

INFLUENZA IS NOW SUBSIDING IN 44 STATES

Public Health Service at Washington Makes En- couraging Report

WASHINGTON, October 24.—Further subsidence of the influenza epidemic over the country was indicated in reports received today by the Public Health Service from forty-four states. The situation still is serious in many localities, however, and more particularly in the larger cities.

There was practically no change today in Army camps, 2772 new cases being reported, a decrease of one from yesterday's total. Pneumonia cases decreased from 742 yesterday to 699 today and deaths were 307 against 327 the day before. The total of influenza cases reported now is 298,275, pneumonia cases 48,328 and deaths 16,174.

NONE IN TWO CAMPS

Camps Dix, N. J., and Grant, Ill., where influenza epidemics have been particularly serious, did not report a single new case, while only seven were reported from Camp Devens, Mass. The largest number of new cases reported today was from Camp McClellan, Ala., with 123.

Arkansas reported today that the peak had been passed in the larger towns, but that conditions were more serious in the rural districts. Connecticut reported a general decline in the number of cases, but that the disease still is active in the larger cities. California has reported a total of 45,700 cases.

DECREASE IN FLORIDA

In Florida deaths in the cities and towns increased rapidly early this month, but they now show a sharp decrease. In Arizona the disease is spreading to some extent in the mining districts, but elsewhere is on the decline. The total of cases reported in Colorado is 11,432, while in other Far Western states the disease is epidemic in most cities.

Improvement is shown in Washington and Oregon, as well as California. In the Northwest, conditions continue serious, particularly in Minnesota, but in the states bordering on the Mississippi river there is a decline in the number of new cases.

CITIES STILL SUFFER

Over the South and East generally improvement is shown, but the disease still is active in most of the large cities, including New York, where 759 deaths were reported today; Boston; Providence, R. I.; Philadelphia, Washington, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Indianapolis, Chicago and Louisville.