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Baltimore City Health Department
WEEKLY LETTER TO THE MAYOR

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In his WEEKLY LETTER TO THE MAYOR dated January 7, 1972, the Commissioner of Health wrote:

Dear Mayor:

I am pleased to report that Mr. George W. Schucker, Assistant Commissioner of Health for Sanitary Services in the Baltimore City Health Department, has been reappointed a member of the Wholesome Meat Advisory Council of Maryland by Governor Marvin Mandel.

Members of the Council are appointed for a term of three years in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Wholesome Meat Act of 1968. The eleven member council includes representatives of the State Board of Agriculture, the Agricultural Advisory Board, the State and City health departments, the Consumer Protection Division of the Attorney General of Maryland and members of the meat industry. The function of the council is to advise the State Board of Agriculture in the making of rules and regulations for meat inspection and in establishing meat production standards.

Mr. Schucker has been a member of the Baltimore City Health Department staff since 1937 and Assistant Commissioner since 1959. A graduate in civil and sanitary engineering from the Johns Hopkins University, Mr. Schucker has been instrumental in many innovations in city housing and health programs and has been recognized nationally for these efforts. He is co-author of "The Practice of Sanitation in its Relation to the Environment", a textbook utilized by public health workers and students of public health.

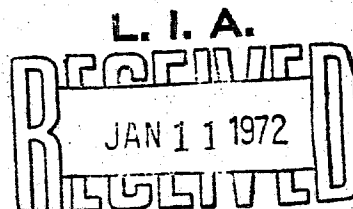
Prior to the enactment of the State Wholesome Meat Act, Baltimore City was the only subdivision maintaining a meat inspection service for the protection of Baltimore consumers. Since the city's meat inspection services were transferred to the State Board of Agriculture, the City Health Department has through its Sanitary Services and its Public Health Veterinarian maintained an active surveillance of meat products and sold in the city.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Robert E. Farber, M.D.

Commissioner of Health

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BALTIMORE CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE WEEK ENDING JANUARY 6 1972

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WEEKLY SUMMARY OF BIRTHS, DEATHS
AND INFANT MORTALITY

	Week Ending January 6, 1972			Week Ending January 7, 1971		
	TOTAL	WHITE	NONWHITE	TOTAL	WHITE	NONWHITE
BIRTHS	N U M B E R					
Total recorded	334	211	123	432	215	217
Residents only	215	105	110	309	107	202
DEATHS						
Total recorded	280	184	96	268	169	99
Residents only	219	131	88	230	136	94
INFANT DEATHS						
Total recorded	6	1	5	16	8	8
Residents only	3	0	3	14	6	8
BIRTHS	CUMULATIVE NUMBER FOR YEAR TO DATE					
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	RESIDENT RATES* FOR YEAR TO DATE					
BIRTHS	12.5	11.8	13.2	17.8	11.7	24.8
DEATHS	12.7	14.7	10.6	13.3	14.8	11.5
INFANT MORTALITY	14.0	0	27.3	45.3	56.1	59.3

*BIRTH AND DEATH RATES PER 1,000 POPULATION; INFANT MORTALITY RATE PER 1,000 LIVE BIRTHS;
ALL RATES COMPUTED ON AN ANNUAL BASIS

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WEEKLY STATISTICAL REPORT
CASES OF REPORTABLE DISEASES, NON-RESIDENTS EXCLUDED

WEEK ENDING January 6, 1972

DISEASE	CASES			YEAR TO DATE CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF CASES	
	CURRENT WEEK	7 YEAR RANGE*		1972	1971
		HIGH	LOW		
Tuberculosis, active.....	9	9	0	9	0
Syphilis, primary and secondary.....	14	18	3	14	3
Gonococcal infections.....	269	260	34	269	225
Infectious hepatitis.....	2	9	1	2	6
Meningococcal infections.....	0	2	0	0	0
Meningitis, other.....	0	4	0	0	0
Encephalitis, infectious.....	0	5	0	0	0
Measles.....	0	56	0	0	0
German measles.....	0	6	0	0	0
Mumps.....	1	16	5	1	16
Chickenpox.....	8	15	2	8	5
Diphtheria.....	0	0	0	0	0
Whooping cough.....	10	4	0	10	0
Streptococcal infections.....	13	5	0	13	8
Poliomyelitis (paralytic cases).....	0	0	0	0	0
Typhoid fever.....	0	0	0	0	0
Salmonellosis.....	5	5	0	5	5
Dysentery.....	7	10	0	7	10
Diarrhea and enteritis.....	0	1	0	0	0
Lead poisoning.....	0	1	0	0	0
Influenza.....	1	3	0	0	0
Other reportable diseases.....	31	-	-	31	23

MORTALITY BY MAJOR CAUSES, NON-RESIDENTS EXCLUDED

CAUSE OF DEATH	CURRENT WEEK	7 YEAR RANGE*		YEAR TO DATE CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF DEATHS	
	TOTAL	HIGH	LOW	1972	1971
All Causes.....	219	289	221	219	230
Diseases of the heart.....	88	115	77	88	84
Cancer, all forms.....	41	52	37	41	44
Cerebral hemorrhage.....	10	27	11	10	20
Diseases of the arteries and veins.....	7	11	3	7	4
Influenza and pneumonia.....	7	27	4	7	4
Diabetes.....	6	16	5	6	9
Cirrhosis of liver.....	11	13	3	11	13
Tuberculosis (all forms).....	2	4	0	2	1
Nephritis.....	1	3	0	1	2
Puerperal causes.....	0	1	0	0	0
Malformations and diseases of early infancy.....	4	14	1	4	10
Suicides.....	3	6	0	3	1
Homicides.....	11	10	1	11	2
Accidents					
Home.....	4	6	0	4	5
Industrial.....	0	3	0	0	3
Automobile.....	2	5	0		
Other public.....	1	3	0		
Other external causes.....	1	-	-		1
Other specified causes.....	20	-	-	20	24

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* THE HIGH AND LOW FIGURES SHOWN ARE DERIVED FROM THE NUMBER OF CASES AND DEATHS FOR THE COMPARABLE WEEK FOR THE PERIOD 1965-1971