15			3			1	1	
Wichita.....	72,217	20	3		2					
Kentucky:										
Covington.....	57,121	17			1					
Henderson.....	12,169	3								
Lexington.....	41,534	17	2		5					2
Louisville.....	234,891	75	1	1	4			12	4	
Owensboro.....	17,424							1		
Paducah.....	24,735		1							
Louisiana:										
New Orleans.....	387,219	117	4					18	11	
Maine:										
Auburn.....	16,985	4					1		1	
Bangor.....	25,978				2					
Bath.....	14,731	2								
Biddeford.....	18,008	4	1		1					
Lewiston.....	31,791	13								3
Portland.....	69,272	22	2	1	2		1			2
Sanford (town).....	10,691	1								
Waterville.....	13,351		1							
Maryland:										
Baltimore.....	733,826	193	16	2	10	1	13		40	14
Cumberland.....	29,837	3					1			
Frederick.....	11,066	3	2							
Massachusetts:										
Amesbury (town).....	10,036	0								
Arlington (town).....	18,665	0	1							
Attleboro.....	19,731	1						1		
Beverly.....	22,561	1	3					1		
Boston.....	748,060	176	69	6	21		13	56	15	
Braintree (town).....	10,580	8								
Brockton.....	66,254	6	2				1		1	
Brookline.....	37,748	5			1					
Cambridge.....	109,694	29	6		1		1	3	6	
Chelsea.....	43,181	8						1	1	
Chicopee.....	36,214	5	1							
Clinton.....	12,979	2								
Danvers.....	11,198				1			2		
Dedham.....	10,792	1								



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			Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.
Massachusetts—Continued.										
Easthampton	11,261		2				2			
Everett	40,120	5					1			
Fall River	120,485	40	4	1			4	1	1	1
Fitchburg	41,029	7	1		1				2	
Frammingham	17,033	6			2		1		3	
Gardner	16,971	8		1					2	
Greenfield	15,462	5			2				1	2
Haverhill	53,884	3			3		2		1	1
Holyoke	60,203	10	5				1		3	1
Lawrence	94,270	19	2	1	4				4	2
Leominster	19,744	3			1		1			
Lowell	112,759	35			2		6	1	1	1
Lynn	99,148	18	1	1	1				1	
Malden	49,103	8					2			
Medford	39,038	5	2		1		1		1	
Methuen	15,189	3							2	
New Bedford	121,217	32	3						4	2
Newburyport	15,618	6								
Newton	46,054	7	3		1		1		4	
North Adams	22,282	4	1							
Northampton	21,951	4								
Pittsfield	41,763	9	2				3		5	2
Plymouth	13,045	3								
Quincy	47,876	5	2				2		3	
Salem	42,529	4	3		1		4			2
Saugus	10,874	0	1		1				1	
Somerville	93,091	10	1	1			2		2	
Southbridge	14,245	1								
Springfield	129,614	26	2				3		1	1
Taunton	37,137	10			2					1
Wakefield	13,025	1								
Waltham	30,915	8	1	1					2	2
Watertown	21,457	5	1							
West Springfield	13,443	1								
Westfield	18,604	1					1			
Winthrop	15,455	3	1		1					
Woburn	16,574	4								
Worcester	179,754	33	4				2		4	2
Michigan:										
Alpena	11,101		1		2					
Ann Arbor	19,516	14								
Battle Creek	36,164		3							
Benton Harbor	12,233	1	1				1			
Detroit	993,678	216	24	2	14		22	1	73	21
Flint	91,599	37	17	3	9		3			1
Grand Rapids	137,634	28	4	1	5		4		3	
Hamtramck	48,615	12	1							
Highland Park	46,499	8			1					
Holland	12,188				2					
Jackson	48,374	11			2		3		1	1
Kalamazoo	48,487	9	8	1	4		1			
Marquette	12,718	4	8	2						
Muskegon	36,570	6	3				1			1
Pontiac	34,273	7	4		1		1			1
Sault Ste. Marie	12,096	4								1
Minnesota:										
Duluth	98,917	23						1		2
Hibbing	15,089	3					14			
Minneapolis	399,582	71	12		3		16		15	1
Rochester	13,722	27			2					
St. Paul	234,098	43	5				5		16	2
Missouri:										
Cape Girardeau	10,252	9			1					
Kansas City	324,410	76			1		2		5	7
St. Joseph	77,939	34			1					1
St. Louis	772,897	208	10	1	1		12		40	7
Springfield	39,631	15								2
Montana:										
Anaconda	11,668	2								
Billings	15,100	3								
Great Falls	24,121	6			1		1		1	1
Helena	12,037	6								
Missoula	12,668	4								

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			Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.
Nebraska:										
Lincoln.....	54,948	7	1	1			1			
Omaha.....	191,601	52	14				1			3
Nevada:										
Reno.....	12,016	3	1				1			
New Hampshire:										
Concord.....	22,167	7					1			1
Dover.....	13,029	1								
Keene.....	11,210	1								
New Jersey:										
Asbury Park.....	12,400	5								
Atlantic City.....	50,707	12	2							
Bayonne.....	78,754	2								
Bloomfield.....	22,019	2								
Clifton.....	26,470	2								
Elizabeth.....	95,793		10				1			2
Englewood.....	11,627	4								1
Garfield.....	19,381		1							
Hoboken.....	68,166	12		1						
Jersey City.....	288,103		7				1			
Kearny.....	26,724	2								
Morristown.....	12,548	4								
Newark.....	414,524	82	9		8				24	8
Orange.....	33,268	2							4	
Passaic.....	63,841	6	2				1		2	
Paterston.....	135,875		1		1		1		2	
Perth Amboy.....	41,707	5							2	1
Phillipsburg.....	16,923	4	1						1	2
Plainfield.....	27,700						3		2	1
Trenton.....	119,289	32	3		2		2		1	
Union (town).....	20,651	2								
West Hoboken.....	40,074									
West New York.....	29,926	1								
West Orange.....	15,573	1								
New Mexico:										
Albuquerque.....	15,157	4							2	1
New York:										
Albany.....	113,344		3		3		6		4	
Amsterdam.....	33,524	15	1							
Buffalo.....	506,775	100	4	1	1		3		21	6
Cohoes.....	22,987	4			3		1		1	
Elmira.....	45,393	17	1		2					
Hornell.....	15,025	6					1			
Hudson.....	11,745	4							1	
Ithaca.....	17,004	1			3					
Lackawanna.....	17,918	6			8		3		2	2
Lockport.....	21,308	8							2	
New York.....	5,620,048	1,058	82	4	68		20		171	92
Newburgh.....	30,366	10	2				2			
Niagara Falls.....	50,760	11					4			
North Tonawanda.....	15,482	2			5		1			1
Olean.....	20,506	4								
Peeckskill.....	15,868	5								
Poughkeepsie.....	35,000	5					1		2	1
Rochester.....	285,750	53	2	1			1		10	6
Rome.....	26,341	12			2					
Saratoga Springs.....	13,181	5								
Schenectady.....	88,723	17	7		11		2			1
Syracuse.....	171,717	48	2		3		9		5	3
White Plains.....	21,031	8			2					
North Carolina:										
Durham.....	21,719	4	1							
Greensboro.....	43,525	13	1				1			
Raleigh.....	24,418	3								
Rocky Mount.....	12,742	4								
Wilmington.....	33,372	14			2					
Winston-Salem.....	48,395	13	5		15				4	2
North Dakota:										
Fargo.....	21,961	0			1		1			
Grand Forks.....	14,010						2			
Ohio:										
Akron.....	208,435	22	3				4		1	
Ashtabula.....	22,082	5	1				3			

<sup>1</sup> Pulmonary only.

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			Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.
Ohio—Continued.										
Barberton.....	18,811	2					1			
Bucyrus.....	10,425	3	2				1		1	
Cambridge.....	13,104	1					1			
Canton.....	87,091	17	4		1				1	
Chillicothe.....	15,831	4								
Cincinnati.....	401,247	103	3		6		1			
Cleveland.....	796,841	184	26	2	17		10		35	12
Cleveland Heights.....	15,236								45	29
Columbus.....	237,031	57	4				1			
Dayton.....	152,559	40	1				4		9	4
East Cleveland.....	27,292	3							1	
East Youngstown.....	11,237	2				1				
Findlay.....	17,021	1							1	1
Freemont.....	12,468	1					1			
Hamilton.....	39,675	7			1		1			
Kenmore.....	12,683		1							
Lancaster.....	14,703	5	1				2			1
Lima.....	41,326	7	1		1		2		5	1
Lorain.....	37,295		4				4		3	
Mansfield.....	27,824	6								2
Martins Ferry.....	11,631	5								
Middletown.....	23,594	9							3	2
Newark.....	26,718	8								1
Niles.....	13,080	1								
Norwood.....	24,966	3	1				1		1	1
Piqua.....	15,044	3							3	
Salem.....	10,305	5								
Sandusky.....	22,897	2								
Springfield.....	60,840	9			1					1
Steubenville.....	28,508	4							2	
Toledo.....	243,164	61	14	3	2		10		5	3
Youngstown.....	132,358	20	14	1	4		6			1
Zanesville.....	29,569	11	1				2			
Oklahoma:										
Oklahoma.....	91,295	20					4			
Tulsa.....	72,075		1							
Oregon:										
Portland.....	258,288	41	5		2		2		9	2
Pennsylvania:										
Allentown.....	73,502		4							
Altoona.....	60,331		3							
Bethlehem.....	50,358		2				3		2	
Braddock.....	20,879								1	
Charleroi.....	11,516		1							
Connellsville.....	13,804		1				1			
Donora.....	14,131		3							
Erie.....	93,372		3		2				6	
Farrell.....	15,586		4							
Greensburg.....	15,033		1							
Harrisburg.....	75,917		1				1			
Johnstown.....	67,327		2				2		5	
Lancaster.....	53,150		1				2			
McKeesport.....	46,781								1	
Monessen.....	18,179		3							
Mount Carmel.....	17,469								2	
New Kensington.....	11,987		2							
Norristown.....	32,319				1					
Oil City.....	21,274						1			
Philadelphia.....	1,823,779	418	25		6		12		77	35
Pittsburgh.....	588,343	142	20	3	4		6	1		13
Plymouth.....	16,500		2							
Punxsutawney.....	10,311						1			
Scranton.....	137,783								5	
Sharon.....	21,747		1							
Steelton.....	13,428						1			
Washington.....	21,480		1							
Wilkes-Barre.....	77,833		1							
Woodlawn.....	12,495								1	
Rhode Island:										
Cranston.....	29,407	7	1							1
Cumberland (town).....	10,077	2								
East Providence (town).....	21,793						2			
Newport.....	30,255	5								

## CITY REPORTS FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 18, 1923—Continued.

## DIPHTHERIA, MEASLES, SCARLET FEVER, AND TUBERCULOSIS—Continued.

City.	Popula- tion Jan. 1, 1920.	Total deaths from all causes.	Diphtheria.		Measles.		Scarlet fever.		Tuber- culosis.	
			Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.
Rhode Island—Continued.										
Pawtucket.....	64,248	18								3
Providence.....	237,595	58					3			6
South Carolina:										
Charleston.....	67,957	30	1		1					4
Columbia.....	37,524	21			1				1	
Greenville.....	23,127	4	1							
Tennessee:										
Memphis.....	162,351	73	1						6	2
Nashville.....	118,342	40					2		8	10
Texas:										
Amarillo.....	15,494	11								
Beaumont.....	40,422	19	2							1
Corpus Christi.....	10,522	4								
Dallas.....	158,976	44	2				2	1	2	2
El Paso.....	77,560	22			1				5	9
Galveston.....	44,255	15	2				1			
Houston.....	138,276	37	2						7	3
San Antonio.....	161,379	53								4
Waco.....	38,500	11								
Utah:										
Provo.....	10,303	1								
Salt Lake City.....	118,110	23	4	1	2		1		11	1
Vermont:										
Burlington.....	22,779	3			2					
Virginia:										
Alexandria.....	18,060	5								1
Charlottesville.....	10,088	2								
Lynchburg.....	20,070	3	1		1		1			
Norfolk.....	115,777	1	1		4		1		3	5
Petersburg.....	31,012	2			2		1		1	
Richmond.....	171,667	45		1	28		1		3	1
Roanoke.....	50,842	9	1		1		1		1	
Washington:										
Bellingham.....	25,585		1				1			
Everett.....	27,644				3					
Seattle.....	315,312		1		3		4		22	
Spokane.....	104,437		7		6		7			
Tacoma.....	96,965		4		1		5			
Vancouver.....	12,637		1							
West Virginia:										
Charleston.....	39,608	22	2		1		3			2
Clarksburg.....	27,869	8			1		1			
Fairmont.....	17,851						1			
Huntington.....	50,177	17	2							2
Martinsburg.....	12,515		1							
Morgantown.....	12,127		1							
Parkersburg.....	20,050	4	1							
Wheeling.....	56,208	12					4		3	2
Wisconsin:										
Appleton.....	19,561	2							1	
Beloit.....	21,284	6					1			
Eau Claire.....	20,906				2					
Fond du Lac.....	23,427	8					1			
Green Bay.....	31,017		2		1		3			
Janesville.....	18,293	3					1			
Kenosha.....	40,472	3	3		4					
Madison.....	38,378	4	1				1			
Manitowoc.....	17,563		1				1			
Marinette.....	13,610		1							
Milwaukee.....	457,147		6		1		10	1	11	8
Oshkosh.....	33,162	7								
Racine.....	58,593	8					1		2	
Sheboygan.....	30,955	4	6				1			
Superior.....	39,671	7					3			
Wausau.....	18,661		2		1					

## FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

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### BRAZIL.

#### Influenza—Mortality from Certain Diseases—Porto Alegre.

According to information received under date of July 30, 1923, epidemic influenza in mild form was prevalent at Porto Alegre and in vicinity, State of Sao Paulo, Brazil, during the first quarter of the year 1923.

During the same period, mortality from certain diseases was reported at Porto Alegre as follows: Diphtheria, 4 deaths; epidemic cerebro-spinal meningitis, 11 deaths; measles, 1 death; plague, 19 deaths; tuberculosis, 15 deaths; typhoid fever, 2 deaths. Population, 210,000.

### CHILE.

#### Influenza—Smallpox—Typhus Fever—Valparaiso.

Under date of July 31, 1923, influenza in epidemic form was reported present in the district of Valparaiso.

During the week ended July 28, 1923, smallpox and typhus fever were reported at Valparaiso as follows: *Smallpox*, 10 deaths, with 25 cases in lazaretto; *typhus fever*, 4 deaths, with 45 cases in lazaretto.

### CHINA.

#### Cholera—Shanghai.

Under date of August 28, 1923, cholera was reported moderately prevalent at Shanghai, China.

### COLOMBIA.

#### Yellow Fever—Bucaramanga, Department of Santander.

Yellow fever was reported present at Bucaramanga, Department of Santander, Colombia, during the two weeks ended July 29, 1923. The first appearance of the disease at Bucaramanga was noted March 12, 1923.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Public Health Reports, Mar. 23, 1923, p. 650, and subsequent issues.

## CUBA.

## Communicable Diseases—Habana—Provinces.

Communicable diseases have been notified in Cuba as follows:

*Habana.*

Disease.	Aug. 11-20, 1923.		Remain- ing under treatment Aug. 20, 1923.
	New cases.	Deaths.	
Chicken pox.....	2	.....	2
Diphtheria.....	2	1	1
Leprosy.....	.....	.....	112
Malaria.....	35	.....	150
Measles.....	2	.....	.....
Paratyphoid fever.....	1	.....	3
Scarlet fever.....	.....	.....	1
Typhoid fever.....	10	1	145

<sup>1</sup> From abroad, 1.<sup>2</sup> From the interior, 21.<sup>3</sup> From the interior, 24.*Provinces—July 1-10, 1923.*

Province.	Chicken pox.	Diph- theria.	Malaria.	Measles.	Para- typhoid fever.	Scarlet fever.	Typhoid fever.
Camaguey.....	.....	.....	16	.....	.....	.....	1
Habana.....	.....	3	62	2	1	1	20
Matanzas.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10
Oriente.....	2	.....	82	.....	.....	.....	26
Pinar del Rio.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....
Santa Clara.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	14
Total.....	2	3	160	2	8	1	71

## CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

## Communicable Diseases—April-June, 1923.

During the three month period ended June 30, 1923, communicable diseases were reported in Czechoslovakia as follows:

Disease.	Cases.	Deaths.	Provinces reporting the greatest number of cases and deaths.
Cerebrospinal meningitis.....	63	18	Bohemia; cases, 26; deaths, 12.
Diphtheria.....	725	53	Bohemia; cases, 350; deaths, 21.
Malaria.....	45	.....	Russinia; cases, 27.
Scarlet fever.....	1,891	132	Bohemia; cases, 652; deaths, 53.
Smallpox.....	16	4	Bohemia; cases, 15; deaths, 4.
Trachoma.....	1,323	.....	Slovakia; cases, 782.
Typhoid fever <sup>1</sup> .....	836	96	Bohemia; cases, 362; deaths, 47.
Typhus fever.....	132	4	Russinia; cases, 98; deaths, 1.

<sup>1</sup> Paratyphoid A, 1 case; paratyphoid B, 20 cases; occurring in Province of Bohemia.

## Other Diseases—Anthrax—Dysentery—Rabies—April-June, 1923.

During the period under report, 12 cases of anthrax, of which 4 cases occurred in the Province of Bohemia; 122 cases of dysentery with 5 deaths, of which 65 cases with 4 deaths occurred in the Province of Bohemia; and 8 fatal cases of rabies, of which 5 occurred in Bohemia, were reported in Czechoslovakia.

**EGYPT.****Status of Plague.**

During the week ended July 29, 1923, 47 cases of plague were reported in Egypt, as compared with 21 cases reported during the preceding week. Of these, two cases occurred at Port Said, the remaining 45 cases being distributed in four districts, with the greatest prevalence in the district of Touk, with 41 cases, of which 40 occurred in one locality. From January 1 to August 2, 1923, a total of 1,279 cases with 630 deaths was reported.

**ESTHONIA.****Communicable Diseases—June, 1923.**

During the month of June, 1923, communicable diseases were reported in the Republic of Esthonia as follows:

*June, 1923.*

Disease.	Cases.	Remarks.
Diphtheria.....	16	
Measles.....	228	
Scarlet fever.....	26	
Smallpox.....	4	
Tuberculosis.....	97	
Typhoid fever.....	26	Paratyphus fever, two cases. Recurrent typhus, one case.

**GUADELOUPE (WEST INDIES).****Smallpox (Reported as Alastrim).**

Under date of August 4, 1923, smallpox (reported as alastrim) was stated to be present in epidemic form in the island of Guadeloupe. About 3,000 cases were stated to be present at Pointe à Pitre. Along the coast from Basse Terre to Pointe à Pitre smallpox was reported present in small villages and was also reported present in the back country.

**HAWAII.****Plague-Infected Rats—Hamakua—Honokaa.**

The finding of plague-infected rats has been reported in Hawaii as follows: August 2, 1923, one plague rat trapped on the Hamakua Mill Co. plantation; July 30, 1923, two plague-infected rats reported, one trapped, one found dead, the infection in one instance being at the Honokaa Sugar Co. mill, and in the other at the village of Honokaa.

**JAMAICA.****Smallpox (Reported as Alastrim).**

During the two weeks ended August 4, 1923, 46 new cases of smallpox (alastrim) were reported in the island of Jamaica. Of these, seven cases occurred in the parish of Kingston.

**Typhoid Fever—Kingston and Vicinity.**

During the same period there were reported at Kingston four cases of typhoid fever, occurring during the week ended August 4, and in the surrounding country, 42 cases.

**MEXICO.****Plague-Infected Rat—Tampico Suburb.**

The finding of a plague-infected rat was reported at Dona Cecelia, a suburb of Tampico, August 8, 1923, making a total of five plague-infected rats found at Tampico since January 1, 1923.

**POLAND.****Communicable Diseases—May 13-26, 1923.**

During the period May 13 to 26, 1923, communicable diseases were reported in Poland as follows:

*May 13-19, 1923.*

Disease.	Cases.	Deaths.	Districts with greatest number of deaths.
Cerebrospinal meningitis.....	10	6	Lodz.
Diphtheria.....	44	1	Posen.
Measles.....	30	3	Stanislawow.
Scarlet fever.....	151	16	Do.
Smallpox.....	453	14	Lwow.
Tuberculosis.....	181	225	Do.
Typhoid fever.....	211	14	Lodz.
Typhus fever.....	315	35	Lwow.
Typhus fever, recurrent.....	29	.....	Do.
Whooping cough.....	106	8	Warsaw.

*May 20-26, 1923.*

Cerebrospinal meningitis.....	10	6	Lodz.
Diphtheria.....	49	7	Stanislawow.
Measles.....	15	1	Do.
Scarlet fever.....	228	29	Tarnopol.
Smallpox.....	497	7	Lwow.
Tuberculosis.....	178	215	Do.
Typhoid fever.....	154	8	Lodz.
Typhus fever.....	270	15	Wilno.
Typhus fever, recurrent.....	22	1	Do.
Whooping cough.....	46	4	Lwow.

**Dysentery—May 13-26, 1923.**

During the period May 13 to 26, 1923, 52 cases of dysentery were reported in Poland, occurring in the two districts.

**TUNIS.****Typhoid Fever—Bizerta.**

Six cases of typhoid fever were present at Bizerta, Tunis, during the 10-day period ended July 20, 1923.



**CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER.**

The reports contained in the following tables must not be considered as complete or final as regards either the list of countries included or the figures for the particular countries for which reports are given.

**Reports Received During Week Ended September 7, 1923.<sup>1</sup>****CHOLERA.**

Place.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
China:				
Shanghai.....	Aug. 28.....	.....	.....	Reported moderately prevalent.
India:				June 17-23, 1923: Cases, 3,052;
Bombay.....	July 1-7.....	1	.....	deaths, 1,330.
Calcutta.....	July 8-14.....	42	28	
Rangoon.....	do.....	2	1	

**PLAGUE.**

Brazil:				
Porto Alegre.....				Jan. 1-Mar. 31, 1923: Deaths, 19.
Ceylon:				
Colombo.....	July 8-14.....	7	3	Plague rats, 4.
China:				
Amoy.....	July 15-21.....	.....	1	
Egypt:				
City—				
Port Said.....	July 23-29.....	2	.....	Jan. 1-Aug. 2, 1923: Cases, 1,279;
Hawaii:				deaths, 630. July 23-29, 1923:
Honolulu.....				Cases, 47; urban, 2; districts,
Honokaa.....				45 occurring in 4 districts; great-
				est number in one district, 41.
				Aug. 2, 1923: One plague rat at
				Honokaa Mill Co. plantation.
				July 30, 1923: Two plague rats;
				Honokaa Sugar Co. mill and
				Honokaa village.
India:				June 17-23, 1923: Cases, 238;
Bombay.....	July 1-7.....	1	1	deaths, 173.
Karachi.....	July 15-21.....	14	13	
Madras Presidency.....	do.....	67	33	
Rangoon.....	July 8-14.....	42	37	
Mexico:				
Tampico.....				Aug. 8, 1923: At Dona Cecelia, a
				suburb of Tampico, one plague-
				infected rat found. From Jan.
				1 to Aug. 8, 1923, plague-infected
				rats found, 5.

**SMALLPOX.**

Arabia:				
Aden.....	July 22-28.....	2	.....	
Brazil:				
Rio Grande do Sul.....				Jan. 1-Mar. 31, 1923: Present,
				with some mortality.
Chile:				
Valparaiso.....	July 22-28.....	.....	10	July 30: 25 cases in lazaretto.
China:				
Amoy.....	July 15-21.....	.....	.....	Present.
Chungking.....	July 8-21.....	.....	.....	Present. Stated to be endemic.
Czechoslovakia:				
Province—				
Bohemia.....	Jan. 1-Mar. 31.....	15	4	April-June, 1923: Cases, 16;
Estonia.....	June 1-30.....	4	.....	deaths, 4.
Guadeloupe (West Indies).....	July 22-Aug. 4.....	.....	.....	
Pointe à Pitre.....	July 22-Aug. 4.....	.....	.....	Present in epidemic form. (Re-
				porte las alastrim.)
				Estimated from 2,000 to 3,000
				cases.
India:				June 10-23, 1923: Cases, 1,872;
	June 17-23.....	.....	.....	deaths, 625.
Bombay.....	July 1-7.....	11	8	
Calcutta.....	July 1-14.....	6	6	
Karachi.....	July 15-21.....	4	.....	
Madras.....	do.....	2	2	
Rangoon.....	July 8-14.....	4	4	
Jamaica:				
Kingston.....	July 22-Aug. 4.....	7	.....	July 22-Aug. 4, 1923: Cases, 46.
Mexico:				Parish.
Guadalajara.....	Aug. 12-18.....	.....	1	
Poland.....				May 13-26, 1923: Cases, 950;
				deaths, 21.

<sup>1</sup> From medical officers of the Public Health Service, American consuls, and other sources.

# **CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER—Continued.**

**Reports Received During Week Ended September 7, 1923—Continued.**

## **SMALLPOX—Continued.**

Place.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Spain:				
Seville.....	July 19-25.....		1	
Valencia.....	July 28-Aug. 4....	4		
Union of South Africa:				
Cape Province.....	June 24-30.....			Outbreaks.
Do.....	July 1-7.....			Do.
East London.....	July 8-14.....	1		
Orange Free State.....	June 24-30.....			Do.
Do.....	July 1-7.....			Do.
Yugoslavia.....				July 1-7, 1923: Cases, 8; deaths, 1.
Province—				
Bosnia-Herzegovina....	July 1-7.....	1		
Croatia-Slavonia.....	do.....	4	1	
Serbia.....	do.....	2	1	
Belgrade.....	July 8-14.....		1	
Woiwodina.....	July 1-7.....	1		

## **TYPHUS FEVER.**

Chile:				
Valparaiso.....	July 22-28.....		4	July 30: 45 cases in lazaretto.
Czechoslovakia.....				Apr. 1-June 30, 1923: Cases, 132; deaths, 4. Paratyphoid A, 1; paratyphoid B, 20.
Province—				
Bohemia.....	Apr. 1-June 30.....	8		
Moravia.....	do.....	2		
Russinia.....	do.....	98	1	
Silesia.....	do.....	1	1	
Slovakia.....	do.....	23	2	
Estonia.....				June 1-30, 1923: Recurrent typhus, one case; paratyphus, two cases.
Greece:				
Piræus.....	June 1-30.....	3		
Do.....	July 1-10.....	3		
Poland.....				May 13-26, 1923: Cases, 585; deaths, 50. Recurrent typhus: Cases, 51; deaths, 1.
Union of South Africa:				Outbreaks.
Cape Province.....	June 24-30.....			Do.
Do.....	July 1-7.....			July 1-7, 1923: Cases, 4.
Yugoslavia.....				
Province—				
Bosnia-Herzegovina....	July 1-7.....	4		

## **YELLOW FEVER.**

Colombia:				
Bucaramanga.....	July 16-23.....			Present.

**Reports Received from June 30 to August 31, 1923.<sup>1</sup>**

## **CHOLERA.**

Place.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
India.....				Apr. 15-June 16, 1923: Cases, 15,445; deaths, 12,765.
Bombay.....	June 3-30.....	34	23	
Calcutta.....	May 6-June 30....	371	300	
Madras.....	June 3-30.....	2		
Do.....	July 1-7.....	1		
Rangoon.....	May 13-June 30....	18	15	
Do.....	July 1-7.....	2	2	
Indo-China.....				Oct. 1-31, 1922: Cases, 92; deaths, 53. Preceding month: Cases: 24; deaths, 14. October, 1921: Cases, 100; deaths, 61.
City—				Preceding month: Cases, 2; deaths, 1.
Saigon.....	May 20-June 9....	11	10	Preceding month: Cases, 3.
Province—				Preceding month: Cases, 19; deaths, 13.
Annam.....	Oct. 1-31.....	68	39	Preceding month: No cases.
Cambridge.....	do.....	2	1	
Cochin-China.....	do.....	21	13	
Tonkin.....	do.....	1		

<sup>1</sup> From medical officers of the Public Health Service, American consuls, and other sources.

# **CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER—Continued.**

**Reports Received from June 30 to August 31, 1923—Continued.**

## **CHOLERA—Continued.**

Place.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Iraq (Mesopotamia): Bassorah.....	Aug. 21.....			Present. Port declared infected since Aug. 6, 1923.
Philippine Islands: City—				
Manila.....	June 10-16.....	2	1	Death in foreign case from Ching-kang, China.
Province—				
Bulacan.....	May 17-23.....	1		
Capiz.....	May 27-June 2.....	1	1	
Cebu.....	Apr. 8-21.....	1	1	
Cotobato.....	Apr. 8-14.....	1	1	
Laguna.....	May 6-June 9.....	2	1	
Mountain.....	Mar. 25-31.....	1	1	
Pangasinan.....	June 24-30.....	2	2	
Russia (Soviet).....				Jan. 1-May 15, 1923: Cases, 40.
Siam:				
Bangkok.....	May 13-June 23.....	9	10	

## **PLAGUE.**

Australia:				
Sydney.....	June 30.....	1	1	
Azores:				
St. Michael Island.....	May 6-26.....	12	5	In one locality.
British East Africa:				
Kenya—				
Kisumu.....	June 10-16.....	2	1	
Tanganyika.....	May 6-June 2.....	3	3	Territory.
Uganda.....	Apr. 1-30.....	7	5	
Canary Islands:				
Las Palmas.....	June 7.....	1		
Ceylon:				
Colombo.....	May 6-June 30.....	18	19	Plague rats, 38.
Do.....	July 1-7.....	8	8	Plague rats, 2.
China:				
Amoy.....	May 13-June 25.....		10	
Do.....	July 1-14.....		3	
Foochow.....	May 27-June 23.....			Present.
Do.....	July 8-14.....			Reported as endemic.
Hongkong.....	Apr. 29-June 30.....	63	40	
Do.....	July 1-7.....	7	4	
Manchuria—				
Yakoshih.....	May 31.....	1	1	Station on Eastern Chinese Railway. Occurring in tarabagan (marmot) hunter. Bubonic.
Nanking.....	June 17-30.....			Rodent plague present.
Do.....	July 1-21.....			Do.
Ecuador:				
Guayaquil.....				May 16-June 30, 1923: Rats examined, 13,800; found infected, 39.
Do.....	July 1-15.....	2	2	July 1-31, 1923: Rats examined, 9,300; found infected, 15.
Santa Ana (Manabi).....	July 16-31.....	3	3	Jan. 1-June 21, 1923: Cases, 1,051; deaths, 548. May 1-29: Cases, 345. Jan. 1-June 24, 1923: Cases, 1,969. Jan. 1-July 26, 1923: Cases, 1,241; deaths, 619.
Egypt.....				May 1-29, 1923: Cases, 14.
City—				
Alexandria.....	Jan. 7-June 24.....	35	15	May 1-29, 1923: Cases, 13.
Do.....	July 1-22.....	5		
Port Said.....	Jan. 7-June 24.....	24	12	May 1-29, 1923: Cases, 3.
Do.....	July 1-22.....	15		
Suez.....	Mar. 2-June 15.....	12	7	
Do.....	July 16-22.....	1		
Province—				
Assiout.....	May 1-29.....	64		Deaths not reported.
Benisouef.....	do.....	7		Do.
Payoum.....	do.....	14		Do.
Garbieh.....	do.....	2		Do.
Geizeh.....	do.....	3		Do.
Girgeh.....	do.....	123		Do.
Keneh.....	do.....	22		Do.
Menoufieh.....	do.....	34		Do.
Minieh.....	do.....	46		Do.

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**Reports Received from June 30 to August 31, 1923—Continued.**

## **PLAGUE—Continued.**

Place.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Hawaii:				
Hamakua.....				Plague-infected rats: Pohakaa, May 23, 1923, 1 rat; vicinity of Pacific Sugar Co. mill, June 2, 1 rat.
Honokaa.....				July 20, 1923: One plague rat.
India:				Apr. 29-June 16, 1923: Cases, 4,955; deaths, 3,783.
Bombay.....	Apr. 29-June 30.....	503	411	
Calcutta.....	May 6-June 9.....	13	13	
Karachi.....	May 13-June 30.....	110	85	Plague rats, 5.
Do.....	July 1-14.....	23	20	
Madras Presidency.....	May 13-June 30.....	254	141	
Do.....	July 1-14.....	43	24	
Rangoon.....	May 6-June 30.....	260	229	
Do.....	July 1-7.....	34	26	
Indo-China.....				Oct. 1-31, 1922: Cases, 83; deaths, 89. Preceding month: 70 cases; 68 deaths.
Province—				
Annam.....	Oct. 1-31.....	15	14	Preceding month, 15 deaths.
Cambodge.....	do.....	75	75	Preceding month, 51 deaths.
Cochin China.....	do.....	3		Preceding month, 4 cases, 2 deaths.
Iraq (Mesopotamia):				
Bagdad.....	May 1-31.....	222	143	
Java:				
East Java—				
Soerabaya.....	Apr. 1-June 23.....	488	488	May 1-31, 1923: Cases, 471; deaths, 471.
Do.....	June 17-23.....	1	1	May 16, 1923: Epidemic in five districts.
Soerakarta.....				Apr. 1-June 15, 1923: Cases, 74; deaths, 71. Bubonic, pneumonic, septicemic.
Madagascar.....				May 4-21, 1923: 2 cases.
Province—				
Tananarive.....	Apr. 1-June 15.....	56	53	
Tananarive.....	Apr. 16-June 15.....	20	20	
Mauritius Island.....				
Port Louis.....	May 4.....	1		
Mexico:				
Tampico.....				Apr. 15-21, 1923: 1 plague rat.
Palestine:				
Jaffa.....	June 19-July 16.....	10	1	Bubonic and septicemic.
Peru.....				May 1-June 30, 1923: Cases, 111; deaths, 68.
Locality—				
Ayabaca.....	May 16-June 30.....	15	13	
Callao.....	May 1-June 30.....	5	3	
Canete.....	May 16-June 30.....	3	2	
Cerro Azul.....	May 1-31.....	3	1	
Chiclayo.....	May 1-June 30.....	9	2	
Cutervo.....	May 1-15.....	2	1	
Huancabamba.....	May 1-June 30.....	34	25	
Huara.....	June 1-30.....	2	2	
Lima (city).....	May 1-31.....	17	8	
Lima (country).....	do.....	7	4	
Mollendo.....	June 1-30.....	1	1	
Salaverry.....	May 1-June 30.....	11	3	
Trujillo.....	do.....	2	3	
Russia.....				Jan. 1-May 15, 1923: Few cases in Far East regions.
Siam:				
Bangkok.....	Apr. 29-June 23.....	27	26	
Siberia.....				Sporadic cases of plague reported yearly in localities: vicinity of stations Matsievskaya and Borzja, Transbaikai Railway.
Haramhor.....	May 6.....	1	1	Village in zone of endemic tarabagan (marmot) plague, Transbaikai Region.
Station No. 83.....				Station on Transbaikai Railway. Marmot plague during recent years.
Soktu.....				Do.
Straits Settlements:				
Singapore.....	May 6-June 30.....	6	8	
Syria:				
Beirut.....	May 12-June 20.....	3		

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## **SMALLPOX.**

Place.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Algeria:				
Algiers.....	May 1-31.....	2		
Arabia:				
Aden.....	May 27-June 2.....		2	
Do.....	July 8-21.....	4		
Bolivia:				
La Paz.....	Apr. 1-June 30.....	2	3	
Brazil:				
Pernambuco.....	May 6-June 16.....	5		
Do.....	July 1-7.....	8		
Rio de Janeiro.....	May 13-June 23.....	10	2	
Do.....	July 15-28.....	8		
British East Africa:				
Kenya—				
Mombasa.....	May 20-26.....	1		From vessel from Bombay.
Tanganyika.....	Apr. 29-June 9.....	3		Territory.
Uganda—				
Entebe.....	Apr. 1-30.....	4		
Canada:				
Alberta—				
Calgary.....	May 27-June 2.....	1		Infection from Deer Lodge, Mont.
British Columbia—				
Vancouver.....	May 27-June 30.....	33	1	
Do.....	July 1-14.....	5	1	
Victoria.....	Aug. 5-11.....	1		
Manitoba—				
Winnipeg.....	June 3-30.....	1		
Do.....	July 1-31.....	1		
New Brunswick—				
Kent County.....	July 1-7.....	1		
Ontario.....				June 1-30, 1923: Cases, 13. July
London.....	July 15-21.....	1		1-31, 1923: Cases, 14.
Toronto.....	June 24-30.....	3		
Do.....	July 15-21.....	1		
Quebec.....				
Quebec.....	June 10-16.....	1		Varioloid.
Saskatchewan—				
Moose Jaw.....	July 8-14.....	1		
Regina.....	June 24-30.....	3		
Ceylon:				
Colombo.....	May 6-June 2.....	23	1	
Chile:				
Concepcion.....	May 22-June 11.....		3	June 1-30, 1923: Cases, 2.
Valparaiso.....	May 7-June 23.....	6	121	June 10-16, 1923: 29 cases reported from 2 districts.
Do.....	July 1-14.....	12		
China:				
Amoy.....	May 13-June 23.....		3	June 19-25, 1923; Present.
Do.....	July 1-14.....			Present.
Antung.....	May 14-20.....	1		
Chungking.....	May 13-June 30.....			Present and endemic.
Do.....	July 1-7.....			Do.
Foochow.....	May 13-July 14.....			Do.
Hongkong.....	Apr. 29-June 30.....	98	82	
Do.....	July 1-7.....	6	11	
Manchuria—				
Dairen.....	May 21-27.....	1		
Harbin.....	May 7-June 24.....	5		
Do.....	July 1-7.....	1		
Mukden.....	May 13-20.....	1		
Nanking.....	May 13-June 23.....			Present.
Do.....	June 24-July 7.....			Do.
Shanghai.....	June 24-June 3.....	4		Foreign.
Do.....	July 2-8.....	1	2	Cases, foreign; deaths, Chinese.
Chosen (Korea):				
Chemulpo.....	May 1-31.....	1		
Fusan.....	May 1-June 30.....	4		
Gensan.....	May 1-31.....	1		
Seoul.....	May 1-June 30.....	42	13	
Cuba:				
Antilla.....	July 8-14.....		2	From Preston.
Czechoslovakia.....				Jan.-Mar., 1923: Cases, 15.
Ecuador:				
Alausi.....	July 16-31.....	3		
Guayaquil.....	May 16-31.....	1		
Egypt:				
Cairo.....	Mar. 12-May 6.....	17	4	
Finland.....				May 1-15, 1923: 1 case.

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Place.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
<b>Great Britain:</b>				
Birmingham.....	June 18-30.....	3		Present.
Bristol.....	June 28.....			
Cardiff.....	June 3-30.....	6		123 cases reported in hospital; present in rural districts. July 15, 1923: Present.
Gloucester.....	June 28.....			
Do.....	July 12.....	19		
Nottingham.....	June 3-9.....	1		May 1-31, 1923: Cases, 211.
Do.....	July 8-14.....	1		
<b>Greece:</b>				
Athens.....	May 1-31.....	53		
Patras.....	Apr. 24-June 15.....		19	
Saloniki.....	Apr. 30-May 20.....	2	2	
Hungary.....	July 15-21.....	6		
<b>India:</b>				
Bombay.....	Apr. 22-June 30.....	298	141	Apr. 15-June 9, 1923: Cases, 5,914; deaths, 1,718.
Calcutta.....	May 13-June 9.....	12	9	
Do.....	July 1-7.....	4	4	
Karachi.....	May 13-June 30.....	24	8	
Do.....	July 1-14.....	3	1	
Madras.....	May 13-June 23.....	91	16	
Do.....	July 8-14.....	10	5	
Rangoon.....	May 6-June 30.....	125	67	
Do.....	July 1-7.....	16	5	
<b>Indo-China:</b>				
Saigon.....	May 20-June 23.....	28	20	Including 100 surrounding square kilometers.
<b>Iraq (Mesopotamia):</b>				
Bagdad.....	Apr. 1-May 31.....	20		
<b>Italy:</b>				
Turin.....	May 28-June 3.....	1		
Do.....	July 2-15.....	2		
<b>Jamaica:</b>				
Kingston.....	May 27-June 30.....	39		May 27-June 30, 1923: Cases, 226. July 1-7, 1923: Cases, 13. (Reported as alastrim.)
Do.....	July 1-7.....	12		
<b>Japan:</b>				
Kobe.....	May 28-June 10.....	2		
Do.....	July 2-8.....	1		
<b>Java:</b>				
East Java—				
Scerabaya.....	Apr. 22-June 30.....	187	22	
West Java—				
Batavia.....	May 5-June 8.....	17	3	Province. City and Province.
Do.....	June 30-July 7.....		1	
<b>Latvia:</b>				
				Apr. 1-May 31, 1923: Cases, 8.
<b>Mexico:</b>				
Aguascalientes.....	July 8-14.....		1	
Chihuahua.....	June 11-24.....	7		
Guadalajara.....	July 22-Aug. 11.....		6	June 1-30, 1923: Cases, 15; deaths, 2.
Mexico city.....	May 19-June 30.....	164		Including municipalities in Federal district.
Do.....	July 1-21.....	84		
<b>Palestine:</b>				
Jaffa.....	June 5-11.....	1		
<b>Persia:</b>				
Tabriz.....	Apr. 1-14.....		1	District.
Teheran.....	Feb. 22-June 14.....		30	
<b>Poland:</b>				
				Apr. 29-May 12, 1923: Cases, 15; deaths, 4.
<b>Portugal:</b>				
Lisbon.....	May 20-June 30.....	35	3	
Do.....	July 1-28.....	18	2	
Oporto.....	June 10-30.....	6	3	
Do.....	July 9-15.....	5	4	July 8-28, 1923: Cases, 7; deaths, 2.
<b>Portuguese West Africa:</b>				
Angola—				
Loanda.....	Apr. 1-21.....		2	
<b>Rhodesia (British Africa):</b>				
Northern Rhodesia.....	May 8-14.....	21	8	
Southern Rhodesia.....	May 3-16.....	4	2	
<b>Siam:</b>				
Bangkok.....	Apr. 29-June 23.....	79	43	
<b>Sierra Leone:</b>				
Kaballa.....	May 1-15.....	1		In Sembehun district.
Pujehun.....	May 16-31.....	1		
<b>Spain:</b>				
Barcelona.....	May 31-June 6.....		1	
Do.....	June 28-July 10.....		2	
Valencia.....	May 15-June 30.....	44	2	
Do.....	July 1-21.....	21	4	

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Place.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Switzerland:				
Basel.....	May 27-June 30.....	4		
Do.....	July 8-14.....	1		
Berne.....	May 20-June 30.....	11		
Do.....	July 1-28.....	10		
Lucerne.....	May 1-June 7.....	36		
Do.....	July 1-31.....	14		
Zurich.....	May 20-June 23.....	10		
Do.....	July 15-21.....	6		
Syria:				
Aleppo.....	July 15-21.....	6		
Damascus.....	May 15-June 11.....	7		
Tunis:				
Bizerta.....	June 10-20.....	1		
Tunis.....	June 11-17.....	1		
Do.....	June 26-July 1.....	1		
Turkey:				
Constantinople.....	May 13-June 26.....		45	
Do.....	June 27-July 10.....		6	
Union of South Africa.....				May 1-31, 1923: Cases, 33; deaths, 1 (colored).
Cape Province.....				May 1-31, 1923: Cases, 32 (colored).
Do.....				Outbreaks.
Orange Free State.....	Apr. 29-May 14.....			Do.
Transvaal.....				May 1-31, 1923: 1 case.
Do.....	May 26-June 9.....			Outbreaks.
Yugoslavia:				
Serbia.....				
Belgrade.....	June 10-16.....	1	1	
Zagreb.....	June 24-30.....	1		
On vessels:				
S. S. Kargola.....	May 20-26.....	1		At Mombasa, British East Africa. Vessel arrived from Bombay Mar. 25, 1923.
S. S. Makura.....	May 26.....	2		Two cases in quarantine (reported as alastrim). Vessel left Victoria, B. C., Apr. 28, 1923. Touched at Honolulu.

## **TYPHUS FEVER.**

Algeria:				
Algiers.....	May 1-June 30....	66	19	
Argentina:				
Rosario.....	May 25-31.....		3	
Bolivia:				
La Paz.....	June 1-30.....	4		
Bulgaria:				
Sofia.....	Apr. 22-June 23...	11	2	Paratyphus, 2 cases, 2 deaths.
Chile:				
Concepcion.....	May 22-June 18....		3	
Talcahuano.....	May 13-19.....	1		
Valparaiso.....	May 7-June 23.....		26	June 11, 1923: 34 cases in Salvador Hospital.
Do.....	July 1-21.....		14	
China:				
Antung.....	May 28-June 24....	12		
Do.....	July 16-22.....	1		
Hankow.....	May 19-25.....	1		
Manchuria—				
Harbin.....	May 6-13.....	1		
Mukden.....	May 14-20.....	2		
Czechoslovakia.....				Jan.-Mar., 1923: Cases, 191; deaths, 6.
Egypt:				
Alexandria.....	May 14-June 24....	7	5	
Do.....	June 25-July 29....	5	3	
Cairo.....	Apr. 12-May 6.....	20	10	
France:				
Marseille.....	Mar. 1-May 31.....		3	
Germany:				
Coblentz.....	May 27-June 2.....		1	
Hamburg.....	May 20-26.....	3		
Königsberg.....	May 13-June 2.....	2		
Stettin.....	May 27-June 9.....	1	1	
Great Britain:				
Boothle.....	Aug. 4.....	1		Vicinity of Liverpool.

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Place.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Greece:				May 1-31, 1923: Cases, 876.
Athens.....	May 1-31.....	150	5	
Patras.....	Apr. 24-June 15.....		30	
Piræus.....	May 1-31.....	353	11	
Saloniki.....	Apr. 30-June 24.....	56	16	Apr. 30-May 27, 1923: Recurrent typhus: Cases, 3; deaths, 3.
Guatemala:				
Guatemala City.....	Apr. 1-June 30.....		5	
Hungary:				Jan. 1-May 19, 1923; Cases, 318; deaths, 36. In 11 counties.
Budapest.....	Jan. 1-June 2.....	48	12	
Iraq (Mesopotamia):				
Bagdad.....	Apr. 1-30.....	2		
Japan:				
Nagasaki.....	July 2-8.....	1		
Latvia.....				Apr. 1-May 31, 1923: Cases, 186.
Mexico:				Paratyphus, 4 cases.
Mexico City.....	May 20-June 30.....	75		Including municipalities in Federal district.
Do.....	July 1-21.....	27		Do.
Guadalajara.....	June 1-30.....	1		
San Luis Potosi.....	July 29-Aug. 4.....	1	1	
Palestine:				
Jaffa.....	May 22-28.....	2		
Do.....	June 26-July 9.....	4		Relapsing fever, 1 case.
Jerusalem.....	May 22-28.....	1		
Persia:				
Tabriz.....	Apr. 1-14.....	2		
Teheran.....	Feb. 22-June 14.....		4	
Poland.....				Mar. 4-Apr. 7, 1923: Cases, 2,253; deaths, 172. Recurrent typhus: Cases, 338; deaths, 6. Apr. 29-May 12, 1923: Cases, 17,577. Recurrent, Jan. 1-Feb. 28, 1923: Cases, 43,540.
Portugal:				
Oporto.....	June 10-16.....	1		
Do.....	July 1-21.....	3		
Rumania:				
Kishineff.....	May 1-June 30.....	41		
Russia:				Jan. 1-Apr. 30, 1923: Cases, 106,854. (Corresponding period 1922: Cases, 847,516.) Feb. 1-28, 1923: Cases, 17,577. Recurrent, Jan. 1-Feb. 28, 1923: Cases, 43,540.
European Russia and autonomous republics.....	Jan. 1-Apr. 30.....	93,999		
Siberia, Caucasus, and Central Asia.....	do.....	9,921		
Waterways and railways.....	do.....	2,934		
Spain:				
Barcelona.....	June 21-27.....		1	
Madrid.....	May 1-31.....		1	
Syria:				
Aleppo.....	May 20-June 16.....	4	2	
Do.....	July 15-21.....	3	1	July 8-14, 1923: Present.
Beirut.....	May 1-10.....	1		
Tunis:				
Tunis.....	May 28-June 24.....	3	2	
Do.....	July 9-15.....	1	1	
Turkey:				
Constantinople.....	May 13-June 26.....		19	
Do.....	June 27-July 3.....		1	
Union of South Africa.....				May 1-31, 1923: Cases, 102; deaths, 21 (colored). White—Cases, 6. Total, 108 cases, 21 deaths.
Cape Province.....				May 1-31, 1923: Cases, 49 (colored); white, 5.
Do.....	Apr. 29-June 16.....			Outbreaks.
Natal.....				May 1-31, 1923; One case (colored).
Orange Free State.....				May 1-31, 1923: Cases, 45 (colored).
Do.....	May 6-June 16.....			Outbreaks.
Transvaal.....				May 1-31, 1923: Cases, 7.
Johannesburg.....	May 1-June 30.....	4	4	
Yugoslavia:				
Croatia—				
Zagreb.....	May 27-June 2.....	1		

**YELLOW FEVER.**

Brazil:				
Bahia.....	May 13-June 30.....	25	6	
Do.....	July 1-7.....		2	
Colombia:				
Bucaramanga.....	June 25-July 15.....			Present.