

wrapped in several plies of newspaper, the more the better, and securely tied. The parcel thus formed is placed in a bed of *red hot* coals.

Disinfection of sputum by boiling is dirty and unsatisfactory. If for any reason sputum cannot be destroyed by burning, it must be thoroughly disinfected by being treated with an equal quantity of 2 per cent. solution of chlorinated lime before being disposed of in any other way.

The tin sputum cup holder should be boiled before a new filler is inserted.

#### ACCIDENTS WITH SPUTUM

When sputum falls on the floor, it should be soaked into and wiped up with absorbent cotton which is wrapped in a newspaper and burnt. A 2 per cent. solution of either lysol or chlorinated lime should be poured on the area of floor contaminated, and allowed to soak for at least an hour before being wiped up.

#### DISINFECTION OF CLOTHING

Smears of sputum on clothing, bedclothes or other places should be attended to immediately after they are discovered, by wiping with old pieces of cotton, soaked in a 2 per cent. solution of lysol. The pieces of cotton should later be burned. After disinfecting with the lysol, the smeared article should be placed in the direct rays of the sun, for at least six hours, in order to disinfect other possibly infected areas not covered by the lysol. For further and more thorough disinfection, fumigation is necessary.