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CURRENT PREVALENCE OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES IN THE UNITED STATES 1

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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 Public Health Reports, under the section entitled "Prevalence of Disease."

Influenza.—During the current 4-week period 123,055 cases of influenza were reported in 37 2 States as compared with 157,682 for the preceding four weeks and 6,882, 24,656, and 10,089 for the corresponding periods of 1932, 1931, and 1930, respectively. From a maximum of 54,694 cases reported during the first week of January and 53,120 during the last week of December, the number has declined to 10,273 for the week ended February 4, which is still approximately double the number reported for that week in 1932. The peak of reported cases was well passed in all sections, but the reports were still particularly high in the Northeast.

In the 85 cities included in the Census Bureau's Weekly Health Index the death rate from all causes reached a maximum of 14.7 per 1,000 (annual basis) for the last week of December, and has declined steadily to 12.1 for the week ended February 4, a lower figure than that for the corresponding week of 1930 or 1931, but higher than in 1932. Many of the New England cities still showed high death rates for the week ended February 4, but in other sections the peak was well passed.

Meningococcus meningitis.—The incidence of meningococcus meningitis increased about 50 per cent during the current 4-week period over the preceding four weeks. The number of cases (362) was about 15 per cent in excess of the number reported for the corresponding period last year, but was only about 60 per cent of the number

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,47; poliomyelitis, 48; maningococcus meningitis, 48; smallpox, 48; measles, 45; diphtheria, 47; scarlet fever, 47; influenza, 38 States and New York City. The District of Columbia is counted as a State in these reports.

² The States included are those having continuous records for four years. Kansas is omitted because of the sudden and unusual increase in the number of cases reported immediately following a special letter from the State health officer to physicians asking their cooperation in obtaining complete reports.

reported in 1931 and 40 per cent of the number in 1930 for the same period. The disease seemed to be most prevalent in States in the North and South Central geographic areas. In Illinois 68 cases were reported for the current period, as against 35 for the same period last year, and in Iowa 19 cases as compared with 2 last year. In Texas 2 cases were reported for this period last year, and in Oklahoma no cases, whereas for the current period there were 8 and 12 cases reported in these States, respectively. The total number of cases from the South Central group of States was more than twice the number reported for the same period last year. The New England and Middle Atlantic States reported decreases, as did also the Mountain and Pacific areas.

Smallpox.—Each geographic area reported an appreciable decrease in the incidence of smallpox as compared with the corresponding period in recent years. In the New England States, where the disease was unusually prevalent at this time last year, with 140 cases in the 4-week period, only 3 cases were reported this year. Other areas reported decreases ranging from 20 per cent in the Mountain area to 85 per cent in the Middle Atlantic. For the entire reporting area the number of cases totaled 642, as compared with 2,084, 4,276, and, 6,552 for the corresponding period in the years 1932, 1931, and 1930, respectively.

Scarlet fever.—The scarlet fever incidence was slightly higher during the current 4-week period than for the corresponding period last year, and more than 2,000 cases above the average for recent years was reported. For the combined reporting area the number of cases totaled 21,507. The disease seemed to be most prevalent in the East North Central States. Other groups closely approximated last year's incidence, and the South Central group reported a 33 per cent decrease in the number of cases from that reported for the same period last year.

Measles.—There were 21,656 cases of measles reported for the four weeks ended January 28, approximately 7,700 more than were reported for the preceding 4-week period. For the country as a whole the number of cases was only about 80 per cent of the number reported for the corresponding period last year and 70 per cent of the number in 1931. It closely approximated the figure (22,989 cases) for 1930. In relation to the incidence for the same period last year, the New England and Middle Atlantic, East South Central, and Pacific areas showed decreases, while the North Central, South Atlantic, West South Central, and Mountain States showed appreciable increases. In the West North Central States the number of cases reported for the current period was almost three times the number reported last year at this time.

Diphtheria.—The number of cases of diphtheria for the current period was 4,191, as compared with 6,730, 5,429, and 6,706 for the corresponding period in the years 1932, 1931, and 1930 respectively. For the country as a whole, as well as for each geographic area except the South Central areas, the incidence was the lowest for this period in the five years for which data are available. As much as a 50 per cent decrease from last year's figure was reported for some areas, while others reported a decline of only about 25 per cent.

Poliomyelitis.—The incidence of poliomyelitis continued to decline through the month of January. For the current four weeks 82 cases were reported. This number represented a decline of approximately 50 per cent from last year's figure for the same period and 60 per cent from the number of cases for the corresponding period in 1931. For this period in 1930 and 1929, more nearly normal years, there were 77 and 65 cases, respectively. Seven cases of poliomyelitis were reported from Arizona as against none last year, and this seemed to be responsible for the 25 per cent increase in the Mountain area. All other areas reported decreases.

Typhoid fever.—Due in part to an outbreak of typhoid fever in Chamberlain, S. Dak., the incidence for the country as a whole showed an increase instead of the expected seasonal decrease. Only one other State, California, reported an appreciable increase over last year's figure. From South Dakota 251 cases were reported for the current period, as compared with 9 for the same period last year; and while the figure from California was not large (27), it was more than twice the number reported for this period last year. A comparison of geographic areas shows that exclusive of the incidence in those two States, the disease was considerably less prevalent in each area during the current period than in the corresponding period last year. In fact, in some sections the incidence was the lowest in recent years.

Deaths, all causes.—The average death rate in large cities, as reported by the Bureau of the Census, for the four weeks ended January 28 was 13.1. For the corresponding period in 1932, 1931, and 1930 the rate was 12.3, 14.5, and 13.0, respectively. For the week ended February 4 the rate was 12.1, as compared with 11.8, 14.3, and 13.7 for the corresponding period in the years 1932, 1931, and 1930, respectively.

RELATION BETWEEN TRYPANOCIDAL AND SPIROCHETI-CIDAL ACTIVITIES OF NEOARSPHENAMINE

III. Uniformity of Effect of Different Types of Neoarsphenamine on the Serological Reactions in Human Syphilis ¹

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In earlier reports (1) and (2) it has been shown that certain specimens of neoarsphenamine varying greatly in trypanocidal activity gave substantially equal results in the treatment and in the prophylaxis of syphilis in rabbits. This disagreement in the results between the trypanocidal and spirocheticidal tests indicated the necessity of ascertaining the efficacy of these products in the treatment of syphilis in man.

A very interesting comparison of the therapeutic activity of neoarsphenamine as measured by the trypanocidal test in animals and the spirocheticidal efficacy in man was reported by Dale and White (3). In this report a parallelism was found to exist between the dose of neoarsphenamine necessary to free the human chancre of *Treponema pallidum* in 18 to 20 hours and the minimal effective dose in mice inoculated with *Trypanosoma equiperdum*.

The products used in the present investigation are the same as those used in the reports referred to above (1)'(2). Neoarsphenamine brand E was the most effective in trypanocidal activity, and brand F proved to be the least efficient. While it would have been desirable for comparative purposes to use in the work here reported the same method employed by Dale and White, it was impossible, as the material, covering the several stages of the disease, did not lend itself to a technique adapted only for primary darkfield-positive cases.

All the cases of syphilis treated during a given period in the United States Marine Hospital at Stapleton, N. Y., were divided into two groups of equal size for treatment, one group receiving the product E and the other product F. In this manner the therapeutic efficacy of two types of neoarsphenamine in the treatment of the various stages of syphilis in man could be comparatively studied. The effect of the treatment was judged by the quantitative Kahn precipitation test before, during, and after the course of treatment. The appraisal of the efficiency of the treatment is based upon the direction of the modification of the quantitative serum reaction, which is recorded as reduced, unaffected, or increased. All cases reporting two or more serological tests, regardless of the treatment received, are included, and the cases with only one serological test or with negative report in all tests are excluded.

¹ From the United States Marine Hospital, Stapleton, N. Y., and the National Institute of Health, Washington, D. C. Submitted for publication July 6, 1932.

The few cases which received more than two courses of treatment were generally unsatisfactory for consideration in the comparative study of the effect of treatment, as they represented mostly latent and tertiary syphilis with doubtful quantitative serum tests, and with considerable previous treatment. This report does not consider the permanent effect but only the immediate effect of the treatment as indicated by the comparison of the serum tests.

A complete physical examination was made preliminary to administering arsenical treatment. The patient was questioned concerning any reactions following the last treatment, with special reference to any toxic skin eruptions.

Each dose of 0.9 gram of drug was dissolved in 100 c c sterile distilled water. The first injection for each patient consisted of 0.6 gram, and thereafter every injection consisted of 0.9 gram throughout the entire course. All injections were given by the intravenous gravity method.

The course of treatment consisted of eight injections of neoarsphenamine and eight injections of mercury at weekly intervals. What influence the mercury might have had on the reacting substances in the serum we are not prepared to say.

The result of the comparison is indicated in Table 1.

Table 1.—Effect on reacting substances in quantitative Kahn tests of neoarsphenamine E (of high trypanocidal activity) and F (of low trypanocidal activity)

P. History manufacture	Cases	Effect in serum tests					
Patients receiving—	com- pared	Reduced	No effect	Increased			
NEOARSPHENAMINE	1 54	2 44	3 2	48			
1 course	47	39	1	7			
Primary syphilis	6	5	0	1			
Secondary syphilis	14	14	0	. 0			
Latent syphilis	19	15	1	3			
Tertiary syphilis	8	5	0	3			
2 courses	7	5	1	1			
Primary syphilis	2	2	0	0			
Secondary syphilis	1	1	0	0			
Latent syphilis	2	2	0	0			
Tertiary syphilis	2	0	1	1			
NECARSPHENAMINE.	1 56	5 45	67	7 4			
1 course	43	33	7	3			
Primary syphilis	7	6	1	(
Secondary syphilis	13	11	1	1			
Latent syphilis	13	10	2	1			
Tertiary syphilis	10	6	3	1			
2 courses	13	12	0	1			
Primary syphilis	2	2	0	0			
Secondary syphilis	5	5	0				
Latent syphilis.	3	3	0	0			
Tertiary syphilis	3	2	1 0	1			

^{1 100} per cent. 2 81.5 per cent.

^{3 3.7} per cent.

^{80.4} per cent. 12.5 per cent.

^{77.1} per cent.

After the exclusion of unsuitable cases, as above specified, 54 cases remained in the E group, and 56 in the F group. These are classified in the table according as to whether they received one or two courses of treatment, and according to the type of syphilis which they represented, whether primary, secondary, latent, or tertiary. The results on the reacting substance in the serum are indicated for each subdivision. It is seen that, in general, the different kinds of cases are divided fairly evenly, numerically, between the E group and the F group, and the results indicate no basis for choice in the products under investigation.

Favorable results are noted in 44 (81.5 per cent) of the group receiving neoarsphenamine E, no effect in 2 (3.7 per cent), and in 8 cases (14.8 per cent) the reacting substances in the serum increased. In 45 cases (80.4 per cent) of the F group the reacting substance in the serum is recorded as reduced, in 7 cases (12.5 per cent) as unaffected, and 4 cases (7.1 per cent) show an increase after the treatment.

In regard to the amount of increase or decrease, there is likewise no significant basis for choice between the two neoarsphenamines. Of the cases showing reduction of reacting substance, those in the E group had an aggregate reduction in Kahn units from 11,160 to 2,112, or a reduction of 81 per cent, and those in the F group had a reduction of 83 per cent, from 9,184 to 1,552. The aggregate unitage of the cases unaffected by the treatment was 264 for the E group and 84 for the F group. The cases in the E group with increased Kahn reaction after treatment changed in aggregate unitage from 2,424 to 4,700, and those in the F group from 3,120 to 4,880. Thus the total unitage in the E group decreased from 13,848 to 7,076, or 49 per cent, while the total unitage in the F group decreased 47 per cent, from 12,388 to 6,516.

REACTIONS

Unfavorable reactions occurred after the administration of the neoarsphenamines in 14 cases of the total of 156 cases treated; the 156 cases were divided equally between the E group and the F group. This represented one reaction in every 11.1 cases treated, or 1 reaction to every 76 treatments, the approximate number of injections being 1,063.

The frequency of reactions after the product E was 1 in every 13 cases, 6 in 78 cases; after product F, 1 in every 9.8 cases, 8 in 78 cases. The 6 reactions after product E comprised 2 vasomotor reactions and 2 cases each of jaundice and of dermatitis. The 8 reactions after product F comprised 1 Herxheimer, 1 unclassified, 3 vasomotor reactions, and 3 cases of dermatitis.

The cases reporting reactions of most interest were one severe exfoliative dermatitis after the seventh treatment in the first series of

product F, and two cases of jaundice occurring in the third course of treatment of the product E.

CONCLUSION

From the limited data presented, it is indicated that two neoarsphenamines, previously reported as varying in their trypanocidal activity, but presenting no noteworthy difference in the spirocheticidal activity in syphilis in rabbits, when used in the routine treatment of syphilis, together with mercury, have shown no significant difference in their ability to influence the reacting substances in sera from cases of syphilis in man.

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COURT DECISION RELATING TO PUBLIC HEALTH

Statute relative to unlawful possession of narcotics construed.—(California District Court of Appeal, First District, Division 1; People v. Belli, 15 P. (2d) 809; decided Nov. 1, 1932.) In a prosecution for illegally possessing morphine, the evidence for the State was to the effect that, just prior to his arrest, the defendant dropped a package containing morphine on the sidewalk and that such package was immediately picked up by another person. The defendant contended that such evidence was legally insufficient to establish possession on his part within the meaning of the State narcotic law (Laws 1927, ch. 60, sec. 1) because it affirmatively showed that no narcotics were found in his possession but that they were taken from the other person. In holding that the evidence was sufficient to establish possession within the meaning of the narcotic law, the district court of appeal said:

* * As held in People v. Herbert, 59 Cal. App. 158, 210 P. 276, in order to establish possession within the meaning of said act [narcotic law], it is necessary to prove that the possession was immediate and exclusive and under the dominion and control of the person charged with such possession. But nowhere do the terms of the act require, nor, so far as our attention has been called, do any of the decisions interpreting the act hold, as appellant seems to contend, that proof of possession at the very time of arrest is essential. Here, as shown, it appears from the evidence adduced in support of the prosecution's case that, immediately preceding his arrest, appellant had the narcotics in his immediate and exclusive possession and under his dominion and control and that, upon divesting himself thereof, the same were picked up immediately by Wilson, which, in our opinion, is legally sufficient to establish possession on the part of appellant within the meaning of said act.

FINAL SUMMARY OF MORTALITY STATISTICS, 1931

A provisional summary of mortality statistics for the registration area of the United States for 1931 was published in the Public Health Reports for February 3, 1933, pages 125–127. The final figures have just been issued by the Bureau of the Census and are printed in the following table:

Mortality Statistics, 1931

		death rates istration are		
Cause of death	Nun	nber	Rate per estimate lation	r 190,090 ed popu-
	1931	1930	1931	1930
Total deaths (all causes)1	1, 322, 587	1, 343, 356	1, 107. 5	1, 133. 1
Typhoid and paratyphoid fever	5, 382	5, 698	4.5	4.8
8mallpox	95	165	.1	.1
Measles Scarlet fever	3, 576	3,820	3.0 2.2	3. 2 1. 9
Whooping cough	2,650 4,619	2, 279 5, 707	3.9	4.8
Diphtheria.	5, 738	5, 822	4.8	1.9
Influenza	31, 701	23, 066	26.5	19. 5
Dysentery	2,441	3, 856	2.0	2.8
Erysipelas Acute poliomyelitis and acute polioencephalitis Lethargic or epidemic encephalitis	2, 275	2, 508	1.9	2.1
Acute poliomyelitis and acute polioencephalitis	2,096	1, 370	1.8	1. 2
Epidemic cerebrospinal meningitis	972	1,062	.8	.9
Tuberculosis (all forms)	2, 832 81, 395	4, 211 84, 741	2. 4 68. 2	3. 6 71. 5
Tuberculosis (all forms) Of the respiratory system Of the meninges, central nervous system	72, 515	75, 120	60.7	63. 4
Of the meninges, central nervous system	2,709	2, 995	2.3	2.5
Other forms	6, 171	6,626	5.2	5.6
Syphilis 1	16, 454	16, 676	13.8	14. 1
Malaria	2, 536	3, 403	2.1	2.9
Cancer and other malignant tumors.	118, 141	115, 265	98.9	97. 2
Of the buccal cavity	8, 563	3, 543	3.0	3.0
Of the pharynxOf the esophagus	1,004	1,011	1.8	1.9
Of the stomach and duodenum	2, 038 25, 397	1, 896 25, 408	1.7 21.3	1.6 21.4
Of the liver and biliary passages.	10, 290	10, 388	8.6	8.8
Of the pancreas	3, 139	2, 969	2.6	2.5
Of other digestive tract and peritoneum	17, 919	17, 151	15.0	14.5
. Of the respiratory system	4, 039	3,848	3.4	3. 2
Of the uterus	14, 464	14, 132	12.1	11.9
Of other female genital organsOf the breast	2, 565	2, 290	2.1	1.9
Of the male genite urinery organs	11,444	10, 912	9.6	9.2
Of the skin	9, 184 2, 986	8, 661 3, 019	7. 7 2. 5	7. 8 2. 5
Of the male genito-urinary organs Of the skin Of other or unspecified organs	10, 109	10,037	8.5	8.5
Rheumatism and gout	4, 133	4, 493	3.5	3.8
Diabetes mellitus	24, 331	22, 528	20.4	19. 0
Pellagra	5, 091	6, 333	4.3	5. 3
Pernicious anemia.	3, 734	3, 908	3. 1	3. 3
Alcoholism (acute or chronic) Meningitis (nonepidemic)	3, 933	4, 158	3.3	3.5
Corehrel homorrhoge embolism thrombosis and estaning	2, 782 99, 376	3, 048 100, 646	2. 3 83. 2	2.6
Cerebral hemorrhage, embolism, thrombosis, and softening. Hemiplegia, other paralysis, cause not specified	4, 035	4,671	8.4	84. 9 2. 9
Diseases of the heart	253, 985	253, 984	212.7	213. 5
Acute endocarditis	3, 686	3,913	3.1	3.3
Chronic endocarditis, valvular diseases	62, 473	66, 482	52.3	56. 1
Diseases of myocardium	117, 904	115, 964	98.7	97.7
Other diseases of the heart	69, 922	66, 825	58, 6	56. 4
Arteriosclerosis (coronary arteries excepted) Other diseases of the circulatory system	21, 027	21, 868	17.6	18. 4
Bronchitis.	6, 243 4, 586	6, 335 4, 992	5. 2 3. 8	5.3
	96, 974	98, 657	81.2	4. 2 83. 2
Pneumonia (all forms) Respiratory diseases other than bronchitis and pneumonia	~, •, •	, 001	٠١٠ 🕳	30, 4
(all forms)	9, 415	9, 588	7.9	8. 1
Ulcer of the stomach and duodenum	7, 259	7, 360	6.1	6.2

Exclusive of stillbirths.

Includes tabes dorsalis (locomotor atavia) and general paralysis of the insane.

Mortality Statistics, 1931—Continued

		death rates			
Cause of death	Nur	nber	Rate per 100,000 estimated popu- lation		
	1931	1930	1931	1930	
Diarrhea and enteritis Diarrhea and enteritis (under 2 years) Diarrhea and enteritis (2 years and over) Appendicitis Hernia, intestinal obstruction Cirrhosis of the liver Nephritis Puerperal septicemia Puerperal causes other than puerperal septicemia Congenital malformations and diseases of early infancy Suicide Homicide Accidental and unspecified external causes Burns (conflagrations excepted) ³ Accidental drowning ³ Accidental shooting Accidental falls ³ Crushing ³ Excessive heat (burns excepted) Other external causes All other defined causes	24, 723 18, 704 6, 019 18, 113 12, 539 8, 851 104, 119 5, 445 67, 426 22, 088 11, 160 93, 811 1, 160 93, 811 20, 336 6, 749 2, 768 47, 459 95, 194 22, 517	31, 192 23, 294 7, 898 18, 100 12, 176 8, 583 107, 619 5, 439 9, 726 18, 551 10, 617 95, 527 6, 523 7, 450 3, 120 20, 030 6, 541 1, 487 50, 376 97, 888	20.7 15.7 5.0 10.5 7.4 87.2 4.6 7.4 6.3 78.6 9.3 78.6 17.0 17.0 2.3 39.7 79.7	26.3 19.6 6.7 16.3 7.2 90.8 4.6 8.2 60.9 15.6 9.0 80.6 6.3 2.6 16.9 6.3 2.6 16.9	
SUPPLEMENTAL		·			
Mine and quarry accidents Machinery accidents Railroad accidents Collision with automobile Other railroad accidents Street-car accidents Collision with automobile Other street-car accidents Automobile accidents (excluding collision with railroad	1, 849 1, 630 5, 243 1, 651 3, 592 1, 094 419 675	2, 560 2, 065 5, 773 1, 760 4, 012 1, 174 463 711	1.5 1.4 4.4 1.4 3.0 .9 .4	2. 2 1. 7 4. 9 1. 5 3. 4 1. 0 • 4	
trains and street cars) Other transportation accidents 4	30, 042 2, 804	29, 080 2, 764	25. 2 2. 3	24. 5 2. 3	

Includes deaths from this cause where the accident occurred in a mine or quarry, by machinery, or in connection with transportation.

Includes air, motor cycle, and water transportation accidents.

DEATHS DURING WEEK ENDED JANUARY 28, 1933

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

	Week ended Jan. 28, 1933	Corresponding week, 1932
Data from 85 large cities of the United States: Total deaths Deaths per 1,000 population, annual basis. Deaths under 1 year of age Deaths under 1 year of age per 1,000 estimated live births 1. Deaths per 1,000 population, annual basis, first 4 weeks of year Data from industrial insurance companies: Policies in force Number of death claims Death claims per 1,000 policies in force, annual rate Death claims per 1,000 policies, first 4 weeks of year, annual rate	8, 860 12, 4 661 57 13, 1 69, 080, 905 16, 666 12, 6	8, 075 11. 5 596 49 12. 0 74, 193, 592 13, 841 9, 8

^{1 1933, 81} cities; 1932, 78 cities.

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

Reports for Weeks ended February 4, 1933, and February 6, 1932

Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended February 4, 1933, and February 6, 1932

	Diph	theria	Infl	uenza	Me	asles	Meningococcus meningitis	
Division and State	Week ended Feb. 4,	Week ended Feb. 6, 1932	Week ended Feb. 4, 1933	Week ended Feb. 6, 1932	Week ended Feb. 4, 1933	Week ended Feb. 6, 1932	Week ended Feb. 4, 1933	Week ended Feb. 6, 1932
New England States: Maine	2 1 6	6 2	1, 025	77	1	581 13 100	1 0 0	0
Massachusetts	33	44	56	9	197	345	ž	0
Rhode Island	5	9	19			1,054	Ō	Ī
Connecticut	11	3	210	6	157	128	1	1
Middle Atlantic States: New York	55	145	3 81	1	1 617			
New Jersey	22	143	278	1 102	1,815 641	1,363	11	12
Pennsylvania	98	122	210	14	1.099	113 1, 441	1 3	5 4
East North Central States:	20	122			1,000	1, 771		3
Ohio	62	71	44	11	528	202	0	2
Indiana	46	76	116	53	16	143	2	10
Illinois	48	124	67	80	179	151	14	
Michigan	24	54	37	6	504	313	2	8 3
Wisconsin	3	35	754	44	244	133	3	2
West North Central States:		_						
Minnesota	8	7	6	1	754	6	2	0
Iowa	13	7				3	2	0
Missouri	34	40	30	5	282	26	4	4
North DakotaSouth Dakota	1	3 5	699		55 3	7 76	0	0
Nebraska	9	5	276	9 127	17	24	0	1 5
Kansas	8	25	26	21	172	85	6	ő
South Atlantic States:	۰	-	20	21	112	∞		v
Delaware	3	2	13				0	0
Maryland 3	11	34	328	28	6	14	ĭ	3
Maryland 3 District of Columbia	5	19	4	2	4		ō	ŏ
Virginia	20				106		3	
West Virginia	10	30	379	65	310	292	0	0
North Carolina 3	36	32	406	29	316	179	3	1
South Carolina	17	17	2, 286	443	74	36	1	1
Georgia 3	18	8	571	171	2	7	1	0
Florida	7	19	5 5	5	5	9	0	0

See footnotes at end of table.

Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended February 4, 1933, and February 6, 1932—Continued

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	Dipl	ntheria	Infl	uenza	Me	asles		gococcus ingitis
Division and State	Week ended Feb.							
	1933	6, 1932	1933	6, 1932	1933	1932	1933	6, 1932
East South Central States: Kentucky	23	56	69	209				
Tennessee	13 23	31 25	277 234	159 70	18 12	68 29 3	0 1	3 2 4
Mississippi West South Central States: Arkansas	18	13	235	33	10	2	0	1
LouisianaOklahoma 4	14 13	21 40	44 498	23 445	îĭ	97 1	1 8	0
Texas 3	100	74	597 57 6	76 1, 959	558 187	15 94	0	0
Idaho	4	1	8	6	88 30		0	0
Colorado New Mexico	13	13 5!	76 52	76	7 3	40 12	0	1 0
Arizona Utah ¹			24	70 125	4	<u>1</u>	1 0	0
Pacific States: Washington Oregon	11 7	3	1 117	148	9 57	514 68	1 0	20
California		78	294	306	312	325	3	3
Total	912	1,420	10, 880	5, 013	8, 794	8, 113	85	83
	Polion	yelitis	Scarlet	t fever	Smallpox		Typhoi	d fever
Division and State	Week ended Feb. 4, 1933	Week ended Feb. 6, 1932	Week ended Feb. 4, 1933	Week ended Feb. 6, 1932	Week ended Feb. 4, 1933	Week ended Feb. 6, 1932	Week ended Feb. 4, 1933	Week ended Feb. 6, 1932
New England States:								
Maine New Hampshire	0	0	41 25	19 14	0	0	5	2 1
Vermont	0	0	16	6	0	4	0	Ō
Massachusetts Rhode Island	0	3	328 31	523 37	0	3 0	3 0	3
Connecticut	Ŏ	2	149	87	4	8	ĭ	ŏ
Middle Atlantic States: New York	2	5	1,052	1, 071	0	5	10	15
New Jersey Pennsylvania	1 0	4	304 1, 038	204 658	0	0	3 6	4 22
East North Central States:	1			i	1	1	i	
OhioIndiana	1 1	0 2	518 122	414 151	22	34 33	5 7	11
Illinois Michigan	1 1	10	475 443	448 366	16	5	9 3	4
Wisconsin	ô	ĭ	177	96	8	3	ő	õ
West North Central States: Minnesota	0	o	60	128	0	0	o	0
Iowa	0	0	34	55	24	28	1	3
Missouri North Dakota	0	1 0	117	88 18	0	17 17	6	i
South DakotaNebraska	0	0	21 24	7 30	6	11 6	1	1
Kansas	2	ŏ	61	52	i	2	4	2
South Atlantic States:	0	0	10	14	o	0	1	0
Delaware Maryland ! District of Columbia	0	ŏ	83	120 23	0 1	0	3 1	4
	0	1	13 32		0	1	4 1.	
West Virginia North Carolina	1 0	0	39 33	47 76	0	4	4	14
South Carolina	0	1 0 2 0	4	9 7 2	0	0	0 5	8 15 7
	0	2	14 5	7	0	0	2	19

See footnotes at end of table.

Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended February 4, 1933, and February 6, 1932—Continued

	Polion	nyelitis	Scarle	t fever	Sma	llpox	Typhoid fever		
Division and State	Week ended Feb. 4, 1933	Week ended Feb. 6, 1932	Week ended Feb. 4, 1933	Week ended Feb. 6, 1932	Week ended Feb. 4, 1933	Week ended Feb. 6, 1932	Week ended Feb. 4, 1933	Week ended Feb. 6, 1932	
East South Central States:									
Kentucky	0	3	48	89	0	16	5	11	
Tennessee	Ŏ	Ŏ	21	46	3	6	10	6	
Alabama 3	Ó	1	27	20	2	2	4	17	
Mississippi	0	0	13	12	0	17	3	10	
West South Central States:		-	-					1	
Arkansas	1	0	13	14	7	29	1	1 5	
Louisiana	0	0	8	23	0	5	3	l 9	
Oklahoma 4	Ó	Ó	26	41	8	29	0	9	
Texas 3	0	0	72	89	28	28	4	11	
Mountain States:								ĺ	
Montana	0	0	26	32	1	1	1	1	
ldaho	0	Ó	6	2	18	4	0	Ō	
Wyoming	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	Ó	
Colorado	Ó	0	46	58	0	3	1	1	
New Mexico	0	Ó	9	16	0	0	1	11	
	0	0	4	1	0	Ó	0	0	
ArizonaUtah ²	Õ	0	15	17	Ó	Ō	Ó	Ŏ	
Pacific States:	-			-	-	_	- 1	1	
Washington	0	0	44	60	4	16	1	2	
Oregon	ŏ	ŏ	15	20	1	5	2	2 2 3	
California	ĭ	š	237	143	34	7	12	3	
Total	12	40	5, 929	5, 456	194	355	137	234	

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	Menin- gococ- cus menin- gitis	Diph- theria	Influ- enza	Ma- laria	Mea- sles	Pel- lagra	Polio- myelitis	Scarlet fever	Small- pox	Ty- phoid fever
November, 1932										
Hawaii Territory	1	19	5				1		0	5
December, 1932										
California	18	233	5, 440	1	233	3	8	522	29	37 3
Delaware District of Colum-		15	19		5		0	48	0	3
bia	5	28	207		8		0	60	0	0
Kansas	5 7	96	99, 056		60		5	352	5	7
Mississippi	8	54	30, 196	1,045	283	176	1	75	2	6
Missouri	16	247	1,307	3	116		0	478	1	14 2
Nevada		9	103				0	10	0	2
Puerto Rico		48	230	7, 579	221	2	0		0	15
South Carolina		162	6, 450	660	129	107	4	51	5	15
Texas	3	632	6, 781	214		1	2	490		39
Washington	5	25	1, 202		14		6	132	43	14

New York City only.
 Week ended Friday.
 Typhus fever, week ended Feb. 4, 1933, 15 cases: 1 case in North Carolina, 8 cases in Georgia, 1 case in Alabama, and 5 cases in Texas.

• Figures for 1933 are exclusive of Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

November, 1932		Hookworm disease:	Cases	Scables: Kansas	Cases
	_	Mississippi	129		. 6
Hawaii Territory:	Cases	South Carolina	100	Septic sere threat:	
Chicken pok	1	Impetigo contagiosa:		California	
Conjunctivitis, follicu-		Kansas	1	Kansas	. 6
lar	71	Washington	1	Missouri	
Filariasis	1	Leprosy:		South Carolina	. 2
Hookworm disease		Puerto Rico	2	Tetanus:	
Leprosy	3	Washington	1	California	. 8
Mumps	2	Lethargic encephalitis:		Kansas	. 1
Tetanus	4	California	6	Puerto Rico	15
Trachoma	135	District of Columbia	1	Tetanus, infantile:	
Whooping cough	12	South Carolina	6	Puerto Rico	20
- ·		Washington	1	Trachoma:	
December, 1932		Mumps:	_	California	4
Botulism:		California	349	Kansas	. 1
California	3	Delaware	10	Mississippi	2
Chickenpox:	•	Kansas	300	Puerto Rico	ī
California	1 159	Mississippi	165	Trichinosis:	•
Delaware	26	Missoui	118	California	1
District of Columbia		Puerto Rico	15	Tularaemia:	•
Kansas	560	South Carolina	58	Kansas	7
Mississippi	631	Washington	44	Missouri	
Missouri	538	Ophthalmia neonatorum:	**	South Carolina	
Nevada	28	California	2	Typhus fever:	
Puerto Rico	11	Delaware	4	South Carolina	1
South Carolina	161	Mississippi	8	Undulant fever:	1
	429	Puerto Rico	16		
- Washington	143	South Carolina	22	California	10
Diarrhea:	400		22	Kansas	1
South Carolina	438	Paratyphoid fever:	1	Missouri	8
Dysentery:		California	1	Washington	2
California (amebic)	11	South Carolina	3	Vincent's angina:	_
California (bacillary)	23	Texas	9	Kansas	3
Mississippi (amebic)	21	Washington	1	South Carolina	1
Missouri	3	Puerperal septicemia:		W hooping cough:	
Puerto Rico		Mississippi	15	California	758
Washington	1	Puerto Rico	15	Delaware	27
Filariasis:		Washington	2	District of Columbia	26
Puerto Rico	4	Rabies in animals:	- 1	Kansas	64
Food poisoning:		California	65	Mississippi	387
California	78	Delaware	4	Missouri	58
German measles:	1	Mississippi	4	Nevada	1
California	25	Missouri	11	Puerto Rico	67
Kansas	2	South Carolina	7	South Carolina	172
Washington	9	Washington	3	Washington	58
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WEEKLY REPORTS FROM CITIES

City reports for week ended January 28, 1933

							,				
State and city	Diph- theria	Infl	uenza	Mea- sles	Pneu- monia	Scar- let	Small-	Tuber-	Ty- phoid	Whoop-	Deaths,
State and city	Cases	Cases	Deaths	cases	deaths	fever cases	cases	deaths	fever cases	cough	Causes
Maine:											
Portland	. 0	12	3	0	8	0	0	1	0	15	35
New Hampshire:	0	l		0		0	0	o	0	0	
Concord Nashua	ŏ		2 0	ŏ	4	ŏ	8	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	14
Vermont:	U			U	ا ۱	v	۰		٠	U	
Barre	0	•	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Burlington	ĭ		ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	ĭ	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	1
Massachusetts:	-					-				,	•
Boston	8	18	7	32	66	102	0	12	2	62	273
Fall River	ī	4	2	0	12	6	0	1	0	4	44
Springfield	0		1	4	4	9	0	1	0	12	59 53
Worcester	3		0	7	5	20	0	3	2	14	53
Rhode Island:							_ 1				
Pawtucket	Ō		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23 63
Providence	3	12	6	0	12	19	0	1	0	22	63
Connecticut:											
Bridgeport	0	24	0	13	6	4	0	1	0	1	40
Hartford	0	8	2	6	19 11	2 8	0	1 2	ő	4 14	51
New Haven	U	8	3	U	11	8	U	2	٧	19	66
New York:					1						
Buffalo	3		1	8	19	47	0	8	ol	33	132
New York	61	138	45	595	250	274	ŏ	108	ž	124	1,659
Rochester	i	42	ĭ	i	18	22	ŏ	i	ōl	7	98
Syracuse	ō	36	4	2	8	27	Ō	5	ō l	6	50
New Jersey:	-		- 1	- 1				- 1		- 1	
Camden	5	5	3	1	2	10	0	0	0	0	32
Newark	3	70	0	136	12	34	0	2	0	16	114
Trenton	01	17	2	0	11	16	0 1	3	0 1	17	47

City reports for week ended January 28, 1933—Continued

	Diph-	Infl	uenza	Mea-	Pneu-	Scar- let	Small-	Tuber-	Ty- phoid	Whoop-	
State and city	theria cases	Cases	Deaths	sles cases	monia deaths	fever cases	cases	culosis deaths	fever cases	cough	all causes
Pennsylvania: Philadelphia Pittsburgh Reading	6 5 1	78 9	13 4 0	46 0 29	69 18 7	153 36 8	0 0	35 7 0	4 0 0	5 25 4	526 143 30
Ohio: Cincinnati Cleveland Columbus Toledo	7 6 3 2	122 2 1	6 2 2 1	0 3 102 58	1 16 6 4	20 124 11 23	0 0 0	7 8 0 5	0 0 0	9 21 0 4	154 179 73 60
Indiana: Fort Wayne Indianapolis South Bend Terre Haute	8 12 0 0		0 2 1 0	0 5 0 0	1 8 1 0	1 5 5 6	0 0 0	1 5 0 0	0 0 0	0 13 6 0	28 13 15
Illinois: Chicago Springfield Michigan:	2 1	20	12 0	123 0	63 3	282 9	0	33 0	1 0	24 3	732 19
Detroit Flint Grand Rapids	15 0 0	6 38	4 1 1	152 2 0	28 2 1	141 4 11	0 0 0	24 0 0	2 0 0	116 0 54	252 24 36
Wisconsin: Kenosha Madison Milwaukee Racine Superior	0 0 2 0 0	7 2	0 3 2 0	0 2 1 1 0	0 6 1 1	5 1 39 9	1 0 0 0	0 8 0 0	0 0 1 0 0	6 2 45 9 0	103 14 4
Minnesota: Duluth Minneapolis St. Paul Iowa:	0 3 0	<u>1</u>	1 4 1	0 479 5	1 8 4	3 24 16	0 0 0	0 2 1	0 0 0	23 10 37	19 1 02 53
Des Moines Sioux City Waterloo	2 1 0			0 0 0		2 1 2	3 0 0		0 0 1	0 3 0	34
Missouri: Kansas City St. Joseph St. Louis	2 3 25	1	7 0 0	134 1 7	33 5 5	37 2 18	0 0 0	4 1 13	0 0 0	3 6 1	137 21 225
North Dakota: Fargo Grand Forks Nebraska:	0		0	1	0	0	0 0	0	0	0	2
Omaha Kansas: Topeka Wichita	0		1 2	3 9 0	8 3 5	16 0 3	1 0 0	0 2	0	0 0 6	60 8 25
Delaware: Wilmington	0		0	0	7	4	0	0	1	0	29
Maryland: Baltimore Cumberland Frederick	5 0 0	43 1 1	7 0 1	0 1 0	29 2 0	56 2 1	0 0 0	9 0 0	0 0	15 0 0	205 9 5
District of Col.: Washington Virginia: Lynchburg	5 0	5	0	2 2	10 3	23	0	12 0	0	4	157 11
Norfolk Richmond Roanoke West Virginia:	0 1 1	3	0 0 2	0 0 37	3 1	5 0 1	0	3 3	0	0 0	44 15
Charleston Huntington Wheeling	1 1 0	2	1 0 1	1 21 157	0 0 0	0 1 6	0 0	1 0 1	0	0 0 15	13 19
North Carolina: Raleigh Wilmington Winston-Salem.	0 0 0	3 3	0 0 1	0 10 2	1 2 1	2 1 1	0 0	0 1 1	0	0 1 0	15 10 13
South Carolina: Charleston Columbia	0	383	2 0	0	5 1	0	0	0	0	0	27 11
AtlantaBrunswick	0	33 1 84	2 1 1	0	7 0 0	3 0 0	0	1 0 4	0 0 1	13 0 0	78 4 31

City reports for week ended January 28, 1933—Continued

O4-4	Diph-	Infl	uen7a	Mea-	Pneu-	Scar- let	Small-		Ty- phoid	Whooping	Deaths,
State and city	theria cases	Cases	Deaths	sles cases	monia deaths	fever cases	cases	culosis deaths	forman	cases	all causes
Florida: Miami	3	20	2	0	3	0	0	3	0	1	24
St. Petersburg Tampa	2	5	5	0	0	1	Õ	2	0	4	23
Kentucky; Ashland Lexington Louisville	2 0 14	3	0	4 1 0	0 4 18	1 2 9	0	0 2 2	0	0	24 85
Tennessee: Memphis Nashville	5		7 2	2 2	5 5	9 5	1 0	5	0	8	102 44
Alabama: Birmingham Mobile Montgomery	1 2 0	11	0	0	6 0	4 1 0	0	1 2	0	7	51 13
Arkansas: Fort Smith	1			0		1	0		0	0	
Little Rock Louisiana: New Orleans Shreveport	2 4 0	8	1 6 2	0	16 6	1 5 0	0	1 12 4	0	0 1 0	145 43
Oklahoma: Muskogee Tulsa	0		0	0	0	0 3	0	0	0	0 5	
Texas: Dallas Fort Worth Galveston Houston	7 3 2 6	3	3 0 0 4	7 15 2 20	7 5 2	7 2 0 3	0 1 0	0 3 1 3	1 0 0	9 0 0	45 34 14 82
San Antonio Montana:	š		6	2	3	0	Ŏ	4	Ŏ	Õ	69
Billings Great Falls Helena Missoula	0 0 0	30	0 0 0	2 11 0 1	0 2 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0 1	0 0 0	0 0 0 0	6 10 2 4
Idaho: Boise	0		0	15	3	2	3	1	0	0	9
Colorado: DenverPueblo	1 0	57	2 0	2 0	12 2	14	0	2	0	3 2	77 14
Albuquerque Arizona:	0		0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	9
PhoenixUtah:	0		1	0	0	2	1	2	0	0	••••••••••••
Salt Lake City Nevada:	0		0	0	3	3	0	1	0	0	30 7
Reno	. 0		0	0	0	1	0	0	"	ا	•
Washington: Seattle Spokane Tacoma	6 2 0		0	0 0 0	4	3 2 4	1 1 1	0	3 0 0	4 0 0	38
Oregon: Portland	0	3 8	2	1 5	9	5 0	0	3	2	0	89
California: Los Angeles Sacramento San Francisco	23 0 2	103 • 3 70	10 2 7	96 0 0	29 7 15	64 1 3	19 0 0	17 2 12	3 1 0	16 11 29	344 35 192

City reports for week ended January 28, 1933-Continued

State and city	Meningococcus meningitis		Polio- mye- litis	State and city	Menin men	Polio- mye-	
	Cases	Deaths	cases		Cases	Deaths	litis cases
Massachusetts: Boston	1	1	0	Nebraska: Omaha	1	0	0
New York: New York Pennsylvania:	1	1	2	Maryland: Baltimore District of Columbia:	1	0	0
Philadelphia Ohio:	0	1	1	Washington Virginia: Norfolk	1	0	0
Cincinnati	1 1 0	0	0 0 1	West Virginia: Wheeling Tennessee:	0	0	1
Indiana: Indianapolis Illinois:	2	0	0	Nashville	0	2 1	0
Chicago	14	9	0	Louisiana: New Orleans	0	1	1
Wisconsin: Milwaukee	1	0	0	Oklahoma: Tulsa	1	0	0
Iowa:				Washington: Seattle	1	0	0
Sioux City	0	0	0	Oregon: Portland California:	1	0	0
St. Louis	1	0	0	Los Angeles	0	0	2

Lethargic encephalitis.—Cases: Pittsburgh, 1; Detroit, 1; Atlanta, 1.
Dengue.—Cases: Charleston, S. C., 10.
Pellagra.—Cases: Brunswick, 1; Savannah, 1; Birmingham, 1; Montgomery, 1; New Orleans, 2.
Typus feter.—Cases: Mobile, 1.

FOREIGN AND INSULAR

BRITISH ISLES

Influenza.—During the week ended January 21, 1933, 1,589 deaths from influenza were recorded in the 118 great towns of England and Wales, as compared with 1,041 deaths for the preceding week. The general death rate in these towns rose to 22.2 per 1,000 population as compared with 18.7 for the preceding week. In Greater London the general death rate for the week ended January 21, 1933, was 20.9 per 1,000.1

For the week ended January 28, 1933, 84 deaths from influenza were reported in the 16 principal towns of Scotland. The general death rate for these towns for that week was 20.9 per 1,000, as compared with 20.4 for the preceding week. The general death rate in Glasgow dropped from 18 for the week ended January 21 to 17.9 for the week ended January 28.1

In Northern Ireland the prevalence of influenza increased during the early part of January. In Belfast the influenza deaths for the first three weeks of the year were 1, 6, and 37, respectively, and the general death rates in Belfast for the three weeks were 14.2, 17.2, and 29.5 per 1,000.

CANADA

Provinces—Communicable diseases—Week ended January 21, 1933.— The Department of Pensions and National Health of Canada reports cases of certain communicable diseases for the week ended January 21, 1933 as follows:

Disease	Prince Edward . Island	Nova Sco- tia	New Bruns- wick	Que- bec	Onta- rio	Mani- toba	Sas- katch- ewan	Alber- ta	Brit- ish Co- lumbia	Total
Cerebrospinal meningitis. Chicken pox. Diphtheria. Erysipelas. Influenza.	3	10 3 28	6	173 26 1 172	1 320 33 6 343	1 30 4 238	15 1 42	1 4	34 1 113	589 73 8 938
Lethargic encephalitis Measles		16 2	6	42	1 514 124 1 15	1 26	4 2 8	15	29 4	627 158 1 34
Poliomyelitis Scarlet fever Tuberculosis Typhoid fever	1 1	4 1	2 2 2 1	1 79 82 6	1 96 70 7	16 17 1	12 1	2	9 36 2	221 221 210 17
With the second				188	123	15	21	1	28	376

¹ Figures for earlier weeks will be found in the Public Health Reports of Feb. 10, 1933, p. 161.

Quebec Province—Communicable diseases—Four weeks ended January 28, 1933.—The Bureau of Health of the Province of Quebec, Canada, reports cases of certain communicable diseases for the four weeks ended January 28, 1933, as follows:

		Week ended-				
Disease	Jan. 7	Jan. 14	Jan. 21	Jan. 28		
Cerebrospinal meningitis		1		1		
Chicken pox		227	173	135		
Diphtheria		26	26	41		
Erysipelas		5		4		
German measles		3	1	3		
Influenza	20	23	172	41		
Lethargic encephalitis		1		1		
Measles		72	41	41		
Poliomyelitis	4	4		5		
Puerperal septicemia		2		1		
Scarlet fever		56	79	77		
Tuberculosis		60	82	49		
Typhoid fever		15	6	12		
Whooping cough	39	142	188	136		

CUBA

Habana—Communicable diseases—Four weeks ended January 28, 1933.—During the four weeks ended January 28, 1933, certain communicable diseases were reported in Habana, Cuba, as follows:

Disease	Cases	Deaths	Disease	Cases	Deaths	
Chicken pox Diphtheria Leprosy Malaria	2 17 1 16	4 1	Measles Rabies Tuberculosis Typhoid fever 1	2 1 24 7	1 4 2	

¹ Many of these cases are from the interior of the island, outside of Habana.

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

(NOTE.—A table giving current information of the world prevalence of quarantinable diseases appeared in the Public Health Reports for January 27, 1933, pp. 101-112. A similar cumulative table will appear in the Public Health Reports to be issued February 24, 1933, and thereafter, at least for the time being, in the issue published on the last Friday of each month.)

Cholera

Philippine Islands.—For the week ended February 4, 1933, cholera was reported in Leyte Province, Philippine Islands as follows: Babatngon, 7 cases, 7 deaths; Barugo, 19 cases, 23 deaths; Baybay, 29 cases, 15 deaths.

Plague

Hawaii Territory.—A fatal case of plague was reported at Kukaiau, Island of Hawaii, January 30, 1933. Death occurred February 3, 1933. Two rats captured January 23 and two rats captured January 24, at the same place have been proved positive for plague. Kukaiau is about 175 miles from Honolulu.

Smallpox

China—Canton.—During the week ended January 28, 1933, 101 cases of smallpox with 7 deaths were reported at Canton, China.

Egypt—Alexandria.—During the week ended January 28, 1933, 192 cases of smallpox with 59 deaths were reported at Alexandria, Egypt.

Typhus Fever

On vessel.—The steamship Munplace arrived at New Orleans, January 26, 1933, from Progreso, Mexico, with a member of the crew suffering from typhus fever. Contacts were detained and the vessel was allowed to proceed after fumigation.