Three per cent of the million draftees whose examination blanks first reached the Adjutant General’s office in Washington had a venereal disease when they reported at camp.

The record for each state follows:

1. Oregon ................ 0.59%  
2. Idaho ................ 0.76  
3. Utah ................ 0.79  
4. Washington .......... 0.86  
5. Montana ............... 0.89  
6. South Dakota .......... 0.95  
7. California ............ 1.15  
8. Wisconsin ............ 1.21  
9. Wyoming .............. 1.22  
10. New Hampshire ....... 1.22  
11. Nevada ............... 1.40  
12. Nebraska ............ 1.53  
13. Vermont ............. 1.53  
14. New Jersey ........... 1.55  
15. Minnesota ............ 1.57  
16. Connecticut .......... 1.60  
17. Iowa ................ 1.63  
18. Massachusetts ....... 1.66  
19. Arkansas ............. 1.73  
20. North Dakota ......... 1.75  
21. New York ............ 1.82  
22. Alaska ............... 1.90  
23. Michigan ............. 1.95  
24. Maine ................. 2.02  
25. Colorado ............. 2.12  
26. District of Col ...... 2.14  
27. Kansas ............... 2.38  
28. Illinois .............. 2.44  
29. Pennsylvania ......... 2.62  
30. Rhode Island ........ 2.66  
31. New Mexico ........... 2.68  
32. Delaware ............. 2.78  
33. Ohio ................ 3.24  
34. Maryland ............. 3.28  
35. Indiana ............... 3.33  
36. Louisiana ............. 3.32  
37. Arizona ............... 3.40  
38. Missouri ............. 3.52  
39. Kentucky ............. 3.77  
40. Tennessee ............. 3.80  
41. North Carolina ....... 3.90  
42. West Virginia ......... 4.06  
43. Mississippi .......... 4.05  
44. Oklahoma ............. 4.50  
45. Texas ................. 4.79  
46. Georgia ............... 5.00  
47. South Carolina ....... 6.84  
48. Virginia ............... 8.45  
49. Alabama ............... 8.68  
50. Florida ............... 8.90

Venereal Diseases and the War

According to the statement of the Surgeon General of the War Department, venereal disease constituted the greatest cause of disablement in the army. For this condition, civilian communities have been responsible. Most cases of venereal disease in the army were brought in upon the induction of registered men. Virtually all cases were contracted within communities over which civil authorities have control.

The Army has done more than its part in combating venereal disease. Civil communities must continue the fight with vigor.

Reports from your state and city will be closely watched by Government officers and by the nation at large.

EXPLANATION OF GRAPH

Taking Maine as an example, out of every hundred draftees who arrived at the various camps to which they were sent, two (on an average) had a venereal disease. Out of every 10,000, there were 202 who had a venereal disease. It should be noted that these figures apply only to the million men whose reports first reached the Adjutant General’s office from the various Camp Surgeons. Later reports may change these results.

The figures here used were furnished by the office of Surgeon General of the Army.
The Percentage of Venereal Diseases Among Approximately the Second Million Drafted Men—By States.

Examinations at Mobilization Camps showed that 5.4 per cent of these men had a venereal disease at the time of examination upon arrival in camp. This percentage includes only obvious cases of syphilis and gonorrhea and chancroid. Wassermann examinations were not given. Furthermore, this percentage does not include those who had been previously cured or who may have become infected later. The record for each state follows:

1. Vermont........... 1.38%
2. South Dakota....... 1.53
3. Porto Rico......... 1.67
4. Utah............... 1.83
5. North Dakota...... 1.85
6. New Hampshire..... 1.85
7. Hawaii............. 1.96
8. Wisconsin......... 2.01
9. Alaska............ 2.13
10. Oregon........... 2.19
11. Idaho............. 2.21
12. Wyoming.......... 2.25
13. Massachusetts.... 2.31
14. Minnesota........ 2.31
15. Maine............. 2.35
16. Colorado.......... 2.39
17. Connecticut...... 2.59
18. Rhode Island..... 2.67
19. California........ 2.67
20. Washington....... 2.82
21. Iowa.............. 2.88
22. New York......... 2.91
23. Kansas........... 2.92
24. Nebraska......... 3.00
25. Nevada........... 3.09
26. Montana........... 3.11
27. New Jersey........ 3.14
28. Pennsylvania...... 3.58
29. Kentucky.......... 3.81
30. Ohio............... 4.01
31. Michigan.......... 4.34
32. Indiana........... 4.53
33. Arizona........... 4.59
34. Illinois.......... 4.96
35. West Virginia..... 5.15
36. Missouri......... 6.10
37. Maryland.......... 6.23
38. Tennessee......... 6.26
39. New Mexico........ 6.71
40. North Carolina.... 6.75
41. Virginia.......... 6.91
42. Delaware.......... 7.24
43. District of Columbia 7.53
44. Oklahoma.......... 7.79
45. Arkansas.......... 9.93
46. Alabama........... 10.33
47. Texas............. 11.62
48. Louisiana......... 11.21
49. Mississippi....... 12.48
50. South Carolina.... 12.66
51. Georgia........... 13.05
52. Florida........... 15.63

This record can not be changed, but soon your state will be graded again. The average of the grades which are given to the various cities of your state on the basis of the 1000 point schedule (see page 7) will determine the grade for your state.

How will your state stand then?