192 NEW CASES PUT PARALYSIS TOTAL AT 5,023

Figures Double Those of 1907 Epidemic, With Death Rate Higher.

83 MORE FATALITIES RECORD FOR 24 HOURS

Strike Interferes With the Transportation of Nurses and Inspectors.

The infantile paralysis epidemic in New York city reached the unprecedented height of 5,023 cases yesterday, when the Health Department records showed that in the twenty-four hours ending yesterday morning 192 more children had contracted the disease.

This is by far the greatest number of cases in any recorded epidemic of the disease. The second greatest was that which occurred in New York city in 1907, when 2,500 cases were recorded.

A comparison of the figures of yesterday and the day before show that there was an increase in every borough except Manhattan, where there was a falling off of five cases. The number of cases on Saturday was 168, so the total increase for the city was twenty-four cases. The deaths yesterday, thirty-three, were eight fewer than on Saturday.

Distribution of Cases.

The distribution of cases yesterday was as follows: Manhattan, 45; Bronx, 39; Brooklyn, 93; Queens, 34, and Richmond, 1. The deaths were: Manhattan, 12; Bronx, 3; Brooklyn, 9; Queens, 9, and Richmond, 2.

Although there are at present 2,606 cases in the Health Department and private hospitals, the number of patients which can be accommodated is still large, there being 545 vacancies. New vacancies are occurring every day, as patients are released after six weeks quarantine.

A feature of the epidemic is the remarkably high death rate. The usual rate for this disease is about 20 per cent., but in this epidemic, without including the number of children who will die of cases already reported, the rate is 23 per cent. The bad weather conditions are probably accountable for this high mortality rate.

A long cool spell, health officials are convinced, would strike a telling blow at the epidemic.

Deputy Commissioner of Health Billings said the reason for the large number of new cases yesterday was the two particularly hot days last week. Despite the large number of cases already reached and the probability of hot weather for at least six weeks longer, Dr. Billings said that in his opinion the number of cases would not reach 10,000.

Embarrassed by Strike.

Commissioner Emerson recently put the probable number of cases at 5,000. Should his prediction prove true, the epidemic will come to a speedy close, as more than 1,000 cases were reported last week.

The strike of the carmen is embarrassing the work of the Department of Health, particularly in Queens and Richmond, where there is no elevated or subway. Dr. Billings was busy yesterday in Queens arranging for automobiles to transport his inspectors, nurses, &c., in the fight against the epidemic. In Manhattan there will be great need for autos if the Interborough employees should join the strike.

Arrangements are going forward for the house to house canvass of social workers and nurses in the infected districts, which was suggested by the recent conference of experts. The committee of social workers having this phase of the epidemic work in charge will meet tomorrow to make final arrangements. An army of volunteer workers has already been raised, and in addition insurance collectors will aid in the canvass.

Playground Regulated.

Dr. Billings said the workers will not enter houses in which there are cases of the disease, as this is done by regular inspectors of the department, but they will visit blocks of houses where children are exposed to the infection and spread by word of mouth news of the sanitary precautions to be taken against the disease. The campaign is planned particularly for the benefit of residents of the poorer districts who do not read the newspapers and are ignorant of the work of the Health Department.

In an effort to keep East Side children outdoors and at the same time guard them from possible infection the Educational Alliance has established a card index system for admission to its playground on top of the alliance building at East Broadway and Jefferson street. No children living in houses where there are cases of the disease are permitted to enter, and a physician is present to examine all the children.

As a result of the increase in cases in Bayonne, which now has ten cases, the authorities yesterday barred all children from entrance unless provided with health certificates. It is estimated that about 3,000 children were turned back yesterday.

More than 1,000 automobiles were stopped and turned back when they attempted to cross the line from Queens into Nassau county. These automobiles carried children. Christopher Donnelly, constable, with several assistants, halted all automobiles on both the North Hempstead road and the Jericho turnpike.

87 WESTCHESTER CASES.

County to Begin Fight Against Paralysis in Earnest To-day.

Westchester county to-day will take up the battle against infantile paralysis in earnest. There are eighty-seven cases in the county, and within forty-eight hours thirty-six cases have developed.

The latest cases were discovered in North Tarrytown, John D. Rockefeller's town, when Dr. Amose of the Rockefeller Institute diagnosed five cases and reported all as infantile paralysis. Later in the day he went to White Plains and reported the first case in that city.

The Rockefeller Institute has sent Dr. Amose and Dr. Coles into Westchester to help fight the epidemic, and for two days they have been in conference with V. Everit Macy, county superintendent of the poor. The institute will not aid in the fight unless the county builds an isolation hospital.

Mr. Macy is opposed to using any of the county buildings at East View, but he favors the building of temporary shacks on the newly acquired Cochran farm, and to-day he will appear before the board of supervisors at White Plains and ask for an appropriation of $30,000. If the money is voted he will have a temporary isolation hospital ready in a week.

Dr. Frank E. Russell, county physician, in speaking of the epidemic, said: "The disease has now spread to such an extent in the county that concerted action by every town is necessary. There is only one way to combat it and that is to have an isolation hospital. All cases should be taken to it and the infected district should be cleaned up. If the supervisors will vote money we can save 90 per cent. of the cases."

The first cases to appear in Westchester were in the town of Bedford. Mrs. Henry Marquand of Mount Kisco and other wealthy women became interested and contributed toward the purchase of an isolation house in Poundridge, but the authorities objected and since that time the disease has spread rapidly. Mrs. Marquand has given an automobile to Dr. Amose so that he can cover the county more quickly.

Mr. Rockefeller was anxious to keep the epidemic out of his town, but when his expert saw the cases yesterday he pronounced all infantile paralysis. The health department in the county has strongly criticised the New York department and its quarantine. The spread of the disease in Westchester has been mostly from families who came into the county from Brooklyn.

PARALYSIS RECORD.

Day's Deaths and New Cases as Reported by Boroughs.

Deaths and new cases of infantile paralysis reported by the Health Department yesterday follow:

DEATHS.

Manhattan.

Elsie Pierson, 316 East Fifteenth street; Harry Loeffler, 555 Hudson street; Jessie Atalano, 190 Elizabeth street; James Morcelinelli, 127 West Sixty-ninth street; William Vehman, 1495 Lexington avenue; R. Denninger, 281 West Fifty-fifth street; L. Salgesi, 15 Mott street; A. Risvo, 241 East Fourteenth street; Tony Guterac, 190 Elizabeth street; Tony Pellico, 436 East Twenty-fifth street; M. Roschello, 302 Avenue C; D. Rauch, 427 Twelfth avenue, Long Island City, Willard Parker Hospital.

Bronx.

Stephen Hahan, 870 Southern Boulevard; Carmelia Tacenia, 142 West End avenue, Riverside Hospital; Henry Beechman, 212 East 123d street, Riverside Hospital.

Brooklyn.

Robert Anderson, 27 East Fourth street; Mary Gabriel, 1498 De Kalb avenue; Herbert McClenin, 138 Washington avenue; Lawrence Schlanch, 304 Jefferson avenue; James Grant, 448 Bilton street; Samuel Ackerra, 128 Hudson avenue; Harold Bianchi, 2037 West Seventh street; Ruth Cohen, 27 Floyd street; George Williamson, 590 East Thirty-ninth street.

Queens.

Joseph Wehipart, 510 Grand street, Astoria; Elizabeth Lane, Old South road and Lincoln avenue, South Ozone Park; Morris Reisen, 9 North Ware Cliff avenue, Arverne; —— Seidenberg, 4 Ferry street, Richmond Hill; Edna Treas, 1718 Decatur place, Woodhaven; Anna Cooper, 1984 Palmetto street, Ridgewood; Bernard Liberman, 19 Wygan place, Rockaway Beach.

Richmond.

Jean Hook, 10 Sherman avenue, Fort Wadsworth; Margaret Zimmer, 843 Van Duzer street, Stapleton.

NEW CASES.

Manhattan.

Ruth Charney, 1181 Second avenue; Robert Buchignani, 223 West Twenty-eighth street; James Hooten, 28 East 129th street; Giovanni Tripoli, 225 West Thirtieth street; Nyman Miller, 210 West 103d street; Herbert Goldberg, 36 Henry street; Harold Marshall, 155 West 146th street; Dora Gutman, 347 East Forty-ninth street; John Gortland, 557 West Forty-fourth street; Andrew Yaguistrin, 511 East Twenty-second street; Stephen Mundorf, 251 West 109th street; Clifford Taylor, 417 West Fifty-second street; Sam Freedman, 26 First street; Ann Cox, 219 West Sixty-sixth street; Alice Stakowitz, 320 East Ninety-first street; Frank Scalsci, 267 West Twenty-seventh street; Jim Lamorte, 144 Sullivan street; Victor Meier, 511 East Seventy-ninth street; Elsie Gradson, 518 East 138th street; Joseph Touchi, 26 Grand street; Sylvia Rohrs, 175 East Sixty-eighth street, Harold Barnes, 44 East 124th street; John Chitenback, 123 West 101st street; Donald Campbell, 942 Columbus avenue; John Magurack, 154 Allen street; Janet Hennessy, 57 West 130th street; Alice Bergson, East No. 297, Erie Railroad, foot West Thirty-fourth street; James Amorte, 11 Madison street; Nicola Ricaldi, 165 West Twenty-seventh street; John Cofaro, 320 East Twenty-second street; Wylie Grover, 321 East Sixth street; Christina Fattah, 440 East Thirteenth street; Joseph Butler, 502 West 138d street; Vincenzo Marinaile, 234 Thompson street; Harold Schisetz, 955 Columbus avenue; Margaret Muhlholland, 30 Morton street; Frances Stoe, 340 East 115th street; Agnostino Rievo, 371 East Fourteenth street; George Tertel, 47 Henry street; Molly Jones, 148 Henry street; Yetta Lichenstein, 1710 Broome street; Lillie Genovita, 91 Ridge street; Gaetano Rosso, 26 Horatio street; Baby Horowitz, 42 Rutgers street; Edmond Stania, 344 East Twenty-first street.

Bronx.

Russel Ducker, 1059 Simpson street; Paul Deeche, 610 East 134th street; Dorothy Belquin, 975 Southern boulevard; Michael Katz, 445 Clermont parkway; Baby Reigo, 2402 Barnes avenue; Irving Cohn, 402 East 139th street; Harold Walks, 494 East 138th street; Rose Rigon, 1240 Stebbins avenue; Solomon, 910 Union avenue; Ethel Stone, 1415 Franklin avenue; Muriel Goldberg, 1645 Prospect avenue; Anna Mandella, 743 East 187th street; Helen Fathe, 148 Hoe avenue; Andrew Brosowski, 238 East 138th street; Nathan Goodman, 903 Whitlock avenue; Helen Cohen, 1506 Boston road; Alice Lesser, 587 Fox street; Martin Snyder, 790 East 152d street; Sylvia Mohek, 661 Cauldwell avenue.

Brooklyn.

Reuben Margolis, 451 Broadway; Henry and Edward Kopf, 275 Driggs avenue (two cases); Julia Hertner, 97 Gerry street; Louis Davidoff, 43 Johnson avenue; Felicia Talmanink, 276 Kent avenue; Louis Nettle, 12 Moore street; Sydney Weinstein, 224 Rodney street; Dorothy Herman, 261 Seigel street; Gladys Stebner, 108 Ten Eyck street; Clara Painass, 227 South Second street; Adrian Robson, 246 South Fifth street; Henrietta Nugent, 297 South Fifth street; Julia Schwartz, 142 South Ninth street; William Driscoll, 157 Albany avenue; Charles Thulin, 159 Albany avenue; Child Rein, 551 Bushwick avenue; Florence Hickman, 410 Chauncey street; George Weber, 1488 De Kalb avenue; Leonard Stanley, 407 Evergreen avenue; Mirian Rosen, 146 Ellery street; Mary McGrath, 1921 Fulton street; Paul Kyden, 219 Herkimer street; Mary Desman, 46 Hamburg avenue; Florence Wolf, 160 Hart street; George Gallagher, 220 Howard avenue; Giuseppi Russo, 154 Hamburg avenue; Nicola De Angelo, 300 Jefferson street; Lawrence Schlough, 304 Jefferson street; Theodore Spindler, 1064 Linden street; Baby Meyers, 218 Linden street; William Bolkin, 1231 Lincoln place; Baby Shields, 27 Marion street; Phil Seidler, 285 Wyckoff avenue; Vincent Rowlan, 2058 Pacific street; Rosalie Aronson, 59 Stockton street; Albert Rall, 1238 Putnam avenue; Harold and Ruth Sheeber, 193 Stanhope street (two cases); Laura Sindel, 187 Starr street; Evelyn Feinblatt, 54 Sumner avenue; Leonard Gerstendorfer, 309 Troutman street; Marion Klein, 111 Truxton street; Fred Gindlach, 211 Wyckoff avenue; Annie Menik, 116 Fountain avenue; Hyman Tress, 461 Powell street; Florence Nelson, 137 Crescent street; Benjamin Berman, 1906 Douglass street; Lena Grossman, 686 Glenmore avenue; Dorothy Cord, 944 Glenmore avenue; Albert Mechanic, 416 New Lots avenue; William Gerpick, 107 Nichols avenue; Molly Seigelman, 744 Rockaway avenue; Gussie Cohn, 173 Sutter avenue; Lena Rosen, 448 Williams avenue; Bertha Holman, 407 Third avenue; Margaret Evans Mulhearn, 5711 Third avenue; Sylvia Leibowitz, 1406 Eighteenth avenue; Evelyn and Johanna Freedman, 67 Bay Twenty-eighth street (two cases); Joseph Perto, 126 Bay Thirty-fifth street; William R. Hawthorne, 1755 Seventy-fourth street; Antonio Yasio, 1402 Seventy-sixth street; Walter Bishop, 1394 Bedford avenue; Lewa Kanakowich, 31 Bridge street; Lucy Finn, 80 Carlton avenue; Arthur McDonald, 14 Clermont avenue; William Shields, 281 Dean street; E. Weathbery, 400 Douglass street; Boyle, 236 Emerson place; Albert Repecka, 75 Hudson avenue; Cosgrove, 674 Lawrence street; Margaret Kelly, 283 Jay street; Baby Bottisch, 203 Prospect street; Mary McGinley, 427 St. Mark's avenue; Clementina Bartolesco, 98 Tillary street; Herbert McCleaney, 133 Washington avenue; Margaret McConnell, 645 Myrtle avenue; Consetina Servello, 16 East Third street; Alfredo Pugliese, 191 Eighth street; Harold Greenlig, 1818 Twelfth street; Frances Petrovsky, 181 Twentieth street; Mollie Wittner, 2321 Mermaid avenue; Bennie Velafuge, 1411 Neptune avenue; Pearl Abberbach, 2 Elm place, surf avenue, Coney Island; Hildesade Hespelar, 1046 East Third street; Milton Bodnick, 2324 West Sixth street; Roy Peperberg, 1724 West Ninth street; Betty Nixon, 251 East Sixteenth street; Ida and Mary Williamson, 296 East Thirty-ninth street (two cases); Fannie Meyer, 1221 Fortieth street; Irene Grossman, 99 Thatford street.

Queens.

Rose Pastore, 78 West avenue, Long Island City; Peter Anggione, 208 Boulevard, Long Island City; Helen and Catherine Sabene, 421 Fourth avenue, Long Island City (two cases); Grace Hefferman, 118 Centre street, Astoria; Mildred Billiner, 72 Willow street, Astoria; James Lenno, 87 Broadway, Corona; Harold Glasis, 124 Home street, Corona; M. Wild, 65 West Hayes avenue, Corona; R. Rosenwieg, 16 Fairview avenue, Corona Heights; Irene Swrecky, 41 Bower avenue, Corona Heights; Theodore Kelly, 84 South Twenty-third street, Flushing; Helen Openishy, 148 Colden avenue, Flushing; Helen Catelle, 1 Willow street, Flushing; Alfred Doran, 142 Grand avenue, Jamaica; Joseph Hendrickson, 27 Willow street, Jamaica; Christiana Bloomberg, 238 Washington street, Jamaica; Murray Kennedy, 310 South street, Jamaica; Edward Valentine, 99 Cumberland street, Jamaica; C. Tooker, 988 West Atfield street, Dunton; Harry Carey, 978 Van Deer place, Woodhaven; John Powell, 5106 Hillside avenue, Richmond Hill; Anna Carlstad, 224 South Oak street, Morris Park; M. Leiberman, 19 Wygard place, Rockaway Beach; Rita Gennon, 48 Shipley street, Forest Park; Beatrice Sallick, 71 South Division avenue, Rockaway Beach; Sarah Reivelsier, 35 Third avenue, Rockaway Beach; Dorothy Hennessy, 2 North Summerfield avenue, Arverne; E. Teiffer, 112 North Vernon avenue, Arverne; Sarah Brady, 32 South Sidney avenue, Rockaway Beach; Gertrude Shelby, 21 East Forty-eighth street, Edgemere; Louise Spoach, 1206 Parker avenue, Ridgewood; Edward Voehmer, 864 Fresh pond road, Ridgewood; Anna Cooper, 1984 Palmetto street, Ridgewood.

Richmond.

Philip Stanval, 15 Bismark avenue, New Brighton.

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The question whether a letter carrier going from infected houses to others untouched by infantile paralysis might not carry the germs with him was discussed yesterday at the regular meeting of Branch 36 of the National Association of Letter Carriers, at Park and Tilford hall, Lenox avenue and 125th street.

Patrick McNabb, president of the organization, brought the topic up for discussion. The secretary was directed to request the Department of Health to suggest prevention measures.

As a result of the discovery of a case of infantile paralysis in a fresh air camp composed chiefly of New York children the State Department of Health put the ninety-five children there under quarantine. Seven cases were reported to the department to-day and one death, at Otisville. The cases were reported from Oakland Valley, Otisville (two), Deposit, Menthe, Pelham, Evans Mills and Hurleyville.

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August 7	12:47	1:29	12:29	1:27	1:22	2:17	12:42	1:30	4:20	4:46	3:38	4:36
August 8	1:36	2:16	1:17	2:15	2:10	3:05	1:29	2:16	5:21	5:51	4:33	5:30
August 9	2:18	3:00	2:17	3:03	3:07	4:03	2:15	3:10	6:21	6:50	5:33	6:27
August 10	3:21	4:13	3:20	4:06	4:06	5:06	3:26	4:05	7:43	8:11	6:39	7:27
August 11	5:26	5:51	5:20	5:50	6:10	6:26	5:00	6:18	8:37	9:10	8:17	8:46
August 12	6:10	6:45	6:24	6:37	7:03	7:04	6:51	7:13	10:20	10:19	7:39	8:16
August 13	7:18	7:37	7:03	7:33	7:58	8:23	7:46	8:07	10:58	11:14	8:44	9:06

More About Women's Sea Elephant.

In last Sunday's Sun in an article on women fishers, Mr. Stoddart said: "The largest ocean sunfish ever brought to shore was taken by a man accompanied in the boat by two women anglers who went out for tuna in the Channel Island waters of California. The boatman was George Farnsworth and the women were Mrs. W. Barrett of Los Angeles and Mrs. Nellie Hall of Rochester, N. Y.

"The frail boat in which the three were angling was towed to the danger point. The trio fought an hour, when assistance came. The struggle lasted for an hour and forty-five minutes after that. Five launches finally towed the fish to Avalon, and twelve men drew the fish to shore. The ocean sunfish was twelve feet long and five feet in diameter. It was estimated to weigh between 1,800 and 1,900 pounds."

Let me give a further history of the fish. While Mrs. Barrett and Mrs. Hall were gazing over the calm surface of the channel about a mile from shore the women happened to look behind them, and away off in the distance, about a half mile astern, saw a great black mass on the surface of the sea that shone distinctly in the sun.

It was whalelike in size and appearance and the boatman put his launch about to investigate the apparent derelict. As the boat drew near the occupants saw that it was a monster sunfish that was lolling on the surface, warming itself in the morning sun.

From its size the party knew that to venture too close might invite a fight and a wreck of the boat, but after a consultation the women decided that the big, slimy lump of quivering flesh must be secured if possible. Accordingly Farnsworth selected his heaviest gaff hook and turned on full steam ahead for a charge on the fish mountain.

When close enough Farnsworth swung the gaff with all his force and the hook went down deep into the quivering flesh of the sleeping fish.

It was a rude awakening, and when the fish felt the sharp pain it lashed out in every direction with great fury in the effort to free itself. The hook had taken a firm hold and could not be pulled out, and when the monster realized this it resumed its fierce efforts to escape.

It threw its great form, aroused in the water, beat the waves with fins and tail, squirmed and lunged and twisted and dashed showers of salt water over the women and the man in the boat. The surface of the water was covered with the foam churned up and the frail boat pitched and tossed and careened over to the danger point. Still, Farnsworth braced himself and held on like grim death to the fighting fish mass, and the women assisted him as best they could.

This twisting and turning and thrashing continued for over an hour until relief came in the person of Elma, boatman, who had seen the fight from a distance and instantly realized that something was doing.

He also sunk his gaff into the struggling sea elephant, and by pulling turns the two men securely held it until it fought itself into complete exhaustion, the struggle going on for one hour and forty-five minutes after Farnsworth first gaffed it.

The task of bringing it to the beach took up another half hour. It was towed in by both launches, and a dozen men worked themselves tired dragging it up on the beach. Although the tackle's avalon is ample for handling all kinds of fish up to 1,000 pounds it was inadequate for this one, for it was about 12 feet long and about 5 feet in diameter.

It was almost as large as a prize cow at a country fair, and it attracted ten times as much attention. The entire population of Avalon turned out to see the big thing, which had been drawn up to the platform by means of a heavy block and tackle. There it remained for a day, and it quivered with life for many hours after being taken out of the water.

No scales on the island were large enough to weigh it, but the old fishermen estimated that it would weigh between 1,800 and 1,900 pounds.

A CALIFORNIAN NOW IN NEW YORK.

New York, July 30.

Influence of Common Sense Angling.

These lines are not to convey fishing news, but to speak of the influence of common sense fishing. The influence or effect of fishing depends on the kind we do or have done. In these days of hot strife, hurry and excitement in preparing for war or peace there is one great lesson we need to learn and that is serene restfulness.

Nervous wrecks are increasing at an alarming extent in this nation because of the lack of calm restfulness. No sport has a more soothing effect than sane and common sense fishing.

The Maloney and McGlynn method of throwing bricks at each other over the question as to who caught the largest tomcod or codfish is not the effect of fishing. These yarns only show an outburst of feeling that occurs sometimes between men who are overstocked with good nature. Sane fishing shows a different picture. It would be difficult for an artist to paint a more restful scene than a fisherman

"Where far from madding crowd,
With a book of verse underneath the bough,
With a bottle of milk, a loaf of bread,
A fishing pole and lines with plenty of bait,
Who cares not who may love or who may hate."

The scene presented is one of calm serenity. The effect of other styles of fishing will produce the same results if done in a common sense way. All fishing is not done in this manner, hence we see evil results.

The other day a man, after a day's fishing, fell overboard as the boat approached the dock. They fished him out, put an old cast off painter's suit of clothes on him and sent him home. Mr Humpty Dumpty ever presented a more ridiculous sight. A bad advertisement, a disgrace to himself. He fished the wrong way.

If beginners will take the hints and fish in the light of The Sun they will be led to so fish as to make it a healthy, restful and joyous sport. If a high standard of fishing is kept up, as it should be, the influence of the Rod and Gun column now so widely read must play an important part to that end. WATCHER.

Forest Park, L. I., July 30.

Members of U. A. L. Share Fish.

There is only one schooling where the child starts with delight and returns with joy. That is the fisherman who becomes for the trip again a happy child. The schoolboy creeps like a snail unwilling to school, but how he does whoop it up coming from school. But the fisherman whoops it up going and coming.

That's the way they were on the train the other day on the way to and from Weekfish Lake. Each had his own friend the captain to greet, for the various captains for the day are welcoming hosts, as well as friends. There was a fog over the sea because, some said, the south wind was warmer than the water, others that owing to the perturbation or perambulation of the Gulf Stream the water was warmer than the wind. I think hot air had something to do with the excuses. Anyway they were as foggy as our surroundings.

We on the Atlantic got lost in the fog. So did those on the Commodore. We got lost where the fish wasn't. The Commodore was lost where they were. There's lots of luck when you go a fishing. We came in and drifted for fluke. I got 4; Brother Dick got 7. On the train we met Sea Bass Joe from the Commodore. He had porgies and bass. Of course Brother Dick and I had to take some. How good it is to be fellow members of the U. A. L. Then if you have them you can share with a fellow member. If he has them he can share with you. HY. JULIUS.

Brooklyn, July 30.

How Column Should Be Conducted.

The Rod and Gun news is very interesting and eagerly read by fishermen. But as one who reads it, I think of how it could be better and especially how it could be more useful to the readers who are not sufficiently considered by our newspapers.

The advertisers pay in their money and are first, of course. The newspaper feels very tender to them, of course. The people, however, who read the paper are the soil without which neither could grow or even survive.

The newspaper wants them to read it, and the strongest inducement to them is news in which they are interested.

It is only indifferently interesting to me, as an old time fisherman, for you to tell me that, at some time, not stated, or "last Friday" or any day some time past, Mr. and Mrs., or Joe or Mike, took a big or many fish at some place, stated or not, on some boat, stated or not; but it would make me sit up and take notice if you would tell me any morning that the day before beats A. B. C. D and E. Capts. E. F. G. H &c., at the Cholera or other banks, Jersey or Long Island shores, as the case may be, had horn snottled bass, blackfish, fluke, &c., in quantities stated.

My suggestion to you is this, and made in all kindness and fairness, with a little self-interest combined, that you announce that you will, on receipt by phone, by fishing captains, as soon as they get in, of reports of catches by their boats, number on board, the wind and water and where caught you will in tabulated form publish them the next morning.

If responded to your readers could keep tabs on the fishing and it would be of real service to them in determining whether to go or not. The captains will at first look at that proposition askance, but there are some who are intelligent enough to realize that to bring a man down to feel him is hurtful to the trade. Some will respond at once, and the rest will have to follow, for they will find that it pays.

They will, most of them at first, lie like blazes in their reports, but they will be found out, as all liars are, and then they will know that it don't pay to lie, and reliance can be placed on the reports. My notion of tabulation is: Boat, Bleater; captain, Ham; passengers, 25; place, Chelsea; fish, 1,000; wind, west; sea, smooth. You give us the tides, which, however, do not much influence deep water fishing, but you might add at the latest hour convenient the direction of the wind and condition of the sea, which you could readily learn.

As it stands now, beyond the announcements of the boats, you give us nothing to guide us in selecting our outing days, but the reports as I suggest would let us know the chances pretty well by comparing them for two or three days.

Brooklyn, July 30. E. B. BARNUM.

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