

CHOLERA CALLED NATIONAL MENACE

Federal Health Facilities Are
Inadequate to Deal with
the Plague.

TOURISTS MAY BRING IT

DREAD DISEASE IS NOW RAGING
IN VARIOUS PARTS OF EUROPE
—DANGER FROM HEALTHY
AMERICANS.

(American News Service.)
Washington, Sept. 30.—The spread of Asiatic cholera from Russia, where 90,000 cases are reported, into Germany and other countries of Europe, has caused the government to redouble the precautions taken at the port of New York, and has again directed attention to the inadequacy of our national facilities for combating an assault of cholera or plague.

The port doctors are able to exclude any person showing symptoms of cholera, but the real danger is from healthy Americans, returning from abroad, and from robust immigrants, who easily pass the quarantine, but who may, nevertheless, carry enough cholera germs in their bodies to pollute the rivers of a whole state.

"Excretions during an epidemic or among persons coming from an infected region are dangerous," says Professor Chantemesse, of the French Academy of Medicine in a dispatch regarding the outbreak in Europe. "These excretions contain specific microbes in large quantities. They may contaminate wells and springs. Whole rivers may become contaminated in this way, and when, by any means, this polluted water finds itself in the digestive tube, the cholera microbe finds a new home and multiplies."

What Roosevelt Said.
The possibility of an act by congress at the next session to give better protection against an outbreak of an epidemic in this country by stopping the pollution of interstate waterways in which excretions are dumped is foreshadowed by the recent remarks of Col. Roosevelt in speaking of putting sewage into the Great Lakes: "We claim to be a civilized people, and civilized people ought to know how to dispose of the sewage in some other way than putting it into the drinking water. We need action by the State and the Nation to put a complete stop to the pollution of the Great Lakes, action by the State so far as our own boundary is concerned, and action by the Nation, because other states besides our own are interested."

Dr. Chas. S. Braddock, formerly chief medical inspector for the Royal Siam Government at Bangkok, where he had extensive experience fighting cholera, has said regarding a cholera menace:

"When we can control the food and water supply and secure reasonable sanitary conditions, wonderful results to prevention are obtained."

Bubonic Plague Feared.

But Dr. Braddock further states: "In my opinion we need not fear cholera so much as bubonic plague, the prevention of the latter disease is far more difficult to attain." According to Senator Owen, who introduced into the senate the national department of health bill, one of these functions shall be the suppression of bubonic plague and similar national menaces.

The most dangerous epidemic known to the world has been the bubonic plague, a germ disease capable almost explosive epidemic.

After an incubation of from four to seven days with headache, vertigo and mental depression there comes chill, a raging fever, great prostration, occasional vomiting of bile and food, the glands in the neck, under the arms, at the elbow, in the groins, over the knees, all over the body, become red and swollen, tender, and extremely painful. They turn dark, become filled with pus. If not opened, they spontaneously burst. The disease is sometimes attended with abscesses, boils and carbuncles. About this time agony of life and the sting of death are both overcome by a merciful unconsciousness, and the mass of man putrid flesh ceases to breathe and the heart is stilled.

This was the "black death" of London, killing about 70,000 people with a terrible speed—a thousand dying a day. At Marseilles 87,000 died; 200,000 in Moscow.

It is the most dreaded and dangerous of all international epidemics. In a Bombay outbreak, of 220,000 cases 10,000 deaths occurred.

Rats Are Infected.
The bubonic plague is now among the rats and ground squirrels of the Pacific coast," Senator Owen further states. His bill, which will be reported again at the next session, aims at bringing under one department, for economy and efficiency, the various health agencies of the government.

When the bubonic plague broke out in San Francisco in 1900, the city board of health quarantined the Chinatown district, says Senator Owen. The United States circuit judge, on June 15th, 1900, influenced by the commercial spirit of San Francisco, declared the city quarantine illegal.

Bubonic plague was then (1900) on the city. Not having been properly suppressed, it is now scattered over the Pacific coast at points a thousand miles apart, and is requiring enormous sums of money in the attempt to stamp it out. "It has not been stamped out," says Senator Owen, "but is now endemic and spreading through the infection of ground squirrels and rats, which continually infect each other and spread the germs out in our thickly populated centers and remote points that may stagger the nation."

A federal quarantine of the state of

California was finally declared by the official of the public health and marine hospital service at Washington, but this resulted in activities on the part of the California commercial interests to have the marine hospital service suppressed through the secretary of the treasury, in which department the public health and marine hospital service is now placed. A false case was proved, so Senator Owen says, and it was made to temporarily stand as the truth before the country—furnishing evidence and "proving" that there was no bubonic plague in San Francisco.

In actual fact, however, bubonic plague was there in sober truth, as has since been proven.

The point Senator Owen emphasizes is that this bureau of public health, the public health and marine hospital service, was not strong enough to stand up against the power of a state demanding that its commerce should not be interfered with by publishing of the full truth of the presence of the plague to warn people against it. Commercialism triumphed over the interests of the public health because the agencies of the public health were too weak. Senator Owen believes, therefore, that the public health and marine hospital service should be taken out of the department of the treasury, and put in a department devoted to health subjects, co-ordinating in this department all the other existing health agencies of the government.

New crop figs, very fine, just received at Price's.

TOME CRANK ACID AFTER A CAROUSE HE DIED IN SHED

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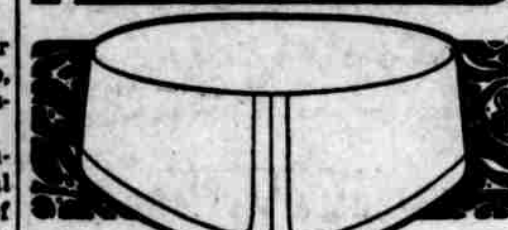
town, to get whiskey and gradually got himself in such a condition he could resist nothing. He undoubtedly knew what he was doing when he drank the acid, however.

TO LEAVE ECONOMY

The Rev. Barton, pastor of the Methodist church at Economy, has accepted a charge in Oklahoma and will leave soon for that place. The change was necessitated owing to climatic conditions. The Rev. Barton and his wife were very popular in Economy and have built up the Methodist church to one of the best of the smaller churches in the North Indiana M. E. conference.

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MADE NEW WORLD RECORD

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OF \$10,000 WHICH HAD BEEN
OFFERED BY A NEWSPAPER IN
CHICAGO.

(American News Service.)
Springfield, Ill., Sept. 30.—After establishing a new world's record for a continuous aeroplane journey, Walter R. Brookins, standing beside his aeroplane at Springfield today described sensations he experienced on his 187 mile flight from Chicago to Springfield, which won for him a \$10,000 cash prize and world wide fame as the greatest of aviators. As the daring youth talked, he was preparing the big Wright biplane for exhibition flights to be made here today.

"It was an awful trip," he said, "but I'd do it again. It was one long battle with the wind, with never a lull. Often the machine was jumping up and down to such an extent that I had a hard time keeping it balanced. I never had any trouble all the way. I could easily tell my route and it was a snap to keep the train in view. I wish I could have had the wind to my back. I could have made some real time yesterday. The mechanism of the biplane worked all right all the time."

"Had I been able to carry sufficient fuel and oil, I could have accomplished a really continuous flight with ease."

Brookins' flight gave him a clear right to the title of world's greatest aviator. He surpassed by seven miles the former world's distance record, 180 miles, made by Louis Paulhan on April 28, 1910, when he flew from London to Manchester.

Wilbur Wright was rubbing his hands gleefully at Springfield.

"There isn't much to say," said Mr. Wright in discussing the flight.

"Brookins made the distance, as we believed he would from the start. The way to do these things is to act and not talk about them. Our biplane did the work."

STATE FAIR OPENED FOUND NOT GUILTY

Springfield, Ill., Sept. 30.—With every available foot of space occupied by exhibits the annual Illinois State Fair opened today and will continue during the next ten days. Horse racing, automobile speed contests, aeroplane flights and speeches by William J. Bryan, Governor Deneen and others of note are included in the programme of special attractions.



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(American News Service.)
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Paris, Sept. 30.—The industrial school with girls at the industrial school. The case was based on the alleged authorization by Carroll of the publication of an article declaring Governor Carroll had sold diseased cattle and had let contracts without securing estimates, and by charging undue influence on the state board of control.

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