## PUBLICHEALTH REPORTS

## CURRENT PREVALENCE OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES IN THE UNITED STATES ${ }^{1}$

September 13-October 10, 1931
The prevalence of certain important communicable diseases, as indicated by weekly telegraphic reports from State health departments to the Public Health Service, is summarized in this report. The underlying statistical data are published weekly in the Public Health Reports under the section entitled "Prevalence of Disease."

Poliomyelitis.-For the country as a whole, the total number of cases of poliomyelitis dropped from 4,896 for the four-week period onded September 12 to 4,122 cases for the current four-week period. The incidence was, however, still considerably in excess of that for recent years, the number of cases being 1.8 times the number reported for the same period last year and more than seven times the number in 1929. For the week ended October 10, 800 cases were reported, which is the lowest number reported since the beginning of the outbreak in August.

Since the beginning of January, 13,044 cases have been reported, as compared with 5,709 cases for the corresponding period last year and 1,969 in 1929. Table 1 shows the distribution of the cases by geographic areas.

[^0]\[

$$
\begin{equation*}
76314^{\circ}-31-1 \tag{2601}
\end{equation*}
$$

\]

Table 1.-Number of poliomyelitis cases reported in different geographic areas in 1931, with comparative data for 1930 and 19291

| Geographic division and year | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} \text { Total } \\ \text { Jan. } 11 \\ \text { Oct. } 10 \end{array}\right\|$ | Week ended- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | October |  | September |  |  |  | August |  |  |  |  | July |  |  |  |
|  |  | 10 | 3 | 26 | 19 | 12 | 5 | 29 | 22 | 15 | 8 | 1 | 25 | 18 | 11 | 4 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1930 | 5, 709 | 648 | 595 | 503 | 480 | 420 | 344 | 325 | 303 | 256 |  | 221 | 196 | 213 | 173 |  |
| 1929 | 1,969 | 143 | 143 | 127 | 153 | 145 | 124 | 103 | 114 | 109 | 65 | 64 | 76 | 51 |  | 25 |
| New England and |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1931. | 9, 234 | 468 | 596 | 676 | 822 | 798 | 1,031 |  | 916 | 890 |  |  |  | 82 | 56 |  |
| 1930 | 1,154 | 129 | 142 | 136 | 104 | 84 | 69 | 118 | 90 | 61 |  |  | 22 | 17 | 5 |  |
| 1929 | 694 | 59 | 56 | 58 | 74 | 55 | 47 | 45 | 51 | 40 | 19 |  | 20 | 14 | 5 | 7 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1932 | 977 324 | 149 | 182 | 103 | 132 31 | ${ }_{37}^{96}$ | ${ }_{17}^{61}$ | 32 13 | 44 15 | 28 13 | $\stackrel{21}{11}$ |  | ${ }_{3}^{13}$ | 1 | 20 | 9 2 |
| West North Central: |  |  |  |  | 93 |  | 69 | 53 | 45 | 31 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1930 | 1,212 | 224 | 136 | 143 | 156 | 128 | 108 | 67 | 55 | 52 | 25 |  | 19 | 18 | 11 | 2 |
| 1929 | 112 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 3 |  | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| South Atlantic: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1930 | 224 | 11 | 15 | 9 | 10 | 19 | 8 | 6 | 6 | 11 | 10 |  |  | 8 |  | 7 |
| 1929. | 454. | 38 | 33 | 19 | 25 | 31 | 38 | 19 | 19 | 37 |  |  | 30 | 19 | 12 | 6 |
| South Central: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1931 | 200 |  |  | 13 | 13 | 12 | 10 | 33 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 8 |  |
| 1930 | 686 |  | 4 | 2 | 20 | 12 |  |  | 15 | 11 | 7 |  | 29 |  |  | 16 |
| Mountain and Pacific: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1931...-.-.-.-......- | 346 | 29 | 15 | 23 | 21 | 12 | 17 | 12 | 12 | 6 | 17 |  | 7 | 4 | 7 | 6 |
| 1930 | 1,456 | 97 | 86 | ${ }_{13}$ | 6 | 69 | 58 | 69 | 6 | 57 | 75 |  |  | 110 | 9 | 78 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 |

${ }^{1}$ Similar tables appeared in Pubuc Healit Reports, Vol. 46, No. 36, pp. 2094-05, and No. 40, pp.2358-50.
In the New England and Middle Atlantic States the number of cases decreased about one-third during the current 4 -week period. An increase of 190 cases was reported from the Great Lakes States, but the peak apparently was reached during the week ended September 19 and the disease is now declining. The number of reported cases fluctuates considerably from week to week in the West North Central States, and it can not be definitely said whether the peak has been passed. For the week ended October 10, 81 cases were reported in these States, as against 78, 76, and 93, respectively, in the three preceding weeks. Slight increases during the present 4 -week period were reported in the South Atlantic States and in the Mountain and Pacific group; the South Atlantic group seems to have passed the peak, but in the Mountain and Pacific group more cases were reported during the last week for which data are available than during any preceding week.

Table 2 shows by weeks the number of cases of poliomyelitis reported in each State and in New York City. In New York City the number of cases reported during the week ended October 10, the latest data available, had declined to less than one-fifth of the number reported during the peak week in August ( 591 cases). The disease had also declined in the remainder of New York State and in all
other States in the New England group except Maine．In Maine the number of cases（8）for the week ended October 10 was not large， but it was the same as had occurred in the preceding week，which was the highest on record this year．All of the States in the East North Central group that had shown a considerable increase reached the peak about the middle of September，and have decreased gradually． Minnesota，in the West North Central group，dropped from 76 cases during the week ended September 19 to 58 cases for the week ended October 10．In Iowa and Missouri，in the same geographic group， the numbers of cases reported for the week ended October 10 （Iowa 13，Missouri 7）are small，but they appear to be still increasing． The same might be said of Montana（ 7 cases），New Mexico（4 cases）， and the State of Washington（10 cases）．

Table 2．－Number of poliomyelitis cases reported in recent weeks in each State and in New York City ${ }^{1}$

| State | Week ended－ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | O－1 | $\begin{aligned} & \infty \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | ¢ | ® $\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\circ}$ $\stackrel{\circ}{\infty}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { B } \\ & \text { 曾 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { तิ } \\ & \text { 0 } \\ & \frac{0}{4} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{0}{7} \\ & \text { 曾 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \infty \\ & \text { e } \\ & \text { e } \end{aligned}$ | تِ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { సิ } \\ & \text { 穴 } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ت1 } \\ & \text { 号 } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| Northeast and Middle Atlan－ tic： |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 8 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 2 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 2 | 7 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Now Hampshire．．－．－．－．－． | 3 | 22 | 2 | 5 | ${ }^{6}$ | 2 | 4 | 7 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  |
| Vermont．－－－．．．．．．．．．．．．．－ | 6 | ${ }^{9}$ | 4 | 7 | 12 | 6 | 5 | 7 | ${ }^{6}$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  |
| Massachusetts ．．－．－．－．．．．．－ | 72 | 112 | 105 | 139 | 127 | 184 | 135 | 115 | 90 | 67 | 25 | 16 | 16 | 6 |  |
| Rhode Island．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．－． | 5 | 4 | 8 | 12 | 21 | 14 | 20 | 22 | 18 | 16 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Connecticut． | 45 | 64 | 81 | 101 | 92 | 162 | 134 | 115 | 67 | 97 | 37 | 11 | 5 | 7 | 2 |
| New York City | 102 | 140 | 177 | 226 | 254 | 347 | 432 | 422 | 512 | 591 | 404 | 195 | 53 | 31 | 5 |
| New York State，except New York City | 137 | 135 | 150 | 204 | 176 | 207 | 180 | 133 | 88 | 85 | 29 | 9 | 4 | 5 | 0 |
| New Jersey．．．．．．．． | 50 | 52 | 93 | 98 | 94 | 84 | 103 | 78 | 97 | 55 | 16 | 14 | 1 | 8 | 0 |
| Pennsylvania． | 40 | 50 | 49 | 25 | 14 | 20 | 9 | 10 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| East North Central：$\cdots$－－－－－－ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ohio－．．．－－ | 8 | 11 | 14 | 5 | 23 | 6 | 18 | 2 |  | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | a | 5 |
| Indiana． | 5 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 16. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Illinois．．． | 61 | 51 | 62 | 51 | 39 | 42 | 38 | 36 | 28 | 15 | 15 | 12 | 3 | 2 | 4 |
| Michigan | 74 | 112 | 138 | 170 | 114 | 107 | 76 | 68 | 33 | 17 | 13 | 9 | 7 | 0 | 2 |
| Wisconsin | 49 | 47 | 70 | 74 | 83 | 69 | 61 | 28 | 24 | 10 | 11 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 2 |
| West North Central： |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Iowa．．． | 13 | 13 | 9 | 7 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Missouri | 7 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| North Dakota | 1 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| South Dakots | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Nebraska | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| South Atlantic：－－－－－－－－－－－－－－ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maryland | 5 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| District of Colum | 3 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Virginia． | 1 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| West Virginia | 8 | 11 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 10 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| North Carolina | 7 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 8 | 10 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 2 |
| South Carolina． | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 0 |
| Georgia | 0 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Florida | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| East and West gouth Central： |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |
| －Kentucky－．－－．－．－． | 3 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |  |
| Alabama． | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| Mississippi． | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 |
| Arkansas．． | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Louisiana． | 1 | 0 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Oklahoma | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

[^1]Table 2.-Number of poliomyelitis cases reported in recent weeks in each State and in New York City-Continued

| State | Wesk ended- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | O-1 + ¢ | ¢ | \% |  | ¢ | $\begin{aligned} & \circ \\ & \dot{0} \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{6} \end{aligned}$ | 8 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 尔 | 20 | - | - | \% | $\stackrel{\infty}{\text { ® }}$ | $\overrightarrow{7}$ a a | 3 |
| Mountain and Pacific: <br> Montana | 7 | 4 | 5 |  | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Wroming | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Colorado. | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| New Mexico. | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | . 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Arizona.-...-- | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Utah-. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Washington | 10 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Oragon---- | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| California | 6 | 4 | 10 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 9 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 5 |

Diphtheria.-The number of cases of diphtheria $(6,267)$ reported for the current 4 -week period was twice the number reported for the preceding 4 -week period. The number was also 58 per cent higher than was recorded for the corresponding period in 1930 and 8 per cent in excess of the number in 1929. All areas shared in the increase except the North Atlantic and the Great Lakes regions, where the disease was slightly less prevalent than in the two preceding years. In the South Central groups of States the number of cases reported was four times the number reported for the same period in 1930 and more than twice the number in 1929. In other regions the increases ranged from 36 per cent to 64 per cent.

Scarlet fever.-The reported cases of scarlet fever were 6,428 , an increase of approximately 2,500 over the preceding 4 -week period. All regions contributed to the increase. Compared with previous years, the incidence was 23 per cent in excess of the corresponding period in 1930 and about 5 per cent above that in 1929. In only one region, the South Atlantic, was the disease less prevalent than it was during the same period last year. The increases ranged from 1 per cent in the East North Central States to $\mathbf{8 0}$ per cent in the South Central groups.

Influenza.-The number of cases of influenza ( 1,365 ) reported for the current period represents an increase of about 65 per cent over the preceding 4 -week period. In relation to the preceding years the current incidence was about 29 per cent in excess of the incidence for the corresponding period last year, but was 14 per cent below the figure for 1929. While the number of cases (556) reported from the East North Central States was not high, it was more than four times the number reconded for the same period last year and two and onehalf times the number in 1929.

Measles.-The incidence of this disease continued at about the same level it had maintained during the preceding 4 -week period.

The number of cases reported during the current period $(2,050)$ compared very favorably with the number reported for the corresponding periods in 1930 and 1929, being only about 5 per cent higher than the 1930 figure and 12 per cent below the incidence in 1929. Practically all sections shared in this favorable situation.

Typhoid fever.-The total reported incidence of typhoid fever ( 4,167 cases) was 10 per cent in excess of last year's figure for the corresponding period and was 35 per cent above the incidence in 1929. The South Central groups of States seemed to be mostly responsible for the increase, showing approximately 45 per cent increase during the current period over the corresponding period in each of the two preceding years. Most other groups closely approximated last year's figure, and all others, except the Mountain and Pacific group, contributed to the increase over 1929.

Smallpox.-For smallpox the comparison with preceding years continued very satisfactory. For the current 4 -week period the number of cases reported was 355 , as compared with 576 for the corresponding period in 1930 and 856 cases in 1929. All regions participated in the favorable situation except the South Central group of States, where a slight increase ( 7 per cent) was reported.

Meningococcus meningitis.-For the combined geographic areas, meningococcus meningitis continued at a very satisfactory level. The total number of cases reported during the currrent 4 -week period was 344 , representing about 87 per cent of the incidence for the corresponding period in 1930 and approximately 62 per cent of the incidence in 1929. Practically all geographic areas participated in the decrease.

Mortality, all causes.-Deaths from all causps in large cities as reported by the Bureau of the Census for the current 4-week period averaged 10.2 per thousand population (anyual basis). This rate was slightly higher than for the preceding prriod, but was the lowest recorded for the corresponding period in siy years.

## THE HEALTH OF THE SCHOOL CHILD

## A Study of Sickness, Physical Defects, and Mortality

Data collected by the Public Health Service during the past decade on sickness among school children in several localities and on physical defects found on examination of some 30,000 children by medical officers of the Public Health Service have recently been published. ${ }^{1}$ Mortality figures for children of school ages in the registration area of the United States are also included. Original data on these subjects are tabulated to show variation with age, sex, and other factors. A few of the results are summarized here.

Absenteeism among about 4,000 school children in Hagerstown amounted to 13 days per child per school year. Fifty-seven per cent of the days lost were due to sickness and the other 43 per cent to causes other than sickness.

Time lost from school on account of sickness was greater for younger than for older children. Time lost on account of causes other than sickness was somewhat less for younger than for older children.

The six disorders that were most important in terms of cases of illness were, in order of importance, colds, headache, digestive disorders, tonsillitis and sore throat, toothache, and influenza and grippe. The six causes of sickness that were most important in terms of days lost per child per year were colds, influenza and grippe, tonsillitis and sore throat, measles, mumps, and digestive disorders.

The case rate of illness was 8 per cent higher for girls than for boys. Of 32 causes of illness common to both sexes, the case rates for 17 of the causes were higher for girls and for 15 were higher for boys.

## PHYSICAL DEFECTS AND DISEASES FOUND ON PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

The six conditions most frequently noted in physical examinations were decayed teeth, defective vision, defective tonsils, enlarged anterior cervical glands, excessive wax in ears, and enlarged thyroid gland.

The proportion of individuals with one or more physical defects was 3 per cent less for girls than for boys. Of 34 types of physical defects noted in these examinations, the rates for 14 were higher for girls and for 20 were higher for boys.

In examinations made by dentists, 40 per cent of the children were noted as having five or more decayed teeth, and 25 per cent one or more teeth that were so badly decayed as to be classed as remaining roots.

## MORTALITY OF CHILDREN OF THE SCHOOL AGES

The age curve of mortality has a minimum at 10 to 14 years of age. The mortality in the group from 5 to 19 years of age is only a fraction of what it is under 5 years or among older people.

The six most important causes of death among children 5 to 19 years of age are accidents, tuberculosis, heart diseases, pneumonia, diphtheria, and appendicitis. Accidents are easily the leading cause of death, and automobile accidents constitute about one-third of the total accidertal deaths. Of diseases causing deaths, respiratory tuberculosis is the most important for these ages.

The mortality of the group 5 to 19 years of age is 15 per cent less for girls than for boys. Of the 28 most important causes of death at these ages, girls have a higher rate for 10 causes and boys for 18 causes.

In the 27 years from 1900 to 1927 the death rate from all causes among children 5 to 19 years of age in the original registration States decreased 44 per cent.

Respiratory tuberculosis shows a more or less steady decline throughout the period. Nonrespiratory tuberculosis increased up to about 1910, but since that year has decreased a little more rapidly than respiratory tuberculosis.

With the exception of the high rates in 1918, 1919, and 1920, pneumonia has decreased somewhat; but when influenza is added to pneumonia, there is little or no decline.

Mortality from diseases of the heart has increased only slightly for persons 5 to 19 years of age. Nephritis of both the acute and chronic types has steadily decreased in this age group since 1900, the trend being in marked contrast to what has occurred among persons of all ages. Diabetes increased slightly from 1900 to about 1922, but from 1923 to 1927 the rate has been little more than half of what it was prior to that time. Among persons of all ages there is no such drop in the rate as in these persons 5 to 19 years of age.

Appendicitis has increased gradually. Typhoid fever and diarrhea and enteritis have decreased very much since 1900, the relative decrease in typhoid fever being greater for these ages than the decrease in diarrhea and enteritis..

Diphtheria decreased considerably up to about 1912, fluctuated around the same level for the next eight or nine years; and has decreased markedly since 1921. Scarlet fever has decreased considerably since 1900, and measles and whooping cough show some tendency to decrease. The recorded mortality from meningitis has decreased markedly since about 1905. The mortality from poliomyelitis has increased since the 1916 epidemic.

The death rate from accidents of all types among children 5 to 19 years of age has increased slightly since 1900. Deaths from automobile accidents have increased markedly since 1906, when they were first tabulated as a separate cause, but the relative increase in the rate has not been as great in the past few years as it was prior to 1920. Accidental deaths other than automobile fatalities in the age group under consideration have decreased slightly since 1900.

# DENTAL DECAY AND CORRECTIONS AMONG SCHOOL CHILDREN OF DIFFERENT AGES ${ }^{1}$ 

Based on 12,435 Oral Examinations by Dental Personnel in Georgia, Illinois, Missouri, and Hagerstown, Md.

(STUDIES IN DENTAL CARIES NO. 1)
By Amanda L. Stovghton, Acting Assistant Surgeon, and Verna Thornhili Meaker, Dental Hygienist, United States Public Health Service
The teeth of a great many school children have been examined by medical officers of the United States Public Health Service in connection with the general physical examination. Although the examination of the mouth and teeth was a part of every general physical examination, it is obvious that the thoroughness and completeness of the examination would not be comparable to examinations made by dentists with special instruments, such as a mirror and an explorer, to aid in the detection of the cavities. Moreover, the general physical examinations that have been made have not provided for recording the specific tooth that is carious, and the susceptibility to decay varies a great deal between the temporary and permanent teeth and even among different teeth of each set.

Data published by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. indicate the condition of specific teeth in the mouths of adults, but we have been unable to locate any such detailed data on the conditions of the teeth of children. Even the simple problem of finding the real prevalence of carious teeth among children is rather complicated (a) because of the presence of both temporary and permanent teeth with markedly different tendencies to decay, and (b) because of the fact that a few years difference in the age of a child makes considerable difference not only in the extent to which the teeth decay, but even in the number of teeth that are found in the mouth.

With the idea of determining the real prevalence of decayed teeth among children, the United States Public Health Service provided for the examination of the mouths of a large number of school children in various localities in the United States, the examinations to be made by personnel trained in dentistry and with the aid of the necessary instruments to examine the teeth thoroughly and locate all caries. Because of the fact that many of the decaved places were

From the data collected in this detailed manner it is planned to publish a series of articles on the real prevalence of dental decay. The present paper considers separately decay in the temporary teeth, decay in the permanent teeth, and a summary of the total number of decayed teeth, both temporary and permanent. Subsequent papers will consider sex differences in regard to dental caries and the susceptibility to decay of each individual tooth.

During the three school years from the fall of 1922 to the summer of 1925, a dental unit, composed of a dentist and one of the authors, who is a dental hygienist, was sent into the field by the United States Public Health Service, and this dental unit examined over 12,000 white school children from 5 to 19 years of age. During the first school year, 2,749 such examinations were made in Missouri and Illinois; during the next year, 5,274 children were examined in Georgia; and during the school year 1924-25, 4,412 were examined in Hagerstown, Md.

Communities of different sizes were chosen for the survey. Columbus, Ga., Springfield, Mo., and Hagerstown, Md., were the only cities of more than 25,000 inhabitants in which many examinations were made.

The dental hygienist (V. T. M.), who was with the unit throughout the period, made most of the examinations. Associated with her in the dental unit were at first, a dentist, Dr. H. B. Butler, who made some of the earlier examinations, and later Miss Mary A. Knight, a dental hygienist, who examined some of the children in Georgia.

Before making examinations independently, these investigators built up a standardized technique by examining the same children and comparing the results of their examinations. It was thought that after such a period of work together, the later examinations made by the three investigators separately would be comparable. All the examinations in Hagerstown and most of those in the other localities considered in this study were made by one of us (V. T. M.). In Hagerstown, reexaminations were made in later years, but the present study includes only the original examinations.

Some explanation of the manner in which the various conditions have been classified is necessary to an understanding of the data. The term "Remaining roots" as tabulated signifies teeth having crowns which are entirely carious, those having the pulp involved, and those with fistulæ. "Decayed teeth" as tabulated include all carious teeth without regard to the extent of the caries, "Remaining roots" and teeth with fistulæ being also included in this category. The number of filled teeth rather than the number of individual Gillings was recorded. The term "All teeth" means the teeth, both temporary and permanent, which were present in the ehild's mouth at the time of the examination. The term "Total past decay"
when applied to permanent teeth includes decayed, missing, and filled teeth. However, missing temporary testh are not included in the "Total past decay" of all teeth.

To secure the maximum amount of data, the records from Hagerstown, Md., Georgia, Illinois, and Missouri were combined, which made a total of 12,435 children examined. Prevalence rates for several conditions were computed separately for these four localities and are shown in Table 7. Although the rates for the different localities show considerable variation in level, they have the same general age curve, and it was thought permissible to combine the records in this paper, which deals with the prevalence of certain dental defects and corrections at different ages.

## TEMPORARY TEETH

Since the loss of temporary teeth begins at about the sixth year, the percentages of children having decayed or filled temporary teeth decrease rapidly after the eighth year. (Fig. 1, Table 1.) At


6 years of age, over 87 per cent of the children have temporary teeth decayed or filled. The percentage rises in the seventh and eighth years and drops rapidly thereafter, only 6 per cent of 14 -year-old children having one or more temporary teeth decayed or filled. The percentage of children having 5 or more temporary teeth decayed or filled falls rapidly from about 60 per cant at 6 years to less than 1 per cent at 13 years.

So few temporary teeth are filled that the percentages of children having teeth which are carious but unfilled do not differ much from those having teeth decayed or filled.

Table 1.-Condition of temporary teeth of children of each age from 6 to 14 years

| Age | Total children | Decayed or filled |  | Decayed |  | Remaining roots |  | Fistula |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1 or more | 5 or more | 1 or more | 5 or more | 1 or more | 5 or more | 1 or more |
| NUMBER |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6. | 913 | 798 | £45 | 787 | 535 | 308 | 29 | 94 |
| 7. | 1,122 | 1,019 | 643 | 1,006 | 625 | 411 | 30 | 74 |
| 8 | 1,116 | 1,016 | 604 | ${ }^{1} 996$ | 577 | 429 | 27 | 82 |
| 9 | 1,335 | 1,160 | 484 | 1,131 | 447 | 420 | 30 | 47 |
| 10. | 1,652 | 1,187 | 294 | 1,162 | 281 | 412 | 11 | 37 |
| 11. | 1,702 | -821 | 127 | -806 | 125 | 307 | 8 | 20 |
| 12. | 1,361 | 400 | 34 | 397 | 32 | 157 | 5 | 5 |
| 13. | 1,183 | 172 | 8 | 167 | 8 | 72 | 0 | 1 |
| 14......... | 767 | 45 | 0 | 44 | 0 | 24 | 0 | 0 |

PER CENT

| 6. | 100.0 | 87.4 | 59.7 | 86.2 | 58.6 | 33.7 | 3.2 | 10.3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7 | 100.0 | 90.8 | 57.3 | 89.7 | 55.7 | 36.6 | 2.7 | 6.6 |
| 8. | 100.0 | 91.0 | 54.1 | 89.2 | 51.7 | 38.4 | 2.4 | 7.3 |
| 9. | 100.0 | 86.9 | 36.3 | 84.7 | 33.5 | 31.5 | 2.2 | 3.5 |
| 10. | 100.0 | 71.9 | 17.8 | 70.3 | 17.0 | 24.9 | . 7 | 2.2 |
| 11. | 100.0 | 48.2 | , 7.5 | 47.3 | 7.3 | 18.0 | . 5 | 1.2 |
| 12. | 100.0 | 29.4 | 2.5 | 29.2 | 2.3 | 11.5 | . 4 | . 4 |
| 13. | 100.0 | 14.5 | . 7 | 14.1 | . 7 | 6.1 |  | . 1 |
| 14.-- | 100.0 | 5.9 |  | 5.7 |  | 3.1 |  |  |

Nearly 34 per cent of the 6 -year-old children have at least one temporary tooth nearly destroyed by caries (remaining roots). The percentage rises in the 8 -year group and then drops rapidly, reaching 3 per cent at 14 years. Only 3 per cent of the 6 -year-old children and less than 1 per cent of children over 10 years of age have five or more temporary teeth with crowns entirely destroyed by caries.

Ten per cent of 6 -year-old children have at least one temporary tooth with a fistula. The percentages decrease quite rapidly with age, none of the 14 -year-old children having temporary teeth so affected. No child in this group has five teeth with fistulx.

In the graph in Figure 1 are shown the percentages of children in each age group having one or more and five or more teeth showing various dental defects. In Figure 2 somewhat sinilar data are shown; but instead of age, the number of teeth affected forms the abscissa and each line represents a different age group. In Table 2, percentages for each age group from 6 to 14 are given. The first age group and every third group thereafter are shown in Figure 2. It will be noted that instead of the percentages of children having one tooth, three teeth, etc., affected, the percentages having one or more, three or more, etc., are given.

Nearly the same percentage of 6-year-old as of 9 -year-old children (about 85 per cent) had one or more temporary teeth decayed or filled. Because at 9 years of age many children have already lost a number of temporary teeth, the percentages of children having three or more, five or more, etc., temporary teeth decayed or filled are lower among the 9 -year-old than among the 6 -year-old children. For the same


Figure 2.-Extent of decay and corrections in temporary teeth of children of three age groups
reason, all the percentages of the 12 -year-old group are much lower than those of the younger age groups.

Table 2.-Condition of temporary teeth of children of each age from 6 to 14 years

| Age | Number of chil-dren | PER CENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Decayed or filled |  |  |  |  | Remaining roots |  |  |  |  | Fistulæ |  |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} 1 \text { or } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ | 3 or more | 5 or more | $\begin{aligned} & 7 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 9 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 5 \text { or } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 9 \text { or } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} 3 \text { or } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}\right.$ |
| 6. | 913 | 87.4 | 73.6 | 59.7 | 42.5 | 24.4 | 33.7 | 9.1 | 3.2 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 10.3 | 0.3 |
| 7 | 1,122 | 90.8 | 78.0 | 57.3 | 36.8 | 17.8 | 36. 6 | 9.0 | 2.7 | . 7 | .3 | 6.6 | . 3 |
| 8. | 1,116 | 91.0 | 75.7 | 54.1 | 31.3 | 11.8 | 38.4 | 10.3 | 2.4 | . 8 | . 2 | 7.3 |  |
| 9 | 1,335 | 86.9 | 62.0 | 36.3 | 16.4 | 5.8 | 31.5 | 8.5 | 2.2 | . 4 | . 1 | 3.5 |  |
| 10 | 1, 652 | 71.9 | 40.5 | 17.8 | 6.2 | 1.4 | 24.9 | 5.0 | . 7 | .1 |  | 2.2 |  |
| 11 | 1,702 | 48.2 | 20.1 | 7.5 | 1.6 | .4 | 18.0 | 2.8 | . 5 | . 1 |  | 1.2 |  |
| 12 | 1, 361 | 29.4 | 8.5 | 2.5 | .4 | . 1 | 11.5 | 1.5 | . 4 | . 1 |  | . 4 |  |
| 14. | 1,183 | 14.5 5. 29 | 2.4 .8 | . 7 | . 1 |  | 6.1 3.1 | . 5 |  |  |  | . 1 | -...-- |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | . 4 |  |  |  |  |  |

The proportion of 9 -year-old children having temporary teeth nearly destroyed by caries (remaining roots) is very nearly as large as that of the 6-year-old children, indicating that, although the 9 -yearold children have fewer temporary teeth than the 6-year-olds, a larger
proportion of their teeth had become carious. So many temporary teeth have been lost at 12 years of age that the percentages for this group are considerably below those for the younger children.

The percentages of children having temporary teeth with fistulm decrease with age.

## PERMANENT TEETR

Twenty per cent of the 6-year-old children had one or more permanent teeth decayed, missing, or filled. (Fig. 3, Table 3.) The percentage increases rapidly in the 7 -and 8 -year-old groups, 63 per cent of the 8-year-old children having at least one permanent tooth which


Figune 3.-Condition of permanent teeth of ehfldren at anccessive years of age
is or had been carious. After the 8 -year-age group, the percentage increases less rapidly but is higher in successive groups, reaching 99 per cent at 18 years. The percentages of children having five or more permanent teeth which are or have been decayed remain very low in the early age groups, because few children in these groups have had any permanent teeth other than the four 6 -year molars long enough to become carious.

Nearly 20 per cent of the 6 -year-old children have one or more permanent teeth decayed but unfilled. The percentage rises rapidly to 60 per cent in the 8 -year group. The increase is less rapid but steady at later ages, reaching nearly 85 per cent in the 19 -year group. The percentages of children in the younger age groups having five or more carious permanent teeth unfilled are small, but the percentages increase gradually with age.

Tabli 3.-Condition of permanent teeth of children of each age from 6 to 19 years

| Ago | Total children | Decayed, missing, or filled |  | Decayed |  | Missing |  | Filled |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Remalning } \\ & \text { roots } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} 1 \text { or } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ | $5 \text { or }$ more | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 5 \text { or } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1 \text { or } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 5 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} 5 \text { or } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}\right.$ |
| NUMBER |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6. | 913 | 187 | 8 | 182 | 1 | 0 |  | 9 |  |  |  |
|  | 1,122 | 528 | 6 | 507 | 4 | 9 | 0 | 36 | 1 | 5 | 0 |
|  | 1,116 | 704 | 16 | 669 | 10 | 13 | 0 | 69 | 4 | 14 | O |
|  | 1,335 | 915 | 44 | 840 | 23 | 51 | 0 | 164 | 6 | 29 |  |
| 10 | 1, 652 | 1,213 | 127 | 1,046 | 77 | 102 | 0 | 297 | 14 | 61 |  |
| 11. | 1,702 | 1,292 | 196 | 1,111 | 118 | 148 | 0 | 354 | 30 | 90 |  |
| 12. | 1, 361 | 1,113 | 286 | 978 | 167 | 192 | 3 | 291 | 42 | 109 |  |
| 13. | 1, 183 | 1,004 | 376 | 896 | 234 | 235 | 2 | 270 | 48 | 123 |  |
| 14. | 767 | 672 | 328 | 607 | 198 | 174 | 1 | 229 | 48 | 87 | 8 |
|  | 556 | 508 | 317 | 442 | 151 | 144 | 2 | 251 | 88 | 62 |  |
| 16 | 325 | 299 | 206 | 262 | 102 | 91 | 3 | 180 | 71 | 30 | 0 |
| 17. | 199 | 188 | 146 | 162 | 56 | 72 | 3 | 138 | 73 | 17 | 0 |
| 18. | 120 | 119 | 100 | 100 | 41 | 50 | 1 | 92 | 48 | 7 | 0 |
| 19. | 84 | 83 | 70 | 71 | 27 | 33 | 1 | 65 | 42 | 6 | 0 |
| PER CENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6 | 100.0 | 20.8 | 0.8 | 19.9 | 0.1 |  |  | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 |  |
| 7. | 100.0 | 47.1 | . 5 | 45.2 | . 3 | 0.8 |  | 3.2 | . 1 | . 4 |  |
| 8 | 100.0 | 63.1 | 1.4 | 59.9 | . 9 | 1.2 |  | 6.2 | . 3 | 1.3 |  |
|  | 100.0 | 68.5 | 3.3 | 62.9 | 1.7 | 3.8 |  | 12.3 | . 4 | 2.2 |  |
| 10 | 100.0 | 73.4 | 7.7 | 63.3 | 4.7 | 6.2 |  | 18.0 | . 8 | 3.7 |  |
| 11 | 100.0 | 75.9 | 11.5 | 65.8 | 6.9 | 8.7 |  | 20.8 | 1.8 | 5.3 |  |
| 12. | 100.0 | 81.8 | 21.0 | 71.9 | 12.3 | 14.1 | 0.2 | 21.4 | 3.1 | 8.0 | 0.1 |
| 13. | 100.0 | 84.0 | 31.8 | 75.7 | 19.8 | 19.9 | . 2 | 22.8 | 4.1 | 10.4 |  |
| 14. | 100.0 | 87.6 | 42.8 | 79.1 | 25.8 | 22.7 | . 1 | 29.9 | 6.3 | 11.3 | - 4 |
| 15 | 100.0 | 91.4 | 57.0 | 79.5 | 27.2 | 25.9 | . 4 | 45.1 | 15.5 | 11.1 | . 5 |
| 16. | 100.0 | 92.0 | 63.4 | 80.6 | 31.4 | 28.0 | . 9 | 65.4 | 21.8 | 9.2 |  |
| 17. | 100.0 | 94.5 | 73.4 | 81.4 | 28.1 | 36.2 | 1.5 | 69.3 | 36.7 | 8.5 |  |
| 18. | 100.0 | 99.2 | 83.3 | 83.3 | 34.2 | 41.7 39.3 | 18 1.8 | 76.7 <br> 77 <br> 7 | 40.0 | 5.8 |  |
| 19.... | 100.0 | 98.8 | 83.3 | 84.5 | 32.1 | 39.3 | 1.2 | 77.4 | 80.0 | 7.1 | --.0 |

The percentage of children having one or more permanent teeth so nearly destroyed by caries as to be called "remaining roots" is low in the early age groups, rising gradually to 11 per cent at 14 years and then declining to 6 or 7 per cent among the 18- and 19-year-old cbildren. Very few children have five permanent teeth so badly decayed.

One per cent of the 6 -year-old children have one or more permanent teeth filled. The percentages increase rather rapidly, reaching 18 per cent at 10 years. Between 10 and 13 years the percentages rise much more slowly, but in the succeeding age groups they increase very rapidly. About 77 per cent of the 19 -year-old children have at least one permanent tooth filled. The percentage of children having five or more permanent teeth filled rises slowly to 6 per cent in the 14 -year group and more rapidly among older children, 50 per cent of the 19 -year-old children having five or more permanent teeth filled.

The percentage of children who have lost one or more permanent teeth increases quite regularly in successive age groups, reaching about 40 per cent in the last two groups. The proportion of children who have lost five permanent teeth is very small.

In Figure 4 the number of teeth affected is given as the abscissa, five age groups being shown. The data for these and the other ages from 6 to 19 years are given in Table 4.

Among 18-year-old children, 99 per cent have at least one permanent tooth decaytd, missing, or filled, and nearly 50 per cent have nine

PERMANENT TEETH


Figure 4.-Extent of decay and corrections in permanent teeth of children of five age groups
or more such teeth. Among the 15 -year-old children the percentage of those having at least one such tooth is 92 per cent, and 18 per cent have nine or more such teeth. Twenty per cent of the 6 -year-olds have one or more, while only 0.5 per cent have five or more.
Table 4.-Condition of permanent teeth of children of each age from 6 to 19 years

| Age | Number of chil-dren | Per cent |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Decayed, missing, or filled |  |  |  |  | Decayed |  |  |  |  | Filled |  |  |  |  | Remaining roots |  |  |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 5 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | 7 or more | $\begin{gathered} 9 \text { or } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | 5 or <br> more | $\begin{aligned} & 7 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 9 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | 3 or more | $\begin{aligned} & 5 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 7 \text { or } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 9 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | 5 or more |
| 6. | 913 | 20.5 | 5.8 | 0.3 | 0.2 |  | 19.9 | 5.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 |  | 1.0 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 |  | 0.1 |  | ........ |
| 7 | 1,122 | 47.1 | 18.2 | . 5 | . 2 | 0.2 | 45.2 | 16. 5 | . 3 | . 2 | 0.2 | 3. 2 | 1.0 | .1 |  |  | . 4 |  |  |
| 8 | 1,116 | 63.1 | 31.8 40.2 | 1.4 <br> 3 | .7 |  | 59.9 | 28.1 | $\begin{array}{r}9 \\ \hline 17\end{array}$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{r}6.2 \\ 12 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 1.6 | .3 | $\cdot 1$ |  | 1.3 | 0.1 |  |
| ${ }^{9} 10$ | 1,335 1,652 | 68.5 73.4 | 40.2 45.0 | 3.3 7.7 | 1. 6 | . 3 | 62.9 63.3 | 31.6 32.6 | 1.7 4 | . 8 | . 3 | 12.3 18.0 | 4.4 | . 4 | . 3 | 0.2 | - 2.2 | .1 |  |
| 11 | 1, 702 | 75.9 | 48.5 | 11.5 | 4.0 | 1.2 | 65.3 | 33.5 | 6.9 | 1.7 | .6 | 20.8 | 8. 2 | 1.8 | .5 | .1 | 5.3 | .4 |  |
| 12. | 1,361 | 81.8 | 55.5 | 21.0 | 8.4 | 2.8 | 71.9 | 40.1 | 12.3 | 4.1 | 1.3 | 21.4 | 9.5 | 3.1 | . 9 | . 2 | 8.0 | 1.0 | 0.1 |
| 13. | 1, 183 | 84.9 | 61.8 | 31.8 | 14.2 | 6.9 | 75.7 | 45.7 | 19.8 | 7.7 | 3.2 | 22.8 | 10.4 | 4.1 | 1.9 | . 9 | 10.4 | 1.0 |  |
| 14. | 767 | 87.6 | 66.8 | 42.8 | 23.9 | 9.9 | 79.1 | 49.5 | 25.8 | 11.9 | 3.9 | 29.9 | 16.6 | 6.3 | 2.5 | 1.4 | 11.3 | 1.2 | . 4 |
| 15. | 556 | 91.4 | 78.4 | 57.0 | 36.5 | 18.2 | 79.5 | 53.1 | 27.2 | 12.8 | 5. 6 | 45.1 | 28.1 | 15.5 | 9.0 | 3.8 | 11.1 | 2.5 | . 5 |
| 16 | 325 | 92.0 | 79.1 | 63.4 | 44.0 | 26.5 | 80.6 | 53.2 | 31.4 | 16.6 | 5.2 | 55.4 | 35.1 | 21.8 | 11.1 | 4.9 | 9.2 | . 3 |  |
| 17 | 199 | 94.5 | 87.4 | 73.4 | 55.8 | 40.7 | 81.4 | 48.7 | 28.1 | 13.1 | 4.5 | 69.3 | 53.3 | 36.7 | 20.6 | 13.1 | 8.5 | . 5 |  |
| 18. | 120 | 99.2 | 94.2 | 83.3 | 67.5 | 49.2 | 83.3 | 60.0 | 34.2 | 18.3 | 8.3 | 78.7 | 60.8 | 40.0 | 21.7 | 14.2 | 5.8 |  |  |
| 19.. | 84 | 98.8 | 95.2 | 83.3 | 67.9 | 52.4 | 84.5 | 58.3 | 32.1 | 14.3 | 8.3 | 77.4 | 64.3 | 50.0 | 32.1 | 20.2 | 7.1 | 2.4 | ----..-. |

In all the age groups excepting 6 years, the percentage of children having at least one permanent tooth decayed and unfilled is considerably less than the percentage having one or more permanent teeth decayed, missing, or filled. In the three older groups an even more striking difference appears when the percentages having three or more, five or more, etc., permanent teeth decayed and unfilled are compared with the corresponding percentages having permanent teeth decayed, missing, or filled. These differences are chiefly due to the better dental attention given older children, with the consequent increase in the percentage of children with several tecth filled in the older groups. Only about 1 per cent of the 6 -year-old children have even one filled permanent tooth. The percentages increase rapidly, however, with age, over 75 per cent of the 18-year-old group


Figure 5.-Condition of teeth of children at successive years of age
having one or more and nearly 15 per cent having nine or more permanent teeth filled. Presumably because the teeth of older children are better cared for, the percentage of children having permanent teeth nearly destroyed by caries (remaining roots), although lowest in the 6 -year group, is not highest among the 18 -year-old children. A higher percentage of 12 and 15 than of 18 -year-old children have one or more permanent teeth which are badly decayed.

$$
76314^{\circ}-31-2
$$

## ALL TEETH

When all the teeth present in the children's mouths at the time of examination are studied without regard to their being temporary or permanent, a type of curve results which is very different from the curves based on either set of teeth considered separately. (Fig. 5, Table 5.) By comparison with Figures 1 and 3, the curves in Figure 5 are seen to resemble the curves based on temporary teeth in the early age groups and those based on permanent teeth in the later age groups.

Table 5.-Condition of teeth of children of each age from 6 to 19 years

| Age | Total children | Decayed, missing, or filled |  | Decayed |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Remaining } \\ & \text { roots } \end{aligned}$ |  | Filled |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 5 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $5 \text { or }$ more | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 5 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | 5 or more |  |
| NUMBER |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6. | 913 | 801 | 557 | 789 | 546 | 308 | 29 | 44 | 6 | 94 |
| 7. | 1,122 | 1,035 | 730 | 1,022 | 711 | 410 | 30 | 83 | 11 | 72 |
| 8. | 1,116 | 1,052 | 769 | 1,034 | 731 | 432 | 28 | 115 | 20 | 85 |
| 9 | 1,335 | 1,238 | 799 | 1. 232 | 714 | 431 | 33 | 224 | 34 | 48 |
| 10. | 1, 652 | 1,515 | 766 | 1,435 | 629 | 448 | 15 | 346 | 35 | 41 |
| 11 | 1,702 | 1,497 | 593 | 1,365 | 454 | 365 | 11 | 369 | 38 | 27 |
| 12 | 1, 361 | 1,190 | 442 | 1,079 | 299 | 239 | 8 | 299 | 44 | 13 |
| 13. | 1, 183 | 1,044 | 427 | 938 | 275 | 175 | 1 | 272 | 48 | 5 |
| 14 | 767 | 680 | 341 | 615 | 207 | 103 | 3 | 230 | 47 | 6 |
| 15. | 556 | 507 | 320 | 444 | 155 | 66 | 4 | 249 | 86 | 7 |
| 16. | 325 | 301 | 206 | 262 | 102 | 29 | 0 | 179 | 72 | 1 |
| 17. | 199 | 188 | 147 | 162 | 57 | 16 | 0 | 139 | 73 | 1 |
| 18. | 120 | 119 | 100 | 100 | 41 | 8 | 0 | 92 | 48 | 1 |
|  | 84 | 83 | 70 | 71 | 27 | 6 | 0 | 64 | 41 | 1 |
| PER CENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6. | 100.0 | 87.7 | 61.0 | 86.4 | 59.8 | 33.7 | 3.2 | 4.8 | 0.7 | 10.3 |
| 7 | 100.0 | 92.2 | 65.1 | 91.1 | 63.4 | 36.5 | 2.7 | 7.4 | 1.0 | 6.4 |
| 8 | 100.0 | 94.3 | 68.9 | 92.7 | 65.5 | 38.7 | 2.5 | 10.3 | 1.8 | 7.6 |
| 9 | 100.0 | 92.7 | 59.9 | 92.3 | 53.5 | 32.3 | 2.5 | 16.8 | 2.5 | 3.6 |
| 10. | 100.0 | 91.7 | 46.4 | 86.9 | 38.1 | 27.1 | . 9 | 20.9 | 2.1 | 2.5 |
| 11. | 100.0 | 87.9 | 34.8 | 80.2 | 26.7 | 21.4 | . 6 | 21.7 | 2.2 | 1.6 |
| 12 | 100.0 | 87.4 | 32.5 | 79.3 | 22.0 | 17.6 | . 6 | 22.0 | 3.2 | . 9 |
| 13. | 100.0 | 88.3 | 36.1 | 79.3 | 23.2 | 14.8 | . 1 | 23.0 | 4.1 | . 4 |
| 14. | 100.0 | 88.7 | 44.5 | 80.2 | 27.0 | 13.4 | .4 | 30.0 | 6.1 | .8 |
| 15. | 100.0 | 91.2 | 57.6 | 79.8 | 27.9 | 11.9 | . 7 | 44.8 | 15. 5 | 1.3 |
| 16 | 100.0 | 92.6 | 63.4 | 80.6 | 31.4 | 8.9 |  | 55.1 | 22.1 | . 3 |
| 17. | 100.0 | 94.5 | 73.9 | 81.4 | 28.6 | 8.0 |  | 69.8 | 36.7 | . 5 |
| 18. | 100.0 | 99.2 | 83. 3 | 83.3 | 34. 2 | 6.7 |  | 76.7 | 40.0 | . 8 |
| 19. | 100.0 | 98.8 | 83.3 | 84.5 | 32.1 | 7.1 |  | 76.2 | 48.8 | 1.2 |

About 88 per cent of the 6 -year-old children had one or more teeth which were or had been decayed. The percentage was somewhat higher among the 8 -year-old children. In each succeeding age group the percentage was lower, coincident with the gradual loss of carious and filled temporary teeth and their replacement by sound permanent teeth, until at 12 years 87 per cent evidenced some past or present defect. After 12 years the percentage was higher in each age group, reaching 99 per cent at 18 years of age.

The age curve showing the percentages of children having five or more teeth decayed, missing, or filled follows the same general trend as that described above. Sixty-one per cent of the 6 -year-old children had five or more teeth which were or had been carious. The decline from 8 to 12 years was more rapid, and at 12 years the per centage was about 32 . At 19 years of age 83 per cent had five or more teeth decayed, missing, or filled.

The percentage of children having one or more unfilled carious teeth is higher from 6 to 10 years than in later age groups. The percentage increases from the sixth to the eighth year then falls in the twelfth and thirteenth. Thereafter, the percentages increase gradually, reaching 84 per cent in the nineteenth year. The percentage of children having five or more unfilled carious teeth is very much higher between 6 and 8 years than among older children. More than 65 per cent of the 8 -year-old children had five or more unfilled, carious teeth, whereas among the 12 -year-old children there were only 22 per cent. The percentages increase gradually in successive age groups after 12 years, reaching about 33 per cent in the last two groups.

The proportion of children having one or more teeth with the crowns entirely destroyed by caries (remaining roots) is much higher in the younger than in the older age groups. Among the 6 -year-cld children, 34 per cent have one tooth or more in this condition. The percentage among the 8 -year-olds is slightly higher. In each succeeding age group the percentage is appreciably lower, reaching 7 per cent in the last two groups. Only 3 per cent of the 6 -year-old children have five or more teeth nearly destroyed by caries. Among children 10 years of age or older, there are less than 1 per cent having this dental condition.

Among the 6 -year-old children only about 5 per cent had one tooth or more which had been filled. The percentage of children with filled teeth increases rather rapidly in successive age groups, excepting among the children between 10 and 13 years of age, whose temporary teeth are being lost and permanent teeth are erupting. At 18 years over 75 per cent of the children had one or more filled teeth. Less than 1 per cent of the 6 -year-old children had five or more filled teeth. The percentages are increasingly higher in successive age groups after the twelfth year. Nearly one-half of the 19 -year-old children had five or more filled teeth.

Teeth with fistulæ are much more prevalent among the younger than among the older children. Ten per cent of the 6 -year-old children had at least one tooth with a fistula. The percentages of children with such fistulæ decrease in each age group until at 12 years less than 1 per cent are so affected. The percentages vary about 1 per cent in the later age groups. There were no children who had five teeth with fistulæ.

In Figure 5 are shown the percentages of children in each age group having one or more and five or more teeth which showed various dental defects or corrections.

Figure 6 shows the data for all teeth in the same way in which those for temporary teeth are shown in Figure 2, i. e., with the number of teeth affected represented as abscissæ, and the different age groups


Figure 6.-Extent of decay and corrections in teeth of children of five age groups
shown by distinctive lines. Data for each age group from 6 to 19 years are given in Table 6.

The highest percentages of children having teeth decayed, missing, or filled occur in the 18 -year-old group. The 12 -year-old group, many of their temporary teeth having been replaced by permanent teeth, have the smallest proportion of children with teeth which are or have been carious. The 6 and 9 year old groups, having still a greater number of temporary teeth, and the 15 -year-old group, having permanent teeth which have been exposed to decay over a longer period, have larger percentages of children with teeth showing past or present decay.
Table 6.-Condition of teeth of children of each age from 6 to 19 years

| Age | Number of dren | Per cent |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Decayed, missing, or filled |  |  |  |  | Decayed |  |  |  |  | Filled |  |  |  |  | Remaining roots |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 5 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 7 \text { or } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 9 \text { or } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{3} \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 5 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 9 or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 5 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 9 \text { or } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 5 \text { or } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7 \text { or } \\ & \text { more } \end{aligned}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} 9 \text { or } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}\right.$ |
|  | 913 | 87.7 | 74.9 | 61.0 | 46.1 | 28.8 | 86.4 | 73.5 | 59.8 | 44.8 | 28.3 | 4.8 | 2.0 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 33.7 | 9.0 | 3.2 | 0.9 | 0.8 |
| 7-1.......... | - 1,122 | ${ }_{94.3}^{92.2}$ | 81.2 83.1 | 65.1 63.9 | 48.4 | 30.4 31.8 |  |  | 63.4 65.5 | ${ }_{47}^{46.1}$ | 28.8 29.3 | $\begin{array}{r}7.4 \\ 10.3 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 3.0 4.9 | 1.0 1.8 | . 7 | . 2 | 36.5 38.7 | 8.9 10.6 | 2.78 | . 8 |  |
|  | 1,335 | 92.7 | 78.8 | 59.9 | 39.4 | 21.5 | 92.3 | 73.6 | 53.5 | 34.1 | 18.4 | 16.8 | 7.3 | 2.5 | 1.0 | . 5 | 32.3 | ${ }_{8.9} 8$ | 2.5 | 7 |  |
| 10 | 1,652 | 91.7 | ${ }^{73.7}$ | 46.4 | ${ }^{24.5}$ | 11.3 | 86. 9 | ${ }^{63.9}$ | 33.1 | 19.8 | ${ }^{9.4}$ | ${ }^{20.9}$ | 8.7 | ${ }_{2} 2.1$ | . 4 | . 1 | ${ }_{2}^{27.1}$ | 6. 2 | , 9 | 2 |  |
| 12 | 1,702 | 87.9 | 64.4 | 34.8 32.5 | 15.0 | 5.5 5.4 | 80.2 79.3 | 51.3 | 26.7 | 10.7 | ${ }^{3.9}$ | 21.7 | 8.8 | 2.2 | . 5 | 1 | 21.4 | 3.7 | . 6 |  | . |
| 13 | 1, 1, $1 \times 3$ | 888.3 | 64. 6 | $3{ }_{36.1}^{32.5}$ | 18.0 | \% 7.8 | 79.3 79.3 | 49.8 | 23.2 | 8.4 <br> 9.3 <br>  <br> 1 | 4.1 | 22.0 | 9, <br> 10.4 <br> 10.4 | 3.2 4.1 | 1.0 | . 2 | 17.6 | 3.1 2.1 | ${ }^{6}$ | . 2 | . 1 |
| 14 | 767 | 88.7 | 63.6 | 44.5 | 24.1 | 10.2 | 80.2 | 51.4 | 27.0 | 12.1 | 4.0 | 30.0 | 16.5 | 6.1 | 2.5 | 1.4 | 13.4 | 1.8 | . 4 |  |  |
| 15 | ${ }_{3}^{555}$ | ${ }_{92}^{91.2}$ | 78.4 | 57.6 | 36.7 44 | ${ }_{26}^{18.7}$ | 79.8 88 | 53.8 53.2 | 27.9 | ${ }_{18}^{13.1}$ | 6.3 4 | 44.8 | 27.7 | 15.5 | 9.0 | 3.8 | 11.9 | 3.1 | 7 |  |  |
| 17 | 199 | ${ }_{94.5}^{92.6}$ | 79.4 | ${ }_{73}^{63.4}$ | ${ }_{56.3}^{44}$ | ${ }_{40.2}^{26.5}$ | 80.6 | 53.2 48.7 | 31.4 | 16.6 <br> 13.6 | 4.9 <br> 5.0 | 55.1 69.8 | 35.7 53.3 | ${ }_{36.7}^{22.1}$ | 11.1 20.6 | 4.9 13 | 8.9 8.0 | . 3 |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{19}^{18}$ | 184 | 99.2 | 94.2 | 83.3 | ${ }^{67.5}$ | 48.2 | 83.3 | 60.0 | 34.2 | 13.3 | 8. 3 | 78.7 | ${ }^{60.8}$ | 40.0 | 21.7 | 14.2 | 6.7 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 84 | 98.8 | 95.2 | 83.3 | 67.9 | 52.4 | 84.5 | 58.3 | 32.1 | 14.3 | 8.3 | 76.2 | 63.1 | 48.8 | 30.9 | 19.0 | 7.1 | 2.4 |  |  |  |

The percentages of children with filled teeth vary directly with age Although dental decay is more prevalent among the 6 -and 9 -year-old children than among the 12 -year-old children, systematic dental care of the temporary teeth is usually neglected, and a larger proportion of carious temporary teeth than of permanent teeth remains unfilled.

This point is emphasized in the graphs which show the prevalence of untreated dental caries at 3 -year intervals. The percentages are highest at 6 and 9 years of age. In the 18 -year-old group the percentages are appreciably lower, because of the relatively high proportion of children having filled teeth. The percentages are somewhat lower in the 15 -year group and lower still in the 12 -year group, as children of this age have lost most of their temporary teeth and caries is spreading only gradually among the permanent teeth.

Badly neglected carious teeth (remaining roots) are much more prevalent at 6 and 9 years of age. These graphs reflect the gradual improvement in dental care as children grow older. The incidence of badly decayed teeth varies inversely with age. The percentage of children having such teeth is lower at 18 years than at 15 , and lower at 15 than at 12 . The percentages are very nearly the same in the first two groups.

Table 7.-Prevalence of dental conditions among children in Hagerstown, Md., Georgia, Illinois, and Missouri

| Age and locality | Total children | Permanent teeth |  |  |  | Temporary teeth, 1 or more decayed |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1 or more decayed, missing, or filled |  | 1 or more filled |  |  |  |
|  |  | Number | Per cent | Number | Per cent | Number | Per cent |
| AGES 6 TO 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hagerstown.- | 2,082 | 994 | 47.7 | 75 | 3.6 | 1,906 | 91.5 |
| Georgia... | 938 | 391 | 41.7 | 25 | 2.7 | 787 | 83.9 |
| Mlinois. | 14 | 5 | 35.7 | 2 | 14.3 | 10 | 71.4 |
| Missouri. | 117 | 29 | 24.8 | 12 | 10.3 | 86 | 73.5 |
| AGES 9 TO 11 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hagerstown. | 1,665 | 1,376 | 82.6 | 271 | 16.3 | 1,223 | 73.5 |
| Georgia | 1,749 | 1,297 | 74.2 | 207 | 11.8 | 1,150 | 65.8 |
| Illinois | 441 | 292 | 66.2 | 121 | 27.4 | 255 | 57.8 |
| Missouri. | 834 | 449 | 53.8 | 216 | 25.9 | 471 | 56.5 |
| AGES 12 TO 14 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hagerstown. | 623 | 574 | 92.1 | 116 | 18.6 | 164 | 26.3 |
| Georgia | 1,540 | 1.359 | 88.2 | 333 | 21.6 | 234 | 15.2 |
| Ilinois | 339 | 264 | 77.9 | 93 | 27.4 | 56 | 16.5 |
| Missouri. | 809 | 592 | 73.2 | 248 | 30.7 | 154 | 19.0 |
| AGES 15 TO 17 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hagerstown.. | 42 | 40 | 95.2 | 10 | 23.8 | 4 | 9.5 |
| Georgia. | 874 | 825 | 94.4 | 488 | 55.8 | 7 | . 8 |
| Illinois... | 37 | 27 | 73.0 | 9 | 24.3 | 1 | 2.7 |
| Missouri | 127 | 103 | 81.1 | 62 | 48.8 | 2 | 1.6 |

## SUMMARY

## TEMPORARY TEETH

The highest percentages of children having carious temporary teeth occur in the 7 and 8 year groups, while the highest incidence of "remaining roots" is among 8 -year-old children. (Fig. 1.)

Six-year-old children have the highest percentage of temporary teeth with fistulæ. (Fig. 1.)

The number of children with filled temporary teeth is so small as to be negligible.

## PERMANENT TEETH

The percentages of children having permanent teeth decayed, missing, or filled increase rapidly up to the eighth year and more slowly among older children. (Fig. 3.)

The incidence of unfilled caries of permanent teeth increases with age. (Fig. 3.)

There were more children at 14 and 15 years than at other ages who had permanent teeth nearly destroyed by caries. (Fig. 3.)

The percentages of children who had permanent teeth filled as well as those who had had permanent teeth extracted increase with age. (Fig. 3.)

## ALL TEETH

When both temporary and permanent teeth are considered together, about 90 per cent of the children in each age group had one tooth or more decayed, missing, or filled. (Fig. 5.)

A much greater proportion of younger than of older children had unfilled, carious teeth. (Fig. 5.)

An even greater preponderance of younger children had at least one tooth nearly destroyed by caries. (Fig. 5.)

The number of children with filled teeth is much higher in the older than in the younger age groups. (Fig. 5.)

The percentages of children having teeth with fistulæ are relatively high among children under 10 years of age. (Fig. 5.)

## DEATH RATES IN A GROUP OF INSURED PERSONS

## Rates for Principal Causes of Death for August, 1931

The accompanying table, taken from the Statistical Bulletin for September, 1931, issued by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., presents the mortality record of the industrial insurance department of the company for August 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-August 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 more or less selected group of persons has averaged about 72 per cent of the rate for the registration area of the United States.

In spite of the economic depression, health conditions continue to be excellent in this group of industrial policyholders, which is composed of persons most likely to be affected by such general economic disturbances.

## The Bulletin states:

Never before have general health conditions among the industrial policyholders of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. been so favorable as in August of this year. The death rate was only 7.4 per 1,000 . The previous low figure of 7.5 per 1,000 for this month was recorded in August, 1924. For five consecutive months in 1931, the mortality has shown improvement over the figure for the corresponding month of 1930 . The effect of this favorable experience during the spring and summer has been almost enough to offset the increased mortality of the early months of the current year due to the influenza epidemic of last winter. For the eight elapsed months of 1931 a cumulative death rate of 9.1 per 1,000 has been recorded, which is only 1 per cent above the figure recorded for the same period last year.

Among policyholders living west of the Rocky Mountains, the year-to-date death rate at the end of August was 6.4 per 1,000, as compared with 6.7 in 1930. The excellent health conditions which have prevailed so far this year are indeed remarkable, in view of prevailing employment conditions. This factor would ordinarily have led us to expect an increase in the mortality rate.

The continued drop in the mortality from tuberculosis is the outstanding and most favorable item in the health record of 1931. With two-thirds of the year behind us, including the seasons when the tuberculosis ceath rate is highest, it is now safe to say that a new minimel death rate will be registered for this disease in 1931. It is also probable that the greatest year-to-year decline recorded in many years will be registered this year.

The cumulative death rate for diphtheria at the end of August was only 4.1 per 100,000 , a decline of more than one-third, as compared with the 1930 figure for the like period of the year. Diphtheria, so far this year, has a lower death rate than measles, and the rate is only slightly in excess of the rates for scarlet fever and whooping cough.

Other diseases which bid fair to register new minimal death rates in 1931 are typhoid fever, diarrheal complaints, and conditions related to childbearing.

On the other hand, several diseases show more or less marked increases in mortality. Influenza, due to the widespread outbreak of last winter, is the most conspicuous among these. The influenza situation, however, has since adjusted itself and the rates have been running low since the beginning of the spring season. The most unfavorable item in the 1931 mortality record is cancer, whose cumulative death rate has increased 6.6 per cent since 1930 -an unusually large rise in any single year. The upward trend in the diabetes death rate, observed since 1924, is still unchecked. The increase in diabetes mortality may be found to be concentrated largely in the later ages of life, and not in youth where insulin has so far shown such favorable results. The rise in 1931 bids fair, however, to exceed any year-to-year increase recorded for several years.

Small increases are shown in the 1931 death rate for both suicides and homicides. All forms of accidents, combined, show a slight drop this year; but the
death rate from automobile fatalities continues to rise and will probably attain a new high point by the time the record for 1931 is completed.

Death rates (annual basis) per 100,000 for principal causes of death
[Industrial insurance department, Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.]

| Cause of death | Annual rate per 100,000 lives exposed 1 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { August, } \\ 1931 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July, } \\ & \text { 1031 } \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{1930}{\text { August, }}$ | Cumulative, January to August |  |
|  |  |  |  | 1931 | 1930 |
| Total, all causes. | 735.5 | 831.7 | 761.1 | 909.7 | 903.6 |
| Typhoid fever. | 3.2 | 1.7 | 3.3 | 1.6 | 1.7 |
| Mearlet | 1.7 | 1.2 2.8 2 | 1.1 | 3. 6 | 2.9 |
| Whooping cough | 4.2 | 2.7 | 5. 4 | 3.6 | 4.8 |
| Diphtheria-...-- | 1.9 | 3.0 | ${ }^{3.0}$ | 4.1 | ${ }^{6.3}$ |
| Infuenza-- Tuberculosis (ail forms) | $\begin{array}{r}1.6 \\ 63.5 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 74. 4 | $\begin{array}{r}3.4 \\ 72.5 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 78.5 | 84.8 |
| Tuberculosis of respiratory system. | 55.7 | 64.9 | 63.1 | 69.2 | 73.6 |
| Cancer-- | 76.1 | 82.9 16.6 | 74.5 16.3 | 82.2 21.2 | 77.1 19.0 |
| Diabetes mellitus-..- | 16.9 49.3 | 16.6 59.6 | 16.3 | 21.2 62.7 | 19.6 |
| Cerebral hemorrhage-ar | 118.3 | 134.7 | 114.2 | 153.5 | 149.8 |
| Pneumonia (all forms)... | 27.6 | 37.0 | 29.8 | 86. 3 | ${ }^{85.5}$ |
| Other respiratory diseases | 27.1 | ${ }_{16.4}$ | 32.6 | 11.1 | 11. |
| Diarrhea and enteritis .....-.initis) | 51.9 | 60.8 | 59.3 | 67.9 | 69.9 |
| Puerperal state -.. | 9.1 | ${ }_{9}^{10.2}$ | ${ }^{10.9}$ | 11.4 | 12.6 |
| Suicides-....-.-- | 7.1 | 9.6 7.0 | 9.4 6.4 | 6.8 | ${ }_{6.5}^{9.6}$ |
| Other external causes (excluding suicides and homicides). | 70.2 226 | 89.7 25.1 | 76.6 22.7 | 61.3 20.4 | 63.3 19.5 |
| All other causes -------......---..- | 185.0 | 205.5 | 179.0 | 200.3 | 198.6 |

${ }^{1}$ All figures in this table include insured infants under 1 year of age. The rates for 1031 are subject to slight correction, since they are based on provisional estimates of lives exposed to risk.

## COURT DECISIONS RELATING TO PUBLIC HEALTH

Piggeries held to be nuisances.-(Pennsylvania Supreme Court; Lutz $v$. Dept. of Health of Commonwealth et al., 156 A. 235; Commonwealth ex rel. Woods, Atty. Gen., v. Banholzer et ux., 156 A. 237 ; Commonwealth ex rel. Woods, Atty. Gen., v. Goodwin et al., and Commonwealth ex rel. Woods, Atty. Gen., v. Topel, 156 A. 238; decided June 27, 1931.) In these four cases, the court held that certain piggeries, where garbage was fed to swine, were operated and maintained in violation of the rules and regulations of the State department of health and were subject to abatement as public nuisances. The Lutz case was an action to restrain the State health authorities from abating the nuisance arising from the piggery, while the other cases were proceedings to abate nuisances caused by the offending piggeries.

## DEATHS DURING WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 10, 1931

Summary of information received by telegraph from industrial insurance companies for the week ended October 10, 1931, and corresponding week of 1930. (From the Weekly Health Index, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce).

|  | Week ended October 10, 1931 | $\underset{\text { week, } 1930}{\text { Corresponding }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Policies in force | マ4, 633, 545 | 75, 406, 109 |
| Number of death claims | 11, 479 | 11, 836 |
| Death claims per 1,000 policies in force, annual rate. | 8.0 | 8. 2 |
| Death claims per 1,000 policies, first 41 weeks of year, annual rate | 9.8 | 9. |

Deaths ${ }^{1}$ from all causes in certain large cities of the United States during the week ended October 10, 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]

| City | Week ended Oct. 10, 1931 |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Corresponding } \\ \text { week, } 1930 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Death rate } 2 \text { for } \\ & \text { the first } 41 \\ & \text { weeks } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total deaths | Death rate ${ }^{2}$ | Deaths under 1 year | Infant mortality rate ${ }^{3}$ | Death rate ${ }^{2}$ | Deaths under 1 year | 1831 | 1930 |
| Total (82 cities). | 7,026 | 10.3 | 661 | 451 | 10.9 | 760 | 12.0 | 12.0 |
| Akron. | 47 | 9.5 | 9 | 89 | 8.6 | 5 | 7.9 | 8.0 |
| Albany | 34 | 13. 7 | 1 | 20 | 15.1 | 3 | 13.8 | 14.9 |
| At lanta. | 85 | 16.0 | 6 | 61 | 16.5 | 16 | 15.2 | 15.7 |
| White. Colored | 35 50 | (0) | 2 <br> 4 | 32 115 | (6) | 7 | (0) |  |
| Baltimore ${ }^{\text {b }}$ - | 202 | 12.9 | 31 | 105 | 13.0 | 25 | 14.5 | 14.0 |
| White | 153 |  | 24 | 104 |  | 18 |  |  |
| Colored. | 49 | (6) | 7 | 109 | (0) | 7 | (9) | (6) 7 |
| Birmingham | 54 | 10.5 | 3 | 30 | 10.0 | 5 | 13.5 | 13.7 |
| White Colored. | 28 | (0) | 1 | 17 49 | (0) | 1 | (0) | (0) |
| Boston..... | 198 | 13.1 | 17 | 49 | 14.6 | 32 | 14.3 | 14.1 |
| Bridgeport | 33 | 11.7 | 4 | 66 | 10.7 | 2 | 11.2 | 11.1 |
| Buffalo- | 114 | 10.2 | 7 | 29 | 13.1 | 21 | 13.1 | 13.0 |
| Cambridge | 23 | 10.5 | 4 | 80 | 13.8 | 4 | 12.1 | 11.9 |
| Camden. | 22 | 9.6 | 3 | 52 | 8.8 | 2 | 14.3 | 13.5 |
| Caiton. | 23 | 11.2 | 2 | 46 | 10.9 | 3 | 10.2 | 10.0 |
| Cuicago ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 586 | 8.8 | 58 | 51 | 10.3 | 68 | 10.7 | 10.5 |
| Cincinnati | 132 | 15.1 | 15 | 90 | 15.0 | 17 | 16.1 | 15.6 |
| Cleveland. | 171 | 9.8 | 12 | 35 | 9.1 | 13 | 11.3 | 11.2 |
| Columbus. | 50 | 8.8 | 5 | 49 | 17.7 | 13 | 13.6 | 15.7 |
| Dallas..... | 52 | 10.0 | 13 |  | 6.9 | 4 | 11.2 | 11.4 |
| White | 39 13 |  | 11 |  |  | 3 |  |  |
| Dayton Colore | 13 46 | ${ }^{(6)} 11.6$ | 2 | 70 | (6) 12.6 | 10 | ${ }^{(0)} 11.9$ | ${ }^{(0)} 10.7$ |
| Denver- | 63 | 11.3 | 8 | 77 | 17.0 | 10 | 13.9 | 14.9 |
| Des Moines. | 29 | 10.5 | 1 | 18 | 8.8 | 1 | 11.1 | 11.7 |
| Detroit.- | 197 | 6.2 | 27 | 43 | 8.2 | 42 | 8.3 | 9.4 |
| Duluth | 16 | 8.2 | 1 | 25 | 11.8 | 2 | 11.3 | 11.3 |
| El Paso. | 24 | 11.9 | 5 |  | 10.6 | 5 | 15.7 | 17.4 |
| Erie-... | 15 | 6.6 | 1 | 19 | 11.2 | 2 | 10.5 | 11.3 |
| Fall River ${ }^{\text {7 }}$ | 25 | 11.3 | 1 | ${ }^{23}$ | 9.0 | 2 | 11.2 | 11.9 |
| Flint | 13 | 4.1 | 1 | 13 | 6.3 | 6 | 6.9 | 9.2 |
| Fort Worth | 30 | 9.3 | 2 |  | 7.6 | 2 | 10.8 | 11.0 |
| White Colored | 22 |  | 1 |  |  | 1 |  |  |
| Grand Rapids. | 23 | 7.0 | 2 | 30 | 8.9 | 3 | 9.1 | 10.3 |
| Houston | 45 | 7.6 | 8 |  | 10.2 | 7 | 11.2 | 12.2 |
| White Colored | 31 14 | (6) | 7 |  |  | 5 |  |  |

See footnotes at end of table.

Deaths ${ }^{1}$ from all causes in certain large cities of the United States during the weeh ended October 10, 1931, infant mortality, annual death rate, and comparison with corresponding week of 1930-Continued

| City | Week ended Oct. 10, 1931 |  |  |  | Corresponding, 1930ween |  | Death rate ${ }^{2}$ for the first 41 weeks |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total deaths | Death rate ${ }^{2}$ | Deaths under 1 year | Infant mortality rate | Death rate ${ }^{2}$ | Deaths under 1 year | 1931 | 1930 |
| Indianapolis | 101 | 14.2 | 9 | 74 | 15.7 | 7 | 13.9 | 14.8 |
| Colored. | 10 | (6) | 1 | 67 | (0) | 2 | (6) | (0) |
| Jersey City | 76 | 12.4 | 6 | 53 | 10.2 | 9 | 11.6 | 11.2 |
| Kansas City, Kans | 27 | 11.5 | 2 | 41 | 15.0 | 1 | 12.7 | 11.8 |
| White. | 20 |  | 2 | 49 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Colored. | 7 | (6) | 0 | 0 | (9) | 0 | (9) | (9) |
| Kansas City, Mo | 81 | 10.3 | 9 | 68 | 12.9 | 9 | 13.1 | 13.3 |
| Knoxville-..-.-. | 18 | 8.6 | 3 | 64 | 10.3 | 2 | 12.5 | 13.6 |
| White Colored | 13 5 | (0) | 2 1 | 48 204 | (6) | 2 | (0) | (0) |
| Long Beach | 26 | 8.9 | 0 | 0 | 10.1 | 1 | 9.8 | 9.9 |
| Los Angeles | 223 | 8.8 | 22 | 64 | 11.7 | 21 | 10.7 | 11.0 |
| Louisville... | 59 | 10.0 | 7 | 60 | 13.4 | 8 | 14.3 | 13.6 |
| White- | 46 |  | 6 | 59 |  | 7 |  |  |
| Lowell ${ }^{\text {P }}$ | 13 | 11.9 | 1 | ${ }_{0}^{68}$ | 12.4 | 1 | 12.7 | ${ }^{(6)} 4$ |
| Lynn.. | 13 | 6.6 | 2 | 52 | 11.7 | 1 | 12.7 | 10.5 |
| Memphis. | 81 | 16.3 | 6 | 63 | 11.3 | 7 | 16.7 | 17.1 |
| White | 38 |  | 3 | 50 |  | 4 |  |  |
| Colored | 43 | ${ }^{(6)}$ | 3 | 87 | (0) | 3 | ${ }^{(0)}$ | (6) |
| Miami | 22 | 10.2 | 2 | 51 | 10.3 | 2 | 11.9 | 11.1 |
| White | 18 |  | 2 | 71 |  | 2 |  |  |
| Milwaukee | ${ }_{4}^{4}$ | ${ }^{8} 8$ | 0 | 7 | ${ }^{9} 9$ | 0 | 9 | ${ }^{(0)}$ |
| Minneapolis | 78 | 8.6 | 9 | 58 | 9.8 | 3 | 11.2 | 10.7 |
| Nashville. | 50 | 16.8 | 5 | 74 | 14.2 | 9 | 17.0 | 16.6 |
| White. | 27 |  | 2 | 40 |  | 7 |  |  |
| Colored. | 23 | (6) | 3 | 177 | (6) | 2 | (9) | (9) |
| New Bedicrd ${ }^{7}$ | 22 | 10.2 | 4 | 106 | 8.8 | 2 | 12.1 | 10.9 |
| New Haven. | 48 | 15.4 | 2 | 38 | 14.4 | 4 | 12.4 | 12.8 |
| New Orleans. | 121 | 13.5 | 7 | 38 | 15.2 | 15 | 16.9 | 17.4 |
| White- | 69 |  | 4 | 33 |  | 7 |  |  |
| Colored. | 52 | (6) | 3 | 49 | (8) | 8 | ${ }^{(6)}$ | (6) |
| New York | 1,321 | 9.7 | 97 | 41 | 9.4 | 108 | 11.2 | 10.8 |
| Bronx Borough.. | 194 | 7.6 | 6 | 14 | 6.4 | 11 | 8.2 | 7.9 |
| Brooklyn Borough. | 466 | 9.3 | 39 | 41 | 8.2 | 40 | 10.3 | 9.9 |
| Manhattan Borcugh | 486 | 14. 0 | 40 | 68 | 14.7 | 40 | 17.0 | 16. 1 |
| Queens Borough | 134 | 6.1 | 9 | 25 | 5. 9 | 11 | 7.3 | 7.1. |
| Richmond Borcugh. | 41 | 13.1 | 3 | 54 | 13.7 | 6 | 13.9 | 14.4 |
| Newark, N. J. | 96 | 11.2 | 13 | 68 | 10.9 | 11 | 11.7 | 12.1 |
| Oakland.- | 56 | 10.0 | 3 | 38 | 9.1 | 2 | 10.5 | 11.0 |
| Oklahoma City. | 35 | 9.3 | 4 | 55 | 9.5 | 6 | 10.8 | 10.8 |
| Omaha | 51 | 12.3 | 0 | 0 | 10.2 | 4 | 13.9 | 13. 6 |
| Paterson. | 34 | 12.8 | 2 | 34 | 10.9 | 2 | 13.4 | 12.3 |
| Peoria. | 25 | 12.0 | 4 | 105 | 5.9 | 1 | 12.6 | 12.3 |
| Philadelphia | 422 | 11.2 | 44 | 64 | 11.2 | 49 | 13. 1 | 12. 6 |
| Pittsburgh. | 137 | 10.6 | 16 | 55 | 12.9 | 21 | 14.5 | 13.8 |
| Portland, Oreg | 62 | 10.5 | 8 | 97 | 12.4 | 2 | 11.6 | 12.1 |
| Providence | 59 | 12.1 | 5 | 46 | 8.4 | 2 | 12.8 | 13.0 |
| Richmond. | 34 | 9.6 | 2 | 29 | 10.8 | 5 | 15.5 | 14.8 |
| White | 20 |  | 1 | 22 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Colored | 14 | (6) | 1 | 43 | (6) | 4 | (9) | (6) |
| Rochester | 63 | 10.7 | 5 | 46 | 14.3 | 12 | 12.0 | 11.6 |
| St. Louis | 183 | 11.5 | 13 | 44 | 13.3 | 21 | 15.2 | 14.2 |
| St. Paul | 42 | 7.9 | 1 | 10 | 9.4 | 4 | 10.7 | 10. 1 |
| Salt Lake City | 30 | 10.9 | 7 | 104 | 11.5 | 2 | 12.2 | 12.1 |
| San Antonio...- | 51 | 11.1 | 7 |  | 11.0 | 5 | 14.5 | 16.6 |
| San Diego-- | 33 | 11.0 | 3 | 61 | 11.9 | 1 | 13.6 | 14.4 |
| San Francisco. | 139 | 11.2 | 11 | 73 | 9.4 | 6 | 13. 1 | 13.0 |
| Schenectady. | 20 | 10.8 | 0 | 0 | 7.1 | 2 | 10.5 | 11.3 |
| Seattle. | 74 | 10.4 | 3 | 28 | 10.0 | 4 | 11.4 | 10.8 |
| Somerville | 11 | 5.5 | 0 | 0 | 10.5 | 2 | 8.9 | 9.8 |
| South Bend | 14 | 6.8 |  | 25 | 7.0 | 2 | 8.1 | 8.9 |
| Spekane.-..- | 30 | 13.4 | 2 | 52 | 11.3 | 2 | 12.4 | 12.3 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Deaths 1 from all causes in certain large cities of the United States during the week ended October 10, 1931, infant mortality, annual death rate, and comparison with corresponding week of 1930-Continued

| City | Week ended Oct. 10, 1931 |  |  |  | Correspondingweek, 1930 |  | Death rate ${ }^{2}$ for the first 41 weeks |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total deaths | Death rate ${ }^{2}$ | Deaths under 1 year | Infant mortality rate | Death rate ${ }^{2}$ | Deaths under 1 year | 191 | 1930 |
| Springfleld, Mass. | 22 | 7.5 | 2 | 31 | 12.5 | 5 | 11.7 | 12.2 |
| Syracuse. | 41 | 10.0 | 9 | 107 | 12.7 | 7 | 11.6 | 11.6 |
| Tacoma | 32 | 15.5 | 0 | 0 | 6.8 | 2 | 12.1 | 12.3 |
| Toledo.- | 58 | 10.2 | 3 | 28 | 11.4 | 9 | 12.0 | 12.7 |
| Trenton...- | 43 | 18.1 | 4 | 70 | 20.7 | 8 | 16.5 | 16.7 |
| Utica---- | 23 | 11.7 | 3 | 78 | 12.3 | 1 | 14.0 | 14.8 |
| Washington, D. C | 133 | 14.1 | 9 | 50 | 13.8 | 7 | 15.8 | 15.1 |
| White....-. | 80 |  |  |  |  | 3 |  |  |
| Colored.-.- | 53 | ${ }^{(0)}$ | 5 | 86 | ${ }_{5}{ }^{4}$ | 4 | ${ }^{(6)} 7$ | (6) |
| Waterbury | 21 | 10.9 | 3 | 90 | 5.7 | 1 | 9.7 | 9.7 |
| Wilmington, Del. 7 | 30 | 14.7 | 6 | 129 | 14.2 | 3 | 14.0 | 14.5 |
| Worcester.-.-.... | 46 | 12.2 | 4 | 55 | 11.2 | 3 | 12. 1 | 12.8 |
| Yonkers. | 12 | 4.5 | 0 | 0 | 5.8 | 0 | 8.5 | 8.0 |
| Youngstown. | 24 | 7.2 | 3 | 42 | 10.7. | 3 | 10.2 | 10.3 |

[^2]
## 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 occuring

## 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 October 17, 1931, and October 18, 1930

Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended October 17, 1931, and October 18, 1930


## ${ }^{1}$ New York City only.

${ }^{2}$ Week ended Friday.
${ }^{3}$ Typhus fever, 1931, 9 cases: 1 case in Maryland; 1 case in South Carolina; 3 cases in Georgia; 2 cases in Alabama; 1 case in Mississippi; and 1 case in Louisiana.

## Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers

 for weeks ended October 17, 1931, and October 18, 1990-Continued|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |

## 2 Week ended Friday.

${ }^{3}$ Typhus fever, 1931, 9 rases; 1 case in Maryland; 1 case in South Carolina; 3 cases in Georgia; 2 cases in Alabama; 1 case in Mississippi; and 1 case in Louisiana.
${ }^{4}$ Figures for 1931 are exclusive of Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended October 17, 1931, and October 18, 1930-Continued


${ }^{2}$ Week end Friday.
${ }^{3}$ Typhus fever, 1931, 9 cases; 1 case in Maryland; 1 case in South Carolina; 3 cases in Georgia; 2 cases in Alarama; 1 case in Mississippi; and 1 case in Louisiana.
4 Figures for 1931 are exclusive of Okla亡cma City and Tulsa.

## SUMMARY OF MONTHLY REPORTS FROM STATES

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

| State | $\begin{gathered} \text { Menin- } \\ \text { gococ- } \\ \text { cus } \\ \text { menin- } \\ \text { gitis } \end{gathered}$ | Diphtheria | Influenza | Malaria | Measles | Pellagr8 | Polio-myelitis | Scarlet fever | $\underset{\text { Small- }}{\substack{\text { pox }}}$ | Typhoid fever |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| August, 1931 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kansas. | 4 | 30 | 1 | 1 | 17 |  | 4 | 52 | 6 | 39 |
| Mississippi... | 8 | 162 | 297 | 5,269 | 25 | 830 | 7 | 58 | 30 | 217 |
| Montana.-...-- | 4 | 7 | 4 |  | 37 |  | 11 | 44 | 4 | 11 |
| September, 1931 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| California. | 21 | 230 | 11.5 | 7 | 299 | 7 | 45 | 327 | 18 | 106 |
| Maryland...---- | 1 | 103 | 16 |  | 24 | 1 | 15 | 119 | 0 | 158 |
| Massachusetts.- | 7 | 146 | 22 | 3 | $\varepsilon 0$ | 2 | 588 | 358 | 0 | 30 |
| New Jersey | 10 | 57 | 5 |  | 43 | ----- | 354 | 137 | 0 | 62 |
| Ohio | 6 | 265 | 31 | 10 | S1 |  | 52 | 586 | 8 | 367 |
| Vermont |  | 7 |  |  | 24 |  | 27 | 13 | 4 | 0 |
| West Virginia | 2 | 122 | 44 |  | 39 |  | 23 | 94 | 2 | 280 |
| Wyoming |  | 1 |  |  | 5 |  | 2 | 14 | 2 | 9 |

August, 1581


Chicken pox:
Kansas19
Mississippi ..... 166
Montana ..... 11
Dengue:
Mississippi ..... 2
Dysentery:
Kansas ..... 2
Mississippi (amebic) ..... 52
German measles:
Kansas ..... 5
Montana ..... 2
Hookworm disease:
Mississippi ..... 256
Impetigo contagiosa:
Kansas ..... 5
Montana ..... 3
Mumps:
Kansas ..... 80
Mississippi ..... 67
Montana ..... 11
Ophthalmia neonatorum:
Mississippi ..... 8
Paratyphoid fever:Kansas1
Puerperal fever:
Mississippi ..... 25
Scabies:
Kansas ..... 1
Septic sore throat
Kansas. ..... 1
Montana ..... 3
Tetanus:
Kansas ..... 1
Trachoma:
Kansas1
Mississippi ..... 2
Montana ..... 49
Tularaemia:
Kansas ..... 3
Undulant fever:
Kansas ..... 5
Vincent's angina:
Kansas ..... 6
Montana ..... 2
Whooping cough:
Kansas120
Mississippi ..... 283
Montana ..... 45
Septeinber, 1981
Actinomycosis:
Massachusetts ..... 1
Anthrax:Massachusetts1Botulism:California1
Chicken pox:California212
Maryland ..... 34
Massachusotts ..... 63
New Jersey. ..... 33
Ohio ..... 116
Vermont ..... 10
West Virginia ..... 20
Wyoming ..... 8
Diarrhea: Cases
Maryland ..... 53
Diarrhea and enteritis:
Ohio (under 2 years) ..... 76
Dysentery:
California (amebic) ..... 8
California (bacillary) ..... 32
Maryland ..... 37
Massachusetts ..... 7
New Jersey ..... 1
Ohio ..... 20
Food poisoning:
California ..... 63
Ohio. ..... 50
German measles:
California ..... 28
Maryland ..... 4
Massachusetts. ..... 29
New Jersey ..... 15
Ohio ..... 6
Granuloma, coccidioidal: California ..... 7
Hookworm disease: California ..... 1
Impetigo contagiosa:
Maryland ..... 124
Lead poisoning:
Massachusetts ..... 6
New Jersey ..... 3
Ohio ..... 10
Lethargic encephalitis:
California ..... 5
Maryland ..... 3
Massachusetts ..... 5
Now Jersey ..... 4
Ohio ..... 1
Milk sickness: Ohio ..... 1
Mumps:
California ..... 209
Maryland ..... 16
Massachusetts ..... 121
New Jersey ..... 31
Ohio ..... 127
Vermont ..... 22
Wyoming ..... 2
Ophthalmia neonatorum:
California ..... 4
Maryland ..... 1
Massachusetts ..... 101
New Jersey ..... 5
Ohio ..... 72
Paratyphoid fever:
California ..... 11
New Jersey ..... 4
Ohio. ..... 7
West Virginia ..... 1
Puerperal septicemia: Ohio ..... 3
Rabies in animals:
California ..... 23
Maryland ..... 2
Rocky Mountain spotted or tick fever:
Maryland ..... 2
Scabies: Maryland ..... 10
Septic sore throat:
California ..... 7
Maryland ..... 10
Messachusetts ..... 19
Ohio ..... 48

| Tetanus: | Cases |
| :---: | :---: |
| California | 12 |
| Maryland. | 4 |
| Massachusetts. | 4 |
| Ohio. | 1 |
| Trachoma: |  |
| California | 21 |
| Massachusetts. | 2 |
| Ohio. | 5 |
| Trichinosis: |  |
| California. | 2 |
| Massachusetts. | - 1 |
| Tularæmia: |  |
| California | 2 |
| Ohio. | 5 |
| Wyoming | 1 |
| Typhus fever: Mar | - 2 |

Undulant fever: Cases
Californis. ..... 10
Maryland ..... 4
Massachusetts ..... 1
New Jersey. ..... 2
Ohio. ..... 8
Vermont ..... 2
Vincent's angina: Maryland ..... 14
Whooping cough:
California ..... 583
Maryland ..... 510
Massachusetts ..... 546
New Jersey ..... 880
Ohio ..... 803
Vermont ..... 69
West Virginia ..... 96
Wyoming ..... 18
TYPHOID FEYER OUTBREAK AT STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE, WEST CHESTER, PA.

In a communication dated October 22, 1931, Dr. Theodore B. Appel, secretary of health of Pennsylvania, states that there has been an outbreak of typhoid fever among the students at the State Teachers College, West Chester, Pa., with approximately 40 cases occurring between the last week in September and about October 10, the peak coming between October 4 and 7.

A carrier among the kitchen or dining room employees is believed to have been the source of the epidemic, as water, milk, and other food supplies were eliminated, as possible sources, and the cases were limited to those students who lived and boarded at the school.

## RECIPROCAL NGTIFICATIONS

Notifications regarding communicabie diseases sent during the month of September, 1931, by departments of health of certain States to other State health departments

| Disease | California | Con-necticut | Illingis | Maine | Massa-chusetts | $\underset{\text { scta }}{\text { Minne }}$ | New Jersey | New York | Oregon | Wash-ington |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Actinomycosis |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gonorrhea..... |  |  |  |  |  | 3 |  |  |  |  |
| Malaria. | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Poliomyelit is. | 2 | 4 |  |  | 6 | 2 | 1 | 5 | - | ----..-* |
| Scarlet fever |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |
| Smallpox. | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Syphilis.....- |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Typhoid fever- |  | 2 | 4 | 1 |  | 2 |  | 8 | 6 | 1 |
| Undulent fever. |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 |  |  |  |
| Undulater. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## GENERAL CURRENT SUMMARY AND WEEKLY REPORTS FROM CITIES

The 95 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 $33,270,000$. The estimated population of the 88 cities reporting deaths is more than $31,725,000$. The estimated expectancy is based on the experience of the last nine years, excluding epidemics.

$$
76314^{\circ}-31-3
$$

Weeks ended October 10, 1931, and October 11, 1950

|  | 1881 | 1830 | Estimated ex. pectancy |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cuses reported |  |  |  |
| Diphtheria: | 1,978 | 1,455 |  |
| 950 | 1,414 | 1440 | 684 |
| Measles: |  |  |  |
| 45 States. | 679 | 617 |  |
| 95 cities | 177 | 136 |  |
| Meningococcus meningitis: |  |  |  |
| 46 States.-- | 62 23 | 73 3 | -...-.---** |
| Poliomyelitis:- |  |  |  |
| 46 States.. | 799 | 553 |  |
| Scarlet fever: |  |  |  |
| 46 States. | 2,182 | 1,929 |  |
| 95 cities. | 635 | 596 | 522 |
| Smallpox: |  |  |  |
| 46 States. <br> 95 cities | 88 | 133 10 | 13 |
| Typhoid fever: |  |  |  |
| 46 States... | 900 | 934 |  |
| 95 cities | 128 | 126 | 132 |
| Deaths reported |  |  |  |
| Infuenza and pneumonia: |  |  |  |
| 88 Smallpox: | 352 | 458 | ----------* |
| 88 cities. | 0 | 0 |  |

## City reports for week ended October 10, 1931

The "estimated expectancy" given for diphtheria, poliomyelitis, 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.

| Division, State, and city | Chicken pox, cases reported | Diphtheria |  | Influenza |  | Measles, cases reported | Mumps, cases reported | Pneumonia, deaths reported |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Cases, estimated expectancy | Cases reported | Cases reported | Deaths reported |  |  |  |
| NEW ENGLAND |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maine: Portland | 0 | 0 | 1 | --.-...-- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| New Hampshire: |  | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Concord | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Barre .-.........- | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Burlington..-.-.-- | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Massachusetts: | 5 | 17 | 14 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 14 |
| Fall River. | 0 | 3 | 11 |  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Springtield...-.--- | 0 | 4 | 0 |  | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| W orcester-.-.-.-- | 3 | 4 | 1 |  | 0 | 2 | 22 | 3 |
| Rhode Island: Pawtucket | 0 | 1 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Providence.-.------ | 0 | 4 | 3 |  | 1 | 48 | 0 | 6 |
| Connecticut: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bridgeport.-....-- | 1 | 3 <br> 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 1 | 1 |
| liartford <br> New Haven | 0 | 3 1 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| middle atlantic |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New York: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Butialo. | $\stackrel{2}{2}$ | 10 | 6 59 | 2 | 0 4 | 10 | 0 11 | 78 |
| Rochester--------- | 2 | 2 | 5 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Syracuse.........--- | 1 | 1 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| New Jersey: | 3 | 4 | 3 |  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Newark... | 1 | 11 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 6 |
| Tren*on-.......--- | 0 | 2 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Pennsylvinnia Philadelphia |  |  |  | 4 | 3 |  |  |  |
| Philadelphia...---- | 5 4 | 14 | 8 | 4 | 3 1 | 12 | 17 | 23 |
| Reading........--- | 0 | 1 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| east north central |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ohio: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cincinnati | 0 | 8 | 3 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Cleveland........- | 8 | 37 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 6 | 19 | 3 |
| Colurnbus...-.... | 1 | 4 | 13 |  | 0 | 1 | 0 |  |
| Toledo-...---...--- | 7 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | c |
| Indiana: Woyne |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fort Wayne....-- | 0 | 11 | 5 4 | .-.-- | 0 | 0 | 0 4 | 3 4 |
| Incianapolis......- |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Terre İaute-.----- | 0 | 1 | 2 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Illinois: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chicaro ${ }^{\text {Sprinrield....--- }}$ | 8 0 | 73 |  | 2 | 3 | 5 6 | 7 | 12 |
| Michigan: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Detroit.........-- | 4 | 47 | 11 |  | 0 | 4 | 8 | , |
| Flint | 2 | 3 | 1 |  | 0 | 1 | 1 |  |
| Wrand Rapids | 1 | 1 | 0 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Wiscorsin: Kencsha........ |  |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Kenosha-.......- | ${ }_{0}^{2}$ | 0 | 1 |  |  | 1 | 10 | 0 |
| Milwankee......... | 8 | 7 | 2 |  | 0 | 2 | 12 | 9 |
| Racine..........-- | 1 | 1 | 0 |  | 0 | 1 | 7 | 0 |
| Sukcricr.......... | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 20 | 8 |

City reports for week ended October 10, 1951-Continued

| Division, Stato, and city | Chicken pox, cases reported | Diphtheria |  | Influansa |  | Measles, cases roported | Mumps, cases roported | Pnersmonia, death reported |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Cases, } \\ \text { estimated } \\ \text { expect- } \\ \text { ancy } \end{gathered}$ | Cases reported | Cases reported | Deaths reported |  |  |  |
| WEST NORTH CEENTRAL |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Minnesota: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Duluth.........- | 1 | 1 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Minneapolis....- | 13 | ${ }_{21}^{23}$ | 3 | .......-- | 0 | 1 | 15 | 8 |
| St. Paul.-.---..-- | 5 | 10 | 2 |  | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |
| Iowa: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Des Moines | 12 | $\stackrel{1}{2}$ | 0 |  |  | 0 | 0 |  |
| Sioux City .......- | 0 | 2 | 3 |  |  | 0 | 1 |  |
| Waterloo.......... | 4 | 0 | 1 |  |  | 0 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kansas City ....- | 2 | 4 | 8 |  | 0 | 0 | 1 | $\$$ |
| St. Joseph.....---- | 0 1 | - 28 | 3 14 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\frac{1}{2}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Grand Forks....-- | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| South Dakota: $\quad 1 \quad 0$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aberdeen.-......- | 15 | 0 | 0 |  |  | 29 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nebraska: <br> Omahs | 0 | 10 | 12 |  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 |
| Kansas: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Topekr.....-.--- | 0 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Wichita | 0 | 2 | 3 | -... | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| SOUTH ATLANTIC |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Delaware: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fistrict of Columbia:- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Virginia: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lynchburg--.-.-- | 0 | 3 | 2 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Norfolk.--.-.-.--- | 0 | 2 | 4 |  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Richmond.-...-- | 0 | 19 | 17 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Roanoke........-- | 1 | 4 | 6 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| North Carolina:----- $\quad 0$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Raleigh | 0 | 4 | 3 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Wilmington.-.--- | 0 | 1 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Charleston.-.-.-- | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 |
| Columbis.......-. | 0 | 1 | 1 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Greenville......-- | 0 | 1 | 1 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Georgia: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Atlanta | 0 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Branswick | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Forida: | 0 |  |  |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Tamps--.-.-...- | 0 | 1 | 5 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| zast souti central |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tennessee: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Memphis--------- | 0 | 6 | 19 | .-...--- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Birmingham....- | 0 | 4 |  |  | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Mobilo - | 0 | 1 | 2 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Montemary --.--\| | 0 | 8 | 3 |  |  | 0 | 2 |  |

City reports for week ended October 10, 1931-Continued

| Division, 8tate, and city | Chicken pox, cases reported | Diphtheria |  | Influenza |  | Measles, cases roported | Mumps, cases reported | Pnenmonia deaths reported |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Cases, } \\ \text { estimated } \\ \text { expect- } \\ \text { ancy } \end{gathered}$ | Cases reported | Cases reported | Deaths reported |  |  |  |
| WEST SOUTH CENTRAL |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arkansas: <br> Fort Smith |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Little Rock.....-- | 0 | 1 | 2 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | ----2 |
| Louisiana: <br> New Orleans |  | 9 | 4 | 2 |  | 0 | 0 | '8 |
| Shreveport....-.-- |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oklahoma: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Muskogee. | 0 | 3 3 | 8 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Texas: |  |  | 8 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Dallas............- | 0 | 13 | 3 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Fort Worth.....- | 0 | 3 | 6 |  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Galveston.........- | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | C | 0 | 2 |
| Houston--------- | 0 | 6 | 8 | -.-.-.-- | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| San Antonio...-- | 0 | 2 | 1 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| mountain |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\cdots$ |
| Montana: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Billings...-...... | 1 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Great Falls......-- | 2 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Helena | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Missoula | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Idaho: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Colorado: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Denver..........- | 17 | 8 | 3 |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Pueblo...-......-- | 3 | 1 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| New Mexico: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Phoenix_-.....- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nevada: 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Reno...- | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| pacific |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Washington: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Seattle.....-...-- | 22 | 4 | 0 |  |  | 6 | 5 | - |
| Spokane....-...-- | 2 | 2 | 0 |  |  | $\tau$ | 0 |  |
|  |  | 3 | 6 |  | 1 | 0 |  |  |
|  |  | 5 | 0 |  | 0 | 3 | - 9 | - 2 |
| Salem-..-.-.-....--- | 1 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | , | 0 | $\therefore 0$ |
| California: 1 cola |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Los Angeles....-- | 14 | 23 | 18 | \%5 | 1 | 22 | 4 | - 10 |
| Sacramento.....- | ${ }_{18}^{2}$ | $\stackrel{2}{11}$ | 0 | $\cdots$ | 0 | 3 | +0 | ‥; ${ }^{2}$ |
|  |  | 11 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 23 |  | - 7 |

City reports for week onded October 10, 1931-Continued

| Division, State, and city | Scarlet fever |  | Smallpox |  |  | Tuber culosis, deaths roported | Typhoid fever |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Whoop- } \\ \text { ing } \\ \text { congh, } \\ \text { cases } \\ \text { re- } \\ \text { ported } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Deaths, } \\ & \text { all } \\ & \text { causes } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Cases, } \\ \text { esti- } \\ \text { mated } \\ \text { axpect- } \\ \text { ancy } \end{gathered}\right.$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Cases } \\ \text { re- } \\ \text { ported } \end{gathered}\right.$ | Cases cotimated expectancy | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Cases } \\ \text { re } \\ \text { ported } \end{gathered}\right.$ | $\left.\begin{gathered} \text { Deaths } \\ \text { re- } \\ \text { ported } \end{gathered} \right\rvert\,$ |  | Cases, estimated oxpect ancy | $\begin{gathered} \text { Cases } \\ \text { re- } \\ \text { ported } \end{gathered}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Deaths } \\ \text { re- } \\ \text { ported } \end{array}\right\|$ |  |  |
| NEW ENGLAND |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maine: Portland | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| New Hampshire: Concord. | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| Vermont: Barre | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Burlington-.-- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 13 |
| Massachusetts: | 27 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 3 | 2 |  |  |  |
| Fall River | 2 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 18 |
| Springfield.-.-- | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 21 |
| Worcaster-...- | 7 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 13 | 46 |
| Rhode Island: Pawtucket | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |
| Providence-.-- | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 59 |
| Connecticut: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bridgeport ---- | 3 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 33 |
| Hew Haven.-- | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 1 | $\stackrel{1}{2}$ | 1 | 12 | 37 48 |
| middle atlantic |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New York: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Buffalo | $\begin{array}{r}9 \\ 4 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 23 61 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ${ }_{91}^{5}$ | $\stackrel{2}{28}$ | 0 16 | 0 | 147 | 1, ${ }^{113}$ |
| Rochester...--- | 3 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | , 68 |
| Syracuse.-.---- | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 38 |
| New Jersey: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Camden-...--- | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 22 |
| Trenton--------- | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 |  |  | 43 |
| Pennsylvania:----- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Philadelphia-- | 31 | 45 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 10 | 11 | 1 | 113 | 422 |
| Pittsburgh.---- | 22 1 | 13 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | ${ }_{0}^{2}$ | 1 | 0 | 29 2 | 137 27 |
| EAST NOBTH CENtral |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ohio: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cincinnati | 10 | 29 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 132 |
| Clevaland...--- | 17 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 98 | 171 |
| Columbus...-- | 5 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 48 |
| Toledo.........-- | 7 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 21 | 58 |
| Indiana: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Indianapolis...- | 7 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 20 |
| South Bend...- | 2 |  | 0 |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |
| Terre Haute.-- | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 23 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 52 1 | 74 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 6 1 | 2 | 0 | 144 | 586 |
| Springfield Michigan:--- | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 19 |
| Detroit...-...- | 42 | 15 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 106 | 197 |
| Flint.-.-.----- | 8 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 13 |
| Grand Rapids. | 6 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 23 |
| Wisconsin: |  |  |  |  | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| Madison.-..----- | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  | 0 | 0 |  | 0 |  |
| Milwauree...-- | 11 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 57 | 93 |
| Racine_-....-. | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 |
| Superior...--... | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 |

City reports for week ended October 10, 1951-Continued

| Division, State, and clty | Scarlet fever |  | Smallpox |  |  | Tuber culosis, deaths reported | Typhoid feyer |  |  | Whooping cough, cases reported | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Deaths, } \\ & \text { all } \\ & \text { causes } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy | $\begin{gathered} \text { Cases } \\ \text { re- } \\ \text { ported } \end{gathered}$ | Cases, estimated expect ancy | Cases roported | Deaths reported |  | Cases, estimated expect ancy | Cases reported | $\begin{gathered} \text { Deaths } \\ \text { re- } \\ \text { ported } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| West north central |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Minneapolis.-- | 22 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 78 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Des Moines | 4 | 5 | 1 | 0 |  |  | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 29 |
| Sioux City...- | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  | 0 | 0 |  | 3 |  |
| Waterloo.....- | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  | 0 | 0 |  | 2 |  |
| Missouri: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kansas City..- | 7 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 81 |
| St. Joseph ----- | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 |
| St. Louis.-.--- | 20 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 32 | 183 |
|  | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Grand Forks.- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  | 0 | 0 |  | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aberdeen ${ }_{\text {Sioux }}$ | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 12 |
| Netraska: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Omaha. | 3 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 51 |
| Kansas: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wichita. | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 26 |
| SOUTH ATLANTTC |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Delaware: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wilmington..- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 30 |
| Maryland: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Baltimore.-.-- | 9 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 7 | 3. | 0 | 98 | $\cdots \quad 202$ |
| Cumberland.-- | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1. | 0 | 1 | 0 | - 0 | $\cdots$ |
| District of Columbia: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Norfolk | 1 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 18 |
| Richmond------ | 6 | 22 | 0 | 0. | 0 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | $\cdots 35$ |
| Roanoke.....-- | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 15 |
| West Virginia: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wheeling....-- | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 20 |
| North Carolina: - 1 - $\quad 0$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Raleigh ......-- | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | $\therefore 11$ |
| Wilmington.-- | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | $\therefore 11$ |
| Winston-Salem | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 9 | $\because 14$ |
| South Carolina: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Charleston- | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 16 |
| Columbia-... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1. | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| Greenville....- | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\cdots$ |
|  | 7 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | - 85 |
| Brunswick | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | - 3 |
| Savannah.-.-.-- | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 30 |
| Florida: Tampa | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | $\because \quad 3$ <br>  |
| EAST SOUTH central |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kentucky: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tennessee: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Memphis-.-.-- | 3 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 3 | 6 | , | 18 | 81 |
| Nashville.....- | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 | ¢0 |
| Alabama: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mobile-.....-. | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
| Montgomery.- | 1 | 7 | 0 | 0 |  |  | 0 | 1 |  | 3 |  |

14 cases nonresidents.

City reports for week ended October 10, 1931-Continued


City reports for week onded October 10, 1951-Continued

${ }^{1}$ Typhus fever, 5 cases: 1 case at Hartford, Conn.; 1 case at Springfield, IH.; 1 case at Sarrannah, Ga.; and 2 cases and 1 death at Tampa, Fla.

City reports for week ended October 10, 1951


1 Typhus fever, 5 cases: 1 case at Hartford, Conn.; 1 case at Springfield, III.; 1 case at Savannah, Ga.; and 2 cases and 1 death at Tampa, Fla.
${ }^{3}$ Rabies (in man): 1 death at Phoenix, Ariz.
The following tables give the rates per 100,000 population for 98 cities for the 5 -week period ended October 10, 1931, compared with those for a like period ended October 11, 1930. The population figures used in computing the rates are estimated mid-year populations for 1930 and 1931, respectively, derived from the 1930 census. The 98 cities reporting cases have an estimated aggregate population of more than $33,000,000$. The 91 cities reporting deaths have more than 31,500,000 estimated population.

Summary of weekly reports from cities, September 6 to October 10, 1931.-Annual rates per 100,000 population compared with rates for the corresponding period of 1930 :

DIPHTHERIA OASE RATES

|  | Week ended- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sept. } \\ 12, \\ 1931 \end{gathered}$ | Sept. 13, <br> 1930 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sept. } \\ 19, \\ 1931 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sept. } \\ 20,{ }_{2} \\ 1930 \end{gathered}$ | Sept. <br> 1931 | Sept. $\begin{gathered} 27, \\ 1930 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Oct. } \\ 3, \\ 1931 \end{gathered}$ | Oct. 493 1930 | Oct. 10 1931 | Oct. 110 1930 |
| 98 cities.. | 35 | 44 | 34 | 46 | 45 | 56 | 256 | 60 | 365 | 70 |
| New England. | 58 | 60 | 36 | 34 | 38 | 56 | 50 | 53 | 72 | 58 |
| Middle Atlantic... | 26 | 26 | 22 | 36 | 25 | 31 | 25 | 40 | 40 | 40 |
| East North Central | 32 | 63 | 29 | 74 | 42 | 74 | 44 | 79 | 454 | 99 |
| West North Central | 34 | 56 | 42 | 48 | 71 | 58 | 68 | 60 | 99 | 68 |
| South Atlantic..... | 45 | 68 | 73 | 46 | 67 | 100 | 150 | 68 | 132 | 116 |
| East South Central | 99 | 24 | ¢3 | 24 | 128 | 30 | 140 | 102 | 221 | 96 |
| West South Central | 41 | 45 | 57 | 63 | 101 | 136 | 103 | 104 | -75 | 59 |
| Mountain. | 26 | 35 | 17 | 28 | 52 | 62 | 78 | 9 | ${ }^{7} 38$ | 44 |
| Pacific. | 29 | 22 | 29 | 12 | 41 | 26 | - 43 | 51 | 47 | 81 |

## MEASLES CASE RATES

| 98 cities. | 14 | 16 | 22 | 16 | 15 | 18 | 818 | 19 | ${ }^{2} 28$ | 22 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| New England. | 29 | 41 | 31 | 19 | 31 | 48 | 24 | 36 | 137 | 34 |
| Middle Atlantic. | 8 | 19 | 18 | 16 | 9 | 13 | 12 | 12 | 15 | 15 |
| East North Central | 13 | 9 | 17 | 14 | 16 | 13 | 12 | 5 | 413 | 11 |
| West North Central | 11 | 15 | 13 | 19 | 4 | 29 | ${ }^{5} 10$ | 70 | 2 | 77 |
| South Atlantic.... | 6 | 6 | 11 | 22 | 8 | 10 | 2 | 22 | 6 | 19 |
| East South Central. | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 68 | 29 | 0 | 0 | 18 |
| West South Central | 10 | 3 | 17 | 0 | 3 | 10 | 17 | 7 | 74 | 0 |
| Mountain. | 35 | 35 | 122 | 44 | 44 | 26 | 35 | 70 | ${ }^{7} 54$ | 15 |
| Pacific. | 45 | 16 | 53 | 18 | 51 | 16 | ${ }^{182}$ | 22 | 108 | 20 |

SCARLET FEVER CASE RATES


SMALLPOX CASE RATES

| 98 cities. | 1 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 20 | 1 | 81 | 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| New England | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Middle Atlantic. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| East North Central. | 2 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 40 | 2 |
| West North Central. | 6 | 27 | 0 | 21 | 6 | 14 | 62 | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| South Atlantic. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 |
| East South Central | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| West South Central. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Mountain. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 70 | 0 |
| Pacific. | 0 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 16 | 80 | 0 | 10 | 6 |

[^3]Summary of weekly reports from cities, September 6 to October 10, 1931.-Annual rates per 100,000 population compared with rates for the corresponding period of 1980-Continued

TYPHOID FEVER CASE RATES

|  | Week ended- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Sept. <br> 12, | Sept. <br> 1930 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sept. } \\ 19 \\ 1931 \end{gathered}$ | Sept. <br> 1930 | Sept. 26, <br> 1931 | Sept. <br> ${ }^{27}{ }^{2730}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Oct. } \\ 3, \\ 1931 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Oct. } \\ \text { 4, } \\ 1930 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Oct. } \\ & \text { 10, } \\ & 1931 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Oct. } \\ & 11, \\ & 1930 \end{aligned}$ |
| 98 cities | 23 | 26 | 42 | 22 | 21 | 17 | 221 | 20 | 820 | 20 |
| New England. | 7 | 22 | 22 | 12 | 5 | 12 | 17 | 12 | 19 | 22 |
| Middle Atlantic. | 13 | 24 | 16 | 15 | 16 | 13 | 21 | 14 | 15 | 14 |
| East North Central | 10 | 17 | 91 | 11 | 15 | 9 | 9 | 9 | ${ }^{16}$ | 9 |
| West North Central | 13 | 21 | 38 | 29 | 36 | 15 | ${ }^{5} 14$ | 14 | 11 | 10 |
| South Atlantic...- | 79 | 70 | 20 | 68 | 43 | 56 | 65 | 42 | 53 | 70 |
| East South Central | 35 | 48 | 47 | 48 | 47 | 18 | 52 | 60 | 64. | 42 |
| West South Central | 91 | 52 | 44 | 63 | 47 | 35 | 24 | 52 | $\bigcirc 82$ | 49 |
| Mountain. | 35 | 62 | 26 | 0 | 26 | 44 | 26 | 115 | ${ }^{7} 36$ | 44 |
| Pácific.... | 27 | 4 | 35 | 14 | 10 | 12 | ${ }^{8} 14$ | 16 | 10 | 16 |

INFLUENZA DEATH RATES

| 91 cities. | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 33 | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| New England. | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 5 |
| Middlo Atlantic. | 4 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 6 |
| East North Central | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 42 | 3 |
| West North Central | 9 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| South Atlantic... | 2 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| East South Central | 0 | 19 | 0 | 26 | 6 | 13 | 6 | 13 | 6 | 0 |
| West South Central | 17 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 11 | 67 | 11 |
| Mountain. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 718 | 9 |
| Pacific. | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 0 |

PNEUMONIA DEATH RATES

| 91 cities | 55 | 54 | 60 | 57 | 52 | 57 | 53 | 58 | ${ }^{3} 55$ | 71 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Now England | 58 | 68 | 50 | 56 | 67 | 39 | 58 | 44 | 77 | 70 |
| Middle Atlantic | 65 | 63 | 66 | 65 | 55 | 72 | 60 | 59 | 56 | 74 |
| East North Central | 36 | 43 | 45 | 42 | 38 | 47 | 35 | 53 | 436 | 55 |
| West North Central | 44 | 45 | 44 | 75 | 44 | 36 | 59 | 69 | 56 | 87 |
| South Atlantic-- | 63 | 58 | 57 | 56 | 51 | 56 | 61 | 52 | 79 | 86 |
| East South Central | 82 | 26 | 57 | 71 | 32 | 65 | 63 | 104 | 69 | 123 |
| West South Central | 73 | 57 | 93 | 46 | 52 | 71 | 66 | 71 | 67 | 110 |
| Mountain. | 70 | 123 | 78 | 115 | 70 | 63 | 61 | 132 | ${ }^{7} 36$ | 97 |
| Pacitic. | 46 | 25 | 84 | 40 | 86 | 40 | 53 | 40 | 55 | 40 |

[^4]
## FOREIGN AND INSULAR

## CANADA

Provinces-Communicable diseases-Weeks ended September 26 and October 3, 1931.-The Department of Pensions and National Health of Canada reports cases of certain communicable diseases for the weeks ended September 26 and October 3, 1931, as follows:

| Province | Cerebrospinal fever | $\begin{gathered} \text { Dysen- } \\ \text { tery } \end{gathered}$ | Influenza | $\begin{gathered} \text { Poliomy- } \\ \text { elitis } \end{gathered}$ | Smallpox | Typhold fover |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Week ended Sept. 28 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Prince Edward Island ${ }^{1}$ - |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nova Scotia-.-.-.-.-. |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| New Brunswick |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| Quebec--- |  |  |  | 105 |  | 23 |
| Ontario-.... |  |  | 1 | 14 | 6 | 38 5 |
| Saskatchewan. |  | 22 |  |  | 1 | 14 |
| Alberta..... |  |  |  | 1 | 12 | 1 |
| British Columbia | 1 | 2 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Total. | 1 | 24 | 1 | 121 | 18 | 88 |
| Week ended Oct. 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Prince Edward Island ${ }^{1}$. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nova Scotia........ |  |  |  | 2 |  |  |
| New Brunswick. |  |  |  |  |  | 5 |
| Quebec....- |  |  |  | 148 |  | 28 |
| Ontario-.-. | 1 |  |  | 6 | 2 | 25 |
| Manitoba-...- |  |  |  | 2 |  | 2 |
| Saskatchewan..-- |  |  |  |  | 6 | 9 |
| Alberta British Columbia | 1 | 1 |  | 1 |  | 1 |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2 | 1 | ---- | 161 | 8 | 76 |

${ }^{1}$ No case of any disease included in the table was reported during the week.
Quebec Province-Communicable diseases-Week ended October 3, 1931.-The Bureau of Health of the Province of Quebec, Canada, reports cases of certain communicable diseases for the week ended October 3, 1931, as follows:

| Disease | Cases | Disease | Cases |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Chicken pox. | 23 | Poliomyelitis | 148 |
| Diphtheria | 39 | Puerperal fever..... | 3 |
| Erysipelas.-- | 2 | Scarlet fever... | 53 |
| German measles. | 5 | Tuberculosis... | 48 |
| Measles.. | 28 | Typhoid fever. | 26 |
| Mumps. | 2 | Whooping cough. | 30 |
| Paratyphoid lever. |  |  |  |

Shansi Province-Bubonic plague epidemic-October 17, 1981.Information received under date of October 17, 1931, stated that there was an epidemic of bubonic plague in the districts of Linhsien, Hsinghsien, and Paoteh, in westernShansi Province, and thatit wasgradually moving eastward and had already reached Kolan and Lanhsi. At Hsinghsien, where the outbreak was the severest, more than 2,000 deaths were reported.

## VIRGIN ISLANDS

Communicable diseases-September, 1931.-During the month of September, 1931, cases of certain communicable diseases were reported in the Virgin Islands as follows:

St. Thomas and St. John:
Gonorrhea ..... 1
Tetanus ..... 1
Tuberculosis 1
St. Croix:
Gonorrhea 1

## CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER

 From medical offcors of the Public Health Service, American consuls, International Office of Public Hygiene, Pan American Sanitary Bureau, health section of the Leagne ofNetions, and other sources. The reports contained in the following tables must not be considered as complete or inal as regards either the list of countries included or thefigures CHOLERA
[ $O$ indicates cases; D, deaths; $P$, present]

CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER-Contirued
[C indicates cases; $D$, deaths; $P$, present]

Philippine Islands: ${ }^{2}$ Provinces-


[^5]CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER-Continued
[C indicates cases; D, deaths; P, present]


CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER-Continued
[C indicates cases; D, deaths; P, present]


[^6]SMALLPOX
[C indicates cases; $D$, deaths; $P$, present]

CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER-Continued
SMAMMPOX-Continued

| Place | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Apr. s- } \\ \text { May 2, } \\ 1931 \end{gathered}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { May } \\ & 3-30, \\ & 1931 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { May31- } \\ \text { June } \\ \text { 27, 1931 } \end{gathered}$ | Week ended- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | July, 1931 |  |  |  | Angust, 1931 |  |  |  |  | September, 1931 |  |  |  | October, 1931 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | 11 | 18 | 25 | 1 | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 | 5 | 12 | 19 | 28 | 3 | 10 |
| Chins-Continued. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 3 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1 | Manchuria - $\quad 1$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Harbin (see also table below) |  | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kwạntung-Dairen <br> Nanking $\qquad$ | $\begin{array}{r} \mathbf{2} \\ \mathbf{P} \end{array}$ | $\underset{\mathbf{P}}{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 17 18 | 7 | 11 18 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |  |  | 1 |  |  | .-.... |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chosen (see table below). |  |  |  |  | 2 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Chosen (see table below).Colombia: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Batavia and West Java <br> East Java and Madura. $\qquad$ C $\square$ 2 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| France (see table below).Great Britain: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 744 | 570 | 287 | 56 | 45 | 50 | 36 | 26 | 25 | 19 | 21 | 33 | . | 19 | 45 | 45 | 41 | ---..- |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| London .-...-..-at | $\begin{array}{r}227 \\ 558 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 183 | - 2228 | 21 53 | 9 38 | ${ }_{34}^{12}$ | ${ }_{32}^{12}$ | 6 28 | ${ }_{20}$ | 17 | 4 10 | 3 13 | 9 30 | 11 | 15 34 | ${ }_{35}^{5}$ | 17 31 | .... |
|  | 2 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| Greece (see table below) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


Cholera, plague, smallpox, typhus fever, and yellow fever-Continued SMALLPOE-Continued
[C indicates cases; D, deaths; P, present]


| Placo |  |  |  |  | February,1931 | $\begin{gathered} \text { March, } \\ 1931 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { April, } \\ & \text { 1931 } \end{aligned}$ | May, 1931 |  |  | June, 1931 |  |  | July, 1931 |  |  | August, 1881 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | 1-10 |  |  | 11-20 | 21-31 | 1-10 | 11-20 | 21-30 | 1-10 | 11-20 | 21-31 | 1-10 | 11-20 | 21-81 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 168 35 | $\begin{array}{r}284 \\ 82 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 142 |  | 17 | 41 | 30 | 16 | 1 | 1 |  | 7 | 12 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 7 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Placa | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan., } \\ & \text { 193i, } \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{193 i}{\text { Feb. }}$ | $\underset{\text { Mar., }}{\substack{\text { Ma3i }}}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Apr., } \\ 193 i \end{gathered}$ | May, $1931^{\prime}$ | June, 1931 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July, } \\ & \text { 1931 } \end{aligned}$ | Place |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan., } \\ \text { 193i' } \end{gathered}$ | $\underset{1931}{\text { Feb. }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mar., } \\ \text { 193i, } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Apr., } \\ & \text { 193i' } \end{aligned}$ | May, 1931 | June, <br> 1031 | July, |
| China: Harbin (see also table above) $\qquad$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 7 \\ 11 \\ 8 \\ 15 \end{array}$ |  | 13 1 | 10 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 63 7 | ${ }_{8}^{87}$ | 1 |  | ${ }^{9}$ | 1 |  |
| France.......................... ${ }_{\text {C }}$ | 4 | $16^{6}$ |  | ${ }^{6}$ |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1, 4 |  |  |
| Mexico (see also tabie above)..... ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{898}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Morocol <br> Rumania $\qquad$ |  |  | $\stackrel{-6}{6}$ |  |  | 48 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 43 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rumania........................-- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER-Continued
[C indicates cases; D, deaths; P, present]

| Place | $\left.\begin{array}{\|c} \text { Apr. } 5- \\ \text { May } \\ \text { 2, } 1931 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { May } \\ 8-30, \\ 1931 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { May } \\ 31- \\ \text { June } \\ 27, \\ 1931 \end{gathered}$ | Week ended- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | July, 1931 |  |  |  | August, 1931 |  |  |  |  | September, 1931 |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Oct. } \\ & 3, \\ & 1931 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | 11 | 18 | 25 | 1 | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 | 5 | 12 | 19 | 28 |  |
| Algerta: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A Bone | 3 |  | $\bigcirc$ |  |  | 2 |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1 | 22 | 26 2 | 2 | .-...- | 1 | -. | 3 | 1 |  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 |  | i |
|  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 30 | 16 | 30 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Manchuria-Harbin................................... ${ }_{\text {c }}$ | 8 |  | 16 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | -...--- |  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 |  |  | 1 |  |  | - |  |  |  |  |
| Chosen (see table below). <br> Colombia: Cali.......................................................... D |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Crechoslovakia (see table below). |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1 |  | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | . | 1 |  |  |
| Beheira Province.............................................. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Great Britain: Scotland-Fife County. Greece (see table below). <br> Guatemala (see table below). <br> Iraq: Baghdad. $\qquad$ $\qquad$ |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | ${ }_{2}^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Irish Free State: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\qquad$ |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\qquad$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Limerick County Croom. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


Cholera, plague, smallpox, typhus fever, and yellow fever-Continued
TYPHUS FEVER-Continued
[C indicates cases; $D$, deaths; $P$, present]

| Place | February, 1931 | $\begin{array}{\|c} \text { March, } \\ 1931 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\underset{1931}{\text { April, }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { May, } \\ & \text { 1931 } \end{aligned}$ | June, | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July, } \\ & \text { 1931 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Aust, } \end{gathered}$ $1931$ | Place | February, 1931 | March, 1931 | April, 1931 | May, $1931$ | June, 1031 | July, 1931 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Au- } \\ \text { gust, } \\ \text { 1881 } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Chosen: Seoul...-.-..............- C | 124 | 3 | 4 |  |  | 1 |  | Mexico (see aleo table above).... D | 83 | 238 |  |  |  |  |  |
| zechoslovakia.................... ${ }_{\text {C }}^{\text {D }}$ | 8 |  | 1 |  | 1 | 1 |  | Turkey - .-.-.-.-.-.......... C | 18 | 15 | 32 | 13 | 11 | 9 | ---*-* |
|  | 28 17 | 8 | 22 | ${ }_{1}^{11}$ | 2 | 2 | 13 | Union of Socialist Soviet Repub- |  |  | 1,513 | 1,324 |  |  |  |
| Guatemala ${ }^{\text {D }}$ | 2 | 1 | 3 |  |  |  | 2 |  | 260 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 33 15 | 34 | 3 |  | 1,373 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Latvia.-.-......................... C | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  | Railroads, etc..............-. ${ }^{\text {C }}$ | 158 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 3 | 99 | 34 | 10 |  | 8 | 2 |  | 12 | 10 | 43 | 14 | 2 | 8 |  |


| Place | Apr. 51931 | $\begin{gathered} \text { May 3- } \\ 30, \\ 1931 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { May 31- } \\ \text { Mune 27, } \\ 1931 \end{gathered}$ | Week ended- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | July, 1831 |  |  |  | August, 1931 |  |  |  |  | September, 1931 |  |  |  | October, 1931 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | 11 | 18 | 25 | 1 | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 | 5 | 12 | 19 | 28 | 8 | 10 | 17 |
| Brazil: ${ }_{\text {Alagoas State_.............................- } \mathrm{C}}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ceara State... |  |  | $\cdots$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Minas Geraes Sta | 2 5 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\cdots$ |
|  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rio de Janniro State.... |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| British Cameroons: Mame. |  | 3 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Colombia-Magdalena Province-Near Cienaga |  |  |  |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gold Coast: <br> Akuse |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- D |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kintampo---------------------------- D |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| da.---------------------------------- D |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |  | -- |
| Wale Wale....................................... ${ }^{\text {D }}$ |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | - |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $-\infty$ |  |
| Ivory Coast: Bobo Dioulasso |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ( |  |  |  | - | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Kong Circle |  |  |  |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |  | $\mathbf{P}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| D |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Senegal: <br> Podor (Hinterland) $\qquad$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Podor (Hinterland)----------------------1) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Saint Louis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ----- - |  | --- - - |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 4 | P |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | $1 \text { - }$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | $-1$ |
| Upper Volta: <br> Banfora |  |  |  |  |  | --...- | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | - 1 |  |  |  |
|  | ---.-.-- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |  |  |


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ From the Office of Statistical Investigations, U. S. Public Health Service. The number of States included for the various diseases are as follows: Typhoid fever, 47; poliomyelitis, 48; meningococcus meningitis, 48; smallpox, 48; measles, 45; diphtheria, 47; scarlet fever, 47; influenza, 39 States and New York City. The District of Columbia is counted as a State in these reports.

[^1]:    1 Similar tablesappeared in PUBLIC Health Reports，vol．46，No．36，pp．2094－95；and No．40，pp．2358－59．

[^2]:    ${ }^{1}$ Deaths of nonresidents are included. Stillbirths are excluded.
    ${ }^{2}$ These rates represent annual rates per 1,000 population, as estimated for 1931 and 1930 by the arithmetical method.
    ${ }^{3}$ 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 77 cities.

    - Deaths for week ended Friday.

    6 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, 15; Fort Worth, 14; Houston, 25; Indianapolis, 11; Kansas City, Kans, 14; Knoxville, 15; Louisville, 17; Memphis, 38; Miami, 31; Nashville, 30; New Órleans, 26; Richmond, 32; and Washington, D. C., 25.
    ${ }^{\prime}$ Population Apr. 1, 1930; decreased 1920 to 1930, no estimate made.

[^3]:    ${ }^{1}$ 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 1030, respectively.
    2 Waterloo, Iowa, and Spokane, Wash., not included.
    ${ }^{2}$ South Bend, Ind., Shreveport, La., and Boise, Idaho, not included.
    4 South Bend, Ind., not included.

    - Waterloo, Iowa, not included.
    - Shreveport, La., not included.

    1 Boteo, ldaha, not imeluled.
    Spokana, Wash., not tncluded.

[^4]:    2 Waterloo, Iowa, and Spokane, Wash., not included.
    ${ }^{2}$ Soath Bend, Ind., Shreveport, La., and Boise, Idaho, not included.
    4 South Bend, Ind., not included.
    5 Waterloo, Iowa, not included.
    ${ }^{6}$ Shreveport, Ea., not included.
    thoise, Idaho, not included.
    ${ }^{8}$ Spokane, Wash., not included.

[^5]:    ${ }^{1}$ From May 3 to 25, 1931,162 cases of cholera with 75 deaths were reported in Raisanjan and vicinity, Karman district, Persia. Figures for cholera in the Phillippine Islands are subject to correction.
    Reports incomplete.

[^6]:    ${ }^{1}$ Reports incomplete.

