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### PREVALENCE OF UNDULANT FEVER IN THE UNITED STATES

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The purpose of this note is to give information concerning the prevalence of undulant fever in the United States for the years 1929 and 1930. Reports received from State health authorities showing the number of cases reported each month are published in the Public Health Reports. These published figures have been tabulated by States and by months and then submitted to the State health department of each State for verification and correction. Replies were received from 46 States for each year. This is the beginning of an attempt to determine the seasonal prevalence of undulant fever in the United States. The first suggestion of seasonal prevalence was noted in 1929, and a similar rise and fall was noted in 1930, though not following closely the 1929 curve.

It should be pointed out that in the vast majority of instances these figures represent the month of *reporting* the case, instead of the month of onset. The onset is not always easy to determine, for it is so gradual that the patient frequently is unable to determine the exact date on which his illness began. In some instances the diagnosis is long delayed, and so it is possible that cases reported in a given year may have begun one or two years prior to date of report.

The accompanying table shows the reported cases of undulant fever by States for the years 1929 and 1930.

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TABLE 1.—Prevalence of undulant fever by months in the United States as reported through State health departments

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CHART 1.-Undulant fever, by months, in the United States, 1929 and 1930

Though the table shows but 952 cases officially reported in 1929, Simpson<sup>1</sup> collected information from both official and unofficial sources and obtained a total of 1,305 cases for the year 1929.

Undulant fever is a reportable disease in 32 States, not reportable in 7, and no information on this question was received from 9.

The prevalence by months for the two years is shown graphically in the chart.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Simpson, W. M.: Undulant fever (Brucelliasis). A clinopathologic study of 90 cases occurring in and about Dayton, Ohio. Annals of Internal Medicine, vol. 4, No. 3, September, 1930, pp. 238-239.

While the curves for the two years show a general resemblance, it will be noted that the curve for 1930 is less sharp and the peak was reached two months earlier. This warns us that observations should be made for several years before we can draw any conclusions as to seasonal prevalence.

### STUDIES IN ASPHYXIA

#### I. NEUROPATHOLOGY RESULTING FROM COMPARATIVELY RAPID CARBON-MONOXIDE ASPHYXIA <sup>1</sup>

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#### INTRODUCTION

The chemical and pathological reaction of dogs to asphyxia by carbon monoxide and by atmospheres which are deficient in oxygen has been studied during the past two years by the United States Bureau of Mines. These studies have been conducted for the purpose of obtaining fundamental information on the response of the organism to asphyxial environment, with the particular viewpoint of devising a procedure for treating moribund cases of carbon-monoxide poisoning. It has been repeatedly observed that many of these cases have a fatal termination, even though respiration has been induced and the carbon monoxide removed from the blood.

#### WORK OF PREVIOUS INVESTIGATORS

A review of the work of previous investigators has recently been published by one of the writers  $^2$  and therefore will not be included in this report.

#### OUTLINE OF INVESTIGATION

The scope of this series of investigations includes the reactions attending comparatively rapid asphyxia resulting from exposure to conditions which cause death in dogs in 20 to 30 minutes, and comparatively slow, prolonged asphyxia resulting from exposure to conditions which maintain a serious state of asphyxia during 8 to 16 hours with possible death at the end of that period. Experience has shown that this latter condition is the most unresponsive to present methods of treatment. In some of the experiments the exposure was continuous until death occurred, in others it was terminated when the first indication of terminal symptoms was observed. In the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Published by permission of the Director, U. S. Bureau of Mines.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Sayers R. R., and Davenport, S. J.: Review of Carbon-Monoxide Poisoning. Public Health Bulletin No. 195 (1930), U. S. Public Health Service.

latter instance some of the animals recovered from the acute effects while others died within periods of time varying from a few hours up to three days. Those that recovered were kept for observation for periods varying from a week to five months.

As previously stated, the investigations included asphyxia produced by carbon monoxide and that produced by atmospheres deficient in oxygen. The information obtained from a study of the latter not only is important in the treatment of accidents resulting from oxygen-depleted atmospheres, but it also gives fundamental information on simple asphyxia. It likewise, through a comparison of findings, yields information on whether or not the reaction to carbon monoxide is wholly or in part due to a specific action, or merely to a type of asphyxia.

The blood of the animals was examined, both during and following exposure, for sugar, nonprotein nitrogen, urea, uric acid, total and preformed creatinine, lactic acid, calcium, phosphates, hydrogen-ion concentration, carbon dioxide, oxygen, carbon monoxide, carbondioxide capacity, hemoglobin, red-cell and white-cell counts, and differential counts. All animals were autopsied immediately after death or killed for autopsy at the end of the observation period. Observations were made for gross pathological changes, and specimens of tissue were taken for microscopic examination.

### SCOPE OF PRESENT REPORT

This is the first of a series of reports in which the results of the investigations as previously outlined will be given. It deals specifically with the neuropathology found in four dogs after continuous exposures of 20 to 30 minutes to 0.6 per cent carbon monoxide in air by volume. These conditions produced 75 to 85 per cent carbon-monoxide hemoglobin and resulted in death at the end of the period of exposure.

### APPARATUS AND EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE

A detailed description of the apparatus and technique for making the animal exposures will be given in a succeeding report. Briefly, the carbon monoxide-air mixture was circulated from a large reservoir through a mask over the head of the animal. This procedure, rather than that of placing the animals in a test chamber, was followed in order to facilitate making observations and obtaining blood specimens during the exposure period. Care was taken to arrange the mask so that it would be under about one inch of water positive pressure and also to have sufficient circulation to remove expired air and prevent rebreathing. The atmosphere supplied to the animal was continuously analyzed with a carbon-monoxide recording apparatus.<sup>3</sup>

The animals were autopsied immediately after death and the brain was removed. The brain tissue was fixed in Carnoy's solution and in Zenker's solution. Blocks of tissue of 2 millimeters or less in thickness were taken from the motor cortex, corpus striatum, mesencephalon, middle of pons, medulla oblongata, and spinal cord. These were embedded in paraffin and sections made 5 to 7 microns in thickness. The Zenker-fixed material was stained with hematoxylin and eosin. In this investigation, practically all the study was made on the Carnoy-fixed material that was stained for Nissl granules by toluidin and erythrosin, because this preparation afforded more detail.

#### MICROSCOPIC PATHOLOGY

#### CORTEX

There was both a perineuronal and perivascular edema in the cortex. With the exception of some of the large motor cells, which showed relatively little change, practically the entire cortex was severely damaged. In many regions of the cortex the deeper layers of cells showed more severe degenerative changes than the superficial or outermost layer. Most of the cells showed central chromatolysis with swollen and distorted nuclei. Many of the pyramidal cells were stained uniformly a dark blue. (See figs. 2 to 5, inclusive.) The capillaries were dilated. Stasis was marked. Occasionally, the perivascular space was infiltrated with leucocytes. Occasional areas of hemorrhage were found. These were no larger than would occur by diapedesis. (See figs. 6 to 10, inclusive.)

The olfactory cortex showed particularly severe damage. The nerve cells were fragmented. Their nuclei were greatly swollen, vacuolated, and distorted. There was marked perineuronal and perivascular edema.

#### THALAMUS

Edema of the thalamus was very marked, both perivascular and perineuronal. Some of the neurons appeared shrunken. There was a slight central chromatolysis. The nuclei were eccentric and distorted. Some of the cells were fragmented.

#### CORPUS STRIATUM

The corpus striatum presented severe degenerative changes. There was very marked perivascular and perineuronal edema. Many neurons seem to have been ruptured. The cytoplasm was fragmented and vacuolated. There was a marked chromatolysis. The

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Katz, S. H., Reynolds, D. A., Frevert, H. W., and Bloomfield, J. J.: A carbon-monoxide recorder and alarm. U. S. Bureau of Mines Tech. Paper 355 (1926).

nuclei were swollen, distorted, and vacuolated. In many instances nothing appeared to be left except the nucleus around which was a little Nissl material; then a clear space marking the site of the original cytoplasm of the neuron. Some of the nerve cells were uniformly, darkly stained and others appeared to be invaded by satellite cells. There was marked stasis and the vessels were dilated. (See figs. 11 and 12.)

#### MESENCEPHALON

The section through the colliculi of the mesencephalon showed dilation of the vessels, stasis and marked perivascular and perineuronal edema. The large polygonal-shaped cells with large Nissl granules (cells of the tecto-spinal tract) showed relatively little change as compared with the small cells. The latter showed a chromatolysis and swelling of the nuclei. (See figs. 13 and 14.)

Oculomotor nucleus.—Most of the cells of the oculomotor nucleus showed very little chromatolysis. A few were shrunken and stained uniformly a dark blue. There was practically no perineuronal edema. The vessel in the nucleus was dilated and showed stasis with perivascular edema. The nucleus as a whole did not show much damage. (See fig. 15.)

Trochlear nucleus.—Most of the cells of the trochlear nucleus showed no degenerative changes. A few of the cells were shrunken and stained uniformly a dark blue. The nucleus showed about the same damage as the oculomotor nucleus. The section appeared very similar to the nucleus of the oculomotor, shown in Figure 15.

Nucleus ruber.—The nucleus ruber, as a whole, appeared to be quite normal. In some of the cells the Nissl granules were dustlike between the nucleus and periphery of the cell. There was no perineuronal edema. The nuclei of the cells appeared normal. (See fig. 16.)

Substantia nigra.—Most of the cells of the substantia nigra showed a central chromatolysis. The Nissl granules in the periphery of the cell were large. Some of the neurons were shrunken. There was a slight edema throughout the substantia nigra. Many of the cells were stained homogeneously a dark blue. (See fig. 17.)

Mesencephalic nucleus of the trigeminal nerve.—The cells were shrunken and stained homogeneously dark blue. The perineuronal edema was marked. (See fig. 14.)

Interpeduncular ganglion.—The interpeduncular ganglion showed marked perivascular and perineuronal edema, and chromatolysis.

#### PONS

Nuclei pontis.—The neurons of the nuclei pontis showed marked central chromatolysis throughout the nucleus. The nuclei were eccentric and distorted. There was a slight perineuronal edema.

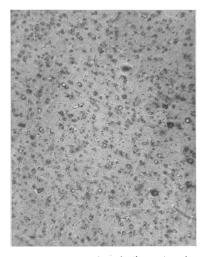


FIGURE 1.—Section through the cortex of a control brain. (Reduced one-third from photomicrograph of 81-diameter magnification)

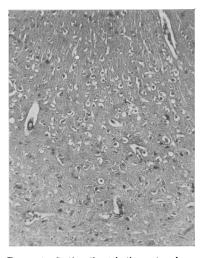


FIGURE 2.—Section through the cortex showing perineuronal and perivascular edema and degenerative changes in the nerve cells. (Magnification 81 X, reduced one-third)

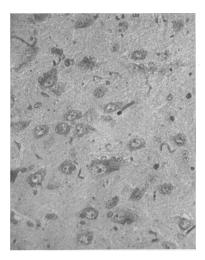


FIGURE 3.—Same section as in Figure 1. (Magnification 353 ×, reduced one-third)

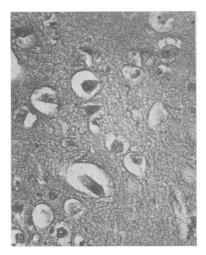


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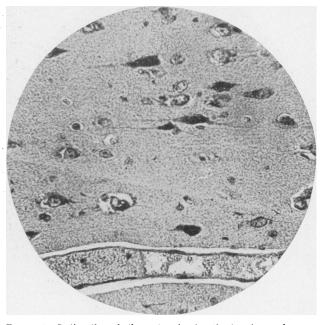
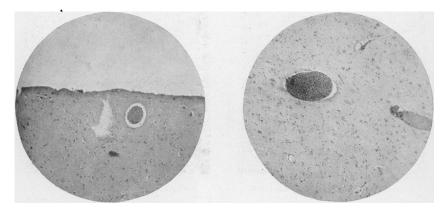
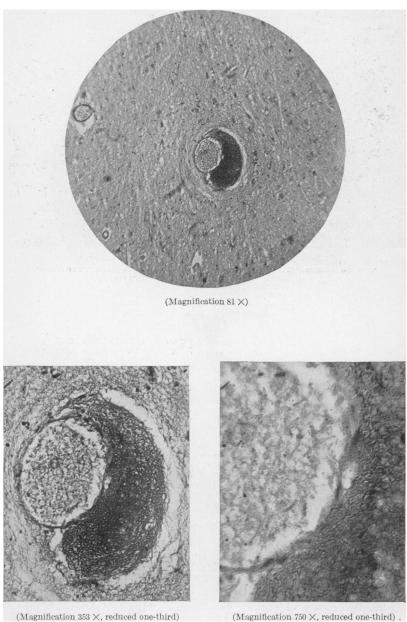


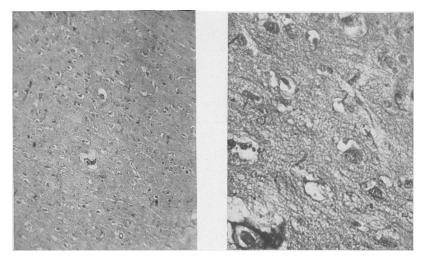
FIGURE 5.—Section through the cortex showing the two types of neuron reactions, i. e., shrinkage, with diffuse dark staining, and chromatolysis; also the vascular reaction of dilitation, stasis, and perivascular edema. (Magnification 600  $\times$ )



 $\begin{array}{c} \mbox{Figures 6 (right) and 7.-Section through the cortex showing dilitation, perivascular edema, and stasis. (Magnification 100 <math display="inline">\times$ , reduced one-third) \end{array}



FIGURES 8 (above), 9 (right), and 10.—Section through medullary substance of cortex showing dilitation, stasis, perivascular edema, and hemorrhage, under magnifications stated



FIGURES 11 (right) and 12.—Section through the corpus striatum showing edema and degenerative nerve cell changes. (Magnifications 81 × and 353 ×, respectively, reduced one-third)

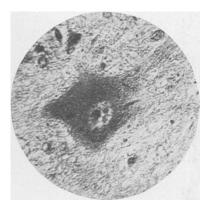


FIGURE 13.—Section through the mesencephalon showing a normal cell in the colliculus. It is a cell in the nucleus of the tectospinal tract. (Magnification 750 ×, reduced one-third)



FIGURE 14.—Section through the mesencephalon showing marked perineuronal edema and diffuse staining of the cells in the mosencephalic nucleus of the trigeminal norvo. (Magnification 750 X, reduced one-third)

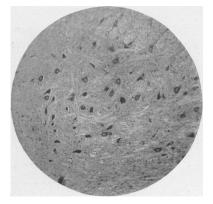


FIGURE 15.—Section through the oculomotor nucleus showing diffuse staining and slight perineuronal edema of a few nerve cells, most of them being relatively normal. (Magnification 100 X, reduced one-third)

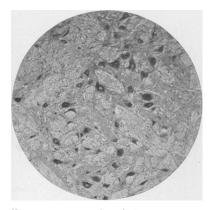
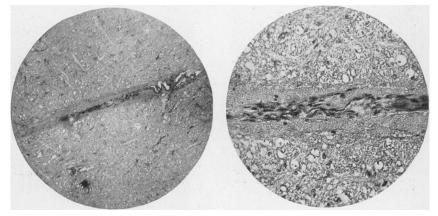


FIGURE 16.—Section through the nucleus ruber showing most of the nerve cells to be normal and the absence of edema. (Magnification 100  $\times$ , reduced one-third)



FIGURE 17.—Section through the substantia nigra showing slight edema and central chromatolysis. (Magnification 750  $\times$ )

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FIGURES 18 (right) and 19.—Section through the reticular formation showing perivascular hemorrhage with occlusion of vessel. (Magnifications 100 × and 300 ×, respectively, reduced one-third)

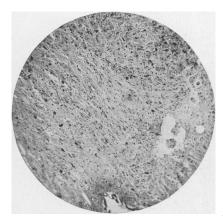


FIGURE 20.—Section through the medulla oblongata in the region of the decussation of the pyramidal tracts showing edema and dark diffuse staining of the nerve cells in the dorsal sensory area. (Magnification 100 ×, reduced one-third)

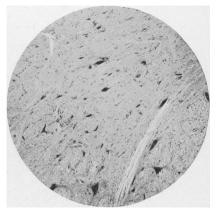
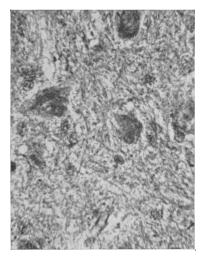


FIGURE 21.—Section showing practically no perineuronal edema and relatively normal nerve cells in the motor area of the same slide as reproduced in Figure 20. (Magnification  $100 \times$ , reduced one-third)



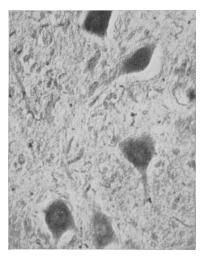


FIGURE 22.—Section through the inferior olive showing slight edema and central chromatolysis, (Magnification 750 ×, reduced onethird)

FIGURE 23.—Section through the hypoglossal nucleus showing slight perineuronal edema and diffuse staining of few of the nerve cells. (Magnification 750 X, reduced one-third)

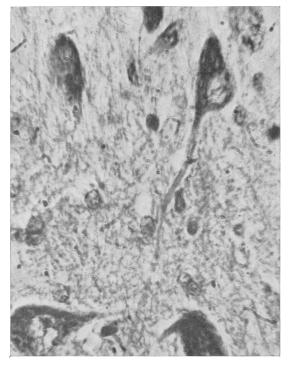
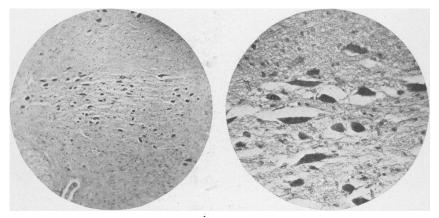


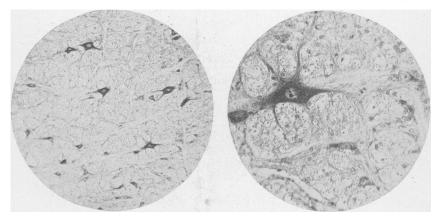
FIGURE 24.—Section through the dorsal motor nucleus of the vagus nerve in a control brain. (Magnification 750 ×)

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PLATE VIII



FIGURES 25 (right) and 26.—Section through the dorsal motor nucleus of the vagus nerve showing severe perineuronal edema, shrinkage, and diffuse, dark staining of the nerve cells. (Magnifications  $100 \times \text{and} 600 \times$ , reduced one-third)



FIGURES 27 (right) and 28.—Section through the reticular formation of the medulla oblongata showing normal neurons. (Magnifications  $100 \times \text{and } 600 \times$ , respectively, reduced one-third)

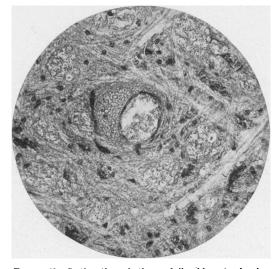


FIGURE 29.—Section through the medulla oblongata showing dilitation and perivascular hemorrhage in the reticular formation. (Magnification 300 X, reduced about one-fourth)

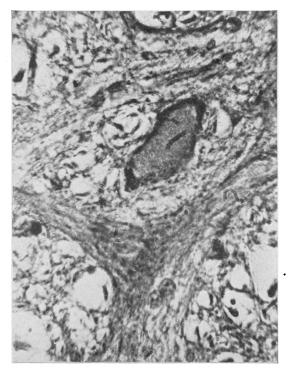


FIGURE 30.—Section through the reticular formation of the medulla oblongata showing marked degenerative changes in cell of an unidentified nucleus. (Magnification 750  $\times$ )

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PLATE X

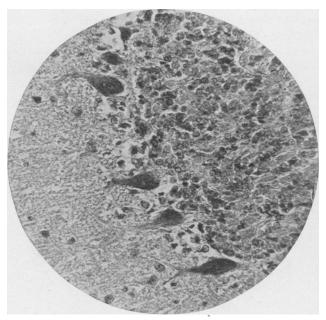


FIGURE 31.—Section through the cerebellum showing perineuronal edema and central chromatolysis in the Purkinje cells. (Magnification 300  $\times$ )

This was very similar to the findings in the substantia nigra as shown in Figure 17.

Nucleus of the abducens nerve.—Most of the neurons of the abducens nerve showed practically no degenerative change. Some of the cells were shrunken. The perineuronal edema was slight. This was very similar to the findings in the oculomotor nucleus as shown in Figure 15.

Nucleus of the facial nerve.—Most of the neurons of the facial nerve showed no damage. A few were shrunken. Some of the nerve cells showed a slight perineuronal edema. This was similar to the findings in the oculomotor nucleus as shown in Figure 15.

Nucleus of trigeminal nerve.—Most of the small cells of the trigeminal nerve showed severe degenerative changes. Many showed central chromatolysis. Some of the cytoplasm was fragmented. Nuclei were swollen and distorted. The large polygonal-shaped cells of the motor nucleus showed relatively little change.

Cochlear nuclei.—Most of the neurons of the cochlear nuclei showed practically no damage. Some of the cells showed central chromatolysis with a slight perineuronal edema.

Nucleus of trapezoid body.—The nucleus of the trapezoid body showed relatively little change excepting a slight perineuronal edema.

Superior olivary nucleus.—Most of the cells of the superior olivary nucleus appeared normal, except for a slight perineuronal edema.

Reticular formation.—Throughout the reticular formation of the pons the vessels were dilated. There was stasis, perivascular edema, and a few small petechial hemorrhages. (See figs. 18 and 19.)

### MEDULLA OBLONGATA

Nucleus cuneatus and nucleus gracilis.—The nucleus cuneatus and nucleus gracilis showed a severe edema. Many of the cells were shrunken. Some were stained homogeneously a dark blue. Many showed chromatolysis with large swollen nuclei. There was stasis and perivascular edema with a few small hemorrhages. (See figs. 20 and 21.)

Inferior olive.—Most of the cells of the inferior olive showed a central chromatolysis with slight perineuronal edema. (See fig. 22.)

Nucleus of hypoglossal nerve.—A few of the cells of the nucleus of the hypoglossal nerve showed chromatolysis. Their Nissl granules were large. Many of the cells were shrunken and there was a marked perineuronal edema. (See fig. 23.)

The dorsal motor nucleus of the vagus nerve.—The dorsal motor nucleus of the vagus nerve showed severe degenerative changes. The nerve cells were shrunken and stained homogeneously a dark blue. No nuclei were seen in these cells. The perineuronal edema was very severe. The degenerative changes in this nucleus were the most severe found in any center of the brain stem. (See figs. 24, 25, and 26.) Nucleus of the tractus solitarius.—The nucleus of the tractus solitarius also showed severe degenerative changes. Most of the cells showed chromatolysis. Many were fragmented. The nuclei were swollen and distorted and there was a marked edema.

Nucleus ambiguus.—The nucleus ambiguus showed perineuronal edema. Most of the cells showed relatively no change, but some were shrunken and stained uniformly a dark blue.

Vestibular nucleus.—The large cells giving rise to the vestibulospinal tract showed relatively very little change. The smaller cells showed slight central chromatolysis, swollen distorted nuclei, and perineuronal edema.

Reticular formation.—Throughout the reticular formation of the entire brain stem many of the large polygonal-shaped cells showed no change. Also, the motor cells of the anterior horn in the area of pyramidal decussation appeared normal. (See figs. 27 and 28.) Occasional petechial hemorrhage was found. (See fig. 29.)

Unidentified nucleus.—A group of cells lying between the nucleus ambiguus and just dorsal to the lateral end of the inferior olive showed very marked chromatolysis with eccentric and distorted nuclei, and in some no nucleus was seen. (See fig. 30). Nerve cells of the reticular formation immediately around these cells showed no degenerative changes. (See figs. 27 and 28.)

In the region of the raphe between the two inferior olivary nuclei, there was another group of large cells showing marked central chromatolysis.

#### CEREBELLUM

The vessels of the cerebellum were dilated and packed with red blood cells. There was perivascular and perineuronal edema. Occasional petechial hemorrhages were found. Practically all the Purkinje cells (fig. 31) showed a severe central chromatolysis with distortion of the nucleus. In some instances only "shadows" of these cells were left. Occasionally the nucleus stained pink. Some of the Purkinje cells were shrunken and stained homogeneously a dark blue. Some cells in the granular layer appeared to be fused.

Some of the cells in the efferent nuclei showed relatively little change. Many showed central chromatolysis with distortion of the nucleus. A few were shrunken and uniformly stained a dark blue.

#### SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

The neuropathology produced in dogs by fatal exposures of 20 to 30 minutes to 0.6 per cent carbon monoxide in air by volume was studied.

The brain, as a whole, showed a severe perivascular and perineuronal edema. This was most marked in the corpus striatum, the cortex, and the dorsal motor nucleus of the vagus nerve. The vessels were greatly dilated and tightly packed with red blood cells. Stasis was marked throughout. There were a few petechial hemorrhages, especially in the corpus striatum and cortex. Most of these were not larger than would occur by diapedesis through the dilated vessels. Occasionally a few leucocytes, both lymphocytes and polymorphonuclear leucocytes, were found in the perivascular spaces. The endothelium of the capillaries appeared to be swollen in some areas.

The neurons were extensively damaged. Many of the nerve cells seem to have been ruptured. In some areas all that appeared to be left of the nerve cell was a swollen, distorted, and vacuolated nucleus with a little Nissl material around it. A clear space marked the site of the original cytoplasm of the neuron. In others there was a marked central chromatolysis with distorted nuclei. This was most pronounced in the cells of the nuclei pontis. The Nissl material was dust-like in some of the very large cells, as in some of the neurons of the nucleus ruber. In others the Nissl granules were abnormally large and decreased in number. Some of the cells, especially the small pyramidal cells in the cortex and the cells of the dorsal nucleus of the vagus, were shrunken and stained homogeneously a dark blue. The nuclei were swollen, distorted in shape, and frequently eccentric. They contained very little chromatin material. Many of the nerve cells were shrunken.

Many of the large polygonal-shaped cells containing well-developed Nissl granules, located throughout the reticular formation of the brain stem, showed practically no change. Likewise, the nuclei of the hypoglossal, abducens, trochlear, oculomotor nuclei, and nucleus ruber showed relatively little damage. The dorsal motor nucleus of the vagus nerve, dorsal sensory areas of the brain stem, the corpus striatum, and the cortex showed severe injury.

There was a variation in the degree of damage with different animals. With three of the four dogs studied the variation was not marked, but the fourth showed distinctly less damage. The foregoing findings were, however, present to some degree in all of the animals.

The following conclusions may be drawn:

1. The circulatory changes are characterized by dilatation, stasis, perivascular hemorrhage, and edema.

2. Edema is diffuse and severe. It is both perineuronal and perivascular.

3. There is a marked difference in the susceptibility of the nerve cells to oxygen deprivation. The cells of the cortex, corpus striatum, dorsal motor nucleus of the vagus, and the dorsal sensory areas of the medulla, are the most sensitive. The nucleus ruber, nuclei of the oculomotor, trochlear, abducens, and facial nerve, and the large polygonal cells in the reticular formation of the medulla are the least susceptible. 4. There are two general types of degenerative changes in the nerve cells following asphyxia: (a) Some become shrunken and stain diffusely; (b) others show varying degrees of chromatolysis.

5. Carbon monoxide produces a diffuse degenerative change throughout the entire brain.

6. In this type of asphyxia the most serious effect appears to be edema of the dorsal motor nucleus of the vagus and the adjacent area in the medulla oblongata.

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### DEATH RATES IN A GROUP OF INSURED PERSONS

#### **Rates for Principal Causes of Death for April, 1931**

The accompanying table, taken from the Statistical Bulletin for May, 1931, issued by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., presents the mortality record of the industrial insurance department of the company for April, 1931, as compared with that for the preceding month and for the corresponding month of last year. It also gives the cumulative rates for the period January-April for the years 1930 and 1931. The rates are based on a strength of approximately 19,-000,000 insured persons in the United States and Canada. In recent years the general death rate in this selected group of persons has averaged about 72 per cent of the rate for the registration area of the United States.

With regard to health conditions in this group during April the Bulletin states:

Despite a bad beginning, due to widespread prevalence of influenza, 1931 is developing into a good health year. At the end of April the cumulative mortality rate was only 3.4 per cent above the figure for the like period of 1930, which was the record health year of all time.

Among approximately one and one-quarter millions of Canadian industrial policyholders the year-to-date death rate was over 8 per cent below the figure registered last year; while among the insured residing in the far western States the improvement this year was 5 per cent. In the remainder of the United States, however, where 87 per cent of the industrial policyholders live, the mortality rate for the January-April period rose 4.8 per cent as compared with last year. Among the favorable health developments of 1931 to date, the two outstanding items relate to tuberculosis and diphtheria. For the former, a decline of 4.9 per cent has been recorded, despite the widespread prevalence of influenza, which always tends to increase the mortality from tuberculosis. The tuberculosis death rate for the month of April showed an improvement of more than 12 per cent as compared with the same month a year ago. It is probable that the decline in the tuberculosis death rate in 1931 will be well above the average year-to-year decrease which has been observed for about a decade. For diphtheria the outlook is that the largest decline ever experienced will be witnessed this year. At any rate, for the first four months the drop has amounted to 39 per cent as compared with the corresponding period of 1930.

The death rate for diseases incidental to pregnancy and childbirth is running lower than ever before, and declines, as compared with last year, are also in evidence for typhoid fever, whooping cough, diarrheal complaints, homicides, and accidents.

There are, nevertheless, a few decidedly unfavorable items in the health record of the year, apart from the considerable increase in the mortality from influenzapneumonia. The most serious development relates to cancer. While the death rate for this disease has been steadily increasing for years, no marked rise has been recorded heretofore between any one year and its successor—such as will obtain this year if the increase of 9.1 per cent, recorded during the first four months, persists throughout the year. Such data as are available for the general population for the early months of 1931 also point strongly to an unusually large increase in mortality from cancer.

The situation with respect to diabetes is also distinctly unfavorable, with a much larger increase thus far in 1931 than has been shown for recent years. The influenza outbreak has doubtless been responsible for a part of this increase and has also been a factor in bringing about higher death rates for the principal "degenerative" conditions.

The suicide death rate has increased slightly, and the homicide rate shows a small decline. Automobile fatalities have been more frequent than during the corresponding period of any preceding year.

Death rates	(annual basis)	per	100.000 f	or	principa	<b>l causes</b> o	f (	leath

[Industrial department	, Metropolitan	Life Insurance	Co.]
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		Rate per 1	00,000 live	s exposed 1	······	
Cause of death	April,	March,	April,	Cumulative, Janu- ary-April		
	1931	1931	1930	1931	1930	
Total, all causes	975.1	1, 016. 4	991. 1	1,004.3	971. 3	
Typhoid fever	. 9	.9	1.1	1.1	1.2	
Measles		5.5	6.6	4.3	4.0	
Scarlet fever	4.2	4.3	4.1	4.1	3. 9	
Whooping cough	2.8	3.8	4.5	3.8	4.8	
Diphtheria	3. 0	4.9	6.3	5.1	8.4	
Influenza		52.2	20.1	44.0	25. 9	
Tuberculosis (all forms)	80.5	87.1	91. 9	82.3	86. 5	
Tuberculosis of respiratory system	70.0	79.1	78.7	73.2	75. 2	
Cancer	82.8	83.6	79.8	83. 9	76. 9	
Diabetes mellitus	22.9	23.8	19. 9	24.1	20. 9	
Cerebral hemorrhage		64.5	66. 5	68.0	64.6	
Organic diseases of heart	168.4	170.3	166. 9	171.6	166. 1	
Pneumonia (all forms)	111. 0	126.0	120.7	125.9	<b>1</b> 17. <b>2</b>	
Other respiratory diseases	13. 3	13. 2	13.7	13. 9	13. 5	
Diarrhea and enteritis	9.4	9.5	11. 9	10.1	11. 7	
Bright's disease (chronic nephritis)	73. 7	73.6	77.6	74.5	73. 3	
Puerperal state	13. 3	12.3	11.0	12.2	13. 1	
Suicides	11. 2	9.5	10.5	9.6	9.4	
Homicides	6.0	6.9	5.8	6.4	6.7	
Other external causes (excluding suicides and homi-						
cides)	53.4	47.0	53. 2	52.7	56.6	
Traumatism by automobiles	18.5	16.3	18.2	18.3	17.6	
All other causes	210. 7	217. 3	219.0	206.7	206. 7	

<sup>1</sup> All figures in this table include insured infants under one year of age. The rates for 1931 are subject to alight correction, since they are based on provisional estimates of lives exposed to risk.

### **COURT DECISION RELATING TO PUBLIC HEALTH**

Conviction for forgery of narcotic drug prescription and unlawful possession of narcotic drug.—(California District Court of Appeal; People v. Brown, 298 P. 503; decided Apr. 17, 1931.) A State law provided a penalty for "Any person who shall forge or alter any prescription for any narcotic drugs specified in section 8 of this act, or who obtains any such drugs by any forged or altered prescription, or who has in possession any such drugs secured by such forged or altered prescription." The defendant was convicted of possessing a preparation of morphine containing more than one-fourth grain of morphine to the avoirdupois ounce and of forging a prescription by which the preparation was obtained. On appeal the district court of appeal, in disposing of the contentions made by the defendant with respect to a narcotic drug prescription not being the subject of forgery and with respect to the failure to allege an intent to defraud, said:

The argument of appellant proceeds upon the assumption that there is no one to be defrauded by the prescription, and that, in the absence of an intent to defraud, there can be no forgery. The assumption, however, is false. We are all cognizant of the fearful consequences which would attend the unregulated sale of poisons and narcotics, and conscious of the vital interest of the State in a strict supervision thereof. Contemplating, as we may and ought to do, the crimes committed with diabolical cunning and sometimes with fiendish cruelty, partly to satisfy the depraved appetite and partly to satiate or excite a disordered mind, we must conclude that any illegitimate and unlawful use of the habitforming drugs is an injury to and a fraud upon the public as a whole—the State. \* \* We entertain no doubt whatever that a prescription for a poisonous or narcotic drug is the subject of forgery. The intent to defraud is unmistakably made manifest by the act of obtaining the narcotic by means of the false writing. It is alleged that the forged prescription was made use of for that purpose and the drug obtained thereby.

The court also rejected the defendant's claim that the portion of the law which purported to make it a crime to forge or alter a prescription was unconstitutional because not embraced by the title of the act.

### DEATHS DURING WEEK ENDED JUNE 6, 1931

Summary of information received by telegraph from industrial insurance companies for the week ended June 6, 1931, and corresponding week of 1930. (From the Weekly Health Index, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.)

	Week ended June 6, 1931	Corresponding week, 1930
Policies in force		75, 759, 190
Number of death claims	13, 200	13, 685
Death claims per 1,000 policies in force, annual rate_	9. 2	9.4

#### Deaths <sup>1</sup> from all causes in certain large cities of the United States during the week ended June 6, 1931, infant mortality, annual death rate, and comparison with corresponding week of 1930. (From the Weekly Health Index, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce)

[The rates published in this summary are based upon mid-year population estimates derived from the 1930 census]

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	We	ek ended	ded June 6, 1931 Correspondi week, 1930				Death rate <sup>1</sup> for the first 23 weeks		
City	Total deaths	Death rate <sup>3</sup>	Deaths under 1 year	Infant mor- tality rate <sup>3</sup>	Death rate '	Deaths under 1 year	1931	1930	
Total (81 cities)	7, 868	11.5	664	4 51	12.6	751	13. 2	13. 0	
Akron Albany 4 Atlante	39 45 76	7.9 18.2 14.3	1 2 8	10 40 82	8.4 15.5 20.5	4 2 19	8.3 15.3 16.2	8.4 16.2 16.8	
White Colored Baltimore * White	38 38 223 165	( <sup>6</sup> ) 14. 3	4 4 22 12	63 115 75 52	(9) 14.4	9 10 17 14	(9) 16.2	( <sup>6</sup> ) 15. 3	
Colored Birmingham	58 58 71 36	(9) 13.7	10 10 4 2	156 49 34	( <sup>6</sup> ) 13.6	3 7 2	(9) 14. 9	( <sup>6</sup> ) 14. 1	
Colored	35 210 35 148 28 20	(°) 13.9 12.4 13.3 12.8 8.8	2 23 3 15 3 4	49 66 50 61 60 70 23	(9) 13.8 7.8 14.0 14.2 16.2	5 24 1 11 3 1	(9) 15.9 12.3 14.5 13.9 16.3	( <sup>6</sup> ) 15.9 12.8 14.4 13.5 14.8	
Canton	84 730 136 209 85 57	16.6 11.0 15.5 12.0 15.0 10.9	1 47 13 9 6 8	23 42 78 28 59	14.9 11.1 19.4 12.7 15.6 11.1	6 44 16 16 7 2 1	11.4 11.5 17.1 12.2 15.0 12.2	11. 8 11. 4 16. 7 12. 8 17. 8 12. 1	
White	41 16 41 82 27 251 16	(9) 10.3 14.7 9.7 7.9 8.2	6 2 6 2 41 1	84 58 35 65 25	(9) 15.0 14.8 13.9 10.5	1 6 11 5 45	(6) 13.0 15.2 11.7 9.3 11.3	(°) 10.5 15.3 12.6 10.4 11.6	
fil Paso Bris Fall River * 7 Flint Fort Worth	24 23 21 23 20 27 3	11.9 10.2 9.5 7.3 9.3	4 3 1 3 0	56 23 38	13.9 17.7 13.0 10.9 13.2 12.7	6 0 4 7 6 2	17.2 11.5 13.5 8.0 12.1	18.6 11.5 18.8 10.2 11.7	
Colored Grand Rapids Houston	46 66	(f) 14.0 11.1	0 3 7 6		(9) 12.0 9.7	4 4 3 1 2	( <sup>0</sup> ) 9.9 11.6	(9) 11.5 12.7	
White Colored Indianapolis White	44 22 106 90	(9) 14.9	1 5 4	 41 38	(9) 15.1	8 4	( <sup>6</sup> ) 14.7	(¶) 15. 5	
Colored Jersey City Kansas City, Kans White	16 83 31 23	( <sup>6</sup> ) 13. 6 13. 1	1 15 8 3	67 133 62 74	(°) 11.3 9.4	4 9 1 0	(°) 13.0 14.4	( <sup>6</sup> ) 12.7 11.9	
Kansas City, Mo	8 108 28 18	(°) 18.8 13.4	0 10 4	0 76 85 24	(°) 12.2 12.2	1 10 5	( <sup>6</sup> ) 14.6 13.8	(°) 13.8 15.0	
White Colored Long Beach Los Angeles Lonisville	10 27 233 65	(°) 9.2 9.2 11.0	1 3 1 11 4	611 24 32 34	(9) 8.3 13.7 16.3	5 0 2 28 6	(°) 10.5 11.4 15.7	( <sup>9</sup> ) 10. 3 11. 6 14. 4	
White Colored Lywell ' Lynn Memphis White	48 17 19 26 77	(9) 9.8 13.2 15.5	2 2 3 6	20 133 76 155 63	( <sup>6</sup> ) 21. 2 12. 2 16. 8	6 0 7 6 6	( <sup>6</sup> ) 13. 4 11. 5 17. 5	(°) 15. 1 12. 0 18. 0	
White Colored Miami White	40 37 17 11	(?) 7.9	8 8 1 0 1	50 87 25 0	(9) 13. 2	8 3 10 6	( <sup>6</sup> ) 13.4	( <sup>6</sup> ) 12.3	
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See footnotes at end of table

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Deaths <sup>1</sup> from all causes in certain large cities of the United States during the week ended June 6, 1931, infant mortality, annual death rate, and comparison with corresponding week of 1930. (From the Weekly Health Index, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce)

	We	ek ended	l June 6,	1931	Corresponding week, 1930		Death rate <sup>2</sup> for the first 23 weeks	
City	Total deaths	Death rate <sup>1</sup>	Deaths under 1 year	Infant mor- tality rate <sup>3</sup>	Death rate <sup>3</sup>	Deaths under 1 year	1931	1930
Milwaukee Minneapolis Nashville White	105 116 43 32	9.3 12.8 14.4	8 13 7 5	35 84 104 100	9.7 10.4 18.3	18 2 6 3	10. 2 12. 0 17. 5	10. 5 11. 2 16. 7
Colored New Bedford ' New Haven New Orleans	11 32 21 154	(6) 14.8 6.7 17.2	2 3 0 16	118 80 0 88	( <sup>6</sup> ) 16. 2 9. 9 18. 5	3 1 0 14	(f) 13.7 12.9 18.2	( <sup>6</sup> ) 12.8 14.6 18.9
White Colored New York Bronx Borough Brooklyn Borough	83 71 1, 380 180 462	( <sup>6</sup> ) 10.1 7.1 9.2	9 7 108 15 45	74 114 45 34 48	(*) 11.1 8.1 9.6	8 6 119 10 49	(0) 12.7 9.1 11.7	(9) 12.0 8.6 11.1
Manhattan Borough Queens Borough Richmond Borough Newark, N. J. Oakland	520 163 55 109	14.9 7.4 17.5 12.3	37 9 2 5	63 25 36 26	16.9 7.2 18.0 12.4	51 6 3 11	19.4 8.1 14.4 13.1	18.0 7.8 15.2 13.7
Oakland	55 34 51 38 464	9.8 9.0 12.3 14.3 12.3	1 4 8 1 41	13 55 90 17 60	9.7 16.4 13.1 12.0 11.1	2 12 4 2 30	11. 8 12. 1 14. 7 15. 0 15. 1	11.7 10.4 14.0 13.6 13.7
Pittsburgh Portland, Oreg Providence Richmond	175 68 48 60	13.5 11.5 9.8 17.0	20 5 8 5	69 61 74 73	13.6 14.1 11.1 14.2	16 3 8 8	16.7 12.5 14.5 17.1	15.3 13.2 14.9 16.0
White Colored Rochester St. Louis St. Paul	39 21 72 232 53	(6) 11.3 14.6 10.0	3 2 5 6 0	66 87 46 20 0	( <sup>6</sup> ) 14.3 14.5 9.9	6 2 6 10 4	( <sup>6</sup> ) 13.3 16.8 11.4	( <sup>0</sup> ) 12.7 14.7 10.9
Salt Lake City <sup>4</sup> San Antonio San Diego San Francisco	17 81 42 170	6.2 17.6 14.0 13.6	1 18 3 12	15 61 80	14.4 21.7 13.3 13.3	2 26 2 5	13.0 16.2 14.9 13.9	13.8 18.6 14.9 13.7
Schenectady Seattle Somerville South Bend Spokane.	11 78 12 15 25	6.0 10.9 5.9 7.2 11.2	1 5 3 1 2	29 47 112 25 52	9.3 10.8 8.5 7.5 13.5	1 4 0 1 3	11.2 12.5 10.7 & 9 12.9	12.4 11.6 11.6 9.5 13.4
Spokane. Springfield, Mass Syracuse. Tacoma Toledo	29 46 18 91	9.9 11.3 8.7 16.1	3 4 2 4	46 47 51 37	14. 2 14. 1 10. 2 13. 8	5 5 0 9	13.6 12.6 13.8 13.0	13.8 13.2 13.1 13.8
Trenton Utica Washington, D. C White Colored	37 28 118 74 44	15.6 14.3 12.5 (0)	2 1 11 6 5	35 26 61 49 86	27.5 11.3 16.1	6 0 12 6 6	19. 1 15. 7 17. 3 (•)	18.1 16.7 16.0
Waterbury Wilmington, Del.' Worcestor	12 26 36 25	6.2 12.7 9.5 9.4	2 2 3 4	60 43 41 105	11.5 17.1 12.0 5.8	4 4 6 2	10.6 15.8 14.1 9.5	10.4 15.7 14.7 8.7
Youngstown	25	7.5	1	14	9. 2	2	11.0	11.0

<sup>1</sup> Deaths of nonresidents are included. Stillbirths are excluded. <sup>3</sup> These rates represent annual rates per 1,000 population, as estimated for 1931 and 1930 by the arithmetical method

<sup>3</sup> Deaths under 1 year of age per 1,000 live births. Cities left blank are not in the registration area for births.

4 Data for 76 cities.

Data for 70 cities.
Deaths for week ended Friday.
For the cities for which deaths are shown by color, the percentage of colored population in 1920 was as follows: Atlanta, 31; Baltimore, 15; Birmingham, 39; Dallas, 16; Forth Worth, 14; Houston, 25; Indianapolis, 11; Kansas City, Kans., 14; Knorville, 15; Louisville, 17; Memphis, 38; Miami, 31; Nashville, 30; New Orleans, 22; Richmond, 32; and Washington, D. C., 26.
Pepulation Apr. 1, 1930; decreased 1920 to 1930, no estimate made.

# PREVALENCE OF DISEASE

<u>.</u>... . ۲ 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 WEEKLY STATE REPORTS

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

Reports for Weeks Ended June 13, 1931, and June 14, 1930

Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended June 13, 1931, and June 14, 1930

	Diph	theria	Influ	lenza	Me	asles		ococcus ngitis
Division and State	Week ended June 13, 1931	Week ended June 14, 1930	Week ended June 13, 1931	Week ended June 14, 1930	Week ended June 13, 1931	Week ended June 14, 1930	Week ended June 13, 1931	Week ended June 14, 1930
New England States: Maine. New Hampshire Vermont.		23 1	1	2	24 14 54	77 27 25	1 0 0	1 0 0
Massachusetts Rhode Island Connecticut Middle Atlantic States:	36 6 1	39 20	2	4 1 1	586 137 241	1, 224 29 41	1 0 0	0 5 0 3
New York New Jersey Pennsylvania East North Central States:	105 42 67	128 89 87	<sup>1</sup> 7 7	14 5	2, 441 860 2, 405	2, 425 1, 260 1, 106	6 4 6	11 3 16
East North Central States: Ohio Indiana Illinois. Michigan	45 18 105 28	46 4 153 51	28 2 11 4	12 	1, 474 380 1, 556 298	651 129 404 728	4 5 14 4	6 1 8 22 1
Wisconsin. West North Central States: Minnesota	20 4 12 3	6 7 4	13	7 3	1, 062 127 26	448 106 87	3 6 0	1 2 1
Iowa Missouri North Dakota South Dakota Nebraska	17 1 3 5	27 3 3 6	 1 2		162 15 12 8	40 17 228 49	1 1 0 1	3 1 1 1
Kansas South Atlantic States: Delaware Maryland <sup>13</sup> District of Columbia	14 2 11 13	14 1 19	1 7	2 9	116 65 477	333 6 26 56	0 0 0	2 0 1
District of Columbia West Virginia North Carolina <sup>3</sup> South Carolina Georgia <sup>3</sup>	13 11 14 10 3	4 6 12 9 4	7 1 176 13	2 2 174 10	83 164 542 164 70	00 34 74 79 92	1 4 1 0	0012
Florida	6	5		ĩ	50	82	ŏ	ō

<sup>1</sup> New York City only. <sup>2</sup> Week ended Friday. <sup>3</sup> Typhus fever: 1931, 9 cases; 1 case in Maryland; 1 case in North Carolina; 2 cases in Georgia; and 5 cases in Texas.

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<b> </b>	Dipl	ntheria	Infl	uenza	Me	esles	Menin men	gococcus ingitis
Division and State	Week ended June 13, 1931	Week ended June 14, 1930	Week ended June 13, 1931	Week ended June 14, 1930	Week ended June 13, 1931	Week ended June 14, 1930	Week ended June 13, 1931	Week ended June 14, 1930
East South Central States: Kentucky Tennessee Alabama Mississippi West South Central States:	5	6 5 8	9 12	11 11	90 60 40	24 77 107	3 0 0 1	02003
Arkansas Oklahoma 4 Teras 3. Mountain States:	1 1	25 8 13	4 3 17 4	4 5 25 23	25 5 32 77	18 19 82 103	0 2 0 2	5 0 3 0
Montana Idaho	5	78	1		12 1 13 96 47 23	25 4 51 320 43 75	0 1 0 0 0	0 0 3 1 0 1
Utah <sup>2</sup> Pacific States: Washington Oregon California	1 5 2 60	1 4 44	12 32	6 13	4 74 47 730	192 516 95 1, 470	0 0 0 1	1 4 0 4
	Poliomyelitis		Scarlet fever		Smallpox		Typhoid fever	
Division and State	Week ended June 13, 1931	Week ended June 14, 1930	Week ended June 13, 1931	Week ended June 14, 1930	Week ended June 13, 1931	Week ended June 14, 1930	Week ended June 13, 1931	Week ended June 14, 1930
New England States: Maine. New Hampshire. Vermont. Massachusetts. Rhode Island. Connecticut.	0 0 2 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 2	22 1 4 195 31 26	10 8 8 150 11 43	0 0 8 0 0	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	700	6 0 2 1 0
Middle Atlantic States: New York New Jersey Pennsylvania East North Central States:	5 0 1	2 0 2	610 219 <b>43</b> 0	287 144 270	3 0 0	5 0 0	18 2 11	18 5 13
Ohio Indiana Illinois Michigan Wisconsin West North Central States:	1 0 1 8 1	3 0 1 1 1	352 99 401 384 99	252 75 325 215 126	20 101 60 30 6	119 106 90 <u>41</u> 17	7 0 6 5 3	11 3 10 4 2
Minnesota Jowa Missouri North Dakota South Dakota Nebraska Kansas	2 0 1 2 1 0	2 0 0 1 0 1	67 42 68 12 4 32 25	61 35 94 20 δ 13 52	5 61 37 7 2 20 64	8 147 44 20 21 39 98	0 2 5 0 1 0 4	1 10 1 0 1 8
Autsa South Atlantic States: Delaware Maryland <sup>1</sup> District of Columbia	0 0 0 0 0 0 3 1 0	1 0 0 0 2 1 0 0	23 9 28 10 26 25 1 28 1	5 65 16 24 21 4 10 3	0 0 0 8 1 2 0 0	98 0 0 10 13 0 0 1	4 0 6 0 8 18 24 23 1	8 7 25 27 73 17 7

Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended June 13, 1931, and June 14, 1930—Continued

<sup>2</sup> Week ended Friday <sup>3</sup> Typhus fever 1931, 9 cases; 1 case in Maryland; 1 case in North Carolina; 2 cases in Georgia; and 5 cases in Texas.

Figures for 1931 are exclusive of Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

	Poliomyelitis		Scarlet fever		Smallpor		Typhoid fever	
Division and State	Week ended June 13, 1931	Week ended June 14, 1930	Week ended June 13, 1931	Week ended June 14, 1930	Week ended June 13, 1930	Week ended June 14, 1930	Week cnded June 13, 1931	Week ended June 14, 1930
East South Central States:								
Kentucky.	0	0	28	27	24	5	5	4
Tennessee	l i	Ō	12	15	4	11	12	21
Alabama	Ī	ΙŌ	13	6	3	2	20	12
Mississinni	Ō	Ó	7	1	17	2	13	23
West South Central States:								
Arkansas	1	0	3	1	40	5	4	4
Louisiana		11	24	6	17	3	17	43
Oklahoma 4		3	11	28	56	122	10	10
Texas <sup>3</sup>	0	1	45	13	135	32	11	5
Mountain States:					_			-
Montana		0	13	15	7	3	2	0
Idaho		0		3	0	0 20	0	, v
Wyoming Colorado	2	0	14	10	ŏ	20	1	1
New Mexico	ő	ŏ	17	3	ŏ	2	1	4
Arizona	ŏ	ŏ	2	) 1	ŏ	4	7	1
Utah <sup>3</sup>	Ň	ŏ	3	ó	ĭ	1	i i i	ō
Pacific States:		v		v	-	-	•	v
Washington	1	0	20	26	26	30	6	3
Oregon	Ô	ŏ	13	15	12	16	2	ő
California	, i	36	96	112	17	31	18	16

Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended June 13, 1931, and June 14, 1930—Continued

<sup>3</sup> Week ended Friday. <sup>3</sup> Typhus fever: 1931, 9 cases: 1 case in Maryland; 1 case in North Carolina; 2 cases in Georgia; and 5 cases in Texas.

<sup>4</sup> Figures for 1931 are exclusive of Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

#### SUMMARY OF MONTHLY REPORTS FROM STATES

The following summary of cases reported monthly by States is published weekly and covers only thos States from which reports are received during the current week.

State	Menin- gococ- cus menin- gitis	Diph- theri <b>a</b>	Influ- enza	Ma- laria	Mea- sles	Pel- lagra	Polio- myelitis	Scarlet fever	Small- pox	Ty- phoid fever
May, 1931			· ·							
Arkansas	2	10	65	42	212	330	1	50	106	24
Maine	3	23	18	£	68		0	145	0	5
Massachusetts	8	152	23	1	2, 299	1	3	1, 542	0	21
Nebraska	9	26	12		49		0	198	233	3
New Hampshire		6						11		
North Dakota	8	30	8		302		0	145	22	5
Ohio	15	134	104	1	5,027	1	5	1,824	192	38
Tennessee	34	42	336	97	1,704	73	4	414	100	38 32
Vermont		2			69		ō	22	18	2
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Cases

Anthrax:	
Massachusetts	1
Chicken pox:	
Arkansas	109
Maine	166
Massachusetts	1, 138
Nebraska	329
North Dakota	131
Ohio	1, 916
Tennessee	188
Vermont	127
Conjunctivitis:	
Maine	5
Diarrhea and enteritis (under 2 years):	
Ohio	9

Dysentery:	Cases
Massachusetts	. 2
Ohio	. 2
Tennessee	. 7
Food poisoning:	
Ohio	. 8
German measles:	
Maine	10
Massachusetts	602
Ohio	268
Tennessee	37
Hookworm disease:	
Arkansas	1
Lead poisoning:	
Massachusetts	2
Ohio	7

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Lethargic encephalitis:	Cases	Tetanus:	Ceses
Maine	. 1	Ohio	- 4
North Dakota		Tennessee	1
Ohio	. 3	Trachoma:	
Tennessee	. 1	Arkansas	8
Mumps:		Maine	5
Arkansas	. 67	Massachusetts	8
Maine	. 246	Ohio	1
Massachusetts	644	Tennessee	1
Nebraska	655	Trichinosis:	
North Dakota	113	Massachusetts	5
Ohio	2, 511	Ohio	. 1
Tennessee	164	Tularæmia:	
Vermont	95	Tennessee	- 4
Opthalmia neonatorum:		Undulant fever:	
Arkansas	. 2	Arkansas	1
Massachusetts	122	North Dakota	2
Ohio	79	Ohio	10
Tennessee	. 3	Vermont	2
Paratyphoid fever:		Vincent's angina:	
Arkansas	3	Maine	2
Maine	. 1	North Dakota	22
Ohio	1	Tennessee	3
Puerperal septicemia:		Whooping cough:	
Ohio	5	Arkansas	68
Tennessee	1	Maine	103
Septic sore throat:		Massachusetts	626
Massachusetts	15	Nebraska	111
Ohio	86	North Dakota	51
Tennessee	10	Ohio	481
		Tennessee	291
		Vermont	42

#### GENERAL CURRENT SUMMARY AND WEEKLY REPORTS FROM CITIES

The 98 cities reporting cases used in the following table are situated in all parts of the country and have an estimated aggregate population of more than 33,480,000. The estimated population of the 91 cities reporting deaths is more than 31,935,000. The estimated expectancy is based on the experience of the last nine years, excluding epidemics.

	1931	1930	Estimated expectancy
Diphtheria: Cases reported			
46 States	836	950	1
98 cities	427	471	712
Measles:			
44 States	18, 417	15, 290	
98 cities	7,037	5, 893	
Meningococcus meningitis:			
46 States	92	126	
98 cities	40	64	
Poliomyelitis:			1
46 States	26	52	
Scarlet fever:			
46 States	4, 207	2, 882	
98 cities	1, 990	1, 314	1, 135
Smallpox:			1
46 States	872	1, 054	
98 cities	93	125	50
Typhoid fever:			
46 States	242	343	
98 cities	40	51	45
Deaths reported			
Influenza and pneumonia:			
91 cities	566	534	
Smallpox:			
91 cities	0	θ	

Weeks ended June 6, 1931, and June 7, 1930

#### City reports for week ended June 6, 1931

The "estimated expectancy" given for diphtheria, poliomyalitis, scarlet fever, smallpox, and typhoid fever is the result of an attempt to ascertain from previous occurrence the number of cases of the disease under consideration that may be expected to occur during a certain week in the absence of epidemics. It is based on reports to the Public Health Service during the past nine years. It is in most instances the median number of cases reported in the corresponding weeks of the preceding years. When the reports include several epidemics, or when for other reasons the median is unsatisfactory, the epidemic periods are excluded, and the estimated expectancy is the mean number of cases reported for the week during nonepidemic years.

If the reports have not been received for the full nine years, data are used for as many years as possible, but no year earlier than 1922 is included. In obtaining the estimated expectancy, the figures are smoothed when necessary to avoid abrupt deviation from the usual trend. For some of the diseases given in the table the available data were not sufficient to make it practicable to compute the estimated expectancy.

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		Dipn	theria	Innu	lenza			Denem	
Division, State, and city	Chicken pox, cases reported	Cases, estimated expect- ancy Cases reported		Cases reported	Deaths reported	Measles, cases reported	Mumps, cases reported	Pneu- monia, deaths reported	
NEW ENGLAND									
Maine: Portland	10	0	0		0	1	6	2	
New Hampshire: Concord	0	0	0		0	20	0	. 0	
Vermont: Barre	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	
Burlington Massachusetts:	2 95	0	1	1	0	0 64	0 10	0 33	
Boston Fall River Springfield	80 6 0	29 2 2	2		Ŏ	28 18	10 1 14	0 1	
Worcester Rhode Island:	23	3	5		ŏ	4	37	0	
Pawtucket Providence	0 7	1 5	0 4		0 0	0 105	0 25	0 2	
Connecticut: Bridgeport	0 1	4	2 0	1	1	7 8	2 2	3 7	
Hartford New Haven	30	4 1	ŏ		ŏ	133	10	2	
MIDDLE ATLANTIC								r.	
New York: Buffalo	27	8	2		2	215	35	23	
New York Rochester	407 16 15	231 5 2	144 0 0	8]	4 0 0	1, 446 177 32	87 13 0	135 4 0	
Syracuse New Jersey: Camden	15	2	0		0	2	1	1	
Newark Trenton	79 2	12 2	6 1	2	ŏ	27 10	11	6 3	
Pennsylvania: Philadelphia	83	52	5	4	5	439	47	32	
Pittsburgh Reading	51 12	15 1	7 1	2	0	101 14	90 3	22 3	
EAST NORTH CENTRAL									
Ohio: Cincinnati	12	5	1		0	92	15	6	
Cleveland Columbus	186 20	22 3	13 1		1	390 10	336 5	18 1	
Toledo Indiana:	57	4	ī	2	2	6	26	4	
Fort Wayne Indianapolis South Bend	3 32 2	1 2 1	3 0 0		0 0 1	8 213 12	0 27 0	2 9 0	
Terre Haute Illinois:	í	Ő	ŏ		Ō	10	ŏ	4	
Chicago Springfield	155 17	84 0	81 0	3	1 0	1, 041 16	79 7	37 1	
Michigan: Detroit	134	41	22	3	0	46	61 13	10	
Flint Grand Rapids	36 0	1	0		ő	2 70	13	1	

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Division, State, and city		Diph	theria	Infit	ienza			1
	Chicken pox, cases reported	Cases, estimated expect- ancy	Cases reported	Cases reported	Deaths reported	Measles, cases reported	Mumps, cases reported	Pnsu- monia, deaths reported
EAST NORTH CEN- TRAL-continued								
Wisconsin: Kenosha Madison Milwaukee Racine Superior	1 22 107 16 2	0 0 11 1 0	0 3 2 1 0		0 0 0	1 1 466 3 1	91 45 348 25 1	1 2 1 2
WEST NORTH CENTRAL								
Minnesota: Duluth Minneapolis St. Paul Iowa:	18 160 74	0 11 7	0 5 3		0 2 0	0 194 45	2 199 5	0 12 7
Davenport Des Moines Sioux City Waterloo Missouri:	0 0 7 2	0 1 0 0	0 1 0 0			0 0 2 2	1 0 16 0	
Kansas City St. Joseph St. Louis North Dakota:	12 0 34	2 0 26	0 0 16		0 0	162 7 8	0 0 15	4 2 9
Fargo Grand Forks	2 0	0 0	0 0		0	0	4 0	0
South Dakota: Aberdeen Sioux Falls	8 0	0 0	. 0			6 0	0	
Nebraska: Omaha Kansas:	10	2	4		0	1	22	8
Topeka Wichita	10 7	1	0 1		0	1 5	50 1	1
SOUTH ATLANTIC								
Delaware: Wilmington	o	1	0		0	10	2	1
Maryland: Baltimore Cumberland	6 <u>4</u> 0	18 0	12 0	1	2 0	<b>3</b> 93	31 0	12 1
Frederick District of Columbia:	Ó	0	0		Ō	2	Ŏ	0
Washington Virginia:	19	9	5		0	107	0	4
Lynchburg Richmond Roanoke	5 2 1	0 1 1	0 0 0		0 0 0	3 79 9	0 0 0	0 3 3
West Virginia: Charleston Wheeling	12	0	1 0	1	1 0	1	0 1	1 1
North Carolina: Raleigh Wilmington	8	0	0		0	52 0	0	1
Winston-Salem South Carolina:	5	Ó	Ó		1	64	3	0
Charleston Columbia Georgia:	0	0	1 0		1 0	1	0 1	1 5
Atlanta Brunswick	2	1	0	4	1	14 0	0	2 1 2
Savannah Florida: Miami	1	0	0 0	2	0	8 95	1	2 1 0

#### Diphtheria Influenza Pneu-Measles, Chicken Mumps, Division, State, and city monia, pox, case Cases C8.965 Cases deaths Deaths reported estimated Cases Cases reported reported reported expectreported reported reported ancy EAST SOUTH CENTRAL Kentucky: 0 10 0 2 0 1 Covington. 1 Tennessee: 13 0 0 10 107 40 Memphis. 9 Nashville..... Õ Ó Ó 64 Alabama: 6 2 4 14 1 Birmingham .... 7 1 0 Mobile\_\_\_\_\_ Montgomery\_\_\_\_\_ ō Ò 100 1 1 0 0 Õ Ô Ō Õ ---WEST SOUTH CENTRAL Arkansas: Fort Smith ... 0 0 0 0 0 ō Little Rock ž ŏ Õ Ō 17 0 \_\_\_\_ Louisiana: 7 10 0 0 9 New Orleans. 3 1 ŏ ō ī 3 Shreveport\_\_ Ô Ò 1 Oklahoma: 0 0 1 0 0 Muskogee. 4 Texas: Dallas 2 2 2 12 18 7 3 2 11 4 1 2 ĩ Fort Worth ..... 0 1 Ő ō ŏ ō Galveston ..... 0 ō 144 2Ì Ô 1 Houston ... ĺ 2 3 ----24 ō San Antonio ō 2 4 1 .... MOUNTAIN Montana: 0 0 Billings 0 15 0 14 0 Õ Ô 0 0 0 Great Falls.... 6 Ó ŏ ŏ Õ 7 ĺ Ó Helena Õ ī ŏ ŏ Õ 0 0 Missoula\_ Idaho: 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 Boise Colorado: 0 62 23 4 35 8 7 Denver ŏ 9 õ õ Pueblo ... 0 0 0 New Mexico: Albuquerque 0 5 2 1 10 0 0 Arizona: 1 0 1 0 Phoenix. 0 0 0 Utah: Salt Lake City. 2 10 0 1 24 2 0 Nevada: 3 0 0 0 6 0 0 Reno. PACIFIC Washington: 0 6 43 74 $\frac{2}{2}$ Seattle .... Õ 5 0 Spokane\_\_\_\_\_ 8 ī ğ ĩ Õ Õ ž Tacoma..... 1 Oregon: 0 30 10 C Portland .. 15 4 1 Õ õ Ô 0 7 Salem\_\_\_\_\_ 2 0 Czlifornia: 107 10 29 28 15 14 1 16 Los Angelés. 2 Õ 4 0 2 39 Sacramento ..... 2 4 104 ž 7 San Francisco.... 54 13 5 3

	Scarle	t fever	Smallpox			Tuber-	Т	phoid f	Whoop-		
Division, State, and city	Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases re- ported	Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases re- ported	Deaths re- ported	culo- sis, deaths re-	Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases re- ported	Deaths re- ported	ing cough, cases re- ported	Deaths, all causes
NEW ENGLAND											
Maine:							·				
Portland New Hampshire:	2	7	0	0	0	1	0	ዑ	0	6	81
Concord	0	0	o	0	0	0	0	0	o	0	4
Vermont:											
Barre Burlington	1	0	0	0 1	0 0	1	0	0	0	8 8	4
Massachusetts:										-	
Boston Fall River	62 4	83 2	0	0	0	11	1	0	0	21	210
Springfield	6	10	ŏ	0	ŏ	3 1	ō	ŏ	ŏ	0	21 23
Worcester	8	25	Ó	Ŏ	Ŏ	ő	Ō	Ő	Õ	9	36
Rhode Island: Pawtucket	2	1	o	o	o	1	0	0	o	0	19
Providence	8	29	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	i	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	ĭ	48
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Bridgeport  Hartford	73	11	0	0   0	0	2   2	0	0	0	1	35 56
New Haven		3	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	ĩ	ĭ	ĭ	ŏ	8	21
MIDDLE ATLANTIC		ł									
New York:											
Buffalo	21	32	0	1	0	10	0	0	0	18	146
New York Rochester	249 9	384 54	8	0	0	112	9	9	1	238	1, 423
Syracuse	7	21	ŏ	8	ŏ	1	8	8	0	14 24	68 46
New Jersey:		1									
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EAST NORTH CENTRAL							-				
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Columbus	7	5	ŏ	ő	ŏ	1	ŏ	ŏ	8	33 1	209 85
Toledo	11	12	0 1	01	ŏ	10	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	20	91
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Indianapolis	12	36	2 7	20	ŏ	2	ō	ŏ	ŏ	48 .	
South Bend Terre Haute	3	36	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	4	14
linois:	1	٩	۲,	° I	0	0	• 0	0	0	1	20
Chicago	105	285	1	Ŷ	0	45	2 1	0	0	102	730
Springfield fichigan:	3	3	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	20
Detroit	100	188	1	1	0	9	1	2	0	164	251
Flint	11	19	1 2 0	01	8	24	0	20	8	19	23
Grand Rapids_ Visconsin:	9	14		3	0	4	0	Ŏ	0	13	46
Kenosha	1	6	0	0	0	1	0	o	0	6	8
Madison Milwaukee	3	10	000	0 0 0			0	8		5	
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New Orleans. Shreveport Oklahoma:	6 0					0	16 4	30	0	02	26	154 28
Muskogee Texas: Dallas Forth Worth Galveston Houston San Antonio	0 2 2 0 1 1	4 6 0 2 1		2 5 0 0 1 5		0 0 0 0 0 0 0	6 2 1 5 5 5	0 1 0 0 0 1	0 0 1 1 0	0 0 0 0 0	0 23 0 0 1 0	57 30 21 66 81
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Boise Colorado: Denver Pueblo	0 10 1	0 7 1	·   .	1			6 1	0	20	0	1 48 2	1 77 11
New Mexico: Albuquerque Arizona:	1	0		0			8	0	0	0	0	12
Phoenix Utah: Salt Lake City. Nevada:	1 2	0 2					2 0	0	0	0 0	0 8	17
Reno PACIFIC	0	0	0	0		<b>)</b>	1	0	0	0	0	10
Washington: Seattle Spokane Tacoma Oregon:	7 4 3	7 1 1	1 5 3	8	ō		1	0 0 0	2 0 0	ō-	93 0 2	
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Division, State,	and cit;	У	Cases	Deaths	Cases	De	aths	Cases	Deaths	Cases esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases	Deaths
NEW ENGL. Massachusetts:												
Boston Worcester MIDDLE ATLA			2 1	1 0	0 1		0 1	1 0	0 0	0 0	0	1 0
New York: Buffalo New York			07	0	0		12	0	0	0	0	0
New Jersey: Newark Pennsylvania:			1	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Philadelphia Pittsburgh			5 1	3 1	0		0 1	1 0	1 0	0	10	0

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Division, State, and city	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases	Deaths
EAST NORTH CENTRAL			-						
Ohio:	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Cleveland Toledo	ŏ	ŏ	2	ŏ	ŏ	ò	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ
Indiana: Indianapolis	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Illinois: Chicago	10	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Michigan: Detroit	0	0	1	0	0	o	0	0	0
Flint Grand Rapids		1 0	0	1	0	0 0	0	Ó	Ó
Wisconsin:	0	0	0	1	. 0	o	0	o	0
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WEST NORTH CENTRAL									
Missouri: St. Louis	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nebraska: Omaha	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kansas: Topeka	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
SOUTH ATLANTIC		-	-				-		•
Maryland:									
Baltimore	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Washington	1	1	0	0	0	0	. 0	0	0
North Carolina: Wilmington	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	. 0
Winston-Salem South Carolina:	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Charleston Columbia	0	02	8	0	1	0	0	0	0
Georgia: Atlanta	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	o	0
Brunswick	Ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	Ô	Ŭ 8	2	ŏ	Ŏ	Ŏ
Savannah <sup>1</sup>	۰	, v	۲,	v	°	1	Ŭ	Ŭ	v
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Tennessee: Memphis	0	) o	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Alabama: <sup>2</sup> Mobile	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL									
Louisiana:									
New Orleans	1	8	0	0	2	2 1	0	8	0
Texas: Dallas	1	o	0	o	o	o	o	٥	0
Fort Worth 1 San Antonio	02	Ŏ	Ŏ	Ŏ	Ŏ	1	Ŏ	0 0	Õ
MOUNTAIN	1	Ů	١	٦ ا	Ĩ	Ů	Ĩ	ľ	Ŭ
Utah: Salt Lake City	1	1	o	0	0	o	0	1	1
PACIFIC	-	•	Ĩ	Ĩ	Ĩ	Ť	Ĩ		-
Washington: Tacoma	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
California: Los Angeles	0	o	0	0	Q	0	1	2	3
San Francisco	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0

# City reports for week ended June 6, 1931-Continued

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<sup>1</sup> Typhus fever: 3 cases; 2 cases at Savannah, Ga., and 1 case at Fort Worth, Tex. <sup>2</sup> Rables (in man): 1 death at Birmingham, Ala.

The following tables give the rates per 100,000 population for 98 cities for the 5-week period ended June 6, 1931, compared with those for a like period ended The population figures used in computing the rates are estimated June 7, 1930. midyear populations for 1930 and 1931, respectively, derived from the 1930 The 98 cities reporting cases have an estimated aggregate population of census. more than 33,000,000. The 91 cities reporting deaths have more than 31,500,000 estimated population.

Summary of weekly reports from cities, May 3 to June 6, 1931-Annual rates per 100,000 population, compared with rates for the corresponding period of 1930  $^{i}$ 

		Week ended-									
	May	May	May	May	May	May	May	May	June	June	
	9,	10,	16,	17,	23,	24,	30,	31,	6,	7,	
	1931	1930	1931	1930	1931	1930	1931	1930	1931	1930	
	2 67	77	63	74	62	79	59	76	67	75	
New England	38	65	38	106	48	68	50	56	46	94	
Middle Atlantic	61	85	58	74	63	76	58	67	74	68	
East North Central	82	103	72	91	67	115	81	110	75	112	
West North Central	71	45	71	74	75	72	54	77	55	52	
South Atlantic	63	62	55	54	38	54	41	60	39	54	
East South Central	41	6	17	30	12	24	17	36	12	12	
West South Central	108	73	81	66	81	52	54	49	68	38	
Mountain	27	70	61	35	61	53	52	44	191	18	
Pacific	61	49	74	43	72	59	37	67	49	65	

## DIPHTHERIA CASE RATES

### MEASLES CASE RATES

98 cities	² 1,304	1, 411	1, 403	1, 255	1, 372	1, 159	1, 114	911	1,096	934
New England	1,063	2,303	1.166	1,843	1, 190	1,877	935	1,558	933	1,596
Middle Atlantic	1,433	1, 295	1,486	1,337	1,478	1,091	1, 187	940	1, 101	1,021
East North Central	1,102	927	1, 313	814	1,458	685	1,304	524	1, 446	512
West North Central	1.016	1, 269	1, 396	831	1,098	794	641	525	817	420
South Atlantic	3, 553	1,298	3, 365	1,228	2,840	957	2,089	793	1,473	523
East South Central	1,263	442	1,234	359	1,234	568	1,047	335	1,140	371
West South Central	152	711	166	735	271	547	294	453	254	115
Mountain	a 555	9,128	531	6,652	618	7, 119	461	5,674	870	5,665
Pacific	501	1,992	554	1,670	456	2, 180	492	1, 397	511	1,903
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## SCARLET FEVER CASE RATES

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New England	630	310	666	261	536	314	351	307	414	252
Middle Ätlantic	448	266	439	222	442	204	304	162	355	186
East North Central	439	318	454	308	412	227	438	264	422	293
West North Central	440	238	383	262	340	306	291	213	258	265
South Atlantic	276	242	243	172	241	164	239	126	197	170
East South Central	250	138	337	24	390	102	297	72	151	- 96
West South Central	105	94	108	73	85	49	51	14	41	73
Mountain	\$ 170	370	157	229	270	300	165	97	104	194
Pacific	106	130	123	128	88	97	110	71	86	93
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<sup>1</sup> The figures given in this table are rates per 100,000 population, annual basis, and not the number of cases reported. Populations used are estimated as of July 1, 1931 and 1930, respectively. <sup>9</sup> Billings, Mont., not included.

## Summary of weekly reports from cities, May 3 to June 6, 1951—Annual rates per 100,000 population, compared with rates for the corresponding period of 1930— Continued

SMALLPOX CASE RATES

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	1931	1930	1931	1930	1931	1930	1931	1930	1931	1930	
98 cities	<b>9</b> 15	24	17	22	16	20	15	15	14	20	
New England	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Middle Atlantic	3	0	1	0	4	0	1	1	0	1	
East North Central	6	22	23	16	15	10	11	12	16	8	
West North Central	78	101	75	126	67	110	88	56	42	118	
South Atlantic	8	0	6	4	6	2	24	10	18	4	
East South Central	41	6	12	72	41	30	6	30	17	30	
West South Central	64	38	41	21	47	10	37	14	41	21	
Mountain	• 9	79	17	62	9	70	26	62	26	62	
Pacific	12	83	25	47	12	71	12	49	33	59	

## TYPHOID FEVER CASE RATES

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## INFLUENZA DEATH RATES

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Billings, Mont., not included .

# FOREIGN AND INSULAR

## CANADA

Provinces—Communicable diseases—Week ended May 30, 1931.— The Department of Pensions and National Health of Canada reports cases of certain communicable diseases for the week ended May 30, 1931, as follows:

Province	Cerebro- spinal fever	Influenza	Poliomy <del>e</del> - litis	Smallpox	Typhoid fever
Prince Edward Island <sup>1</sup> Nova Scotia Quebec Ontario		7			1 2 12
Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia	1 2			8	 1 3 2
Total	3	7	1	11	21

<sup>1</sup> No case of any disease included in the table was reported during the week.

Quebec Province—Communicable diseases—Week ended June 6, 1931.—The Bureau of Health of the Province of Quebec, Canada, reports cases of certain communicable diseases for the week ended June 6, 1931, as follows:

Disease	Cases	Disease	Cases
Cerebrospinal meningitis Chicken pox Diphtheria Erysipelas German measles Measles	1 78 37 4 13 458	Mumps	13 71 62 6 9

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Ontario—Communicable diseases—Five weeks ended May 30, 1931.— During the five weeks ended May 30, 1931, and the corresponding period of 1930, certain diseases were reported in the Province of Ontario, Canada, as follows:

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Disease	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Cerebrospinal meningitis.	14	7	3	1
Chancroid. Chicken pox Conjunctivitis.	821	i	1, 081	
Diphtheria. Dysenterv.	237	18	157	10
Erysipelas German measles			195	
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Influenza. Lethargic encephalitis.	30	10	12	5
Measles	1, 883	2	1, 222 454	1
Paratyphoid fever Pneumonia		236	18	1 165
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Scarlet fever Septic sore throat	881 8	11	831	3
Smallpox Syphilis	94 240		32 248	
Tuberculosis Typhoid fever	194 36	75 1	175	77 3
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## CHINA

Manchuria—Plague.—The epidemic of bubonic plague which occurred during the months of August and September, 1930, in the Ssupingkai Railroad and Nungan areas of Manchuria, was brought to an end in the middle of October. The total number of deaths reported from plague during this period was 270. The epidemic started in several villages in a locality which borders on inner Mongolia, involving mainly small villages at short distances from the railway. The mortality was reported to have been high.

Harbin—Communicable diseases—December, 1930–February, 1931.— During the months of December, 1930, and January and February, 1931, cases of certain communicable diseases were reported in Harbin, Manchuria, as follows:

Disease	December,	January,	February,
	1930	1931	1931
Diphtheria Dysentery Meningitis	27 . 15	12 8	17 11 1
Scarlet fever	35	32	43
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May 6, 1931	10	9
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May 30, 1931	3	2
Canton:		
Week ended-		
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May 30, 1931	2	
Amoy: Week ended May 16, 1931	1	

# Meningitis.---Meningitis has been reported in China as follows:

# MEXICO

Tampico—Communicable diseases—May, 1931.—During the month of May, 1931, certain communicable diseases were reported in Tampico, Mexico, as follows:

Disease	Cases	Deaths	Disease	Cases	Deaths
Chicken pox Diphtheria Enteritis, various Influenza Malaria	5 2 17 17 121	 51 1 10	Measles	9 43 3 53	1 38 5 1

Vera Cruz—Deaths during year ended June 1, 1931.—During the year ended June 1, 1931, 1,938 deaths were reported in Vera Cruz, Mexico. Deaths from certain diseases were reported as follows:

Disease	Deaths	Disease	Deaths
Cancer Diphtheria Dysentery Erysipelas Influenza Leprosy Malaria Measles	18 4 6 2 7 2 38 6	Puerperal fever Rabies Smallpox Tetanus Tuberculosis, all forms Typhoid and paratyphoid fever Typhois fever Whooping cough	1 1 13 237 21 2 3

The population of Vera Cruz, according to the 1930 census, was 71,983.

Vera Cruz—Deaths—May 4 to 31, 1931.—During the four weeks ended May 31, 1931, deaths from certain causes were reported in Vera Cruz, Mexico, as follows:

Disease	Deaths	Disease	Deaths
Bronchitis Cancer Gastro-intestinal disorders Malaria Meningitis Pneumonia Pyemia	1 4 40 2 1 10 10	Septicemia	1 4 14 52 132

From medical officers of the Public Health Service, American consuls, International Office of Public Hygiene, Pan American Sanitary Bureau, health section of the League of Nations, and other accurations. The reports outsined in the following tables must not be considered as complete or final as regards either the list of countries included or the Agurea for the particular countries for which reports are given.

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