

INCENTIVE PAYS OFF-EVEN IN RUSSIA



Tetanus Can Be Serious When Preventive Measures Not Followed

Not a great many cases of typhoid fever now occur in this country, though it was major killer less than half century ago.

In California, for instance, the annual number of typhoid cases has not exceeded 100 since 1956. But when so many Americans travel in foreign countries where the disease, the common, the chances are good that the number will increase. In this jet age it can hardly be otherwise despite all the precautions that are taken by feel.

travel in" countries are really not "safe" at all.

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IT TAKES FROM one to three weeks, with an average of two weeks, before symptoms of illness appear following infection with the typhoid bacilli. When traveling by air, this allows and abundance of time to do a considerable amount of sightseeing and still get home while apparently in good health.

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In pre-antibiotic days, according to medical opinion, the Zermatt outbreak would have been a major disaster. Antibiotic drugs are extremely effective in the treatment of typhoid, however, and have greatly shortened the period of illness. Prior to their use, recovery in urviving patients used to take eight weeks or more, but the period of illness following infection is now considerably less and the mortality has been reduced from 10 per cent to around two per cent.

An attack of the disease affords a high degree of immunity for the person's lifetime. This is also true when the individual has so mild an illness following infection that it goes unrecognized.

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TYPHOID FEVER is communicable as long as the typhoid organisms appear in the individual's bowel and kidney discharges. Some 10 per cent of persons discharge the typhoid bacilli for about three months after recovery, but in about two to five per cent of about two to five per cent of cases the individual becomes a permanent or chronic carrier. Such persons, of course, are a source of infection to others and are kept under the super-vision of health officials.

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Many individuals who have had mild attacks of the disease do not know that they are typhoid carriers. Such an unknown carrier was the course of infection in the nine typhoid cases that recently occurred in cases that recently occurred in Los Angeles County.

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For the fact is that most vacationists, when visiting countries where sanitation and health standards are considered reasonably good, fail to obtain immunization against the disease before leaving home and may therefore return with it, Yet when disease statistics are examined, it is obvious that some "safe to travel in" countries are really considered necessary, excepting in the case of a typhoid carrier's family. The studied in the final official count, for, countries, and the final official count, for, countries are easonably possible. The final official count, for, countries are self the final official count, for, countries are self the proven victims came from 10 different countries, 8 that matter. Typhoid vaccine offers a good degree of protection, and should be obtained if the individual goes into an area where the disease is likely to occur.

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