BUBONIC PLAGUE
AND INFLUENZA
BACILLUS IDENTICAL

Easton, Pa., Dec. 30—Announcement
was made here today that Dr. Adam
I. Kotz, pathologist at the Easton Hos-
pital, has declared that bacillus pestis,
which is the cause of bubonic plague,
is responsible for the epidemic of in-
fluenza, tending to prove; it was said,
that influenza and the black death of
the middle ages are one and the same
thing.

Dr. Kotz’s discovery, it was said,
came only after the most exhaustive
examinations and experiments with
guinea pigs and white mice. In every
instance the experiments proved them-
selves in the sense required by sci-
entists, it was declared.

The isolation of the bacillus, local
physicians said, would mean that fifty
per cent of the battle against in-
fluenza would be won, as investiga-
tions would then turn toward finding a
serum through which the disease could
be cured.