

NEW 'GRIPPE' RAVAGES EAST

85,000 Sick in Massachusetts Alone and New York Asks Help.

MANY SOLDIERS DOWN

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BOSTON, Sept. 29.—At least 85,000 persons are ill from Spanish influenza in Massachusetts and the death list is growing hourly. Scores of doctors and nurses have been recruited for the battle against the disease, but State Health Commissioner Kelley says there is still a "crying need for doctors and nurses, especially nurses." A government health service train with five doctors and 10 nurses arrived tonight. Other hospital units are expected.

There is also a shortage of medical, nursing, orderly, laundry and kitchen staffs for the hospitals resulting from the high sick rate among hospital employees.

Spanish influenza and bronchopneumonia took 149 lives in this city in the 24 hours ending at 10 o'clock

tonight, bringing the death toll since September 14 to 1,226.

400 New Cases Worry New York.

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—In announcing tonight that nearly 400 new cases of Spanish influenza had been reported here today, the Health Department appealed for volunteers to relieve the shortage of nurses and orderlies in the hospitals.

Physicians and nurses were sent today to railroad stations here to treat travelers showing symptoms of the malady.

425 Ill at Camp Mills.

CAMP MILLS, N. Y.—Sixty-five soldiers in this camp have been stricken with influenza within the last 24 hours bringing the total number of cases reported in two weeks to 425.

Chicago Getting Better.

CHICAGO, Sept. 29.—A further decrease in the number of cases of Spanish influenza at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station was recorded today by Capt. W. A. Moffett, commandant. Only 50 new cases were reported. A reduction of 37 cases from Saturday. There are 1,689 men on the sick list and 60 deaths have been reported in the last 24 hours.

62 Dix Soldiers Die in Day.

CAMP DIX, N. Y., Sept. 29.—Sixty-two soldiers died from influenza here within the last 24 hours bringing the total number of deaths to 287. One of the victims was Lieut. George Lang of Minneapolis. Today 644 new cases of influenza were reported, making the total about 6,000.

24 Die Near Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 29.—(A. P.)—Influenza and pneumonia caused 23 deaths at camps and military posts in the vicinity of Baltimore in the last 24 hours. There were 386 new cases at Camp Meade, bringing the total to 2,500 at this cantonment. At the Edgewood Arsenal there are more than 1,000 cases and nine deaths occurred there yesterday and today. At Camp Holabird there are nearly 800 cases. Out of 175 men in the aero squadron only 19 reported for duty today.