

## Charles McCoy's Perverted Pandemic Legacy

Charles Walter McCoy may easily be viewed as the most harmful force in the history of American medicine. From 1915 to 1937, McCoy was director of the PHS Hygienic Laboratory, which, in 1930 was renamed the National Institute of Health. As the first NIH Director (although an NIH chronology acknowledges three earlier Hygienic Laboratory directors), McCoy's perverted pandemic perspective is now an integral part of the PHS and NIH historical record, abetted and even further twisted by a consummate PHS apologist, John Eyler, and enshrined as NIH gospel in a key 2010 article by Chien, Klugman (of B&G Gates Foundation) and Morens (NIH Senior Scientific Advisor).