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## ABSTRACT OF MORTALITY STATISTICS FOR OCTOBER, 1916

Total deaths reported 2,952; rate 12.1 In the preceding month 2,935 deaths; rate 12.5. In the same month last year 2,646 deaths; rate 11.0. Deaths by important ages were: Under 1 year of age 425 or 14.4 per cent of total; 1 to 4, 188; 5 to 9, 62; 10 to 14, 48; 15 to 19, 86; 65 and over, 977 or 33.1 per cent of total.

**SANITARY SECTIONS:** The Northern Sanitary Section, population 998,000, reports 997 deaths; rate 11.7. In the preceding month 1,056 deaths; rate 12.9. In the same month last year 907 deaths; rate 10.8.

The Central Sanitary Section, population 1,178,368, reports 1,305 deaths; rate 13.0. In the preceding month 1,271 deaths; rate 13.1. In the same month last year 1,148 deaths; rate 11.5.

The Southern Sanitary Section, population, 684,552, reports 650 deaths; rate 11.2. In the preceding month 608 deaths; rate 10.8. In the same month last year 591 deaths; rate 10.2.

**REVIEW OF SECTIONS:** The Central Sanitary Section reports the highest death rate, which is 0.9 higher than the rate for the entire state. The Central Section also presents the highest death rate for tuberculosis, typhoid fever, diphtheria, whooping cough and cancer. The Northern Section presents the highest death rate for lobar and broncho-pneumonia, diarrhea, cerebro spinal fever, and external causes. The Southern Section presents the highest death rate for scarlet fever, measles, acute poliomyelitis, influenza and puerperal septicemia.

**RURAL:** Population 1,552,380, reports 1,367 deaths; rate 10.3. In the preceding month 1,342 deaths; rate 10.5. In the same month last year 1,286 deaths; rate 9.7.

**URBAN:** Population 1,308,540, reports 1,585 deaths; rate 14.3. In the preceding month 1,593 deaths; rate 13.8. In the same month last year 1,360 deaths; rate 12.7. The cities named present the following death rates: Indianapolis, 14.5; Evansville, 14.9; Ft. Wayne, 14.6; Terre Haute, 12.9; South Bend, 12.2; Gary, 16.7; East Chicago, 14.4; Muncie, 12.9; Hammond, 21.5; Richmond, 18.4; Anderson, 20.4; Elkhart, 13.2; Michigan City, 13.4; Lafayette, 18.4; New Albany, 18.3; Logansport, 13.8; Marion, 15.0; Kokomo, 16.9.

## SUMMARY OF MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY FOR OCTOBER, 1916

Typhoid fever, as in the preceding month, was reported as the most prevalent infectious disease. The order of prevalence was as follows: Typhoid fever, scarlet fever, diphtheria, tonsillitis, acute bronchitis, acute rheumatism, chickenpox, pulmonary tuberculosis, influenza, poliomyelitis, diarrhea and enteritis, measles, lobar pneumonia, malaria fever, bronchial pneumonia, intermittent and remittent fever, whooping

The MONTHLY BULLETIN will be sent to all health officers and deputies in the State. Health officers and deputies should carefully read and file each copy for future reference. This is very important, for we expect to print instructions, rules and general information, which it will be necessary for officers to preserve.

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### BIRTHS FOR OCTOBER, 1916

Total births 4,744 (Stillbirths excluded); State rate, 19.5. Males 2,398; females 2,346.

White males 2,361; white females 2,313.

Colored births, 70; males 37, females 33.

Stillbirths, 174; white 166, colored 8.

The Northern Sanitary Section, population, 998,000, reports 1,819 births; rate 21.5.

The Central Sanitary Section, population, 1,178,368, reports 1,850 births; rate 18.5.

The Southern Sanitary Section, population 684,552, reports 1,075 births; rate 18.5.

The highest rate, Lake County, 36.4.

Lowest rate, Warrick County, 7.3.

Total births to date for 1916, 53,038.

cough, other forms of tuberculosis, erysipelas, smallpox, dysentery, cholera morbus, cerebro-spinal fever, puerperal fever, rabies in human, rabies in animals, trachoma.

**SMALLPOX:** 38 cases reported in 10 counties with no deaths. The counties reporting smallpox present were: Du-bois 2, Grant 1, Jay 1, Johnson 1, Knox 6, Lake 1, Randolph 11, Tipton 10, Union 2, Vigo 3.

**TUBERCULOSIS:** 278 deaths, of which 230 were of the pulmonary form and 48 other forms. Male tuberculosis deaths numbered 154; females 124. Of the males, 29 were married in the age period 18 to 40 and left 58 orphans under 12 years of age. Of the females, 35 were married in the same age period as above, and left 70 orphans under 12 years of age. Total orphans made in one month by this preventable disease, 128. Number of homes invaded, 265.

**PNEUMONIA:** 160 deaths; rate 66 per 100,000. In the preceding month 105 deaths; rate 44.8. In the same month last year 104 deaths; rate 43.3.

**TYPHOID FEVER:** 329 cases in 63 counties with 95 deaths. In the preceding month 657 cases in 76 counties with 120 deaths. In the same month last year 249 cases reported from 53 counties with 55 deaths.

**DIPHTHERIA:** 617 cases reported in 52 counties with 69 deaths. In the preceding month 318 cases in 44 counties with 37 deaths. In the same month last year 543 cases in 60 counties with 43 deaths.

**SCARLET FEVER:** 410 cases in 54 counties with 5 deaths. In the preceding month 212 cases in 35 counties with 9 deaths. In the same month last year 364 cases in 55 counties with 7 deaths.

**MEASLES:** 252 cases reported in 21 counties with 3 deaths. In the preceding month 69 cases in 20 counties with 2 deaths. In the same month last year 167 cases in 16 counties with 2 deaths.

**POLIOMYELITIS:** 57 cases reported in 21 counties with 9 deaths. In the preceding month 64 cases in 34 counties with 14 deaths. In the same month last year 3 cases in 3 counties with 1 death. The deaths occurred in Floyd county, female 2 years; Jennings County, female 28 years; Marion County, 2 males, age 4 and 5; Miami County, female 14 years; Rush County, male 2 months; Tipton County, female 8 years; Vanderburg County, male 1 year; Vigo County, female 4 years.

**RABIES:** Only one person bitten by a rabid dog and treated by the State Board of Health during October. There were no deaths.

**EXTERNAL CAUSES:** Total 225, males 165, females 60. *Suicides:* Total 38, males 25, females 13. Suicide by poison 15, by hanging or strangulation 2, by drowning 2, by firearms 17, by cutting or piercing instruments 1, other suicides 1. *Accidental or Undefined:* Total 171, males 129, females 42. Poisoning by food 2, other acute poisonings 4, conflagration 1, burns (conflagration excepted) 10, absorption of deleterious gases (conflagration excepted) 5, accidental drowning 4, traumatism by firearms 10, traumatism by fall 36, traumatism in mines 1, traumatism by machines 5, railroad accidents and injuries 45, street-car accidents and injuries 9, automobile accidents and injuries 17, injuries by other vehicles 5, other

crushing 3, injuries by animals 2, electricity (lightning excepted) 2, fractures (cause not specified) 1, other external violence 9. *Homicide:* Total 16, males 11, females 5. Homicide by firearms 12, by cutting or piercing instruments 1, by other means 3.

## HEALTH OFFICERS ATTENTION

### Delayed Birth and Death Certificates

Each month the statistical department receives certificates for births and deaths that have occurred during the preceding months, which are not sent to this department in time to be tabulated with the report for the current month. With the report for October the following counties named below were delinquent in this matter:

### BIRTHS

Benton 1 (Fowler); Blackford 1 (Montpelier); Boone 9 (Lebanon 5, Thornton 1); Brown 1; Carroll 1 (Burlington); Clark 9 (Jeffersonville 3); Clay 2 (Knightsville 1); Crawford 1 (Leavenworth); Daviess 2 (Washington 1); Dearborn 1 (Aurora); Dekalb 4 (Garrett 3); Delaware 3 (Muncie 2); Dubois 1 (Huntingburg); Elkhart 4 (City); Fayette 3 (Connersville 1); Floyd 2 (New Albany); Grant 7 (Gas City 1, Fowlerton 2); Greene 1 (Jasonville); Harrison 2; Henry 2 (Knightstown 1); Howard 1; Huntington 3 (City 2 for May, 1 for July); Jasper 1; Jefferson 3 (Madison 1); Jennings 1; Knox 13 (Vincennes 1, Bicknell 1); Kosciusko 1; Lake 24 (Hammond 7, East Chicago 16, Gary 1); Laporte 2 (City); Madison 3 (Alexandria); Marion 1 (Indianapolis 1—for February, 1913); Marshall 2—for July, 1915, 1 for September, 1915; Miami 1; Newton 7 (Kentland 4, Brook 1); Noble 3; Parke 2; Perry 1 (Tell City); Pike 1; Porter 4 (Valparaiso 3); Posey 1; Pulaski 2; Ripley 5 (Napoleon 1); Rush 1; Spencer 10; Steuben 7; St. Joseph 2 (South Bend); Sullivan 3 (City 1, Duggar 1); Tippecanoe 5 (Lafayette 4); Vanderburg 6 (Evansville); Vermillion 5 (Clinton 2, Universal 1); Vigo 4—for December, 1915 (Terre Haute 2); Wabash 4; Warrick 8; Washington 2 (Salem); Wayne 2; Wells 7 (Ossian 1); White 6 (Reynolds 1, Wolcott 1); Total 211.

### DEATHS

Allen 1; Boone 2 (Thorntown 1); Carroll 1; Daviess 2; Dearborn 1 (Lawrenceburg for April); Dekalb 1; Delaware 3 (Muncie 2); Hendricks 1; Henry 1 (Blountsville); Jackson 2 (Crothersville 1); Jefferson 1; Knox 2 (Monroe City 1); Morgan 1; Newton 1; Owen 1 (Spencer); Parke 3; Pike 2; Porter 2 (Hebron 1); Posey 2 (Cynthiana 1); Pulaski 1; Putnam 1 (Bainbridge); Ripley 1; Spencer 7; Sullivan 1; Vermillion 4; (Clinton 3); Wabash 6; Wayne 1 (Spring Grove); Wells 4 (Bluffton 3); White 1; Whitley 1; Total 58.

## REPORT OF BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY, INDIANA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH FOR OCTOBER, 1916

Will Shimer, M. D., Superintendent

Sputum for tubercle bacilli—

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| Positive..... | 116 |
| Negative..... | 352 |

|  |        |   |       |
|--|--------|---|-------|
| Pus for tubercle bacilli—                  |        | Blood for malaria plasmodia—                                |       |
| Positive.....                              | 1      | Negative.....   | 19    |
| Negative.....                              | 1      |   |       |
|  | — 2    | Pus for gonococci—  |       |
| Cerebro-spinal fluid for tubercle bacilli— |        | Females:  |       |
| Negative.....                              | 2      | Positive.....   | 12    |
|  |        | Suspicious.....   | 4     |
| Feces for tubercle bacilli—                |        | Negative.....   | 35    |
| Negative.....                              | 2      | Unsatisfactory.....   | 2     |
|  |        | Males:  |       |
| Throat cultures for tubercle bacilli—      |        | Positive.....   | 23    |
| Negative.....                              | 1      | Suspicious.....   | 2     |
|  |        | Negative.....   | 23    |
| Widal tests for typhoid fever—             |        | Sex not given:  |       |
| Positive.....                              | 47     | Negative.....   | 1     |
| Negative.....                              | 150    |   | — 102 |
|  | — 197  | Pus miscellaneous.....                                      | 2     |
| Widal tests for paratyphoid fever—         |        | Pathological tissues—                                       |       |
| Positive.....                              | 5      | Carcinoma:  |       |
| Negative.....                              | 192    | Carcinoma of shoulder.....                                  | 1     |
|  | — 197  | Carcinoma of breast.....                                    | 2     |
| Throat cultures for diphtheria bacilli—    |        | Carcinoma of pyloric end stomach.....                       | 1     |
| Positive.....                              | 284    | Miscellaneous tissues.....                                  | 24    |
| Suspicious.....                            | 60     | Gasserian ganglions.....                                    | 8     |
| Negative.....                              | 410    |   | — 36  |
| Unsatisfactory.....                        | 6      | Urine for chemical analysis.....                            | 28    |
|  | — 760  | Feces for typhoid bacilli—                                  |       |
| Epidemic cultures for diphtheria bacilli—  |        | Negative.....   | 6     |
| Positive.....                              | 56     | Cerebro-spinal fluid for meningococci—                      |       |
| Suspicious.....                            | 27     | Positive.....   | 1     |
| Negative.....                              | 1845   | Suspicious.....   | 1     |
| Unsatisfactory.....                        | 26     |   | — 2   |
|  | — 1954 |   |       |
| Brains for rabies—                         |        | Total number examinations made.....                         | 3,796 |
| Dogs:                                      |        | Guinea pigs inoculated for rabies—                          |       |
| Positive.....                              | 4      | Negative.....   | 7     |
| Negative.....                              | 2      | Guinea pigs inoculated for tuberculosis—                    |       |
| Cows:                                      |        | Negative.....   | 2     |
| Positive.....                              | 3      | Doses of antityphoid vaccine prepared and sent out... 2,229 |       |
| Cats:                                      |        |   |       |
| Negative.....                              | 1      | OUTFITS PREPARED AND SENT OUT DURING                        |       |
| Oxen:                                      |        | OCTOBER, 1916   |       |
| Rotten.....                                | 1      | Tuberculosis.....   | 509   |
|  | — 10   | Diphtheria.....   | 970   |
| Blood for counts.....                      | 8      | Diphtheria Epidemics.....                                   | 4,155 |
|  |        | Widals.....   | 209   |

|                            |       |
|----------------------------|-------|
| Gonococci.....             | 177   |
| Blood counts.....          | 5     |
| Bile Media.....            | 12    |
| Malaria.....               | 7     |
| Total number sent out..... | 6,044 |

**REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND DRUGS, INDIANA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH, FOR OCTOBER, 1916**

**H. E. Barnard, Ph. D.,**

**State Food and Drug Commissioner**

**PATIENTS TAKING "PASTEUR" TREATMENTS  
OCTOBER, 1916**

| Name                | Town         | County | Age Sex | Treatment began | Treatment finished |
|---------------------|--------------|--------|---------|-----------------|--------------------|
| I. Peter J. Steimel | Indianapolis | Marion | 36 M    | 10-8-16         | 10-27-16           |

**THINGS OF INTEREST FROM THE LABORATORY**

When any new procedure is originated it is heralded as a specific and typhoid vaccination is not an exception.

The splendid results of typhoid vaccination of the United States troops in Texas during the year 1912 lead a great many people to believe that typhoid vaccination would absolutely protect against typhoid infection. The ordinary vaccination will protect if the number of bacilli taken in at any one time after the vaccination is small or if the bacilli be taken into the digestive tract at infrequent intervals.

During the present war among the French and English troops in the trenches typhoid appears as high as 10 per cent among the vaccinated. This is probably due to the poor means for the disposal of feces and urine in the trenches and the inadequate means for keeping the hands clean of fecal and urine contamination.

If persons who have been vaccinated drink milk or water containing large numbers of typhoid bacilli 10 per cent or more will contract the disease. Careless persons taking care of typhoid patients even if they have been vaccinated are liable to become infected.

Typhoid vaccine is no substitute for good personal hygiene or for pasteurized milk or filtered water. This failure of typhoid vaccine to protect is no surprise to those who have followed the report of animal experiments with typhoid vaccine.

Metchinkoff found that if monkeys were vaccinated with dead typhoid bacilli they would promptly develop typhoid if fed on feces containing living typhoid bacilli. If a few living bacilli were given by mouth the animals gradually developed an immunity that protected against any mode of infection and the infection tended to become chronic in these animals, that is, they became carriers of virulent typhoid bacilli.

Metchnikoff partially killed the bacilli by adding anti-typhoid serum and then used these sensitized organisms as a vaccine. This vaccine protected the animals as well as unchanged bacilli.

This sensitized vaccine has not been adapted for human beings because it is feared that the sensitized bacilli will become virulent in the human body and create chronic typhoid bacilli carriers.

During the month of October 90 samples of food were analyzed of which 75 were reported as legal and 15 as illegal. Of 45 milk samples analyzed 5 were illegal. Of the 13 butters examined 7 were classed as illegal because of their high moisture content.

Nineteen of the 23 drug samples examined were found to be legal. But two samples were reported as illegal. Fifteen samples of aspirin were analyzed and in every case was up to standard.

**ANALYSES OF FOOD AND DRUGS DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1916**

| CLASSIFICATION              | Legal     | Illegal   | Total     |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>FOOD</b>                 |           |           |           |
| Beverages—                  |           |           |           |
| Ciders, Orange.....         | 6         |           | 6         |
| Sodas.....                  | 3         |           | 3         |
| Grape Juice.....            |           | 1         | 1         |
| Flour.....                  | 1         |           | 1         |
| Cocoa.....                  | 1         |           | 1         |
| Milk Products—              |           |           |           |
| Butter.....                 | 6         | 7         | 13        |
| Cream.....                  | 4         |           | 4         |
| Ice Cream.....              | 1         |           | 1         |
| Milk.....                   | 40        | 5         | 45        |
| Milk, Condensed.....        | 10        |           | 10        |
| Milk, Mothers.....          | 3         |           | 3         |
| Oysters.....                | 1         |           | 1         |
| Vinegar.....                |           | 1         | 1         |
| <b>Total.....</b>           | <b>75</b> | <b>15</b> | <b>90</b> |
| <b>DRUGS</b>                |           |           |           |
| Aspirin.....                | 15        |           | 15        |
| Lanseed Oil.....            | 3         | 1         | 4         |
| Sweet Spirits of Nitre..... | 1         |           | 1         |
| Oil of Turpentine.....      |           | 1         | 1         |
| Miscellaneous.....          |           |           | 2         |
| <b>Total.....</b>           | <b>19</b> | <b>2</b>  | <b>23</b> |

**INSPECTORS' REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF  
OCTOBER, 1916**

During the month of October the inspectors visited 730 places where food was handled. But four places were found to be in excellent condition, 227 were reported as good, 288 fair and 210 poor. The unsatisfactory showing for the month is due to the fact that special attention was paid to saloons. Of 169 saloons inspected 156 were graded as poor. They were dirty from front to back. The floor in front of the bar was usually littered with tobacco wastes and wet down with expectoration. The toilets in the rear were almost always foul smelling and unsanitary. Out of 169 places but 5 were listed as good. The saloon is a food distributing establishment of exactly the same class as the restaurant. The same conditions will be exacted of the saloon keeper as of any other handler of foods. If the bartender or porter is diseased he will be prosecuted. If the toilets are unsanitary the place will be closed.

No prosecutions were reported during the month.

But six condemnation notices were issued, six because of

unsanitary conditions and two in addition, because the business was being conducted in improperly constructed buildings.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1916

| INSPECTIONS                  | Number Inspected | Number Excellent | Number Good | Number Fair | Number Poor | Number Bad |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| Dairies                      | 6                | 0                | 3           | 1           | 2           | 0          |
| Grocery stores               | 241              | 3                | 116         | 126         | 2           | 0          |
| Meat markets                 | 36               | 1                | 34          | 48          | 3           | 0          |
| Drug stores                  | 19               | 0                | 13          | 6           | 0           | 0          |
| Bakeries and confectioneries | 98               | 0                | 47          | 42          | 9           | 0          |
| Hotels and restaurants       | 101              | 0                | 12          | 51          | 38          | 0          |
| Fish markets                 | 3                | 0                | 1           | 2           | 0           | 0          |
| Ice cream factories          | 3                | 0                | 2           | 1           | 0           | 0          |
| Bottling works               | 4                | 0                | 0           | 3           | 0           | 1          |
| Saloons                      | 169              | 0                | 5           | 8           | 156         | 0          |
| Total                        | 730              | 4                | 227         | 288         | 210         | 1          |

NOTICES OF CONDEMNATION DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1916

| CLASSIFICATION                     | Reasons for Sanitary Conditions | Condemnation Improper Construction | Total |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------|
| Confectionery and Ice Cream Plants | 1                               |                                    | 1     |
| Groceries                          | 3                               |                                    | 3     |
| Grocery and Restaurants            | 1                               | 1                                  | 1     |
| Restaurants                        | 1                               | 1                                  | 1     |
| Total                              | 6                               | 2                                  | 6     |

SHE DIDN'T KNOW

A young mother and her little daughter were making calls on Christmas day. As they stood in a corner drug store waiting for a street car, the child pressed her hand to her head and complained of headache. Thereupon, her mother purchased fifteen cents worth of aspirin, saying, "Take this, dear, I don't want you to suffer with your head today." And this loving mother in her ignorance wronged her child, for she did not know that aspirin merely deadened the pain and did not effect cure. No one had told her that the drug was a heart depressant and like other drugs in the hands of the unskilled, very dangerous. She had never heard the old adage, "He who doctors himself has a fool for a doctor."

Illness and sickness come through neglect or refusal to obey Nature's laws of health. It is the penalty she imposes for disobedience. The wise will learn and observe her laws. Then *drugs and cures* will not be needed.

THE REMY ELECTRIC COMPANY of Anderson, Indiana, requests the State Board of Health to make a sanitary inspection of their plant and return such recommendations for sanitary improvement as may be deemed necessary. Everywhere large business concerns are giving serious consideration to the health surroundings of their employes and we welcome most heartily the request for sanitary inspection received from the Remy Electric Company.

A PROMINENT DENTIST of Shelbyville requests a certificate of his birth. The records of his family have been lost and now it is essential for him to prove in court the exact date of his birth. He was born in 1888 or 1889. This is the point which must be settled. His birthplace was Crawford county.

The records there are silent and the presumption is that his birth was never reported by the physician who attended. This is the way physicians are continually causing trouble to their families, bringing them expense and disappointment.

POLLUTION OF STREAMS by cities will probably now cease in New York. Damages has been awarded against Batavia, New York, because of the pollution of a stream and this will undoubtedly wake up the city fathers to the importance of not turning a stream into an open sewer and damaging people living on the stream. Property owners along the stream into which Batavia deposited its sewage showed that the stream was severely polluted. The New York Supreme Court affirmed the judgment of the lower court and awarded damages. The New York Supreme Court says: "The inhabitants of a city or village collectively have no more right to pollute the waters of a stream than a single individual and where a city empties its sewer system into a living stream as the defendant has done in this case and damage results to the riparian owners it must respond in damages."

"SMALLPOX IN COURT" is the heading to a newspaper item in a Princeton, Indiana, paper. The item says: "Bert Hope was being tried in the court for attempting to murder his mother. The prisoner took sick and the physicians pronounced it smallpox. He was badly broken out in the court. The judge hastily continued the trial and the five or six hundred people who packed the court room made a very hasty exit."

DROPPING LIQUOR ADVERTISEMENTS has become quite epidemic among the newspapers. The Hearst papers now refuse to take liquor advertisements. In its campaign against alcohol as a public health menace, the New York City Department of Health has urged the newspapers to refuse all advertisements of liquors. The said health department called the attention of the newspapers to the fact that while the editorial pages have carried on forceful and no doubt profitable propaganda against alcohol, the advertising columns have blazed with advertisements of whisky and patent medicines which contained large amounts of alcohol. Mr. Hearst, owner of the Hearst papers, issued a formal order on Sunday, January 9, that no more liquor advertisements would be received for his papers.

THE INDUSTRIAL BOARD OF INDIANA has established a precedent in holding that employers are liable for medical attention on account of injury to employes, but only in such instances where employers would be liable for compensation to the injured employes. The Board refused to order the Horace Wood Company to pay a fee charged by Dr. Colin Dunbar who treated an employe of the Wood Company. The evidence showed the employe was injured while scuffling and was not in the service of the Wood Company at the time.

## THE TREATMENT OF INFANTILE PARALYSIS. (With especial reference to the earlier stages.)

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Infantile paralysis or acute poliomyelitis is a general infection characterized especially by its attack on the cerebro-spinal axis. The pathological condition is essentially a hemorrhagic myelitis accompanied by a mild meningitis, both of which are often more widely distributed than the clinical symptoms would seem to indicate.

The changes in the cord consist of hemorrhages for the most part punctate most marked in the anterior part of the gray matter and of a very extensive perivascular infiltration. The latter process causes a narrowing of the lumen of many of the terminal arteries supplying the motor cells, so that anemic changes even to the point of necrosis may occur in them. In addition to this the posterior root ganglia are involved. From this stage the process in cases which do not die consists in an absorption of the infiltration about the vessels, allowing the blood to flow through them to the anemic cells which resume their function unless too severely damaged, and absorption of hemorrhage. This is the period of so called "spontaneous improvement" supervening directly upon the acute process.

For purposes of treatment the disease may be divided into three stages: (a) the *acute stage* beginning with the acute attack and ending with the disappearance of the tenderness (a matter generally of from four weeks to three months); (b) the *convalescent stage* from the disappearance of the tenderness until the disease has become practically stationary (a matter of about two years); (c) the *chronic stage* which begins about two years from the onset.

### Acute Stage.

From the pathology it may be seen that the physiological requirement of this stage is rest, in order that nature may be given a chance to repair the damage so far as possible by absorption. It is not reasonable during this time to excite the peripheral ends of hemorrhagic and anemic nerve centers by massage, electricity and attempted movements. The tenderness must be accepted as evidence of an active process still going on in the cord and so long as it exists the patient should be *let alone*. Massage at this time may cause great increase of pain and tenderness and may seriously delay recovery and there is no evidence whatever to show that the use of electricity at this stage is of any value.

During this stage the patient should be kept quiet. Joints will not anky lose, hopeless muscular atrophy will not occur, and by this proceeding the damaged cord will have the best chance to repair, and repair to the highest degree is desirable. One of our chief gains of late has been the avoidance of meddlesome and useless early therapeutic measures. There is evidence that the use of hexamethylenamin in monkeys diminishes in them the risk of infection somewhat but there is nothing to show that it has any effect after infection has occurred, but as the drug in moderation is harmless, it is extensively used at this stage and may be of value. There is no serum or drug or proceeding that is known to avert the infection or to limit the paralysis, although Netter of Paris has administered the blood serum of recovered patients to those in the acute stage in a small series of cases, but the method is wholly experimental. The use of strychnine and ergot is not to be advised. *Deformities* should at this stage be carefully prevented. The feet should be kept at right angles to the legs to avoid the most common deformity "dropped foot". The knees should be extended unless this causes great pain. Lateral curvature of the spine should be looked for, and if

it is present, attitudes increasing it should be avoided. These deformities may begin in the first weeks after the onset, and are largely preventable, and if they are allowed to occur, constitute a great obstacle in the later treatment.

When the tenderness has diminished it is desirable to place the patient in a warm saline bath into which he may be lowered on a sheet once a day, and in which he may be able to move his limbs without pain. This is not desirable in the first days of the disease.

The treatment of this stage may be summarized as consisting of rest and the prevention of deformities.

### The Convalescent Phase.

With the disappearance of the tenderness the acute process in the cord may be assumed to have reached a stage when therapeutic measures may be begun, but probably in no case should they be undertaken in less than four to six weeks from the onset. Of late much has been said as to the advisability of keeping such convalescents in bed for an indefinite time, and there is no question that most cases of this disease are allowed to overdo to their own detriment. But prolonged recumbency for children is unnatural and undesirable, physiologically and mentally. Moreover it has been too much the custom to allow such children to sit and lie around until they have acquired flexion deformities of the hips, knees and ankles, and the best practice at present consists in getting these children into the upright position early in the convalescent stage.

The upright position is desirable not only because it antagonizes the evils of the permanent sitting position, but because the effort to balance on the feet instructively excites to effort a large number of muscles not otherwise to be reached, and is a valuable form of muscle training.

If the patient can stand and walk without leg braces, so much the better. If such apparatus is needed to permit ambulatory activity it should be used but only during walking, and in early cases never continuously. The most commonly required form of apparatus is the Thomas Caliper knee splint which holds the legs extended and prevents the foot from dropping. Crutches may or may not be required. If gastrocnemius paralysis is present, high heels should be continuously worn. If abdominal weakness is present (a condition most often overlooked) a supporting abdominal corset should be worn continuously and scoliosis demands the same treatment from the outset.

A patient who has been long in bed when first put on his feet in braces is often unable to balance even if he has the requisite muscular strength and the cultivation of his sense of equilibrium must be taken up separately. A good general rule with regard to the use of apparatus is that it should be used when the patient cannot stand without it or if in standing a position of deformity is assumed. Deformity leads to stretching of soft parts, which is always detrimental, and if persisted in, to permanent bony changes.

Fatigue is always detrimental and a source of danger at this stage. Muscles are more often weakened than totally paralyzed in this disease (in the proportion of about 9 partial to 1 total paralysis in the Vermont figures) and danger of overusing such partly paralyzed muscles even by mild activity is very great and retards recovery and if persisted in does permanent damage. The worst advice that can be given to a patient in the light of our modern knowledge is to use his muscles as much as he can. Patients in the convalescent stage should be most carefully guarded in the matter of too much walking.

There are four therapeutic measures to be considered at this stage: (1) massage, (2) electricity, (3) heat, (4) muscle training.

1. Massage empties mechanically the viens and lymphatics, it apparently helps to preserve the condition of the muscles and it stimulates the flow of blood to the limb and nothing more, so that too much must not be expected of it. It does not promote the transmission of impulses from brain to muscle, and its action seems wholly local. Given for too long a period, or roughly, it does harm and fatigues the muscles.

2. Electricity. The use of Faradic electricity gives a mild form of muscular exercise which will cause muscles to contract which will not do so voluntarily, and apparently does nothing more, and Galvanic electricity and the newer currents are supposed in some mysterious way to do good, but in experience of many years with and without electricity used in all forms and under many conditions of control, the writer has been unable to satisfy himself that it was of any use whatever in any given case. There is no possible objection to its use if strong currents are not used, provided the other measures of proved usefulness are also employed. But electricity has done an indefinite amount of harm in this disease because it has deluded the parents, and often the physician, into thinking that the patient was being adequately treated by that alone, while serious deformities were developing and valuable time being lost.

3. Heat is of value in promoting circulation and in raising the temperature of the limb to a point where muscular action is better performed. It also probably adds to the efficiency of massage by bringing the blood to the surface and should precede rather than follow the rubbing.

4. Muscle training is doubtless the most valuable and reliable of these measures. It consists in an attempt to drive an impulse from the brain to the affected muscle by a new route. The bundles of motor centers are connected with each other and with the muscles by most intricate connections and in the partial destruction of such centers, which is more common than their total destruction (as shown by the predominance of partial paralysis), it is obviously reasonable to attempt to find and cultivate a new route for an impulse by calling for the performance of a motion and aiding the performance of that motion by the hand. With subsequent attempts the voluntary control is likely to increase and in the opinion of the writer we have in carefully directed muscle training at this stage the most valuable part of our therapeutic equipment.

In Vermont in a period of three months a quantitative examination of the muscles showed that in cases treated by muscle training the expectation of improvement was as follows: under treatment by an expert 6 to 1; under home muscle training under supervision 3.5 to 1; home training without supervision 2.8 to 1.\*

Deformity in this stage is to be removed as it occurs. This can be done by stretching with or without anesthesia anatomy, myotomy, fasciotomy. It must be remembered that it is easier to prevent than to correct deformity. *When fixed deformity is present it must be removed before undertaking mechanical or operative treatment.*

#### The Chronic Stage.

This begins in about two years from the onset and it is in this stage that the question arises of performing operations to improve function or to increase stability of the paralyzed joint. In the first class are to be mentioned tendon and nerve transplantation and in the second, the artificial ankylosis of joints (arthrodesis), silk ligaments to support dropped feet, the removal of the astragalus (astragalectomy) and similar operations.

Surgeons of experience are agreed in all parts of the world that these serious operations are not to be undertaken until at least two years after the onset of the paralysis. But

in this stage probably the majority of cases will still be non-operative because the distribution and extent of the paralysis is too often of such a character as to make operative interference unlikely to be of much value. In such cases the same general principles of support by apparatus will remain much as they were in the preceding stage, but as one gets further away from the acute attack the prospect of muscular gain becomes less good, a consideration which emphasizes the importance of seeing that the care of these cases in the early stages is as efficient as it can be made.

\*Lovett & Martin, American Journal of Orthopedic Surgery, July, 1916.

#### ASPHYXIA NEONATORUM.

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What may be termed "The Mechanical and Passive Respiration Method," is going the rounds in medical literature, setting it forth as a new method of resuscitation of the new born, given by Dr. Serafino Marmon. He gives a detailed description of the placement of the operators' hands as a first step called the "inspiratory position" for the procedure embracing two movements made close together in two or three seconds, accomplishing what he terms "the mechanical and passive inspiration," followed immediately by a "mechanical and passive expiration" produced by a concentric pressure over the walls of the thorax by the spread-out hands of the operator.

This procedure, in the main, is not new, but has been employed under more or less similar technique by doctors and midwives from time almost immemorial.

Blocked or delayed respiratory function of the new born, seldom if ever requires such artificial, mechanical, outside force to be applied; yet its use is most usually relied upon to overcome such a condition.

The potential, latent energies of the body, in both child and adult, represent great and unmeasured possibilities of power, which, when rightly called into action by a forceful or extraordinary stimuli, will often prove most dependable as the capsheaf in saving and preserving life to a remarkable extent,—and too, at times when most needed and least expected.

At the termination of the second stage of labor, when the child, suddenly liberated from stressed pressure and the warm, protective fluid around it, is plunged into the cooling, stimulating air, and does not begin to breathe, the physician must quickly install such measures as will resuscitate and establish respiration. To call into play sufficient or extraordinary stimuli on the life forces to initiate this most vital function, takes but a moment if successful, and it almost invariably so proves when properly directed.

The writer's technique is as follows: See that the upper air passages are clear for the entrance of air; place the infant facing the physician in a slightly inclining backward, upright position of the body with his hands supporting the infant's back and head, held just at the right pitch to favor the most direct ingress of the air. Have the nurse at hand with a glass of cold water, the colder the better, to give the physician a mouthful of it from time to time. He then spurts it from his mouth in forceful jets against the front of the thorax,—the first time or two even including the neck and face.

From such a water slap, the regional reflexes awaken with a fury. The diaphragm and all of the accessory muscles of inspiration, ordinary and extraordinary, become thrilled with active life and start up like clock work. The lungs inflate. We hear the suction of air as the child gets its first intake. This is at first a most rushing, hurried vital inspiration, due

to the explosive muscular action distending the chest. This is quickly followed by reaction, the muscles relaxing and the chest contracting, forcing the air out, and producing a normal exhalation. Thus the in-and-out-lung-air-route is inaugurated. A few repetitions of water blowing at the rate of one time to every four seconds,—and the respiratory function is a certainty. The emergency crisis is passed. The baby hails it with a cry, and all are happy.

This method I have employed for a long time. Many babies, if they but knew, could testify, as their mothers can, of its life saving value. It came to me, as it were, somewhat, if not altogether, spontaneously in my emergency needs, yet the buccal action I probably got from observing the Chinese manner of clothes sprinkling. Nurses and students under me have learned it, but so far as I know my method has never been published. For aught I know, it may be very old, but it is valuable for doctors to practice,—physiologic method, the easiest, best and first that should be used. It will never occasion damage to shoulder, muscular or bony attachments from inexperience or nervous haste.

The new born child is a bunch of physiologic forces with their reflexes and exhilarators, at hand for a touch and go. The brand new mechanism, though unadorned, is all harnessed in full preparedness to respond. Life is there to render highest service. Catch it before it sparks out and away beyond recall.

Great is the super-vito-motor human machine! Unhandicapped, as Nature intends, it starts running with all of its parts adjusted and balanced, having their normal physiological division of work allotted them and accurately gauged for a long and successful life of service.

Colonia Bldg.

**"FATAL DISEASES ARE NOW ON THE DECREASE,"** is the statement made in a recent bulletin issued by the Federal Census Bureau at Washington. The diseases mentioned as showing reduced death rates since 1900 are tuberculosis, pneumonia, diarrheal diseases, diphtheria and typhoid fever. Tuberculosis in the decade from 1904 to 1914 fell from 200.7 to 146.8 per 100,000. Diphtheria fell from 43.3 per 100,000 in 1900 to 17.9 in 1914. This was a decline of 59 per cent. Diarrheal diseases among infants show a decline of from 133.2 in 1900 per 100,000 to 79.4 in 1914. Typhoid shows a decrease from 35.9 in 1900 to 15.4 in 1914.

**ONLY PASTEURIZED MILK** will be sold in Gary. The city council of that city has passed an ordinance making it unlawful for other than pasteurized milk to be sold in the city. This is a wise restriction. The ordinance also requires that the milk furnished to the city shall be from clean dairies and healthy cattle and collected and transported in a clean way. On top of all this pasteurization is required. As said, this is wise and it certainly is economical. Pasteurization makes certain that the milk does not carry any disease and does not in the slightest degree interfere with the nutritive power of the milk.

**THE ADVANCE IN COST** of medical supplies and surgical instruments since the war began is very considerable. Surgeon General Braisted of the U. S. Navy reports that in some instances the advance is from 200 to 1,200 per cent. The American output of surgical instruments meets but ten per cent of the domestic demand.

A **SANITARY SURVEY** of South Bend is being made by Surgeon Carrol Fox of the U. S. Public Health Service. The City Council of South Bend appropriated \$2,000 to pay the expenses of a health and housing survey, and the city board of health, and Dr. Chas. Bosenbury, together with the State Board of Health, invited Surgeon General Blue of the U. S. Public Health Service, to detail an officer to make the health study of South Bend. Surgeon Fox began his work November 27. We shall look forward with great interest to this survey. We feel certain it will prove as valuable to South Bend as did the survey made by the public health department for Richmond.

**NORVAL W. BEESON** writes us from Detroit, Michigan, asking for a transcript of his certificate of birth. He says "Being an employe of the Ford Motor Company it is necessary for me to prove my age, and I desire to know whether there is any record by which I can prove the date of my birth. I was born in Howard County, November 19, 1892. We were compelled to write to Mr. Beeson that birth registration did not begin in Indiana in regular legal fashion until 1907. We could not help him.

#### HEALTH AND MORALS.

No social agency is more earnest in its demands upon the church for coöperation than is the cause of public health; no agency, to my mind, offers a greater return for such coöperation. Public health asks the church to join hands with it in giving men better bodies, and it promises that when men's bodies shall be stronger, their spirits will be nobler. Public health asks the church to assist it in making sanitary the community to which the church ministers, and it pledges the experience of the world to show that, when this is done, none will benefit more than the church. All things being even, the healthy man is the moral man; other considerations alike, the sanitary community is the spiritual community.—Dr. Ennion G. Williams.

#### VALUE OF BIRTH REGISTRATION.

The registration of a child's birth forms a legal record that is frequently useful and may be of the greatest importance. It establishes the date of birth and the child's parentage. It may be required to establish the child's age for attendance at public schools or for a working certificate in States where restrictions are placed upon child labor; to show in courts of law whether a girl has reached the age of consent, or whether individuals have attained the age when they may marry without the parents' permission; to establish age in connection with the granting of pensions, military and jury duty, or voting. It may be important in connection with the bequeathing and inheritance of property or to furnish acceptable evidence of genealogy.—Bulletin N. C. Board of Health.

**THE LABORERS** of the United States number 30,000,000. On the average every man of them is ill and incapacitated for work nine days in the year; and this means an economic loss of \$800,000,000. Fifty per cent of this can be saved by hygiene at a cost of one-tenth of the loss. Yet in face of this fact, our law makers allow this loss to go on incompetency.



CHART SHOWING GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION OF DEATHS FROM IMPORTANT CAUSES FOR OCTOBER, 1916.

NORTHERN SANITARY SECTION

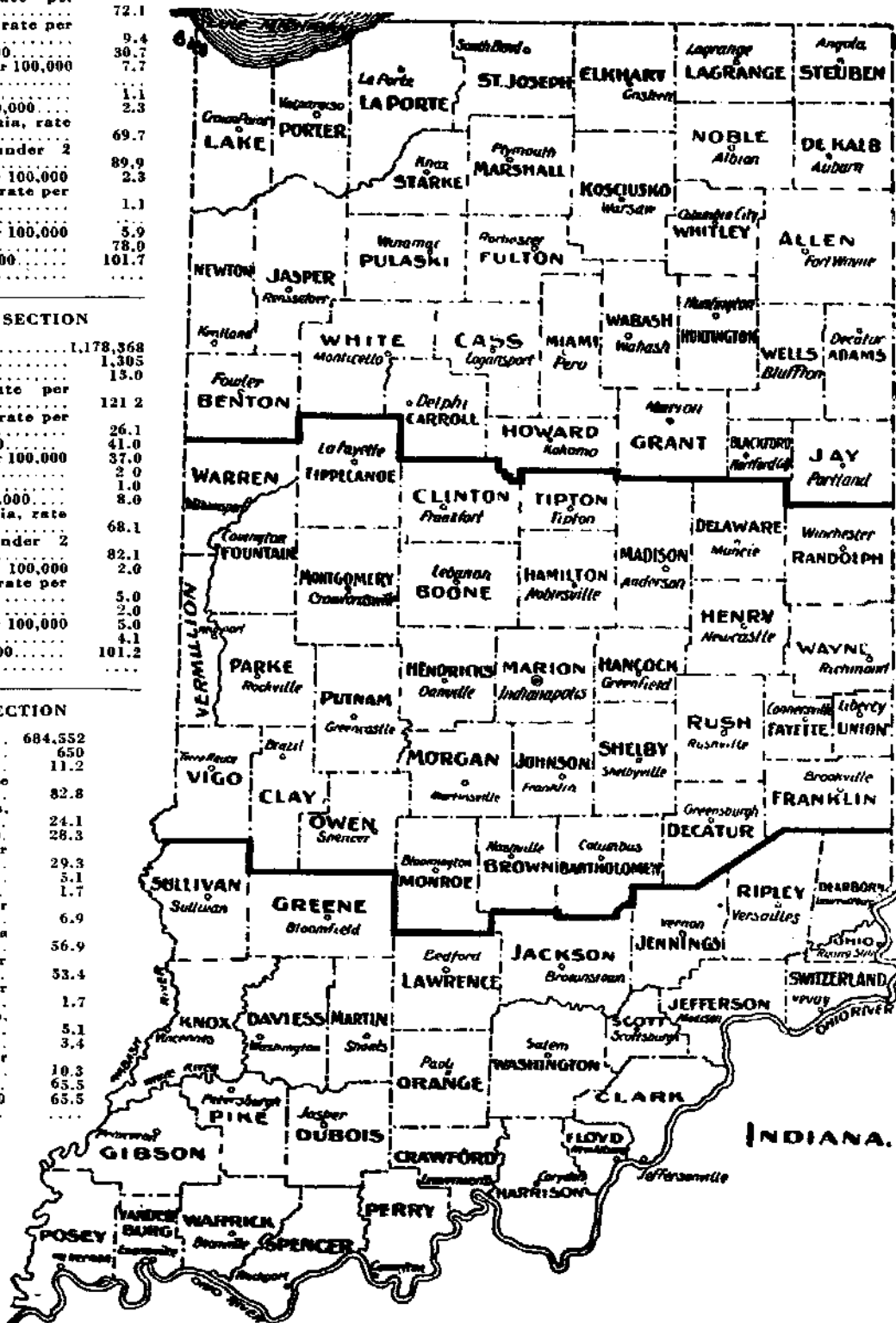
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| Total population.....  | 998,000 |
| Total deaths.....  | 997     |
| Death rate per 1,000.....                                      | 11.7    |
| Pulmonary Tuberculosis, rate per 100,000.....                  | 72.1    |
| Other forms of Tuberculosis, rate per 100,000.....             | 9.4     |
| Typhoid Fever, rate per 100,000.....                           | 30.7    |
| Diphtheria and Croup, rate per 100,000.....                    | 7.7     |
| Scarlet Fever, rate per 100,000.....                           | 1.1     |
| Measles, rate per 100,000.....                                 | 2.3     |
| Whooping Cough, rate per 100,000.....                          | 69.7    |
| Lobar and Broncho-Pneumonia, rate per 100,000.....             | 89.9    |
| Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years), rate per 100,000..... | 2.3     |
| Cerebro-Spinal Fever, rate per 100,000.....                    | 1.1     |
| Acute Anterior Poliomyelitis, rate per 100,000.....            | 5.9     |
| Influenza, rate per 100,000.....                               | 78.0    |
| Puerperal Septicemia, rate per 100,000.....                    | 101.7   |
| Cancer, rate per 100,000.....                                  |         |
| External causes, rate per 100,000.....                         |         |
| Smallpox, rate per 100,000.....                                |         |

CENTRAL SANITARY SECTION

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| Total population.....  | 1,178,368 |
| Total deaths.....  | 1,305     |
| Death rate per 1,000.....                                      | 15.0      |
| Pulmonary Tuberculosis, rate per 100,000.....                  | 121.2     |
| Other forms of Tuberculosis, rate per 100,000.....             | 26.1      |
| Typhoid Fever, rate per 100,000.....                           | 41.0      |
| Diphtheria and Croup, rate per 100,000.....                    | 37.0      |
| Scarlet Fever, rate per 100,000.....                           | 2.0       |
| Measles, rate per 100,000.....                                 | 1.0       |
| Whooping Cough, rate per 100,000.....                          | 8.0       |
| Lobar and Broncho-Pneumonia, rate per 100,000.....             | 68.1      |
| Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years), rate per 100,000..... | 82.1      |
| Cerebro-Spinal Fever, rate per 100,000.....                    | 2.0       |
| Acute Anterior Poliomyelitis, rate per 100,000.....            | 5.0       |
| Influenza, rate per 100,000.....                               | 2.0       |
| Puerperal Septicemia, rate per 100,000.....                    | 5.0       |
| Cancer, rate per 100,000.....                                  | 4.1       |
| External causes, rate per 100,000.....                         | 101.2     |
| Smallpox, rate per 100,000.....                                |           |

SOUTHERN SANITARY SECTION

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|---|---------|
| Total population.....                                   | 684,552 |
| Total deaths.....                                       | 650     |
| Death rate per 1,000.....                               | 11.2    |
| Pulmonary Tuberculosis, rate per 100,000.....           | 82.8    |
| Other forms of Tuberculosis, rate per 100,000.....      | 24.1    |
| Typhoid Fever, rate per 100,000.....                    | 28.3    |
| Diphtheria and Croup, rate per 100,000.....             | 29.3    |
| Scarlet Fever, rate per 100,000.....                    | 5.1     |
| Measles, rate per 100,000.....                          | 1.7     |
| Whooping Cough, rate per 100,000.....                   | 6.9     |
| Lobar and Broncho-Pneumonia, rate per 100,000.....      | 56.9    |
| Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2) rate per 100,000..... | 53.4    |
| Cerebro-Spinal Fever, rate per 100,000.....             | 1.7     |
| Acute Anterior Poliomyelitis, rate per 100,000.....     | 5.1     |
| Influenza, rate per 100,000.....                        | 3.4     |
| Puerperal Septicemia, rate per 100,000.....             | 10.3    |
| Cancer, rate per 100,000.....                           | 65.5    |
| External causes, rate per 100,000.....                  | 65.5    |
| Smallpox, rate per 100,000.....                         |         |





| CITIES   | Population, Estimated, 1916 | Total Deaths Reported for October, 1916 | Total Deaths Reported for September, 1916 | Total Deaths Reported for October, 1915 | Total Deaths Reported for the Year 1916 to date | Total Deaths Reported for the Year 1915 to same date | Annual Death Rate per 1,000 Population |                 |               |                            | Important Ages                  |              |                  |                  |                    |                    | Deaths from Important Causes |                        |                             |               |                      |               |         |                |                             |  |                     |                              |           |                      |        |                 |          |                        |                         |  |  |  |
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|  |                             |   |   |   |   |  | October, 1916                          | September, 1916 | October, 1915 | Rate for Year 1916 to Date | Rate for Year 1915 to Same Date | Under 1 Year | 1 to 4 Inclusive | 5 to 9 Inclusive | 10 to 14 Inclusive | 15 to 19 Inclusive | 65 Years and Over            | Pulmonary Tuberculosis | Other Forms of Tuberculosis | Typhoid Fever | Diphtheria and Croup | Scarlet Fever | Measles | Whooping Cough | Lobar and Broncho-pneumonia | Diarrhea and Enteritis (under 2 years) | Carbro-Spinal Fever | Acute Anterior Poliomyelitis | Influenza | Puerperal Septicemia | Cancer | External Causes | Smallpox | Deaths in Institutions | Deaths of Non-Residents |  |  |  |
|  |                             |   |   |   |   |  | 1916                                   | 1916            | 1915          | 1916                       | 1915                            |              |                  |                  |                    |                    |                              |                        |                             |               |                      |               |         |                |                             |  |                     |                              |           |                      |        |                 |          |                        |                         |  |  |  |
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| <b>Cities of the First Class, Population 100,000 and over.</b>   | 265,890                     | 327                                     | 353                                       | 314                                     | 3,645   | 3,212  | 14.5                                   | 16.2            | 14.2          | 14.8                       | 29                              | 11           | 10               | 4                | 14                 | 77                 | 39                           | 5                      | 2                           | 1             | 18                   | 13            | 2       | 1              | 1                           | 1                                      | 25                  | 28                           | 26        | 90                   | 16     |                 |          |                        |                         |  |  |  |
| Evansville.....  | 265,890                     | 327                                     | 353                                       | 314                                     | 3,645   | 3,212  | 14.5                                   | 16.2            | 14.2          | 14.8                       | 29                              | 11           | 10               | 4                | 14                 | 77                 | 39                           | 5                      | 2                           | 1             | 18                   | 13            | 2       | 1              | 1                           | 25                                     | 28                  | 26                           | 90        | 16                   |        |                 |          |                        |                         |  |  |  |
| <b>Cities of the Second Class, Population 45,000 to 100,000.</b> | 282,282                     | 330                                     | 313                                       | 290                                     | 3,290   | 2,852  | 13.8                                   | 13.5            | 12.4          | 13.3                       | 52                              | 23           | 6                | 8                | 8                  | 91                 | 23                           | 3                      | 2                           | 1             | 24                   | 25            | 2       | 1              | 3                           | 17                                     | 25                  | 62                           | 100       |                      |        |                 |          |                        |                         |  |  |  |
| Gary.....  | 282,282                     | 330                                     | 313                                       | 290                                     | 3,290   | 2,852  | 13.8                                   | 13.5            | 12.4          | 13.3                       | 52                              | 23           | 6                | 8                | 8                  | 91                 | 23                           | 3                      | 2                           | 1             | 24                   | 25            | 2       | 1              | 3                           | 17                                     | 25                  | 62                           | 100       |                      |        |                 |          |                        |                         |  |  |  |
| <b>Cities of the Third Class, Population 20,000 to 45,000.</b>   | 304,643                     | 420                                     | 359                                       | 292                                     | 4,151   | 3,157  | 16.2                                   | 15.9            | 13.5          | 16.2                       | 79                              | 30           | 8                | 14               | 104                | 26                 | 3                            | 11                     | 10                          | 1             | 26                   | 38            | 1       | 1              | 19                          | 49                                     | 70                  | 13                           | 6         |                      |        |                 |          |                        |                         |  |  |  |
| Muncie.....  | 304,643                     | 420                                     | 359                                       | 292                                     | 4,151   | 3,157  | 16.2                                   | 15.9            | 13.5          | 16.2                       | 79                              | 30           | 8                | 14               | 104                | 26                 | 3                            | 11                     | 10                          | 1             | 26                   | 38            | 1       | 1              | 19                          | 49                                     | 70                  | 13                           | 6         |                      |        |                 |          |                        |                         |  |  |  |
| <b>Cities of the Fourth Class, Population 10,000 to 20,000.</b>  | 152,429                     | 160                                     | 202                                       | 135                                     | 1,775   | 1,454  | 12.3                                   | 16.1            | 11.4          | 13.9                       | 27                              | 15           | 5                | 4                | 4                  | 55                 | 13                           | 6                      | 1                           | 5             | 1                    | 7             | 14      | 2              | 9                           | 10                                     | 13                  | 5                            | 4         |                      |        |                 |          |                        |                         |  |  |  |
| Vincennes.....   | 152,429                     | 160                                     | 202                                       | 135                                     | 1,775   | 1,454  | 12.3                                   | 16.1            | 11.4          | 13.9                       | 27                              | 15           | 5                | 4                | 4                  | 55                 | 13                           | 6                      | 1                           | 5             | 1                    | 7             | 14      | 2              | 9                           | 10                                     | 13                  | 5                            | 4         |                      |        |                 |          |                        |                         |  |  |  |
| <b>Cities of the Fifth Class, Population under 10,000.</b>       | 303,296                     | 348                                     | 326                                       | 329                                     | 3,629   | 3,718  | 13.5                                   | 13.3            | 11.7          | 13.3                       | 50                              | 24           | 6                | 1                | 5                  | 114                | 29                           | 5                      | 11                          | 8             | 1                    | 2             | 15      | 22             | 1                           | 27                                     | 20                  | 8                            | 1         |                      |        |                 |          |                        |                         |  |  |  |
| Frankfort.....   | 303,296                     | 348                                     | 326                                       | 329                                     | 3,629   | 3,718  | 13.5                                   | 13.3            | 11.7          | 13.3                       | 50                              | 24           | 6                | 1                | 5                  | 114                | 29                           | 5                      | 11                          | 8             | 1                    | 2             | 15      | 22             | 1                           | 27                                     | 20                  | 8                            | 1         |                      |        |                 |          |                        |                         |  |  |  |

Mortality of Indiana for October, 1916. (Stillbirths Excluded.)

| POPULATION BY GEOGRAPHICAL SECTIONS AND AS URBAN AND RURAL | Population Estimated 1916 | Total Deaths Reported for October, 1916 | Total Deaths Reported for September, 1916 | Total Deaths Reported for October, 1915 | Total Deaths Reported for the year 1916 to date. | Total Deaths Reported for the Year 1915 to same date | Annual Death Rate per 1,000 Population |           |                 |           |               | Important Ages |                             |           |         |           |        |           |        |           |          |           |          |           |             |           |
|--|---------------------------|---|---|---|--|--|--|-----------|-----------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|-----------------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|--------|-----------|--------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
|  |                           |   |   |   |  |  | October, 1916                          |           | September, 1916 |           | October, 1915 |                | Rates for Year 1916 to date |           | Under 1 |           | 1 to 4 |           | 5 to 9 |           | 10 to 14 |           | 15 to 19 |           | 65 and Over |           |
|  |                           |   |   |   |  |  | Number                                 | Per Cent. | Number          | Per Cent. | Number        | Per Cent.      | Number                      | Per Cent. | Number  | Per Cent. | Number | Per Cent. | Number | Per Cent. | Number   | Per Cent. | Number   | Per Cent. | Number      | Per Cent. |
| State  | 2,860,920                 | 2,952                                   | 2,935                                     | 2,646                                   | 32,176   | 28,772   | 12.1                                   | 12.5      | 11.0            | 13.4      | 12.2          | 425            | 14.4                        | 188       | 6.3     | 62        | 2.1    | 48        | 1.6    | 86        | 2.9      | 977       | 33.1     |           |             |           |
| Northern Counties  | 998,000                   | 997                                     | 1,056                                     | 907                                     | 11,304   | 9,618  | 11.7                                   | 12.9      | 10.8            | 13.6      | 11.7          | 163            | 16.3                        | 57        | 5.7     | 16        | 1.6    | 14        | 1.4    | 22        | 2.2      | 337       | 33.8     |           |             |           |
| Central Counties   | 1,178,368                 | 1,305                                   | 1,271                                     | 1,148                                   | 13,724   | 12,595   | 13.0                                   | 13.1      | 11.5            | 13.8      | 12.9          | 180            | 13.8                        | 81        | 6.8     | 30        | 2.3    | 25        | 1.9    | 44        | 3.8      | 421       | 32.2     |           |             |           |
| Southern Counties  | 684,552                   | 650                                     | 608                                       | 591                                     | 7,148  | 6,559  | 11.2                                   | 10.8      | 10.2            | 12.5      | 11.6          | 82             | 12.6                        | 50        | 7.0     | 16        | 2.4    | 9         | 1.3    | 20        | 3.0      | 219       | 33.6     |           |             |           |
| All Cities   | 1,308,540                 | 1,585                                   | 1,593                                     | 1,360                                   | 16,490   | 14,393   | 14.3                                   | 13.8      | 12.7            | 15.1      | 13.5          | 237            | 14.9                        | 103       | 6.4     | 35        | 2.2    | 21        | 1.3    | 45        | 2.8      | 441       | 27.8     |           |             |           |
| Over 100,000   | 265,890                   | 327                                     | 353                                       | 314                                     | 3,645  | 3,212  | 14.5                                   | 16.2      | 14.2            | 16.3      | 14.8          | 29             | 8.8                         | 11        | 3.3     | 10        | 3.0    | 4         | 1.2    | 14        | 4.2      | 77        | 23.5     |           |             |           |
| 45,000 to 100,000  | 282,282                   | 330                                     | 313                                       | 290                                     | 3,290  | 2,852  | 13.8                                   | 13.5      | 13.4            | 13.9      | 12.4          | 52             | 15.7                        | 23        | 6.9     | 6         | 1.8    | 3         | 2.4    | 3         | 2.4      | 9         | 27.6     |           |             |           |
| 20,000 to 45,000   | 304,643                   | 420                                     | 399                                       | 292                                     | 4,151  | 3,157  | 16.2                                   | 15.0      | 12.5            | 16.3      | 13.7          | 79             | 18.3                        | 30        | 7.1     | 3         | 1.9    | 4         | 2.9    | 14        | 3.3      | 104       | 24.7     |           |             |           |
| 10,000 to 20,000   | 152,429                   | 160                                     | 202                                       | 135                                     | 1,775  | 1,454  | 12.3                                   | 16.1      | 11.4            | 13.9      | 12.6          | 27             | 16.8                        | 15        | 9.3     | 5         | 3.1    | 4         | 2.5    | 4         | 2.5      | 55        | 34.9     |           |             |           |
| Under 10,000   | 303,296                   | 348                                     | 328                                       | 329                                     | 3,629  | 3,718  | 13.5                                   | 13.1      | 11.7            | 14.3      | 13.5          | 50             | 14.3                        | 24        | 6.6     | 6         | 1.7    | 1         | 1.2    | 5         | 1.4      | 114       | 32.7     |           |             |           |
| Country  | 1,552,380                 | 1,367                                   | 1,342                                     | 1,286                                   | 15,686   | 14,379   | 10.3                                   | 10.5      | 9.7             | 12.1      | 11.1          | 188            | 13.7                        | 85        | 6.2     | 27        | 1.9    | 27        | 1.9    | 41        | 2.9      | 536       | 39.2     |           |             |           |

Deaths and Annual Death Rates Per 100,000 Population from Important Causes.

| POPULATION BY GEOGRAPHICAL SECTIONS AND AS URBAN AND RURAL | Pulmonary Tuberculosis |            | Other Forms Tuberculosis |            | Typhoid Fever |            | Diphtheria and Croup |            | Scarlet Fever |            | Measles |            | Whooping Cough |            | Lobar and Broncho Pneumonia |            | Diarrhoea and Enteritis (Under 2 Years) |            | Cerebro-spinal Fever |            | Acute Anterior Poliomyelitis |            | Influenza |            | Puerperal Septicemia |            | Cancer |            | External Causes |            | Small-pox |  |
|--|------------------------|------------|--------------------------|------------|---------------|------------|----------------------|------------|---------------|------------|---------|------------|----------------|------------|-----------------------------|------------|---|------------|----------------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|----------------------|------------|--------|------------|-----------------|------------|-----------|--|
|  | Number                 | Death Rate | Number                   | Death Rate | Number        | Death Rate | Number               | Death Rate | Number        | Death Rate | Number  | Death Rate | Number         | Death Rate | Number                      | Death Rate | Number                                  | Death Rate | Number               | Death Rate | Number                       | Death Rate | Number    | Death Rate | Number               | Death Rate | Number | Death Rate | Number          | Death Rate |           |  |
|  | State                  | 239        | 94                       | 948        | 19.8          | 95         | 39.2                 | 69         | 28.4          | 5          | 2.0     | 3          | 1.2            | 14         | 5.7                         | 160        | 66.0                                    | 189        | 78.0                 | 5          | 2.0                          | 9          | 3.7       | 4          | 1.6                  | 16         | 6.6    | 198        | 81.7            | 225        | 92.8      |  |
| Northern Counties  | 61                     | 72         | 18                       | 9.4        | 26            | 30.7       | 15                   | 7.7        | 1             | 1.1        | 2       | 2.3        | 59             | 69.7       | 76                          | 89.9       | 2                                       | 3.2        | 1                    | 1.1        | 5                            | 5.9        | 66        | 78.0       | 88                   | 101.7      | 101    | 7.7        |                 |            |           |  |
| Central Counties   | 121                    | 121        | 226                      | 26.1       | 41            | 41.0       | 37                   | 37.0       | 2             | 2.0        | 1       | 1.0        | 8              | 8.0        | 68                          | 68.1       | 82                                      | 82.1       | 2                    | 2.0        | 3                            | 3.0        | 2         | 2.0        | 5                    | 5.0        | 94     | 94.1       | 101             | 101.2      |           |  |
| Southern Counties  | 48                     | 82         | 8                        | 14.2       | 28            | 28.3       | 17                   | 29.3       | 2             | 5.1        | 1       | 1.7        | 4              | 6.9        | 33                          | 56.0       | 31                                      | 53.4       | 1                    | 1.7        | 3                            | 5.1        | 2         | 3.4        | 6                    | 10.2       | 38     | 65.5       | 38              | 65.5       |           |  |
| All Cities   | 130                    | 117        | 327                      | 24.3       | 39            | 25.2       | 31                   | 27.9       | 2             | 1.8        | 2       | 1.8        | 8              | 7.2        | 90                          | 81.3       | 112                                     | 101.0      | 3                    | 2.7        | 5                            | 4.5        | 2         | 1.8        | 9                    | 8.1        | 97     | 87.6       | 132             | 119.1      |           |  |
| Over 100,000   | 39                     | 173        | 1                        | 5.22       | 8             | 35.5       | 5                    | 22.2       | 1             | 4.4        | 1       | 4.4        | 18             | 79.0       | 13                          | 57.7       | 2                                       | 8.8        | 1                    | 4.4        | 1                            | 4.4        | 1         | 4.4        | 25                   | 111.0      | 28     | 124.3      | 28              | 124.3      |           |  |
| 45,000 to 100,000  | 23                     | 96         | 2                        | 8.33       | 4             | 8.33       | 3                    | 12.5       | 1             | 4.1        | 4       | 16.7       | 24             | 100.3      | 25                          | 104.5      | 2                                       | 8.3        | 2                    | 8.3        | 3                            | 12.5       | 3         | 12.5       | 17                   | 71.1       | 25     | 104.5      | 25              | 104.5      |           |  |
| 20,000 to 45,000   | 26                     | 100        | 2                        | 11.6       | 11            | 42.6       | 10                   | 38.5       | 1             | 3.8        | 1       | 3.8        | 20             | 100.7      | 38                          | 147.2      | 1                                       | 3.8        | 1                    | 3.8        | 1                            | 3.8        | 1         | 3.8        | 19                   | 73.6       | 49     | 189.9      | 49              | 189.9      |           |  |
| 10,000 to 20,000   | 13                     | 100        | 7                        | 64.6       | 7             | 53.8       | 7                    | 53.8       | 1             | 7.7        | 1       | 7.7        | 7              | 54.2       | 14                          | 108.4      | 2                                       | 15.4       | 1                    | 7.7        | 1                            | 7.7        | 1         | 7.7        | 9                    | 69.7       | 10     | 77.4       | 10              | 77.4       |           |  |
| Under 10,000   | 29                     | 112        | 9                        | 519.4      | 11            | 42.8       | 3                    | 31.1       | 1             | 3.8        | 1       | 3.8        | 2              | 7.7        | 15                          | 58.4       | 22                                      | 85.6       | 1                    | 3.8        | 1                            | 3.8        | 1         | 3.8        | 2                    | 7.7        | 27     | 105.1      | 20              | 77.8       |           |  |
| Country  | 160                    | 76         | 0                        | 2115.9     | 56            | 42.5       | 38                   | 28.9       | 3             | 2.2        | 1       | 7.6        | 4              | 5.76       | 33                          | 63.6       | 77                                      | 58.5       | 2                    | 1.5        | 4                            | 3.0        | 2         | 1.5        | 7                    | 5.3        | 101    | 76.8       | 93              | 70.7       |           |  |

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TEMPERATURE—IN DEGREES FAHRENHEIT

| Section Average | Departure from the Normal | Extremes |         |      |         |        |      |
|-----------------|---------------------------|----------|---------|------|---------|--------|------|
|                 |                           | Station  | Highest | Date | Station | Lowest | Date |
| 54.5            | -0.2                      | Rome     | 97      | 7    | Rome    | 21     | 22   |

PRECIPITATION—IN INCHES AND HUNDREDTHS

| Section Average | Departure from the Normal | Extremes |                         |            |                      |
|-----------------|---------------------------|----------|-------------------------|------------|----------------------|
|                 |                           | Station  | Greatest Monthly Amount | Station    | Least Monthly Amount |
| 2.13            | -0.50                     | Columbus | 3.84                    | Greenfield | 0.69                 |