VITAL STATISTICS OF PENNSYLVANIA IN INFLUENZA PLAGUE

Harrisburg, Oct. 31. The state department of health tonight reported 3,558 new cases of influenza from twenty counties and 1,116 deaths from influenza and pneumonia in twenty-four hours. There have been 23,946 deaths reported since October 1, of which 21,947 were caused by influenza. Seven more Red Cross nurses arrived to-day from New England and were sent to Emergency Hospitals and acting Commissioner Royer tonight reported that doctors and nurses are still needed.

A statement issued at the department tonight said:

"There will be no early lifting of the closing ban in the city of Pittsburgh unless reports on the public health show marked improvement in the next few days. The state department of health has been making special investigations of conditions in Allegheny county and its finds are encouraging. Dr. H. Franklin Yer, acting commissioner of health, counted tonight that Allegheny city to date has a total of 42,883 cases of influenza. There were 828 cases of influenza reported today and the number of deaths still remains very high. The city of Pittsburgh has a total of 583 cases today, twenty-two of pneumonia. There were 151 cases in Pittsburgh to-day from influenza and pneumonia, according to reports."