# PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS 

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

## August 13-September 9, 1933

The prevalence of certain important communicable diseases, as indicated by weekly telegraphic reports from State health departments to the United States 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.-The number of cases of poliomyelitis increased from 667 for the preceding 4 weeks to 1,412 for the 4 weeks ended September 9. The disease continued most prevalent in the New England, Middle Atlantic, East North Central, and West North Central areas. In Massachusetts the number of cases rose from 92 to 135 ; in New York from 245 to 557 ; in New Jersey from 18 to 84; in Pennsylvania from 44 to 130; in Ohio from 28 to 81 ; in Illinois from 27 to 55 ; in Michigan from 8 to 21 ; in Minnesota from 35 to 91 ; in North Dakota from 13 to 27. In West Virginia and Tennessee, while the numbers of cases were below those of the preceding period, the incidence was still rather high.

The total number of cases $(1,412)$ was 1.4 times that recorded last year for the corresponding period. For this period in 1931, 1930, and 1929 the numbers of cases were $4,986,1,392$, and 486 , respectively.

A comparison of geographic areas shows that the disease is most prevalent in the same regions in which it first appeared in epidemiclike form in 1931. In the New England States 183 cases were reported for the current period, as against 104 last year; in the Middle Atlantic area 771 cases, as against 307 ; in the East North Central area 170, as against 69; in the West North Central area 159, as against 73. Exclusive of the 19 cases reported from West Virginia, the South Atlantic States reported only 28 cases, which was the lowest incidence

[^0]in that area in recent years. Excluding the 29 cases reported from Tennessee, the same situation existed in the East South Central States. From the West South Central and Far Western States only the normal seasonal incidence was reported.

Typhoid fever.-The incidence of typhoid fever was considerably below the level for recent years. For the current 4 -week period the number of cases was 3,450 , as compared with $4,520,3,914$, and 4,020 for the corresponding period in the years 1932, 1931, and 1930, respectively. The current incidence very closely approximated that in 1929, when the number of cases for this period was 3,418 . Each geographic area except the Mountain reported a decline from last year's incidence. In that area the number of cases (155) was 1.7 times the number reported last year. Only a slight decline was reported from the Pacific area. Last year, while practically' all other areas were reporting the highest incidence of typhoid for this period in recent years, the incidence in the Mountain and Pacific areas was the lowest in the 4 years for which data were available.

Smallpox.-The smallpox situation continued very favorable during ithe current period. The number of cases reported (83) was only about 55 percent of the very low figure reported for this period last year. It was the lowest for this period in the 5 years for which data are available. The New England and Middle Atlantic areas remained free from the disease, and only two cases were reported from the West North Central States. Other areas closely approximated last year's incidence, and the Mountain and Pacific areas each reported a decrease of more than 50 percent from last year.

Influenza.-The influenza situation was very favorable in all lsections of the country. For the 4 weeks ended September 9 the number of cases was 1,175 , as compared with $1,463,1,011$, and 875 for the corresponding period in the years 1932, 1931, and 1930.

Meningococcus meningitis.-The incidence of meningococcus meningitis reached the lowest level for the current year during the 4 weeks ended September 9. Compared with preceding years the incidence ( 129 cases) was the lowest recorded for this period in the 5 years for which data are available. In the East North Central States the number of cases dropped from 48 for the preceding 4 weeks to 28 for the current period, and in the West South Central 15 cases were reported last year as against 5 this year. In the Pacific area the number of cases rose from 6 last year to 13 for the current period. Other areas closely approximated last year's incidence.

Diphtheria.-The incidence of diphtheria during the 4 weeks ended September 9 more closely approximated that of last year than did any other 4 -week period of the current year. The number of cases reported was 2,692 , which represented only a 10 percent decrease from last year's figure for the same period. For this period in the
years 1931, 1930, and 1929 the numbers of cases were $3,130,2,546$, and 3,727 , respectively. The cases were widely distributed, no area reporting more than the usual seasonal incidence.

Scarlet fever.-The number of cases of scarlet fever reported for the current period was 4,380 , which, for the country as a whole, was the highest incidence reported for this period in the 5 years for which data are available. All sections contributed to the increase except the New England, Middle Atlantic, and Mountain areas. In those regions the incidence was slightly below that of last year. In each of the regions showing an increase the number of cases was only about 10 percent above the figure for last year. In 1932, 1931, and 1930 there were $4,048,3,887$, and 2,852 cases, respectively.

Measles.-Practically all sections of the country reported a continued seasonal decrease of measles during the current 4 -week period. The total number of cases $(2,247)$ compared very favorably with the average for recent years (approximately 2,200 cases). The disease was most prevalent in the West North Central and East and West South Central areas. While the numbers of cases in each of these areas were not large (297, 88, and 165), they were considerably in excess of the numbers reported for this period last year. The New England, Middle Atlantic, and East North Central areas reported significant decreases from last year's figures.

Mortality from all causes.-The average death rate from all causes in large cities, as reported by the Bureau of the Census, for the current period was 9.3 per 1,000 inhabitants (annual basis). The rate is the lowest for this period in recent years for which data are available. For the corresponding 4 weeks in 1932 the rate was 9.4.

## SICKNESS AMONG MALE INDUSTRIAL EMPLOYEES DURING THE SECOND QUARTER OF $1933{ }^{1}$

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An unusually low incidence rate of illness causing disability for more than 7 days occurred in the second quarter of 1933 among the male employees of 32 industrial establishments which reported the cases occurring among the members of their sick-benefit funds. The rate was only 70.5 cases per 1,000 males per year as compared with 93.1 for the same establishments in the second quarter of 1932. In the corresponding period of 1929, 1930, and 1931 the rates were 104.4, 96.1, and 89.6, respectively.

Both respiratory and nonrespiratory diseases decreased in frequency, but the percentage change was much greater in the respiratory

[^1]group. For nonindustrial injuries a very substantial decrease also was indicated.

In the respiratory group the influenza rate was only one half that found in the like period of 1932. Pneumonia occurred at the lowest incidence hitherto recorded for the second quarter. The frequency of new cases of tuberculosis was higher than in the like period of 1932, but was the same as in the corresponding quarter of 1931. The minor respiratory diseases, e.g., bronchitis and diseases of the pharynx and tonsils, showed material decreases as compared with earlier years. For all other respiratory diseases as a group the second quarter incidence rate was also low.

In the nonrespiratory group nearly all of the numerically important diseases participated in the general decrease in sickness frequency recorded for the industrial workers under consideration. The "minor" digestive diseases, which include diseases of the stomach and diarrhea and enteritis, showed for the recent quarter year a lower rate than in any 1 of the 4 preceding years. Appendicitis also appears to have declined considerably since 1929. The rate has remained stationary, however, for other digestive diseases as a group. For the rheumatic diseases a somewhat lower frequency was recorded than in the same period of the earlier years. The neurasthenia rate fell in the April 1 to July 1 period of this year, but for other diseases of the nervous system no decrease occurred. Again, as in previous reports, one may note that the incidence of diseases of the heart and arteries and nephritis as a group remains at about the same level as in 1929. In contrast with the so-called "degenerative" diseases, a marked downward trend in incidence is revealed for diseases of the skin. The epidemic and endemic diseases against which public health effort has been so largely directed fell to the exceptionally low figure of 2.3 cases annually per 1,000 men during the second quarter of this year.
Table 1.-Frequency of disability lasting 8 calendar days or longer in the second quarter of 1933 compared with the same quarter of 4 preceding years. (Male morbidity experience of 32 industrial companies which have reported their cases to the United States Public Health Service) ${ }^{1}$

| Disenses and disease groups which caused disability. (Numbers in parentheses are disease-title numbers from the International List of the Causes of Death, Fourth Revision, Paris, 1929) | Annual number of disabilities per 1,000 men in second quarter of- |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1933 | 1932 | 1831 | 1830 | 1929 |
| Sickness and nonindustrial injuries ${ }^{2}$ | 70.5 | 93.1 | 89.6 | 06.1 | 104. 4 |
| Nonindustrial injuries. | 8.9 | 12.5 | 12.2 | 11.8 | 11.7 |
| Sickness ${ }^{\text {2 }}$ | 61.6 | 80.6 | 77.4 | 84.8 | 92.7 |
| Respiratory diseases. | 18.3 | 27.9 | 28.7 | 32.1 | 35.6 |
| Influenza and grippe (1i). | 6.4 | 12.8 | 10.6 | 12.3 | 12.2 |
| Bronchitis, acute and chronic (106) | 2.3 | 3.2 | 3.0 | 4.1 | 4.8 |
| Preumonia, all forms (107-109) ------ | 1.6 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 24 | 3. 2 |
| Diseases of the pharynx and tonsils (1158) --....- | 3.5 | 6.8 | 6.1 | 7.0 | 8.6 |
| Tuberculosis of the respiratory systam (23) | 1.2 8.3 | 4 | 1.2 3.7 | 1.7 4.6 | 1.4 |

[^2]Table 1.-Frequency of disability lasting 8 calendar days or longer in the second quarter of 1993 compared with the same quarter of 4 preceding years. (Male morbidity experience of 92 industrial companies which have reported their cases to the United States Public Health Service)-Continued

| Diseases and disease groups which caused disability. (Numbers in parentheses are disease-title numbers from the International List of the Causes of Death, Fourth Revision, Paris, 1929) | Annual number of disabilities per 1,000 men in second quarter of- |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1933 | 1932 | 1931 | 1930 | 1929 |
| Nonrespiratory diseases <br> Diseases of the stomach, cancer excepted (117, 118) | 43.3 | 52.7 | 50.7 | 52.2 | 57.1 |
|  | 3.1 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 4.4 | 3.8 .9 | 4.6 | 5.2 |
| Appendicitls (121)......... | 1.2 3.2 | 4.8 | 3.95 | 1.3 4 | 1.4 |
| Hernia (122a)...- | 1.3 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 1.4 | 2.2 |
| Other digestive diseases ( $115 \mathrm{~b}, 116,122 \mathrm{~b}-129$ ) | 3.3 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.0 |  |
| Rheumatic group, total | 10.4 | 12.8 | 10.9 | 11.7 | 12.4 |
| Rheumatism, acute and chronic (56-57) | 5.8 | 6.6 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 6. 6 |
| Diseases of organs of locomotion (156b) | 2.4 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.6 | 2.3 |
| Neuralgia, neuritis, sciatica (87a) | 2.2 | 2.8 | 1.5 | 2.0 |  |
| Neurasthenia and the like (part of 87b) | . 9 | 1.4 | 1.8 | 1.3 | 1.5 |
| part of 87b) | 1.5 | 1.3 | 1.6 | . 9 | 1.1 |
| Diseases of heart and artaries and nephritis ( $90-99,102,130-132$ ) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other genito-urinary diseesses (133-138) | 4.2 2.1 | 5. ${ }^{5} 5$ | 4.2 2.5 3.3 | 3.8 2.4 | 4.3 2.3 |
| Diseases of the skin (151-153) ........ | 2.0 | 2.8 | 3.3 | 3.9 | 4.4 |
| Epidemic and endemic diseases, except influenza ( $1-10,12-18,33,37,38$, part of 39 and 44) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ill-defined and unknown causes (200) | 2.31.9 | 3.0 1.6 | 1.9 | 3.4 | 3. 3 |
| All other diseases (19-22, 24-32, 36, part of 39 and $44,40-43,45-55,88-77,88,89,100,101,103,154-$ 150a, 157, 162) |  | 8.4 | 8.5 | 7.5 |  |
| Average number of males covered in the reco Number of companies included | $\begin{array}{r} 120,282 \\ 32 \end{array}$ | 138,799 32 | $\begin{array}{r} 153,580 \\ 29 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 165,791 \\ 27 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 164,108 \\ 23 \end{array}$ |

From these data it appears that the health of approximately 120,000 men in industry during the April 1 to July 1 period of 1933 was unusually favorable. If this sample of the industrial population is representative of the experience of larger numbers of industrial workers, the spring months were characterized by unusual freedom from disabling sickness. In general, these morbidity findings correspond with the mortality experience for the first half of 1933. The Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. reports that the health record of American and Canadian wage earners and their families, as judged by mortality rates, during the first half of 1933 has seldom been excelled during the like part of any past year. ${ }^{2}$

As pointed out in previous communications, the sickness rates presented above apply to men employed either on a full or on a parttime basis, but not to men who have been unemployed for any appreciable period. Identical companies reported in 1932 and 1933, and in the 3 years preceding 1932 the reporting units were almost the same. One of the larger companies employs men in all parts of the country, but a preponderance of reports comes from the area located north of the Ohio and Potomac Rivers and east of the Mississippi.

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## COURT DECISIONS RELATING TO PUBLIC HEALTH

Statute relating to sale of unwholesome food construed.-(Ohio Court of Appeals; Mills Restaurant Co. v. Clark, 185 N. E. 470; decided Feb. 3, 1933.) An action was brought against a restaurant company to recover damages for illness alleged to have been caused by food purchased and eaten at the defendant's restaurant. The plaintiff pleaded that the defendant was negligent in three respects: (1) In serving unwholesome food unfit for consumption, in violation of section 12760, General Code; (2) in failing to discover that said food was unwholesome before serving the same; and (3) in failing to inspect said food before service. Judgment in the trial court went for plaintiff, and the defendant appealed.

Section 12760 of the code provided that "Whoever sells; offers for sale, or has in his possession with intent to sell, diseased, corrupted, adulterated, or unwholesome provisions without making the condition thereof known to the buyer shall be fined" etc. Regarding the construction of this statute, the court of appeals said:

The term "unwholesome" is sometimes used as an equivalent for unhealthful. It cannot be given so broad an interpretation in the section quoted. The associated words and sound reason require that it be construed to apply only to foods that have an added or acquired character of an unwholesome nature; that have become unwholesome to people generally; not to a particular individual, and to people under normal and not under abnormal conditions.

For the plaintiff to make a case under the statute, she was required to prove something more than that she bought and ate the salmon and following that became ill. It is not sufficient if she go even further and show that her illness was due to the salad. She must also show that the salmon was unwholesome in the sense that it was not in its natural state but had become so tainted that normal persons generally, in a normal condition, would have been adversely affected by its use.

The court held that the evidence in the case did not meet these requirements nor tend to do so. "It failed fundamentally", said the court, "in not showing that the food was unwholesome as above defined."

The judgment of the lower court was reversed.
Liability for nuisance resulting from impounding of waters.(Georgia Court of Appeals, Div. No. 2; Georgia Power Co. v. Fincher, 168 S. E. 109; decided Mar. 1, 1933.) In a syllabus opinion rendered by the court of appeals in a suit brought against an electric company to recover damages because of an alleged nuisance, there was contained, among other things, the following:

The lawful power to construct a dam and impound water does not carry with it the power to create a nuisance by the maintenance of foul and ill-smelling water and a breeding place for mosquitoes, etc., to the damage of persons living in the neighborhood; and liability to a person damaged as a result of the nuisance is not dependent upon the existence of negligence upon the part of the person in performing the act which constitutes the nuisance.

## PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE PUBLICATIONS

## A List of Publications Issued During the Period January-June, 1933

There is printed herewith a list of publications of the United States Public Health Service issued during the period January-June 1933.

The most important articles that appear each week in the Public Health Reports are reprinted in pamphlet form, making possible a wider and more economical distribution of information that is of especial value and interest to public-health workers and the general public.

All of the publications listed below except those marked with an asterisk ( ${ }^{*}$ ) are available for free distribution and as long as the supply lasts may be obtained by addressing the Surgeon General, United States Public Health Service, Washington, D.C. Those publications marked with an asterisk are not available for free distribution but may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., at the prices noted. (No remittances should be sent to the Public Health Service.)

## Periodicals

Public Health Reports (weekly), July-December, vol. 48, nos. 1-26, pages 1 to
786. Venereal Disease Information (monthly), January-June, vol. IX, nos. 1-6, pages 1 to 139.

## Reprints from the Public Health Reports

1559. Trends of health in the United States. By Rollo H. Britten. January 13, 1933. 15 pages.
1560. The quantitative determination of quartz ("free silica") in dusts. By Adolph Knopf. February 24, 1933. 8 pages.
*1561. Seasonal variation of average growth in weight of elementary school children. By Carroll E. Palmer. March 3, 1933. 23 pages. 5 cents.
*1562. The objectives in public health nursing and minimum qualifications for those appointed to positions in public-health nursing. March 10, 1933. 8 pages. 5 cents.
*1563. Causes of illness in 9,000 families based on nation-wide periodic canvasses, 1928-31. By Selwyn D. Collins. March 24, 1933. 26 pages. 5 cents.
1561. Production of a malignant growth in a guinea pig. By T. J. Glover and J. L. Engle. March 31, 1933. 4 pages.
*1565. Experimental studies of water purification. VI. General summary and conclusions. By H. W. Streeter. April 14, 1933. 24 pages. 5 cents.
1562. Inactivation of antistreptococcus bacteriophage by animal fluids. By Alice C. Evans. April 21, 1933. 16 pages.
1563. The prevention of Rocky Mountain spotted fever. May 5, 1933. 3 pages.
1564. Mortality in certain States during 1932, with comparative data for recent years. May 5, 1933. 9 pages.
1565. Protective value of convalescent sera of Sao Paulo exanthematic typhus against virus of Rocky Mountain spotted fever. By R. R. Parker and Gordon E. Davis. May 12, 1933. 7 pages.
1566. Rocky Mountain spotted fever and boutonneuse fever. A study of their immunological relationship. By L. F. Badger. May 12, 1933. 4 pages.
1567. Relationship between Rocky Mountain spotted fever and "exanthematic typhus of Sao Paulo." By R. E. Dyer. May 19, 1933. 2 pages.
1568. Maternal, fetal, and neonatal mortality among 1,815 hospitalized American Indians. By E. Blanche Sterling. May 19, 1933. 14 pages.
1569. Rat harborage and its relation to the spread of bubonic plague. By B. E. Holsendorf. May 19, 1933. 4 pages.
1570. Preparation of a scarlet fever streptococcus toxoid and its use in active immunization. By M. V. Veldee, May 26, 1933.17 pages.
1571. Observations on heart disease in marine hospital practice. A study of organic heart disease in the United States Marine Hospital, Stapleton, N,Y., during the fiscal year 1931. By O. F. Hedley. May 26, 1933. 11 pages.
1572. Heterologous experience (immunization) as a factor in resistance to disease. By Charles Armstrong and W. T. Harrison. June 2, 1933. 13 pages.
1573. Malaria in the irrigated regions of New Mexico. By M. A. Barber and Louis R. Forbrich. June 2, 1933. 14 pages.
1574. Public Health Service publications. A list of publications issued during the period July-December 1932. June 2, 1933. 3 pages.
1575. The Shwartzman phenomenon: factors complicating its use in the testing of antimeningococcic serum. By Anna M. Pabst and Sara E. Branham. June 9, 1933. 13 pages.
1576. Experimental studies of natural purification in polluted waters. VII. The selection of a dilution water for bacteriological examinations. By C. T. Butterfield. June 16, 1933. 11 pages.
1577. Distribution of mottled enamel in the United States. By H. Trendley Dean. June 23, 1933. 32 pages.
1578. The pellagra-preventive value of green cabbage, collards, mustard greens, and kale. By G. A. Wheeler and D. J. Hunt. June 30, 1933. 5 pages.

## Supplements to the Public Health Reports

99. Citations to public health laws and regulations, 1929-30. 1933. 30 pages.
100. Laws and regulations relating to morbidity reporting. Prepared by William Fowler. 1933. 29 pages.

## Public Health Bulletin

*204. A study of the pollution and natural purification of the Ohio River. IV. A resurvey of the Ohio River between Cincinnati, Ohio, and Louisville, Ky., including a discussion of the effects of canalization and changes in sanitary conditions since 1914-16. By H. R. Crohurst. May 1933. 111 pages. 10 cents.

## National Institute of Health Bulletin

*161. I. The pathology of psittacosis in man. II. The pathology of psittacosis in animals and the distribution of Rickettsia psittaci in the tissues of man and animals. By R. D. Lillie. May 1933. 66 pages; 4 plates. 10 cents.

## Unnumbered Publications

*Index to Public Health Reports, vol. 47, part 2 (July-December 1932). 23 pages. 5 cents.
*National Negro Health Week program. This pamphlet is published annually usually about the middle of March, for community leaders in an effort to suggest ways and means by which interested individuals and organizations may be organized for a concerted and effective attack upon the community's disease problems. Nineteenth annual observance. 1933. 12 pages. Out of print.
*National Negro Health Week poster. Nineteenth annual observance. Out of print.

## DEATHS DURING WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 9, 1933

[From the Weekly Health Index, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce]

|  | Week ended Sept. 9, 1933 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Correspond- } \\ \text { ing Week } \\ 1932 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Data from 85 large cities of the United States: <br> Total deaths |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Deaths per 1,000 population, annual basis. | 9.4 | 9.0 |
|  | 469 | 575 |
| Deaths under 1 year of age per 1,000 estimated live births ( 81 cities) | 39 | 47 |
| Deaths per 1,000 population, annual basis, first 36 weeks of year.... | 11.0 | 11.3 |
| Data from industrial insurance companies: |  |  |
| Poilies in force - .-..... | 67, 848, 528 | 70, 787, 013 |
| Number of death claims ---------.-.- | 8,537 | 9,657 |
| Death claims per 1,000 policies in force, annual rate........----- Death claims per 1,000 policies, first 36 weaks of year, annual rete | 6. 6 | 7.1 |
| Death claims per 1,000 policies, first 36 weeks of year, annual rate | 9.9 | 0.7 |

## PREVALENCE OF DISEASE

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

## UNITED STATES

## CURRENT WEEKLY STATE REPORTS

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

## Reports for Weeks Ended September 16, 1933, and September 17, 1932

Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended Sept. 16, 1938, and Sept. 17, 1952

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Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended Sept. 16, 193s, and Sept. 17, 1992-Continued


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Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended Sept. 16, 1939, and Sept. 17, 1938-Continued

${ }^{1}$ Now York City only.
2 Week ended earlier than Saturday.
${ }^{3}$ Typhus fever, week ended Sept. 16, 1933, 47 cases, as follows: Virginia, 1; North Carolina, 1; Georgia, 19; Florida, 1; Alabama, 16; Texas, 9.
1 Exclusive of Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

- Rooky Mountain spotted fever, week ended Sept. 16, 1933, 2 cases, as follows: Montana, 1; Wyoming, 1.


## SUMMARY OF MONTHLY REPORTS FROM STATES

The following summary of monthly State reports is published weekly and covers only those States from which reports are received during the current week.

| State | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Menin- } \\ \text { gococ- } \\ \text { cus } \\ \text { menin- } \\ \text { gitis } \end{array}\right\|$ | Diphtheria | Influenza | Malaria | Measles | Pellagra | Polio-myelitis | Scarlet fever | $\underset{\text { Smax }}{\text { pox }}$ | Typhoid fever |
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| August 193s |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arizona | 1 | 11 | 11 | 1 | 29 |  |  | 19 |  |  |
| California | 10 | 185 | 63 | 9 | 882 | 5 | 15 | 268 | 43 | 47 |
| Indiana.-. | 10 | 41 | 108 |  | 30 | ..... | 4 | 82 | \% | 94 |
| Iowa Michigan | 2 | 30 81 |  | 6 | 89 |  | -88888 | - 275 | 8 | ${ }_{93}^{17}$ |
| Minnesota- | 5 | 46 | 4 |  | 120 |  | 83 | 64 | $i^{-}$ | 3 |
| Missouri... | 7 | 48 | 8 | 49 | 41 |  | 11 | 76 | 1 | 113 |
| Nebraska.- | 1 | 10 |  |  | 9 |  | 2 | 24 | 0 | 3 |
| New Jersey.-- | 4 | 32 | 5 | 1 | 90 |  | 58 | 94 | 0 | 28 |
| New York | 28 | 101 |  | 7 | 482 |  | 540 | 825 | 0 | 223 |
| North Carolina | 2 | 138 | 9 |  | 101 | 62 | 2 | 184 | 0 | 98 |
| Ohio---...--.... | 4 | 75 | 57 | 20 | 56 |  | 84 | 419 | 8 | 248 |
| Pennsylvania... | 17 | 149 |  | 3 | 435 | 2 | 113 | 459 | 0 | 108 |
| Rhode ISland.-. | 1 6 | 50 | 35 | 582 | 84 | 27 | ${ }^{9} 3$ | 87 104 | 8 | 811 |
| W yoming |  | 1 | 2 |  | 14 |  | 2 | 15 | 0 | 10 |


| August 1858 |  | Auguel 185s-Continued |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Anthrax: | Cases | Lethargic encephalitis- |  |
| Arizona. |  | Continued. | Cases |
| Michigan | 1 | Ohio. | 11 |
| Minnesota | 1 | Pennsylvania.-.-.-.-.-- | 2 |
| Chicken pox: |  | Rhode Island. | 1 |
| Arizona.- | 4 | Mumps: |  |
| California | 324 | Arizona.- | 16 |
| Indiana. | 5 | California-------------- | 441 |
| Iows.- | 10 | Indiana. | 3 |
| Michigan | 60 |  | 18 |
| Minnesota | 33 | Michigan-.------------- | 69 |
| Missouri. | 11 | Missouri. | 21 |
| Nebraska | 8 | Nebraska. | 4 |
| New Jersey | 97 | New Jersey------------ | 71 |
| New York | 328 | Ohio-.-.-.-.-.-.-.-.----- | 23 |
| North Carolina. | 17 | Pennsylvania. | 189 |
| Ohio. | 69 | Rhode Island.-.....-.-- | 4 |
| Pennsylvania | 228 | Tennessee.. | 19 |
| Rhode Island | 8 | Ophthalmia neonstorum: |  |
| Tennessee.--.---------- | 4 | Opwa---.-.------------- | 3 |
| Wyoming .-......... | 2 | Minnesota | 2 |
| Diarrhes and enteritis: |  | New Jersey | 2 |
| Ohio.-- | 35 | New York. | 3 |
| Dysentery: |  | Ohio. | 92 |
| Arizona | 20 | Pennsylvania. | 13 |
| Californis (amebic) ---- | 9 | Tennessee.- | 1 |
| California (bacillary) .- | 24 | Paratyphoid fever: |  |
| Michigan------------ | 4 | California. | 4 |
| Minnesota (8mebic).-- | 2 |  | 4 |
| Minnesota...-.------.- | 1 | Michigan.----------------- | 5 |
| Missouri. | 19 | New Jersey ------------- | 1 |
| New Jersey | 4 | New York. | 12 |
| New York-------------- | 35 | North Carolina.-...---* | 3 |
| Ohio-.- | 2 | Ohio... | 1 |
| Pennsylvania | 2 |  | 1 |
| Tennessee..- | 52 | Tennessee | 14 |
| Tood poisoning: |  | Plague (bubonic): |  |
| Californis.-.----------- | 34 | California | 1 |
| Ohio.---------------------- | 16 | Psittacosis: |  |
| German measles: |  | Californis | 2 |
| Arizons ---------------* | 3 | Puerperal septicemia: |  |
|  | 31 | Ohio | 3 |
| Iowa------------------- | 1 | Pennsylvania--------* | 7 |
| New Jersey | 16 | Tennessee.-..----------- | 3 |
| New York | 39 | Rabies in animals: |  |
| North Carolina | 7 | California_-.-------*-* | 66 |
| Ohio.--------------------- | 9 | Indiana. | 29 |
| Pennsylvania....-------- | 15 | Missourl | 10 |
| Tennessee_---------------- | 2 |  | 17 |
|  |  | Rabies in man: |  |
| California-..-.--.-........ | 8 | Ohio | 1 |
| Hookworm disease: |  | Relapsing fever: |  |
| California | 1 | California_-..---------- | 1 |
| Impetigo contagiosa: |  | Rocky Mountain spotted |  |
| Arizons.-------- | 12 | fever: |  |
|  | 3 |  | 1 |
| Tennessee | 10 | New York | 2 |
| Lead poisoning:-------- |  | North Carolins...-.-.-- | 11 |
| Ohio------------------- | 10 |  | 2 |
| Leprosy: |  | W yoming------------. | 4 |
| California | 2 | Septic sore throat: |  |
| Michigan | 1 | Arizona_--------------- | 1 |
| Lethargic encephalitis: |  | Californis | 5 |
| California | 4 | Michigan_-----------* | 21 |
|  | 1 | Minnesota | 1 |
| Iowa. | 4 | Missourl. | 4 |
| Michigan | 10 | New York | 38 |
| Minnesotr_-........-.-- | 6 | North Carolins...-.-.-- | 4 |
| Missouri. | 365 | Ohio_-.---------------- | 100 |
| Nebraska | 3 | Rhode Island.-.........- | 1 |
|  | 5 | Tennessee----------** | 10 |
| New York.-.-.-.-.---- | 19 | W yoming-..-e-eee--mee | 3 |

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Trichinnesse

Pennsylvanis_...... 1
Tularaemia:
California
Iowa -- Carolina
North
Tennessee
W yoming
Typhus fever:
New York_.........ese 1

Undulant fever:--.


Iow

Minnesota_....-.-.--e. 10

New Jersey


Pennsylvanis.-.---aco- 7
Vincont's angins:



Whooping cough:


LETHARGIC ENCEPHALITIS, ST. LOUIS, MO.
From July 31 to September 20, 1933, 910 cases of lethargic encephalitis were reported in the county and city of St. Louis, Mo., with 160 deaths. The epidemic is decreasing.

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# FOREIGN AND INSULAR 

## CANADA

Qwebec Province-Communicable diseases-Two weeks ended September 9, 1933.-The Bureau of Health of the Province of Quebec, Canada, reports cases of certain communicable diseases for the 2 weeks ended September 9, 1933, as follows:

| Disease | Cases | Disease | Cases |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Chicken pox | 19 | Ophthalmia neonatorum. | 1 |
| Diphtheris | 20 | Poliomyelitis--...-.--- | 18 |
| Drsentery- | 7 | Bcariet fever- | 111 |
| German measies. | 8 | Typhoid fever. | 85 |
| Infinenza-- | 1 | Undulant fover | H |
| Measles | 00 | Whooping cough | 147 |

## PUERTO RICO

Notifiable diseases-Four weeks ended September 9, 1933.-During the 4 weeks ended September 9, 1933, cases of certain notifiable diseases were reported in the municipalities of Puerto Rico as follows:

| Diseaso | Cases | Disease | Cases |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Chictren por | $\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 57 \\ 209 \\ 6 \\ 6 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 37 \\ 8.318 \\ 8,36 \\ 66 \\ 48 \\ 8 \end{array}$ | Paratyphoid fever $\qquad$ <br> Pellagra <br> Puerperal fever $\qquad$ <br> Ringworm <br> Byphilis. $\qquad$ <br> Tetanus. <br> Tetanus (infantile) $\qquad$ <br> Trachoma. <br> Tuberculosis. <br> Typhoid fever. <br> Whooping cough. $\qquad$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Strysipelas. |  |  |  |
| Flariasis. |  |  |  |
| Infuenca... |  |  |  |
| Leprosy- |  |  |  |
| Mearia. |  |  |  |
| Mumpe |  |  | 110 |
| Ophthalmia neonatorum |  |  |  |

## YUGOSLAVIA

Communicable diseases-July 1933.-During the month of July 1933, certain communicable diseases were reported in Yugoslavia as; follows:

CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALIPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER



| Placo | February 1933 |  |  | March 1933 |  |  | April 1933 |  |  | May 1933 |  |  | June 1933 |  |  | July 1933 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1-10 | 11-20 | 21-28 | 1-10 | 11-20 | 21-31 | 1-10 | 11-20 | 21-30 | 1-10 | 11-20 | 21-31 | 1-10 | 11-20 | 21-30 | 1-10 | 11-20 | 21-81 |
| Indo-China (French) (see also table above) Oambodia ${ }^{3}$. <br> Cochin-China ${ }^{2}$$\qquad$$\mathbf{D}$ <br> $\mathbf{D}$ | - |  | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ \hdashline-7 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | 2 1 4 3 | 2 2 2 2 2 | 8 8 2 2 | 7 <br> -----7 <br> 7 | 4 2 1 1 | 11 8 8 4 | 14 10 0 8 8 | 17 9 6 6 | 23 12 4 4 | 81 17 8 8 8 | 14 6 8 4 | 8 8 8 8 8 |  | 12 $\cdots$ $\cdots$ $\cdots$ |
| ${ }^{1}$ During the week ended Sept. 16, 1938, cholera was reportod in the Philippine Islands as follows: Cebu Province, Cebu ed Opon, 1 case. <br> ${ }^{2}$ For the month of March 1938. <br> ${ }^{3}$ Reports incomplete. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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


| Luror. <br> Marsaille |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | \|-. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| D |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 8 |  |  |
| Hawail Territory. ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 6,399 3,775 | 5,409 8,498 | 3,227 2,042 | 2,319 1,407 | 423 | 271 202 | 230 164 | 437 585 | 240 885 | 502 207 | 870 581 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2 | 12 | 13 |  | 1 |  |  |  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 1 | 4 |  | 2 |
|  | 2 | 1 | 10 | 3 | 2 |  |  |  | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |
|  | 3 | 15 | 10 | ${ }^{6}$ | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  | 1 |  |  |
|  | 68 378 | 121 | 103 27 | 24 | 8 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 1 |  |  | 1 | 2 | 2 |  |  |
|  | 173 |  | 14 | 8 | 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rangoon <br> Plague-infected rats |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 1 |  | 3 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |
| Indo-China (see also table below): <br> Pnom-Penh. | 1 | 1 | 8 | 6 |  |  | 1 | 2 | 1 |  |  |  | 1 |  | 1 | 1 |  |
| Saigon and Cholon |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |  |  |  | 2 |  | 1 |  |
| Iraq: <br>  | 8 |  |  | 8 | 1 |  |  | 1 | 8 | 41 | ${ }^{4} 1$ | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Basra |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Madagascar. (Bee table below.) <br> Morocco. | 4 | 33 | 28 | 2 |  |  |  |  | 5 | 2 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Peru. (See table below.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Senegal. (See table below.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Biam: <br> Bangkok |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 16 | 11 |  |  |  | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| South-West Africa. ${ }^{6}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Straits Settlements: Singapore Syria: Beirut |  |  | 2 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1 |  |  | 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| United States: Californis: <br> San Benito County-Plague-infected ground squirrels. <br> Whittier. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 7 | ---- | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |
| On vessel: 8.8. Kingsborough at port in Argentina......- 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

[^5]CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER-Continued

Reports incompleto.
gMALLPOE

| Place | $\begin{gathered} \text { Feb. 5- } \\ \text { Mar. 4, } \\ 1933 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mar. 8- } \\ \text { Apr. } 1, \\ \mathbf{1 9 3 3}^{2} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Apr. 2- } \\ & 29,1033 \end{aligned}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Apr. 30- } \\ \text { May } 27, \\ 1933 \end{array}\right\|$ | Week ended- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | June 1933 |  |  |  | July 1933 |  |  |  |  | August 1933 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 3 | 10 | 17 | 24 | 1 | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 | 5 | 12 | 19 | 28 |
| Algeria: ${ }^{\text {Algiers Department }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Algiers Department $\qquad$ 0 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  | -** |
| Arabia: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | - |
|  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\cdots$ |
| Muscat-Oman Sultanate.......................- |  |  |  |  | 4 |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Argentina: Chaco Territory.......................... ${ }_{\text {O }}^{\mathbf{O}}$ | - |  |  |  | 11 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


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



TYPHUS FEVER

CEOLFRA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER-Continued TYPEUS FEVER-Continued
[O indicates cases; D, deaths; P, present]

yellow fever

| Place | Feb. 51933 | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Mar. } 5-5- \\ \text { Apr. } 1, \\ 1933 \end{array}\right\|$ | ${ }_{29,1933}^{A_{2 p r}}$ | $\left.\begin{array}{\|c} \text { Apr. 30- } \\ \text { May } 27 \\ 1933 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | Week ended- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | June 1933 |  |  |  | July 1933 |  |  |  |  | August 1933 |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sept. } \\ \text { et. } \\ 1933 \end{gathered}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  | 3 | 10 | 17 | 24 | 1 | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 | 5 | 12 | 19 | 28 |  |
| Brazil: <br> Ceara State: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lavras....................................- ${ }_{\text {D }}^{\text {D }}$ | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | -.....- | 1 | ---- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | - | --. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pernambuco State: <br> Granito <br> C |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  | -..-- |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 1 |
| Gold Coast............................................ ${ }_{\text {O }}^{\text {D }}$ | 2 |  |  | 2 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{1} 1$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Senegal: $\quad 10$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Podor. <br> St. Louis $\qquad$ C | --...- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | -.... |
|  | --...- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | \%i |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\cdots$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ From the Office of Statistical Investigations, U.S. Public Health Service. The numbers of States included for the various diseases are as follows: Typhoid fever, 48; poliomyelitis, 48; meningococcus meningitis, 48; smallpox, 48; measles, 47; diphtheria, 48; scarlet fever, 48; influenza, 38 States and New York City. The District of Columbia is counted as a State in these reports.
    These summaries include only the eight important communicable diseases for which the Public Health Service receives regular weekly reports from the State health officers. Beports on lethargic encephalitio will be found on pp. 1201, 1202 and 1204.

[^1]:    ${ }^{1}$ The report for the first quarter was published in the Public Health Reports of July 7, 1033.

[^2]:    ${ }^{1}$ In 1932 and 1933 the same companies are included. The rates for 1931 and 1930 cover 29 and 27 companies, respectively, instead of 82 as in 1832 and 1933.
    ${ }^{2}$ Exclusive of disability from venereal diseases.

[^3]:    ${ }^{2}$ Stat. Bull. Metropolitan Life Ins, Co., val. XIV, July 1033, no. 7, p. E.

[^4]:    Lethargic encephalitis.-Cases: Bridgeport, Conn., 1; Buffalo, 1; New York, 8; Philadelphia, 4; CleveLand, 3; Toledo, 1; South Bend, Ind., 1; Springfield, III., 3; Detroit, 9; Flint, Mich., 1; Grand Rapids, 3; Kenosha, Wis., 1; Minneapolis, 1; St. Psul, 1; St. Louis, 159; Fargo, N.Dak., 1; Omaha, 1; Washington, 1; Charleston, S.C., 1; Salt Lake City, 2; San Francisco, 1.
    Pellagra.-Cases:' Winston-Salem, N.C., 1; Atlanta, 2; Savannah, 1; Miami, 1; Memphis, 1; Birmingham, 1; New Orieans, 2; Dallas, Tex., 1.

    Typhus ferer.-Cases: Charleston, 8.C., 1; Savannah, 1; Birmingham, 1; Mobile, 2; Montgomary, 1; San Antonio, 1.

[^5]:    1 Including plague in the United States and its possessions.
    a Under date of Sept. 19, 1933, plague was reported in the Azores as follows: 6 cases with 1 death and 1 suspected case at St. Michael's, and 1 case at Fayal.
    rat was roportad in Kalops Homesteads in Hamakus district, island of Hawail.
    663 cases of plague with 5 deaths were reported in Ovamboland, South-West Africa from Jan. 1 to June 17, 1983. Antiplague measures have been taken.

