

STATE SHOWS BIG DROP IN PARALYSIS

Only 54 Persons Stricken This Year, Compared to 287 In Same Period in 1940; Doctors Had Expected Continued Epidemic.

By EARL RICHERT

True to its strange characteristics, infantile paralysis is treating Hoosiers kindly this year, as compared to last. So far this year only 54 persons have been stricken with this dread disease as compared with 287 during the same period last year.

State Health Board doctors say that this sharp drop in the number of persons stricken "runs true" to the unexplainable characteristics of the disease as shown by its history of the past 20 years.

After each year in which the disease reaches epidemic proportions, there was a sharp decline the following year. Last year was the peak year of all-time in state history for the disease, with 682 persons being stricken.

During the week ending Aug. 30, 1941, six new cases were reported throughout the state. Sixty-eight were reported during the same week a year ago.

SUMMER WORST TIME

Of the six new cases reported, one was each in Vigo and Marion counties and two apiece in Stark and Kosciusko counties.

Infantile paralysis usually flourishes during hot and dry weather and many doctors had expected another major epidemic this year because of the lengthy drought. But this did not occur.

Below is a schedule of the number of persons stricken each year during the past 20 years by the disease: (Notice that there was a sharp decline, following each year in which the disease reached epidemic proportions.)

1920	33	1931	60
1921	80	1932	20
1922	16	1933	46
1923	42	1934	67
1924	204	1935	49
1925	59	1936	56
1926	37	1937	148
1927	157	1938	17
1928	34	1939	56
1929	25	1940	682
1930	165		

Hard to Buy Cars

About the toughest problem the State Purchasing Bureau has right now is buying new automobiles.

It cannot find any dealers with new cars on hand and it can get practically no guarantees of delivery of '42 cars.

State Labor Commissioner Thomas R. Huston, who has over 50,000 miles on his Chrysler, has asked the Purchasing Bureau for a new car.

Bureau officials contacted 21 different automobile firms but were unable to get an automobile. Mr. Huston will have to continue driving his Chrysler for a while.

The Bureau recently ordered 75 new '42 two-door Fords for the State Police. Officials said that the companies which received the orders were the only ones which guaranteed delivery. The cars are to be delivered between Oct. 1-15.

The Harry Sharp Co. here received an order for 29 Fords, with no trade-ins, for an average price of around \$741 apiece.

Crowe Sales Co. of New Castle received the order for the other 55. Thirty of the cars are to cost the state \$742.40 apiece.

Used cars are to be traded in on the other 25, making 10 of them cost \$288 apiece and 15 \$361 apiece.

HESS MAY TESTIFY IN LIBEL HEARING

LONDON, Sept. 9 (U.P.)—Rudolf Hess, No. 3 Nazi, may return to the headlines again next month when Harry Pollitt, Britain's No. 1 Communist, summons him as a defense witness in a libel action brought by the Duke of Hamilton, whose estate Hess landed after his flight from Germany May 10.

The Duke is suing Pollitt for statements in a pamphlet entitled "Why Is Hess Here?" Pollitt announced that he would call Hess when the case is heard, probably during the second week in October.

If Pollitt's attorneys want to subpoena Hess, they must find him. His whereabouts has been secret since shortly after he landed. Prime Minister Winston Churchill told the House that Hess was a prisoner of war. It was reported later, however, that he was held as a prisoner of state.

He has been reported held at several places. It was speculated that he had been sent to Canada with other war prisoners, but this is held unlikely.

IN INDIANAPOLIS

Here Is the Traffic Record

County City Total

1940 38 55 93

1941 47 48 96

—Sept. 8—

Accidents 17 Injured 8

Arrests 83 Dead 0

MONDAY TRAFFIC COURT

Cases Convic-Fines

Violations 35 34 \$782

Speeding 11 9 82

Failure to stop at 22 22 82

Disobeying traffic signals 7 6 45

Drunken driving 1 1 60

All others 59 43 178

Totals 138 115 \$1229

MEETINGS TODAY

Indiana Small Businessmen Conference, 8 a.m., Hotel Lincoln, Columbus Club, noon, Claypool Hotel.

Indiana Home Builders' Association, 6:30 p.m., Hotel Alhambra, 200 N. Michigan, Room 200, Box 200.

Alpha Tau Omega, noon, Board of Directors Club, noon, Claypool Hotel.

Phalanx Fraternity, 7:30 p.m., Y. M. C. A., Hotel Lincoln, Columbus Club, noon.

Theta Chi, noon, Hotel Lincoln, Columbus Club, noon, Claypool Hotel.

University of Michigan Club, noon, Board of Trade.

Lutheran Service Club, noon, Hotel Lincoln, Columbus Club, noon.

United Rubber Workers of America, Meeting, all day.

FDR'S MOTHER BURIED TODAY

Employees to Bear Casket To Grave Following Simple Ceremony.

By SANDOR S. KLEIN
United Press Staff Correspondent

HYDE PARK, N. Y., Sept. 9 (U.P.)—Mrs. Sarah Delano Roosevelt rides for the last time down the elm-lined road of her Hudson River estate today, en route to her final resting place in the little cemetery behind Ivy-leafed St. James' Episcopal Church.

The mother of the President will be borne to her grave on the shoulders of employees of the family estate who have served her for a score or more years.

Funeral services were set for 2 p.m. (Indianapolis Time) with the Rev. Frank R. Wilson, rector of St. James' officiating. The common touch, despite her aristocratic background, made Mrs. Roosevelt beloved by her most humble neighbors. Her services were preserved in the armchairs for the final rites. They were as her grieving son, and only child wished them to be—plain.

No Pomp, No Eulogy

From the first it was decided that there would be no pomp, no flowers, no eulogies either at the funeral services or at the grave. She would not have approved.

The family reserved to itself and the employees of the estate the privilege of paying the last homage to this woman who had entertained and had been entertained by kings and queens.

Early today state troopers began diverting traffic from that stretch of the Albany Post Road between the estate and the church to insure the family complete privacy. Thus, Hyde Park was virtually isolated from the world.

Body in Library

A cable was stretched across the church grounds facing the Post Road.

The body of Mrs. Roosevelt lay in a mahogany casket in the big library beneath the room in which she died Sunday following a circulatory collapse. In this homey, book-lined room, the family and retainers prepared to gather to hear the Rev. Wilson read the simple Episcopal funeral service.

Even in the selection of the hymns, Mrs. Roosevelt's personal desires, often expressed in the last years of her life, were followed. The selections were, "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" and "Abide With Me," which will be sung by the modest, little St. James' choir.

Relatives at Service

In the big stone and stucco Roosevelt home were three of Mrs. Roosevelt's five grandchildren—James, Elliott and John—and their wives. In addition to the President and the First Lady, the only other relatives present were Mrs. Roosevelt's sister, Mrs. Price Collier of Tuxedo Park, N. Y., and her brother, Franklin Delano.

From the 1200-acre estate came William Flog, its superintendent who entered the Roosevelt home 45 years ago; Charles Van Keuren, assistant superintendent, an employee for 41 years; Louis D. Pew, family chauffeur for 23 years; Robert McCaughey, the butler for 18 years; Mary Campbell, cook; Kate Jennings, personal maid and George Kalm, the second butler. Also invited to the services were Moses Smith, the tenant farmer on the estate for 22 years, his wife and several others.

Japanese-American diplomatic activity during the past week was greatest of Ambassador Grew's nine years in Tokyo.

Developments were building up to an important statement by Premier Fumimaro Konoye, expected tomorrow after the Emperor receives a member of the Privy Council.

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The exception was Miss Georgia-blond Betty Shepard.

"I'll be honest—I'm up here for fun, not for a job," she said. "But if I don't meet a millionaire playboy within a couple of days, I'm going home."

"I was here once before—but that was just pleasure. This time, it's business. I'm looking for that millionaire's husband."

P. S.—She's staying at the Governor Clinton Hotel.

DRAFTEES MAY JOIN NAVY UNTIL MONDAY

Men who have received notices to report to Selective Service headquarters for examinations for induction may not join the Navy after next Monday.

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