

VACCINE FOR "FLU"

Discovered in Toronto, Being Sent to Hospitals

Toronto, October 20.—A preventive vaccine for influenza has been discovered in Toronto, and already its distribution to Ontario hospitals has commenced. Announcement to this effect was made tonight by the Connaught laboratories at the University of Toronto. The vaccine consists of dead germs of influenza, and eighteen grains of these germs are used in the preparation. The preparation of the vaccine in large quantities is difficult, but 7,000 doses already have been sent out.

Dr. R. D. Defries, the acting director of the Connaught laboratories, is in charge of the work.

The Connaught laboratories were established along the lines of the Rockefeller Institute of New York and the Lister Institute of London, England, for investigation in the field of preventive medicine and production of public health vaccine and serums. The laboratories have distributed during the last four years diphtheria antitoxin and other necessary products, not only throughout Canada to the provincial health departments, but also have supplied the department of militia and defence, with all the tetanus (lockjaw) preventive serum required for the Canadian overseas forces.

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