CORONER'S JURY THINKS

WORRY OVER PARALYSIS MAY TERRORIZE PARENTS INTO ILLNESS

Doctor Krusen Warns Fathers and Mothers to Be Careful and to Avoid Becoming Panic-Stricken Over Scare of Epidemic

"Parents have become much frightened by the situation," said Doctor Krusen, "and the first thing that we know there is going to be an epidemic of nervous parents, which will be as bad as the in-fantile paralysis situation itself. People have actually become panicky,"

Doctor Krusen is of the opinion that the stringent measures used by the Pennsylvania Health Department and the city Health Department are an important factor in reducing the number of cases within the last few days. There has been a noticeable last few days. There has been a noticeable decrease both in the city and the State. Doctor Krusen thinks that the attitude of the parents is bringing forth results never squaled before for the benefit of the community, because places which have not been

cleaned up for months are being attended to and the sanitary conditions are being improved in a hitherto unheardof manner. Doctor Krusen does not try to minimize the gravity of the infantile paralysis situa-tion in this city, for he, along with all other medical authorities, says there is the mystery about the ravages of the disease which no one knows how to combat. It is the mys-at the results of the efforts of State and tery of it all which makes the physicians take different methods of combating it, men who are watching the situation daily.

Twentieth and Arch streets, monkeys are new being utilized for this purpose. If

new being utilized for this purpose. If human blood is used it should be used carefully, for it is dangerous."

Four new deaths were reported this morning in Philadelphia. Only three new cases developed here, however. Today's dead are:

JOSEPH HAMMER, 2 years, 5671 Heis-

MICHAEL COSTELLO, 3 years, 1516

Ecuth Thirtieth street.
WADVIA GRABECK, 2 months, 4350

Wayne avenue.
SIDNEY BODINE, 1 month, 5812 Trin-

hy place. Fifty-three deaths have resulted since hamary 1 and 199 cases have been re-pered.

NO INCREASE IN CAMDEN, Camden has had only one new case in 48

Nours. Throughout the entire State of Pennsylvania there have developed only 15

"Pennsylvania is particularly fortunate,"

he said. "The indications are that we are

we already are in the middle of August without an epidemic." The one case reported in Camden was

hat of James Monahan, 3 years old, of

w cases in two days, and Doctor a sptimistic over this showing, attributing it to the cold spell and to the effectiveness

of the quarantine.

FOUR MORE DEAD.

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COOL WAVE STRIKES PLAGUE;

philadelphia is going to have an apidemic of sick parents as a result of the infantile paralysis "scare" if the parents are not careful, according to Dr. Wilmer are not careful, according to Dr. Wilmer Krusen. Director of Public Health and Charities, who says that the fathers and mothers have become panicky and hysterical as a result of the infantile paralysis situation. are working, as it were, in the dark. We are, therefore, using every possible avenus which might be a way by which the disease is spread. We do not know what things—food, insects, persons—may spread it We only know that it is spread. We

do not want to alarm the parents of little children too much, and do not want sick parents on our hands as a result of the worrying they go through, but we do want all precautions taken, and we appreciate the way the papers and the public are cooperating in helping to combat the spread of the disease.

"I really believe we are making progress," he said. "Look at Bristol, for instance. It looked rather dark there for a while and we had the nearest to an epidemic there for the size of the place that we have anywhere in the State; but the stringent measures taken in cleaning up that town and the effective quarantine against New York and New Jersey seems to have stopped the over the police by politicians?" and New Jersey seems to act the spread there. It looks as though we are on the right track. Then, too, look at the record of the first week's quarantino resuits. Only three cases in a population of 6,500,000 on the first day of the second week of the quarantine. That was Sunday of this week."

Health authorities are much encouraged at the results of the efforts of State and city officials, according to statements from

The quarantine is particularly hard on

money for transportation, only to be met at their destination by the inspectors and returned to the place from where they had

set out because they had not taken the pre-caution to equip themselves with cerificate, showing their children to be free of th-

The Camden authorities have abandoned

phases of the campaign against infantile

paralysis, Doctor Krusen held a con ference this afternoon with James Robinson

superintendent of police; John A. Vogelson, chief of the Bureau of Health; William H. Connell, chief of the Bureau of Highways;

Carleton E. Davis, chief of the Eureau of Water, and George E. Datesman, Director

had been exonerated because of the fact that physicians find it difficult to diagnose diseases as infartile paralysis in the in-cipient stage. Another physician is to be heard next week concerning his failure to make a proper report of paralysis. Special meetings last night of four branches of the Philadelphia County Medi-cal Society, at which physicians discussed the diagnosis, transmission and treatment

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of infantile paralysis, were well attended

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danger of spreading the disease

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of Public Works.

street.

NO NEW VICTIMS IN NIGHT

MAYOR PLEDGES ACTS ON VICE PROBLEM

Continued from Page One results count, he says, and they are still in

SENATOR VARE VISITS MAYOR. A good deal of interest has been stirred by Senator Vare's visit to the Mayor yester-day. After the interview Mr. Smith was

"Mr. Mayor, you are not in the habit of calling in State Senators or others not ficially connected with your administration

to discuss what you plan to do in the city government, are you?"

Then he consented to reply to a previous

question. He said:

"If you ask me whether Senator Vare came to talk with me about what I propose doing to take the police out of politics or ridding this city of vice, my reply to you is that we positively did not discuss these subjects."

Then he drove away. Senator Vare was more communicative. Senator Vare was more communicative, although not particularly illuminative. He refused to say whether or not he was pleased with the Mayor's order to eliminate all policemen from political clubs. In the downtown section, controlled by Senator Vare and his brother, Congressman Vare, there are nearly a score of such clubs. One of them, the Union Republican Club, of South Philadelphia, founded by Senator Vare, has more than 1000 members.

Following is the interview with Senator

Following is the interview with Senator Vare in the corridor outside the Mayor's "What did you discuss with Mayor

"We talked about everything and we "We talked about everything and we didn't talk about anything."
"That is not very specific. Did you discuss the Mayor's plan to take the police from politics?"

"Did you discuss the order taking policeen from political clubs?" "No, Bir.

"What do you think of that order?" "I don't think."
"What effect will it have upon the Or-

gantzation?

"I don't know."
"A man so highly placed in local politics as you naturally would be expected to have an opinion on a matter so closely allied with politics," it was suggested. "You can 'throw that bull' somewhere,"

was the Senator's reply, "but you can't get away with it with me." "What do you have to say as to the Mayor's declaration that the influence of politicians over policemen had a great deal to do with the protection of vice in this

"I don't think politics interferes with the

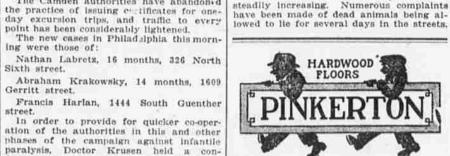
PARALYSIS LEAPS UPWARD IN NEW YORK; MANY DEATHS

100 New Cases and 39 Deaths Reported by Physicians

NEW YORK, Aug. 15 .- Hope that the NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—Hope that the crest of the infantile paralysis epidemic had been reached was destroyed today by a large increase in the number of new cases and deaths. For the 24 hours ending at 10 a. m. the Health Department reported 100 new cases and 29 deaths, an increase of 68 and 8 respectively. The total of cases to date is 6532, while 1463 have died from the foreign-speaking persons, who are still in ignorance that it even exists and nome-times pay out comparatively large sums of

Experts watching the course of the dis-case believe that only the cold weather of the fall can check the epidemic. That the number of cases may reach 11,000 is gen-erally believed by the physicians. Several cases among the adults have resuited fatally. It is apparent from ob-servation of the present plague that any adult who falls victim has a very slight

chance of recovery. Criticism of the Health Department is steadily increasing. Numerous complaints have been made of dead animals being al-



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Doctor Cairns is investigating the case of Catherine Dale, 2 years old, 623 East Thompson street, to ascertain if any phy-1103 Tioga street. He was taken ili Friday, but physicians diagnosed the case as par-Alysis only today. His is the twenty-second tase in Camden during the month. Eight deaths have occurred there since July 15. sician is culpable, because she was taken sick August 4, while the case was not re-ported until Friday. REPORTS ON PLAGUE. Dr. J. M. Campbell, who is in charge of the State medical inspectors, has sent a man up the Delaware River to investigate Director Krusen said today that he had investigated the situation relative to two physicians who had permitted cases of infantile paralysis to develop without report-ing them to the authorities, but that these had been exonerated because of the fact

ers that the quarantine was being vio-Namers that the quarantine was being vio-lated. The Delaware Transportation Com-pany's vessels zigzag on their trips from the Pennsylvania to the New Jersey shore, but Dector Dixon said he was sure the company was doing everything in its power to aid in the observance of the quarantine. The New Jersey Board of Health and the railroad companies doing business in that State are just now in controversy over the tate are just now in controversy over the nt of the infantile paralysis quar

The latter were requested to ald a the observance of the quarantine by re-laing to sell tickets to children under 16 cars of age unless they could display math certificates. To this reply was made at the railroads are not quarantine agents and that, while they would aid in the spread propaganda, they could not be expected submit to the inconvenience accompany-the placing of railroad inspectors at all

JERSEY QUARANTINE. In every city, village and hamlet of New may the paralysis quarantine is being sidy enforced by a small army of State dectors. Wherever there is a small setnt an eagle-eyed representative of the nunity paces the railroad station platoks over the highways and trolley

cks, determined that no child under 10 without a health certificate shall enter illiage and make possible an outbreak w Jersey has established a quarantinties against communities. It is

Haddon Heights or anywhere else unless is protected by a health certificate.



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tives' Theory

Two conflicting theories as to the cause of he death of 9-year-old Richard Meekins, of 2449 South Sixty-first street, whose body ras found at Seventleth street and Botanic avenue on May 3, were advanced today at the inquest before Coroner Knight.

Detective Timlin, who was assigned to the ase two days after the boy disappeared on fovember 28, said he believed he did of sposure. Coroner's Physician Dr. William Wadsworth said that the presence of a andkerchief around R chard's neck indicated probable strangulation. The jury, acting under instructions from Coroner Knight, brought a verdict that death was probably due to strangulation.

The inquest had been put off from week to week at the request of the Detective Bureau in the hope that the mystery of the boy's disappearance might be solved. The finding of the jury, which is the first official indication that young Meekins is dead, will enable his mother, Mrs. Annie Meekins, who is poor, to collect insurance for her son's death.

Mrs. Meekins was so overcome by emotion that she had seet difficulty in testifying

that she had great difficulty in testifying. Two detectives stood near her as she stood on the witness stand, fearing a collapse. but the woman controlled herself sufficiently o answer the questions put to her. Richard's 5-year-old brother James was

called to the stand, but, clinging to his other, he wept bitterly and was excused the Coroner. Detective Timlin said that he and Deective Edward Lynch had passed the neighborhood where the body was found many times, but explained the failure to find the body by saying that the ground during winter was inundated with water. Detective Lynch died as a result of a cold contracted there. Timlin said he believed

the child had not been murdered, but wandered to the spot and died of exposure. Doctor Wadsworth said he could account the presence of the handkerchief around the breaches of the handserchief around the boy's neck in no other way than that he was strangled. He said that this theory was strengthened by the manner in which the handkerchief was tied, and by its pressure against the neck.

Luke Meekins, father of the dead boy, who lives at 5331 Yocum street; Judson Self, the farmer on whose land the body was found, and the boy's grandfather were among others who testified.

KAISER DOESN'T ENVY MAN WHO STARTED WAR

'I at Least Am Not That Man," Emperor Declares in Reported Interview

LONDON, Aug. 15.—A statement by the German Emperor on the responsibility for the European war is printed in the London Daily News. It is contained in a dispatch rom Berne, Switzerland, which gives an 'eminent neutral's" account of an audience with the Emperor at Berlin. The Kaiser is reported as saying:

"I suppose the British theory that I am responsible for the war has got a hold on your own people. It is curious how this theory seems to fascinate my enemies. Yet the people who accuse me of having caused the war are the very people who previously testified to the carnestness of my desire for peace.

"I do not envy the man who has the responsibility for this war upon his conscience. I at least am not that man, "I think history will clear me of that charge, although I do not suppose history will hold me faultless. In a sense, every civilized man in Europe must have a share n the responsibility for this war, and the higher his position, the larger his respon-

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sibility. I admit that, and yet I claim I acted throughout in good faith and strove hard for peace, even when war was in-

evitable.

"Why do you neutrals always talk about German militarism and never about Russian depotism, French craving for revenge and English treachery? I think the next generation will strike a juster balance in apportioning the blame."

Drowns in Swatara Creek

HARRISBURG, Aug. 15. - Raymond Gongloff, night operator for the Philadelphia and Reading Railway at Swatara, was while swimming across the Swatara Creek at the Stoverdale Camp Meeting Grounds late yesterday. He is urvived by a wife and infant son.

De Segur, French Historian, Dies PARIS, Aug. 15.—Marquis de Segur, an historian and member of the French Acad-emy since 1907, died yesterday,

Uruguayan Ministry Resigns MONTEVIDEO, Aug. 15.—The Uruguay-an Ministry has resigned.





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