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In 1922-23, “Captain” produced enough antitoxin to protect 86,000
1918
First diphtheria toxin-antitoxin for active immunization made at the Antitoxin and Vaccine Laboratories. It is produced in a newly extended wing of the Laboratories.

1920-1934
Benjamin White – Director (first full time director).

1921
Massachusetts Legislature authorizes the sale of surplus products by the Biologic Laboratories.

1923
First scheduled course, Applied Immunology, given at the Laboratory in conjunction with Harvard School of Public Health.

1923
Gaston Ramon and Alexander Thomas Glenny both independently developed diphtheria toxoid. Ramon treated diphtheria toxin with heat and formalin which inactivated the toxin molecule so that it could no longer attach to cells and cause toxicity. In humans this toxoid was still able to induce antibodies that blocked natural toxin from attaching to cells, thus preventing diphtheria in a person if exposed.

1925
Development and manufacture of Scarlet Fever antitoxin begun at Antitoxin and Vaccine Laboratory. Additionally, production of antiserums for measles, influenza bacillus, and other agents begun.
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