# PARALYSIS CASES REDUCED BY HALF

## Only 43 New Victims Reported in All City—Lowest Since July 3.

## DEATH RATE IS HIGHER

## Indication of Greater Virulence Shown by Increased Ratio of Mortality.

A sudden drop to approximately half the number of infantile paralysis cases reported on Sunday occurred yesterday. In the entire city only forty-three new cases were reported, as against eighty-three on the day before, indicating the rapid waning of the epidemic.

Not since July 3 has there been such a low number of new cases reported in the city. In Manhattan the number of cases was twenty, in The Bronx seven, Brooklyn seven, Queens eight and Richmond one. This was a decrease in all boroughs from the day before with the exception of Richmond.

The number of deaths was twenty-five, an increase of four over the number for Sunday. Health Officer Emerson, while jubilant over the decided drop in cases, is viewing the number of deaths daily with considerable concern, as the number does not fall as much as it should in view of the decrease in cases in the last two weeks.

"Some of the hospital surgeons attending cases are of the opinion that the virulence of the disease is increasing, that is, persons who are stricken with it now are more likely to die or be badly crippled than in the beginning," he said.

### Mortality Increases.

Dr. Bolduan, director of the Bureau of Public Health Education, issued the following table showing the rise and fall of cases and deaths on Mondays since July 1:

| Date. | Cases. | Deaths. |
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| July 3 | 41 | 14 |
| July 10 | 112 | 14 |
| July 17 | 105 | 14 |
| July 24 | 89 | 21 |
| July 31 | 122 | 85 |
| August 7 | 146 | 44 |
| August 14 | 95 | 31 |
| August 21 | 93 | 33 |
| August 28 | 43 | 25 |

Dr. Emerson announced yesterday that the death rate from all causes last week was only 14.13 per thousand of population, as compared with 15.59 for the week ended August 12 and 14.32 for the week ended August 19.

There were 267 deaths last week from infantile paralysis, as compared with 222 the week before and 301 in the week ended August 12. Manhattan is the only borough in which the number of deaths is not less than in these two previous weeks.

The deaths of children under 5 years of age numbered 562 last week, as compared with 477 for the corresponding week of last year. The epidemic has raised the death rate this year only slightly above that of last year. The rate during the first thirty-five weeks of 1916 was 14.55, as compared with 14.49 last year.

In reply to a question concerning health certificates being required from children who have been out of town, Dr. Emerson said they would be asked only of children returning from infected districts in the country within two weeks of the date on which the schools will open.

### Virginia Bars All Children.

Dr. Charles E. Banks, senior surgeon of the United States public health service, said yesterday that he had been notified by the Virginia State Board of Health that no children will be permitted to enter the State except those living within its borders who have been outside.

There is still a great need for immune serum from persons who have had the disease. Fifty ounces a day of this serum could be utilized with beneficial results among the little patients in the various hospitals, despite the decrease in cases. A letter of appeal has been sent by the citizens committee to all persons known to have had infantile paralysis.

Twelve ounces of immune blood and eight ounces of normal blood were obtained yesterday by Dr Abraham Zingher at the Willard Parker Hospital from three donors. Miss Nancy Witt of 707 Lexington avenue gave eight ounces of normal blood, and William H. Heffman, a Cornell student who had infantile paralysis six years ago, and another man who withheld his name gave six ounces of immune blood each.

At the Brooklyn branch of the Board of Health Dr. Parnass obtained four ounces of blood from one man. No one came to Bellevue Hospital to offer blood. The physicians there said that about a dozen children have been treated with the serum, and that much more is needed.

A representative of the State Department of Health said yesterday that immune blood was given by four persons. Expenses and even a moderate fee will be given to those who are badly in need of money. The serum will be used in the treatment of cases developing on Long Island.

### One Case in an Orphanage.

A case of infantile paralysis developed yesterday in St. Joseph's Home at Huguenot, Richmond borough. No visitors have been permitted to enter the home since the outbreak of the epidemic. The victim was a child who had been in the home since July 5.

State Health Department authorities, after a careful study of their records, announced yesterday that the disease was apparently waning in the State also. The epidemic reached its greatest height in the third week of August, and declined in most counties last week. There were only sixty-four cases and five deaths reported between 5 P. M. Saturday and the same hour yesterday. The total of cases outside of New York city is now 1,866, and the deaths number 204.

Deaths were reported yesterday from Ellisburg, Plessis, Cooks Falls, Little Falls and Wawarsing. The new cases were distributed as follows:

Poughkeepsie, four; Theresa, three; Ellisburg, Inwood, Commack, Manlius, New Rochelle, Gouverneur, Taleville, and Oneida, two each; Eaton, Portchester, Plessis, Sodus, Sperlil, Lisbon, De Ruyter, Fonda, Black River, Mount Vernon, Fowler, Mamaroneck, North Tarrytown, New Hyde Park, Rosedale, Oyster Bay, Smithtown, Blue Point, Patchogue, Richfield Spring, Ketcham, Wilna, Troy, Peekskill, Amboy, Yonkers, Glens Falls, East Fishkill, Pelham Manor, Middletown, Fremont, Marbletown, Munson, Mohawk, Callicoon, Shawangunk, Ulster, Wawarsing, Campbell, Ossining and Little Falls, one each.

Four persons, three being adults, died within the past two days in the Watertown district. Half a dozen new cases have been reported in this section.

Dr. Joseph F. X. Stack, Health Commissioner of Hoboken, was charged last week that children not suffering from infantile paralysis had been removed to isolation hospitals, issued a statement yesterday warning parents against permitting their children to be removed to the hospitals. He asserted that uninfected babies are being used for experimenting upon in the hospitals.

Concerning children not suffering from any form of paralysis who are discharged from the hospitals as cured the Hoboken health officer said:

"I believe these were the children who were taken to these institutions when they did not have the disease but something else, and as they could not be discharged until the period of quarantine had elapsed they were kept there for that period and then discharged as cured cases of infantile paralysis."

### New Cases in New Jersey.

Fifty-one new cases of infantile paralysis were reported yesterday from various parts of New Jersey, except Newark, to the State Board of Health. The total number of cases now is 2,472.

The cases reported are: East Orange, four; two each in Hasbrouck Heights, Wildwood, Woodbine, Jersey City, Kearny, West Hoboken, Passaic and Elizabeth; one case each in Carlstadt, Harrington Park, Ridgefield Park, Rivervale Township, Union Township (Bergen county), Woodland Township, Gloucester Township (Camden county), Camden, Gloucester, Cedar Grove, Irvington, Livingston Township, Nutley, South Orange Township, West Orange, North Bergen Township, Secaucus, West New York, Hopewell Borough, Sayreville Township, Asbury Park, Matawan Township (Monmouth county), Seabright, Upper Freehold Township (Monmouth county), Madison, Acquackonock Township, Hillsboro Township (Somerset county), Wantage Township (Sussex county).

Of the 640 cases reported during July to the New Jersey Board of Health 350 were in Essex county and 152 were in Hudson county. The death rate in July was 28 per cent.

Eight new cases of infantile paralysis were reported in Suffolk county, Long Island, yesterday. Four of these were in Patchogue and there was one each in Sayville, Huntington, Brookhaven and Blue Point. The case at Blue Point is an adult.

## *OZONE REMEDY USED.*

### Yonkers Youth Relieved of Paralysis in 48 Hours.

An electrical apparatus generating ozone is said to be responsible for the cure of Thomas Hays, 20 years old, of 46 Vineyard avenue, Yonkers, who was taken ill on Friday. The young man's limbs, throat and jaws were paralyzed. Dr. Venner Kennedy diagnosed the case as infantile paralysis. Three other physicians, including Dr. H. L. Amos of the Rockefeller Institute and Dr. C. B. Flynn, deputy city health official, agreed with the diagnosis.

The case appeared hopeless, as the paralysis was far advanced, but Dr. Kennedy determined to try the effect of his electrical apparatus which manufactures ozone by decomposing turpentine. A similar machine is used in the City Hospital on Blackwell's Island in advanced tuberculosis cases. The patient soon recovered the use of his limbs, and yesterday was anxious to leave his bed, feeling perfectly able to do so.

So impressed was Dr. Flynn that he reported the case to Dr. W. S. Coons, Health Officer of Yonkers, who invited Dr. Kennedy to try out the treatment on patients in the city isolation hospital. Six cases are being treated now.

Dr. Haven Emerson, Health Commissioner of New York city, said yesterday he had never heard of infantile paralysis being cured by electricity. Some Yonkers physicians are inclined to doubt the benefit of the ozone, saying that in a few cases of infantile paralysis the paralysis has been known to disappear suddenly.

## *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.**

Rebecca Sucharowitz, 56 East 103d street; Mike Palino, 150 Forsyth street; Tony Peoretta, 324 East 107th street (died Metropolitan Hospital); Charlemagne McIntosh, 211 West Fifty-third street; Philomena Pesenda, 417 West Thirty-first street; John Magurak, 154 Allen street; Charles Thompson, Jr., 68 Gansevoort street; Frederick Lemmer, 188 East End avenue; Elizabeth McLindon, 303 West Fourteenth street; Emanuel Orster, 220 Avenue A; Jennie Walter, 2053 Eighth avenue (died Riverside Hospital).

**The Bronx.**

Alfred Hamp, 1344 Cooper avenue; Frances St. Lacey, 210 Concord avenue (Mount Sinai Hospital); Jerome Brady, 423 East 169th street.

**Brooklyn.**

Kate Stein, 157 Alabama avenue; Frieda Glanz, 160 South First street; Samuel Dankner, 261 Floyd street; Harold T. Jones, 2029 Ocean avenue; Ernest Sportmeier, Jr., 1026 Flatbush avenue; Louise E. Simon, 5080 Fulton street; Solomon Wohl, 548 Rockaway avenue; Helen F. Jones, 75 Pineapple street; Martin Greenfield, 170 Nostrand avenue; Charles O. Eson, 3933 New Lircoln avenue.

**Queens.**

Charles Coleman, 150 Clarence avenue, Arverne.

**Richmond.**

None.

**NEW CASES.**

**Manhattan.**

Isidor Fleischman, 29 Henry street; George Cail, 122 Essex street; Dinenza Randin, 324 East Thirty-fourth street; Emanuel Arcinyi, 220 Avenue A; Rose Munchnum, 348 East Fifteenth street; A. Frankel, 93 Lewis street; B. Wardi, 320 East Thirty-fourth street; Rose Spain, 502 West Twenty-ninth street; P. Consenza, 417 West Thirty-first street; Brother, New York Foundling Hospital; Harold Moury, 425 East Thirtieth street; Philip Rondon, 403 East Sixty-fourth street; T. Miller, 450 Riverside Drive; L. Wenham, 47 Claremont avenue; Robert Hardie, 404 West Fifty-first street; Laura Burwilz, 148 West Sixty-sixth street; J. O'Brien, 365 West 118th street; Ida Hayes, 164 Amsterdam avenue; Ca. Custer, 300 Lenox avenue, 6 street.

**The Bronx.**

Joseph Eiser, 770 Hewitt place; Marion Shine, 426 East 163d street; Florence Guzman, 380 East 155th street; John Cerzona, 189 East 151st street; Leo Hayshaw, 891 Boston road; Charles Fennell, 2740 Belmont avenue; Alfred Leboyer, 839 Kelly street.

**Brooklyn.**

Jennie Bustick, 158 Conklin avenue; Saul Baron, 1736 Sterling place; Viola Aaron, 1 Willoughby street; Stanislo Cirasik, 571 Cook street; Alfred Devin, 59 Van Cyck street; David Danks, Sea Breeze Home, West Twenty-ninth street and Surf avenue; Estelle Fyod, 816 East Twelfth street.

**Queens.**

Joseph Hernassli, 141 Flushing avenue, Astoria; Alfred Morbick, 60 Fifth avenue, Astoria; Frederick Hoffman, 228 Johnson avenue; Maspeth Helen Moore, 51 Forty-seventh street, Corona; Leonard Hunt, 76 Farrington street, Flushing; Harry Fisher, 32 North Hollywood avenue, Seaside; Hendrina Henkle, 410 Central avenue, Far Rockaway; Norman Liabmann, Huderich avenue and Boulevard, Arverne.

**Richmond.**

Carl Weigelt, 20 Hudson street, Stapleton.

## NAME CHANGE PLEA DENIED.

### Woman's Application Fails Because "Husband" Was Not Notified.

The application of Stanislawa Moszczynski of 185 De Voe street, Brooklyn, to have the names of her two children, Julian Kocko, '14, and Karal Kocko, 10, changed to that of Moszczynski, her own maiden name, was denied yesterday by Supreme Court Justice Cropsey.

The petitioner declared in her papers she had lived thirteen years with Paul Kocko "in a state which your petitioner believed to be a common law marriage." She adds she and her children constantly have been subjected to cruelty and scorn by Kocko and that she has been compelled to leave him. She feels that her children should have her maiden name, to which they are lawfully entitled, and of which she feels they will have better reason to be proud.

Justice Cropsey calls attention to the fact that Kocko did not receive notice of the proceeding as required, and adds that "while petitioner assumes there was no valid marriage, it is better that notice be given as statute requires." He therefore denies the application, with leave to renew.

# 4,000 MACKINTOSH TAILORS ON STRIKE

## Employers of 1,000 Raincoat Makers, However, Yield to All Demands.

## THREE WALKOUTS TO-DAY

## Bronx Barbers and 12,000 City Leather Workers Plan to Quit Jobs.

Proof of local labor unrest continues to accumulate. Four thousand raincoat makers quit work yesterday and among the strikes scheduled to begin to-day are those of 12,000 leather workers, 3,000 paper box makers in Brooklyn and 3,000 barbers in The Bronx.

One thousand mackintosh tailors settled differences with their employers at a meeting at the Hotel Imperial between union representatives and representatives of the Raincoat and Waterproof Garment Manufacturers Association. The strikers won substantially all their demands.

The raincoat factories in the entire metropolitan district are affected and include plants in the city, Union Hill, N. J.; Westchester and Staten Island. The strikers want a forty-eight hour week, 75 cents an hour for cementers and operators, $29 a week for cutters, $18 for machine button sewers, double time for overtime, ten legal holidays a year and pay for piece work to be decided by shop committees. The manufacturers who settled agreed to all these terms, but managed to leave out of consideration a few minor demands.

The leather workers who will respond to the call of the union to-day include workers in all organized branches of the trade, pocketbook makers, handbag makers, novelty workers and belt makers. The call asks the workers to "leave your employment as orderly and quietly as possible."

Besides the 3,000 paper box workers who will strike to-day in Brooklyn there are 11,000 members of this trade who have been on strike in Manhattan for several weeks. Union heads yesterday renewed the charge that the police are abusing them.

# WHITRIDGE, HOME, MUM ON CAR STRIKE

## Head of Third Avenue Railway Company Discusses Situation in Europe.

Frederick W. Whitridge, president of the Third Avenue Railway Company, arrived from Europe yesterday ready to discuss anything but the recent car strike, the blame for which was put upon him by Oscar S. Straus, chairman of the Public Service Commission. He talked of the war in Europe, the progress of the Somme campaign and the prospects of a general railroad strike, but not a word of the labor trouble that forced him to curtail his usual vacation period.

When he came in on the New York he said he might make a statement of the recent strike as soon as he had acquainted himself with the facts. He was visited soon after he reached his office in 59 Wall street by Alfred A. Cook, his counsel, who battled valiantly for him in his absence. Cook informed him of the difficulties that had been faced by the Third avenue road. Whitridge, however, would not make any comment.

While abroad Whitridge tried to see his son, Lieut. Arnold Whitridge, recently decorated for bravery. The young officer could not leave the front, so his father returned without seeing him.

Referring to the impending railroad strike, the Third Avenue president said:

"The steam railroads are in a better position than the city roads. We cannot well raise our fares, while the others can adjust their rates through the Interstate Commerce Commission and so meet varying conditions. It is a question of facts, figures and conditions, and it will be soon, if it is not now, up to the public to pay the price of the dissatisfaction."

### Brothers Battle With Shovels.

In a dispute over money matters yesterday in their home, Joseph and Goodman Gonsky, brothers, 21 and 23 years old, of 41 Maujer street, Williamsburg, attacked each other with shovels, and after they had been terribly beaten their mother, Mrs. Rose Gonsky, attempted to interfere and was stunned by a blow on the head, while Johann Pardoe, a visitor, who lives at 138 Union street, also was rendered unconscious when he was struck in the face by one of the shovels. The brothers were arrested.

### Hangs Himself to Bedpost.

Peter Schafing, 45, of 33 Greenpoint avenue, Brooklyn, was found hanging to a bedpost in his room yesterday by Frank Dunn of 142 Greenpoint avenue, who was in the habit of meeting him in the morning and the two would go to work together. Dunn failed to see Schafing at the appointed place and an investigation disclosed the suicide.


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