

Polio Epidemic
Said on Wane

Raleigh, N.C., July 31.—(U.P.)—North Carolina's polio epidemic, at last believed to be on the wane, claimed 31 new victims Saturday for a year's toll of 1,095.

But health officials maintained their hope that the peak of the nation's worst infantile paralysis epidemic this summer is past.

Dr. C. P. Stevick, state epidemiologist, said the North Carolina outbreak is now spreading out over more territory but the intensity was decreasing. That lessening concentration, he said, is normally a sign that an outbreak is on its way out.

The total of cases for the week ended Saturday stood at 210 compared to 206 cases reported the week ending last Saturday.

BAN VACATIONERS

Savannah Beach, Ga., July 31.—(U.P.)—Mayor Edward A. Dutton Saturday signed an order prohibiting North Carolina residents and vacationers from other polio epidemic areas from visiting Savannah Beach.

The infantile paralysis epidemic in North Carolina—hardest hit spot in the nation—reached 1,095 cases Saturday.

Mayor Dutton notified hotels and public rooming houses to refuse to register anyone with a North Carolina address. Private citizens were instructed not to invite friends from that state into their beach homes.

Penalty for violating the order is a \$100 fine.

The Savannah Beach council met in special session to give the mayor authority to impose the drastic order.

Health authorities said four cases of polio are on record in Chatham county in which Savannah Beach and the near-by city of Savannah are located.

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