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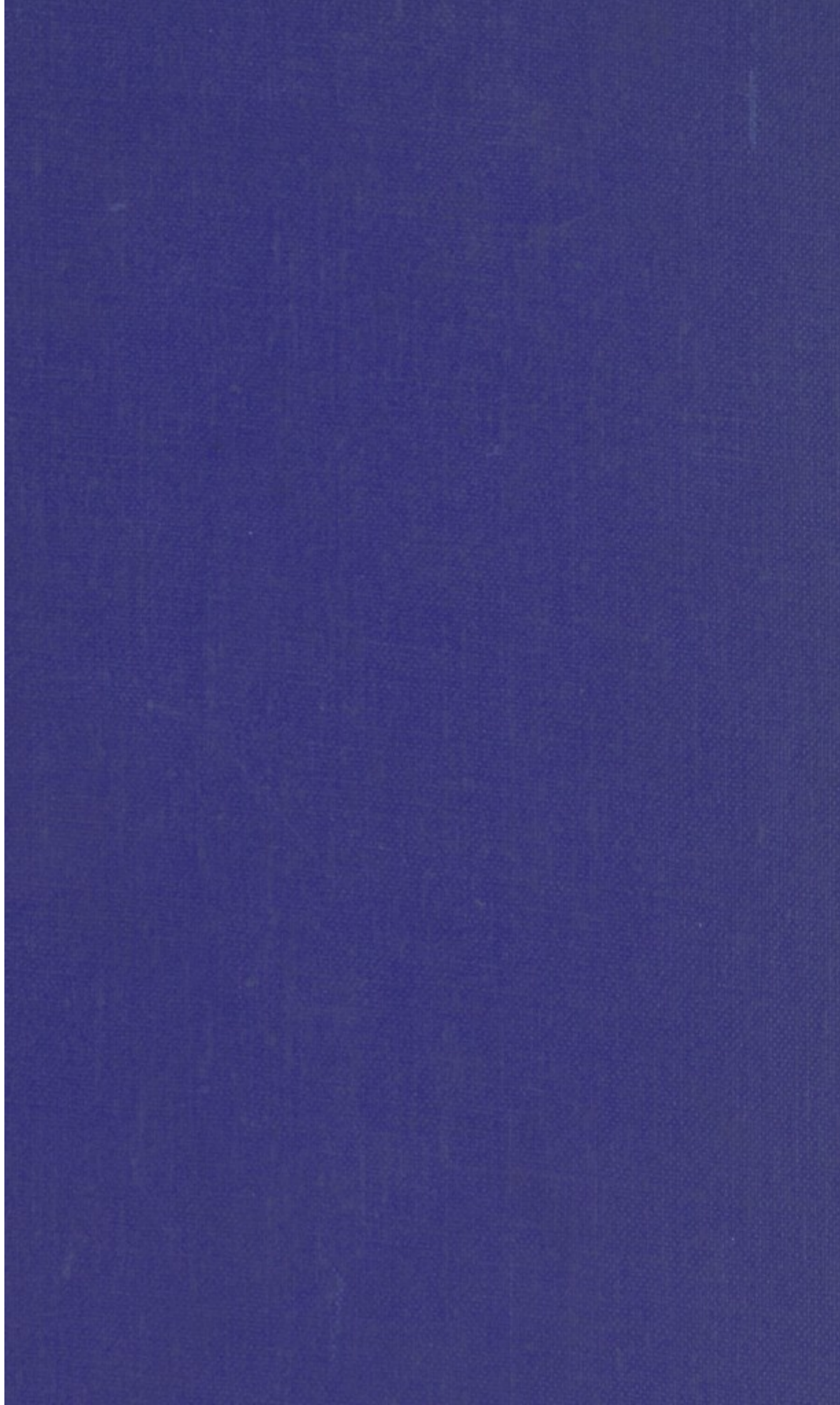
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Metropolitan Borough of Greenwich

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MEDICAL OFFICER

OF

HEALTH

for

1958



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as at 31st December, 1958

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- c " Smoke Inspector
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- g " State Registered Nurse

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July, 1959.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors,
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Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am pleased to report on the health and environmental circumstances of Greenwich for 1958.

The population continues to increase each year and the birth rate is slightly raised. Deaths show a small increase but the Infantile Mortality rate at 14.98 is the second lowest in the history of the Borough. As would be expected both the neo-natal and peri-natal rates also show corresponding reductions. For the second successive year we had one maternal death which was the subject of a Coroners' Inquest.

In analysing the causes of death, both cancer and heart and circulatory troubles are as usual the most common. There were 55 notifications of pulmonary tuberculosis, which is the lowest figure recorded since Greenwich became a Metropolitan Borough.

In common with the rest of the country there has been a complete change in the pattern of disease in the last 25 years. Communicable disease is no longer of vital consequence, although periodic outbreaks of such infections as poliomyelitis, dysentery and food poisoning - which shows an increase of 22 over last year - indicate the continued need for vigilance. This is also borne out by troublesome outbreaks of antibiotic resistant staphylococcal infection in hospitals. It is therefore important that the immunisation and preventive services should be used by the vulnerable groups in the community to the maximum extent. Antibiotic drugs should also be used with discretion and with intelligence in order that the development of resistant strains of organisms can be kept to a minimum.

Preventive and palliative measures have now to be directed towards the degenerative diseases and the ailments associated with the stress of living. Direct preventive action is impeded by an imperfect understanding of the underlying causes of ageing and the mechanisms of adaptation to stress but, as with the infectious diseases in the early days, action is being taken along sound empirical lines until more precise etiological principles have evolved. The services which are being progressively promoted for improving the conditions of old age and adjustment to advancing years illustrate this tentative and empirical approach. Genetical and biochemical research is also gradually revealing important contributory factors in the development of circulatory and heart disorders, and the mysteries of malignancy and of congenital defects may have a complex chemical basis within the nucleus of developing cells which may have practical preventive possibilities in the future. All this is, of course, speculative but the next great break-through in preventive medicine will almost certainly relate to the causation of malignancy in its many forms, to the basic processes of ageing, and to the underlying factors which predispose to congenital malformations arising during pregnancy. It would be surprising if future discoveries did not have practical applications on a broad community basis.

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During the year the Borough continued to have considerable landings of foreign egg products, particularly Chinese. Routine extensive bacteriological testing revealed that this Chinese egg is almost invariably contaminated with food poisoning organisms. All egg products that could be submitted to a sterilising process were treated in special heat chambers to render the egg safe. This has been found to be most effective but, unfortunately, heat can only be applied to powdered or flaked albumen and not to whole egg products. This Council is disturbed about the problem and believes that stringent regulations should be made requiring all egg to be pasteurised and adequately tested prior to processing before being allowed entry into the country. Random or percentage sampling in this country can never be completely effective and it seems reasonable that the United Kingdom should demand the highest possible standards of manufacturing procedure from the country of origin. This egg question has placed an onerous burden on many riparian authorities and serious decisions regarding disposal of valuable cargoes have had to be taken. A great deal of laborious testing could be avoided if importers were required to produce adequate certificates similar to those demanded for imported meat showing effective pasteurisation and testing in the exporting country. Pasteurisation plant is available and extensive tests have proved that egg pasteurisation is both practicable and efficient and does not interfere seriously with the quality of the egg.

The Rent Act has meant increased work in the Department and there seems to be no slackening in the demand for the services of the Public Health Inspector in connection with all the complicated procedures of this Act.

The work on behalf of the old people has extended and has necessitated further augmentation of staff at the Bathing Station. The Council will be considering early next year the engagement of another Lady Health Inspector and already the facilities for laundry and bathing are being utilised almost to full capacity. I have included a summary of the report of the Old Peoples' Welfare Committee and it is gratifying to note the close co-operation which exists between that Committee and the Health Department. Once again we have been heavily dependent on the Geriatric Unit at St. Alfege's Hospital and it is pleasing to acknowledge the degree of willing help and co-operation that we receive from the many workers in this field. During the year one old person had to be removed to hospital for urgent care and treatment under the National Assistance Act, 1948.

The detailed survey of the Council's first Smoke Control Area has progressed and early next year the Council is expected to make the necessary Smoke Control Order. Already the efforts of the Department are having practical results. Many industrial concerns have gone over to smokeless fuel or oil and analysis of our records at our two Measuring Stations shows that last year smoke pollution had decreased by almost one third over the previous year, although, as one would expect, sulphur is at about the same level. However, the problem of grit (which is not covered by the Clean Air Act) will require serious thought because despite genuine effort on the part of industrialists to minimise grit emission undoubtedly there are many processes, particularly in the north-west part of the Borough, which are associated with serious grit and dust problems and cause inconvenience and annoyance to adjacent residents.

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The work of the Department has been hampered by shortage of Public Health Inspectors and unfortunately there is no indication that the position is improving. This is a serious problem having regard to the Council's many heavy commitments in environmental hygiene. It is, therefore, with particular pleasure that I thank the staff, both administrative and technical, for their work during the year and to the Chairman and Vice-Chairman I express my gratitude for the help and support which I receive at all times.

In conclusion I would like to thank my brother Chief Officers for their friendship and willing co-operation.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient Servant,

J. KERR BROWN

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

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In conclusion, I would like to thank my medical staff officers for their valuable and efficient co-operation.

I have the honour to be,

Yours obedient servant,

J. W. Morgan

Medical Officer of Health

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GENERAL STATISTICS

ELEVATION:- Varies from below high-water mark up to 249 feet above sea level

AREA OF THE BOROUGH AND DISTRICTS:-

East Greenwich	...	...	...	1,300 acres
West Greenwich	...	...	...	453 "
St. Nicholas, Deptford	...	...	...	115 "
Charlton and Kidbrooke	...	...	...	1,990 "
				<u>3,858 acres</u>

POPULATION:-

At Census, 1951 89,846

Estimated, 1958 (mid-year) 89,180

DENSITY OF POPULATION (persons per acre) 23.1

NUMBER OF INHABITED DWELLINGS - end 1958 24,101
(according to Rate Books)

Structurally separate dwellings at
Census, 1951 21,348

NUMBER OF UNINHABITED DWELLINGS:-

At Census, 1951 364

At end 1958 187

NUMBER OF FAMILIES OR SEPARATE OCCUPIERS:-

At Census, 1951 26,397

RATEABLE VALUE, 1958 £1,433,902

SUM REPRESENTED BY A 1d RATE, 1958 £5,764

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS OF THE YEAR

LIVE BIRTHS

Actual number of Live Births

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Legitimate	632	627	1,259
Illegitimate	38	38	76

<u>TOTALS</u>	670	665	1,335
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<u>Birth Rate</u> (per 1,000 population)	Crude	15.02
	Adjusted	14.11

STILLBIRTHS

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Legitimate	13	13	26
Illegitimate	1	2	3

<u>TOTALS</u>	14	15	29
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<u>Stillbirth Rate</u> (per 1,000 total births)	21.26
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DEATHS

Actual number of Deaths

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	478	441	919

<u>Death Rate</u> (per 1,000 population)	Crude	10.34
	Adjusted	11.78

MATERNAL DEATHS

One maternal death was recorded during the year, the cause being attributed to "renal failure following septic abortion caused by an instrument", the verdict at the Coroner's inquest being given as "manslaughter against some person or persons unknown"

<u>Maternal Mortality Rate</u>	0.73
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DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR

Legitimate	20
Illegitimate	-
<u>TOTAL</u>	20

<u>Infantile Mortality Rate</u> (per 1,000 live births)	14.98
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<u>Legitimate Rate</u> (per 1,000 legitimate births)	15.88
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<u>Illegitimate Rate</u> (per 1,000 illegitimate births)	-
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<u>Neo-Natal Mortality Rate</u> (infants under 1 month) (comprising 75% of all infant deaths)	11.23
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<u>Peri-Natal Mortality</u>	30.79
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Stillbirths	29)	TOTAL	42
Infants under 1 week	13)		

LIVE BIRTHS

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<u>Illegitimate</u>	38	38	76
<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>670</u>	<u>665</u>	<u>1,335</u>
<u>Birth Rate (per 1,000 population)</u>			
<u>Crude</u>	18.02		
<u>Adjusted</u>	14.11		

STILLBIRTHS

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>Legitimate</u>	12	12	24
<u>Illegitimate</u>	1	2	3
<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Stillbirth Rate (per 1,000 total births)</u>			
	2.12		

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	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>Legitimate</u>	478	441	919
<u>Illegitimate</u>	10	10	20
<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>488</u>	<u>451</u>	<u>939</u>
<u>Death Rate (per 1,000 population)</u>			
<u>Crude</u>	10.34		
<u>Adjusted</u>	11.78		

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DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR

	<u>Legitimate</u>	<u>Illegitimate</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>Deaths</u>	20	20	40
<u>Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)</u>			
<u>Legitimate</u>	16.72		
<u>Illegitimate</u>	16.72		
<u>TOTALS</u>			
<u>Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)</u>			
<u>Crude</u>	16.72		
<u>Adjusted</u>	16.72		

DEATH RATES - Special Causes

	<u>No.</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Maternal Causes (per 1,000 total births)	1	0.73
Tuberculosis (all forms) (per 1,000 population)	7	0.07
Tuberculosis, Pulmonary (per 1,000 population)	5	0.05
Cancer (per 1,000 population)	179	2.01
Heart (per 1,000 population)	310	3.48
Common Infectious Diseases (per 1,000 population)	1	0.01
Influenza (per 1,000 population)	2	0.02

MARRIAGES

Mr. J. Abercrombie, the Superintendent Registrar of the Greenwich Registration District, has kindly furnished me with particulars relating to the number of marriages solemnised or registered in the Borough of Greenwich during 1958. The total of 673 gives a marriage rate of 15.14, a decrease of 0.25 from that of the previous year.

The following table shows these particulars giving the number of marriages in the Borough for each year since 1938:-

Churches of England														
YEAR	Greenwich		Charlton and Kidbrooke		St. Nicholas		Chapels and Roman Catholic Churches		Superintendent-Registrar's Office		TOTAL	Approximate Population		
1938	..	309	..	185	..	31	..	101	..	268	...	894	...	95,770
1939	..	395	..	218	..	31	..	128	..	397	...	1,169	...	94,790
1940	..	451	..	243	..	33	..	126	..	345	...	1,198	...	74,280
1941	..	277	..	174	..	7*	..	91	..	241	...	790	...	57,070
1942	..	257	..	192	..	3	..	79	..	198	...	729	...	60,530
1943	..	209	..	166	..	2	..	73	..	171	...	621	...	62,870
1944	..	211	..	136	..	-	..	74	..	171	...	592	...	61,800
1945	..	228	..	211	..	2	..	87	..	233	...	761	...	63,800
1946	..	258	..	196	..	1	..	86	..	235	...	776	...	76,840
1947	..	192	..	160	..	13	..	93	..	318	...	776	...	82,230
1948	..	202	..	152	..	8	..	104	..	345	...	811	...	84,410
1949	..	184	..	129	..	10	..	90	..	272	...	685	...	87,680
1950	..	206	..	121	..	6	..	74	..	245	...	652	...	89,570
1951	..	210	..	133	..	3	..	60	..	264	...	670	...	89,390
1952	..	191	..	144	..	4	..	102	..	279	...	720	...	90,880
1953	..	221	..	136	..	4	..	113	..	305	...	779	...	90,440
1954	..	200	..	155	..	5	..	86	..	325	...	771	...	90,600
1955	..	197	..	116	..	5	..	106	..	290	...	714	...	89,490
1956	..	194	..	169	..	6	..	133	..	221	...	723	...	88,780
1957	..	177	..	159	..	2	..	118	..	226	...	682	...	88,910
1958	..	189	..	142	..	10	..	93	..	239	...	673	...	89,180

* St. Peter's, Creek Road.

∅ Holy Trinity, Blackheath Hill

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Rate	No.	Rate	No.
0.02	2	Influenza (per 1,000 population)	
0.01	1	Common Infectious Diseases (per 1,000 population)	
2.48	210	Heart (per 1,000 population)	
2.01	178	Cancer (per 1,000 population)	
0.08	5	Tuberculosis, Pulmonary (per 1,000 population)	
0.07	7	Tuberculosis (all forms) (per 1,000 population)	
0.73	1	Maternal Cases (per 1,000 total births)	

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Mr. J. Abercrombie, the Superintendent Registrar of the Greenwich Registration District, has kindly furnished me with particulars relating to the number of marriages solemnized or registered in the Borough of Greenwich during 1938. The total of 873 gives a marriage rate of 15.14, a decrease of 0.28 from that of the previous year.

The following table shows these particulars giving the number of marriages in the Borough for each year since 1938:-

Churches of England		Churches of England	
Year	Marriages	Year	Marriages
1938	873	1938	873
1939	865	1939	865
1940	861	1940	861
1941	877	1941	877
1942	827	1942	827
1943	809	1943	809
1944	811	1944	811
1945	828	1945	828
1946	828	1946	828
1947	828	1947	828
1948	808	1948	808
1949	824	1949	824
1950	824	1950	824
1951	810	1951	810
1952	861	1952	861
1953	821	1953	821
1954	800	1954	800
1955	827	1955	827
1956	824	1956	824
1957	824	1957	824
1958	824	1958	824

St. Peter's, Creek Road.
Holy Trinity, Blackheath Hill.
Closed

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS - 1958

I am indebted to the Director of the National Maritime Museum and, in particular, to Eng. Commander H.O.Hill, R.N., for the following meteorological data for the year ended December, 1958:-

Temperature

Highest screen temperature was 82°F. on 9th July.

Lowest screen temperature was 23°F. on 23rd January.

Maximum temperature for:-

January	57°F.	<u>No. of Visits</u>
February	.. ..	58°F.
November	.. ..	57°F.
December	.. ..	56°F.

Sunshine

Total hours for 1958, 1,237.5 hours.

Sunniest day, 14.0 hours, 24th May.

Number of days with no sunshine, 86:-

January	16 days	<u>Total Attendances</u>
February	....	10 days
March	.....	6 days
April	.....	3 days
May	.....	1 day
June	.....	4 days
July	.....	2 days
August	.....	2 days
September	...	2 days	
October	.....	5 days
November	....	16 days
December	....	19 days

Rainfall

Total amount for year, 30.06 inches.

Highest fall in 24 hours, 1.45 inches on 5th September.

Driest month, March, 1.37 inches.

Wettest month, September, 4.31 inches.

Artificial Sunlight	2,614
Exercise	377
Chiropractic Treatment	18,602

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Temperatures

Highest screen temperature was 82°F. on 9th July.
Lowest screen temperature was 23°F. on 23rd January.
Maximum temperature for:-

January	..	..	87°F.
February	..	..	88°F.
November	..	..	87°F.
December	..	..	88°F.

Sunshine

Total hours for 1938, 1,237.5 hours.
Sunniest day, 14.0 hours, 24th May.
Number of days with no sunshine, 86:-

January	... 16 days
February	... 10 days
March	... 6 days
April	... 3 days
May	... 1 day
June	... 4 days
July	... 2 days
August	... 2 days
September	... 2 days
October	... 5 days
November	... 16 days
December	... 19 days

Rainfall

Total amount for year, 30.04 inches.
Highest fall in 24 hours, 1.45 inches on 23rd September.
Driest month, March, 1.37 inches.
Wettest month, September, 4.31 inches.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH AND WELFARE SERVICES
FOR THE AREA

Since July, 1948, the Personal Health Services available to residents of the Borough have been under the control of the London County Council and Dr. Waldron, the Divisional Medical Officer has kindly supplied me with information and statistics relating to Health Visitors' records, attendances at Infant Welfare Centres, Prophylaxis figures, etc. for 1958.

HEALTH VISITING

The following is a brief summary of the work carried out by the Health Visitors during the year:-

	<u>No. of Visits</u>
Expectant Mothers	1,271
Premature Babies	32
Stillbirths	22
Infants under 1 year	7,235
Children 1-5 years	13,111
School Children	396
Old People	349
Others in need of care	208
Miscellaneous	1,154
Unsuccessful	2,126

INFANT WELFARE CENTRES

Infant Welfare Clinics

Total Attendances

Babies 0-1 year	19,683
Children 1-2 years	4,642
Children 2-5 years	3,057

Ante and Post Natal Clinics

Ante Natal	5,150
Post Natal	140

Toddlers' Clinics 569

Relaxation and Educational Sessions

Relaxation	1,250
Educational	1,600

Artificial Sunlight and Childrens' Exercise Classes

Artificial Sunlight	2,614
Exercise	377

Chiropody Treatment 18,502

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH AND WELFARE SERVICES
FOR THE AREA

These provisions are intended to provide a general outline of the health and welfare services available in the area. The services are provided on a non-exclusive basis and are subject to the availability of resources. The services are provided to all persons residing in the area, regardless of their race, color, or religion. The services are provided to all persons who are unable to pay for the services themselves. The services are provided to all persons who are unable to pay for the services themselves. The services are provided to all persons who are unable to pay for the services themselves.

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ARTICLE II
The services provided under this act shall be subject to the following conditions: (1) The services shall be provided on a non-exclusive basis. (2) The services shall be subject to the availability of resources. (3) The services shall be provided to all persons residing in the area, regardless of their race, color, or religion. (4) The services shall be provided to all persons who are unable to pay for the services themselves. (5) The services shall be provided to all persons who are unable to pay for the services themselves. (6) The services shall be provided to all persons who are unable to pay for the services themselves.

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HOME HELP SERVICE

Number of Cases Attended	866
Number of Visits made by Organising Staff	2,733

PROPHYLAXIS

Immunisation and Vaccination (completed cases)

Diphtheria immunisation	665
Whooping cough immunisation	650
Vaccinations	493

B.C.G. Vaccination

No. of Children 13 years old	2,464
No. for whom parental consent was obtained	1,947
No. of negative reactors vaccinated	1,541
No. of positive reactors x-rayed	160

Poliomyelitis Innoculation

No. of Resident children and those attending Greenwich Schools	8,195
No. of young adults (16-25 years) living or working in Greenwich and Expectant Mothers	1,519

DISTRICT NURSING

The staff of the Queens District Nursing Association for Charlton and Blackheath made 29,179 visits during the year.

Visits carried out by the Ranyard nurses and the Nursing Sisters of St. John the Divine were additional to those quoted above.

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE

Attendances

Vision	793
Special Investigation	400
Minor Ailments Clinics	57,403

Drainage

Provided	146
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Paving

Yards and Forecourts	57
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General Water Supply

Water fittings amended	267
Extra water supply to tenement houses	-
Water supply certificates granted (Sect. 95)	393

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

The following brief summary serves to show the work carried out by the Department during the year:-

Work Performed by the Public Health Inspectors during 1958.

Inspections

Houses inspected (House to House)	82
" " (Complaints, nuisances)	1,290
" " (Infectious Disease)	216
" " (Overcrowding)	68
Re-inspections, calls made, etc.	9,239
Inspections of Factories	423
" " Shops	24
" " Hairdressers or Barbers	50
" " Licensed Victuallers	10
" " Pet Shops	8
" " Stables and yards	10
" " Urinals	57
" " Houses let in Lodgings	16
" " Outworkers premises	53
" " Under Clean Air Act	993
" " Miscellaneous	1,183
Inspection of Premises (Pharmacy and Poisons Act, 1933)	21
" " (Rent Acts)	194
Investigations (Rats and Mice)	544
On notice from Builder	628
Statutory Notices served (Sects. 147 and 148)	15,109

Drains

Drains tested - by smoke	162
" " - by water	276
Opened, cleansed and repaired	285
Reconstructions and additions	217
Inspection chambers constructed	132
New covers to manholes	62
Soil and vent shafts repaired or renewed	114
Traps (gully)	207
Drains sealed off, etc.	76
Yards and forecourts drained	36

Waterclosets and Urinals

Closets erected	116
W.C.'s repaired	196
Sanitary conveniences or improvements effected to Factories and Workplaces	13
W.C. pedestals installed	264
Urinals cleansed or repaired	23

Dustbins

Provided	148
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Pavings

Yards and Forecourts	57
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General Water Supply

Water fittings amended	287
Extra water supply to tenement houses	-
Water supply certificates granted (Sect. 95)	393

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

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10	Licensed Victuallers
8	Pet Shops
10	Stables and yards
27	Urinals
18	Houses let in lodgings
23	Outworkers premises
993	Under Clean Air Act
1,183	Miscellaneous
21	Inspection of Premises (Pharmacy and Poisons Act, 1933)
194	" " " (Rent Acts)
244	Investigations (Rats and Mice)
228	On notice from Builder
12,109	

Drains

162	...	...	...	Drains tested - by smoke
276	...	...	...	- by water
285	...	...	...	Opened, cleaned and repaired
217	...	...	...	Reconnections and additions
139	...	...	...	Inspection chambers constructed
22	...	...	...	New covers to manholes
114	...	...	...	Soil and vent shafts repaired or renewed
207	...	...	...	Traps (gully)
78	...	...	...	Drains sealed off, etc.
26	...	...	...	Yards and forecourts drained

Waterclosets and Urinals

112	...	...	...	Closets erected
106	...	...	...	W.C.s repaired
13	...	...	...	Sanitary conveniences or improvements effected to
284	...	...	...	Factories and Workshops
23	W.C. pedestals installed
23	Urinals cleaned or repaired

Gubbins

148	Provided
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Yards

27	Yards and forecourts
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General Water Supply

287	Water fittings amended
-	Extra water supply to basement houses
292	...	...	...	Water supply certificates granted (292)

Other Improvements

Houses generally repaired	90
Rooms cleansed and repaired	570
Rooms and staircases lighted and ventilated	13
Vermineous rooms cleansed	99
Roofs, gutters and rainwater pipes repaired	565
Dampness abated	500
Sinks, baths and lavatory basins	233
Sink, lavatory and bath waste pipes trapped or amended	207
Stoves and fireplaces	106
Washing coppers repaired or provided	9
Floors repaired	255
Provision for storage of food	24
Miscellaneous repairs	940

Other Nuisances Abated

Illegal use of Underground rooms discontinued	1
Overcrowding abated	51
Animals kept in unfit places discontinued or removed	1
Dung receptacles provided	-
Accumulation of manure and other obnoxious matter removed	44
Rat infestation abated	195

Smoke Nuisances

Observations	597
Statutory Notices served (Sects. 147 and 148)	-

Notices, Etc.

Intimations served under Public Health (London) Act, 1936	838
Statutory Notices served	183
Houses rendered fit by informal action	106

RIGHT ACT, 1957

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Premises	Offence	Result of Proceedings
236 Creek Rd.	Non-compliance with Statutory Notice	Summons withdrawn on payment of 3/- costs.
270 Creek Rd.	- " -	- " -
22 Elverson Rd.	- " -	Summons withdrawn on payment of 5/- costs.
61 Eversley Rd.	- " -	Summons withdrawn on payment of 3/- costs
34 Fingal St.	- " -	- " -
2 Humber Rd.	- " -	- " -
690 Woolwich Rd.	- " -	Order for work to be executed within 28 days. £2/2/- costs

90	...	Houses generally repaired
870	...	Rooms cleaned and repaired
13	...	Rooms and staircases lighted and ventilated
99	...	Various rooms cleaned
888	...	Boots, gutters and rainwater pipes repaired
800	...	Dampness abated
835	...	Sinks, baths and lavatory basins
207	...	Sink, lavatory and bath waste pipes trapped or amended
108	...	Stoves and fireplaces
9	...	Washing copers repaired or provided
288	...	Floors repaired
24	...	Provision for storage of food
940	...	Miscellaneous repairs

Other nuisances abated

1	...	Illegal use of underground rooms discontinued
81	...	Overcrowding abated
1	...	Animals kept in public places discontinued or removed
-	...	Dung receptacles provided
44	...	Accumulation of manure and other obnoxious matter removed
108	...	Net infestation abated

Smoke Nuisances

887	...	Observations
-	...	Statutory Notices served (Sects. 147 and 148)

Notices, Etc.

838	...	Intimation served under Public Health (London) Act, 1936
183	...	Statutory Notices served
108	...	Houses rendered fit by informal action

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Premises	Offence	Result of Proceedings
286 Creek Rd.	Non-compliance with Statutory Notice	Summons withdrawn on payment of 5/- costs.
270 Creek Rd.	"	"
88 Riverston Rd.	"	Summons withdrawn on payment of 5/- costs.
81 Everaley Rd.	"	Summons withdrawn on payment of 3/- costs.
34 Ringal St.	"	"
2 Hunter Rd.	"	"
890 Woolwich Rd.	"	Order for work to be executed within 28 days. £2/2/- costs.

Summary of the work carried out by the Lady Public Health
Inspectors during 1958

Dirty premises inspected	...	...	...	...	...	31
Verminous premises inspected	...	...	...	...	...	22
Dirty rooms cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	50
Verminous rooms cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	62
Verminous persons visited	...	...	...	...	...	24
Verminous persons treated:-	Heads	...	...	...	...	203
	Other	...	...	...	...	103
Visits to scabies cases	...	...	...	...	...	16
Visits for Cleansing Service:-	First	...	...	...	...	55
	Subsequent	...	...	...	...	95
Articles cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	15,398
Inspections of factories:-	(a) with mechanical power	...	...	...	...	58
	(b) without mechanical power	...	...	...	...	-
	(c) other premises	...	...	...	...	3
Inspections of Hairdressers' premises	...	...	...	...	...	42
Inspections of Outworkers premises	...	...	...	...	...	53
Inspections of Houses Let-in-Lodgings	...	...	...	...	...	6
Inspections of Women's Conveniences	...	...	...	...	...	18
Bathing Centre Sessions	...	...	...	...	...	104
Baths:-	At home	...	...	...	...	224
	At centre	...	...	...	...	151
Visits to Infirm Persons	...	...	...	...	...	1,313
Visits to Rest Homes, Hospitals, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	40
Visits re: housing	...	...	...	...	...	25
Visits to Food premises re: Meals for O.A.P's	...	...	...	...	...	30
Miscellaneous visits	...	...	...	...	...	214
Re-inspections, calls made, etc	...	...	...	...	...	174
Interviews for Holidays	...	...	...	...	...	260
Interviews at offices	...	...	...	...	...	117
Complaints received	...	...	...	...	...	54

Intimation Notices served
Nil.

RENT ACT, 1957

Applications for Certificates of Disrepair

Applications for certificates	...	...	...	...	...	107
Decisions not to issue certificates	...	...	...	...	...	2*
Decisions to issue certificates	...	...	...	...	...	105
(a) in respect of some but not all defects	...	...	...	...	...	86
(b) in respect of all defects	...	...	...	...	...	19
Undertakings given by landlords under paragraph 5 of the First Schedule	...	...	...	...	...	57
Undertakings refused by Local Authority under proviso to paragraph 5 of the First Schedule	...	...	...	...	...	nil
Certificates issued	...	...	...	...	...	48

Applications for Cancellation of Certificates

Applications by landlords to Local Authority for cancellation of certificates	28
Objections by tenants to cancellation of certificates	...	...	...	...	...	12
Decisions by Local Authority to cancel in spite of tenants' objection	...	...	...	...	...	nil
Certificates cancelled by Local Authority	...	...	...	...	...	16

* (this figure includes 1 application withdrawn)

Rodent Control

Summary of the work carried out in respect of rat repression during the current year:-

Complaints received	551
Premises found to be infested	473
Premises inspected	3,811
Premises re-visited	56

With regard to rodent control, special attention is given to the baiting and inspection of the Council's sewers by the Borough Engineer's Department.

Verminous Conditions

Treatment for all cases is carried out at the Tunnel Avenue Cleansing Station and the following Return summarises the work carried out during the year:-

		<u>Attendances</u>	
		<u>Vermin</u>	<u>Scabies</u>
Holidays			
Adults		261	26
Children under school age		20	11
School children		163	9

Home Visits by Lady Public Health Inspector	40
Home Re-visits by Lady Public Health Inspector	82

Disinfestation

Under the direction of the Senior Public Health Inspector the following treatments were carried out during 1958:-

Rooms sprayed for bugs and other vermin	1,649
Rooms sprayed for dirty conditions	410
Rooms treated after storm flooding	115
Dust Chutes treated	5,325
E.W.S. tanks treated	14

On request, 19 wasp's nests were also destroyed by the disinfestation staff.

National Assistance Act, 1948

Under Section 47, as amended by the National Assistance Amendments Act, 1951, action was necessary in respect of the compulsory removal of one aged and infirm lady of 80 years of age who was unable adequately to care for herself.

Scavenging and Refuse Disposal

The collection of refuse in the Borough is under the control of the Borough Engineer, who has kindly supplied me with the following information:-

Scavenging

Street gullies cleansed	4,451
Street sweepings collected (tons)	1,364

Refuse Collection

The total refuse collected was 22,532 tons from 26,727 premises in the Borough, giving an average of 13.9 cwts. per 1,000 population per day.

Summary of the work carried out in respect of rat
repression during the current year:-

Complaints received	...	...	...	...	551
Premises found to be infested	...	...	...	...	473
Premises inspected	...	...	...	...	3,811
Premises re-visited	...	...	...	...	58

With regard to rodent control, special attention is
given to the baiting and inspection of the Council's sewers
by the Borough Engineer's Department.

Various Conditions

Treatment for all cases is carried out at the Tunnel
Avenue Cleansing Station and the following Return summaries
the work carried out during the year:-

Attendances

<u>Vermin</u>	<u>Scabies</u>				
Adults	281
Children under school age	20
School children	123
					<u>11</u>
					<u>28</u>

Home Visits by Lady Public Health Inspector	...	...	...	...	40
Home Re-visits by Lady Public Health Inspector	...	...	...	...	32

Disinfection

Under the direction of the Senior Public Health
Inspector the following treatments were carried out during
1938:-

Rooms sprayed for bugs and other vermin	...	...	...	...	1,242
Rooms sprayed for dirty conditions	...	...	...	...	410
Rooms treated after storm flooding	...	...	...	...	115
Post Offices treated	...	...	...	...	5,325
R.W.S. tanks treated	...	...	...	...	14

On request, 19 warps nets were also destroyed by the
disinfection staff.

National Assistance Act, 1948

Under Section 47, as amended by the National Assistance
Amendment Act, 1951, action was necessary in respect of the
compulsory removal of one aged and infirm lady of 80 years
of age who was unable adequately to care for herself.

Sanitation and Refuse Disposal

The collection of refuse in the Borough is under the
control of the Borough Engineer, who has kindly supplied me
with the following information:-

Sanitation

Street gutters cleaned	...	...	...	...	4,451
Street sweepings collected	...	...	...	...	1,324 (tons)

Refuse Collection

The total refuse collected was 22,532 tons from 25,727
premises in the Borough, giving an average of 12.9 cwt. per
1,000 population per day.

Refuse Disposal

Of the total of 22,532 tons of refuse collected in the Borough, 21,690 tons was disposed of into barges for transportation to a controlled tip near the mouth of the river. The residue of 842 tons of refuse collected was sold, and realising a sum of £7,172.

Aged and Infirm Persons

Extracts from the Greenwich Old People's Welfare Association's 5th Annual Report are given below:-

Meals on Wheels

The following is a statement of the number of meals served during the year ended 31st March, 1959:-

British Red Cross Society's Van	8,152
Old People's Welfare Association Van	7,644
Women's Voluntary Services Van	6,020
	<u>21,816</u>

Holidays

Total number of persons for whom holidays were arranged during the year under review was 252.

Christmas Food Parcels

During the Christmas period, 350 food parcels were distributed to home-bound elderly persons.

H O U S I N G

Housing Act, 1957 - Section 18

Part of building unfit for human habitation, i.e. a room, the surface of the floor of which is more than 3 feet below adjoining ground level and defective in matters listed in Section 4 of the above Act:-

135 Greenwich High Road, all of which proved to be
22 Woodland Walk

Re-Housing

	<u>G.B.C.</u>	<u>L.C.C.</u>	<u>Others</u>
Families housed and re-housed (including transfers, casual voids, etc.)	393	356	24

Overcrowding

Complaints received ...	...	...	58
Cases found to be overcrowded ...	...	...	18
Cases of overcrowding abated ...	...	...	51
Certified cases of overcrowding remaining ...	...	...	104

New Housing Accommodation

<u>Type of Dwelling</u>	<u>G.B.C.</u>	<u>L.C.C.</u>	<u>Private</u>	<u>Total</u>
Houses	31	23	16	70
Flats	166	100	55	321
Total No. of Dwellings	197	123	71	391

Refuse Disposal

Of the total of 22,532 tons of refuse collected in the Borough, 21,590 tons was disposed of into barges for transportation to a controlled tip near the mouth of the river. The residue of 942 tons of refuse collected was sold, realising a sum of £7,178.

Aged and Infirm Persons

Extracts from the Greenwich Old People's Welfare Association's 5th Annual Report are given below:-

Meals on Wheels

The following is a statement of the number of meals served during the year ended 31st March, 1939:-

British Red Cross Society's Van	8,122
Old People's Welfare Association Van	7,844
Women's Voluntary Services Van	8,020
	<u>24,016</u>

Holidays

Total number of persons for whom holidays were arranged during the year under review was 282.

Christmas Food Parcels

During the Christmas period, 580 food parcels were distributed to home-bound elderly persons.

HOUSING

Housing Act, 1937 - Section 18

Part of building unfit for human habitation, i.e. a room, the surface of the floor of which is more than 3 feet below adjoining ground level and defective in matters listed in Section 4 of the above Act:-

155 Greenwich High Road
32 Woodland Walk

Re-Housing

Families housed and re-housed (including transfers, casual visits, etc.)	G.E.C.	L.G.C.	Others
593	556	24	

Overcrowding

Certified cases of overcrowding remaining	104
Cases of overcrowding abated	51
Cases found to be overcrowded	18
Complaints received	88

New Housing Accommodation

Total No. of Dwellings	197	123	71	391
Type of Dwelling	G.H.C.	L.G.C.	Private	Total
Flats	166	100	25	291
Houses	31	23	16	70

INSPECTION OF FOOD AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD PREMISES

Supervision of Food Premises

To ensure the highest available standard of hygiene, the food inspectors made 3,659 visits to shops, stores and factories where food is processed or otherwise handled and as a result of these visits 87 premises were improved.

M I L K

Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949/54.

The number of Distributors registered at the end of the year was 120, which total includes 6 dairy premises.

The Milk (Special Designation) (Pasteurised and Sterilised Milk) Regulations, 1949-1953 and The Milk (Special Designation) (Raw Milk) Regulations, 1949/54.

The following licenses, operative from the 1st January and issued in accordance with the above regulations had been granted and were in force on the 31st December, 1958.

<u>Principal Licences</u>	<u>Licenses Issued</u>	<u>In Operation</u> 31.12.58
Distribution of Sterilised Milk	96	94
Distribution of Pasteurised Milk	48	46
Distribution of Tuberculin Tested Milk	38	37
<u>Supplementary Licences</u>		
Distribution of Sterilised Milk	21	21
Distribution of Pasteurised Milk	19	19
Distribution of Tuberculin Tested Milk	19	19

Sampling

Under provisions of the Third Schedule to the first of the above mentioned Regulations, 61 samples of milk, consisting of 49 Pasteurised, 4 Sterilised, 7 T.T. Pasteurised and 1 T.T. Raw milks were examined, all of which proved to be satisfactory.

Analytical Examination

A total of 39 samples, 24 formal and 5 informal, were submitted for chemical analysis and all proved to be genuine.

Four samples of cream were also submitted and found to be satisfactory.

Preserved Food and Ice Cream Premises

Number of Preserved Food premises registered at the end of the year	91
Number of Ice Cream premises registered at the end of the year.	197

Visits to these premises were made on 155 occasions and 8 improvements were effected.

Supervision of Food Premises

To ensure the highest available standard of hygiene, the food inspectors made 3,659 visits to shops, stores and factories where food is processed or otherwise handled and as a result of these visits 37 premises were improved.

M I L K

Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949/54.

The number of Distributors registered at the end of the year was 180, which total includes 6 dairy premises.

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The following licenses, operative from the 1st January and issued in accordance with the above regulations had been granted and were in force on the 31st December, 1958.

<u>Principal Licences</u>		<u>Licences Issued</u>	<u>In Operation</u>
Distribution of Sterilized Milk		98	98
Distribution of Pasteurized Milk		48	48
Distribution of Tuberculin		38	37
Tested Milk			
<u>Supplementary Licences</u>			
Distribution of Sterilized Milk		21	21
Distribution of Pasteurized Milk		19	19
Distribution of Tuberculin			
Tested Milk		19	19

Sampling

Under provisions of the Third Schedule to the first of the above mentioned Regulations, 21 samples of milk, consisting of 48 Pasteurized, 4 Sterilized, 7 T.T. Pasteurized and 1 T.T. Raw milk were examined, all of which proved to be satisfactory.

Analytical Examination

A total of 38 samples, 24 (milk) and 14 (cream), were submitted for chemical analysis and all proved to be genuine.

Four samples of cream were also submitted and found to be satisfactory.

Preserved Food and Ice Cream Premises

Number of Preserved Food premises registered at the end of the year ... 81
Number of Ice Cream premises registered at the end of the year ... 197

Visits to these premises were made on 155 occasions and 8 improvements were effected.

Manufacture and Sale of Ice Cream

As in previous years, ice cream has been liberally sampled and factories in the area which produce "Ice Lollies" or "Lolly" syrup are regularly and carefully supervised.

Sampling

Bacteriological. Fifty samples, 41 of ice cream and 9 ice lollies were submitted for examination and grading according to the Ministry's Grading Scheme. All were reported upon as being satisfactory and recourse to administrative action was unnecessary.

Quantitative Analysis. In the normal course of food sampling, 7 ice creams and 1 ice lolly were submitted for analysis, all of which were considered to be of satisfactory standard.

Food Rejected (Public Health (London) Act, 1936)

From shops, stalls, etc: - Meat	292 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs.
Other foods	15,543 $\frac{1}{4}$ lbs.

Public Health (Imported Food) Regulations, 1937 and 1948

<u>Food rejected:</u> - Meat	1,096 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.
Other foods	3,943 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs.

Caseous Lymphadenitis

Australian and New Zealand Sheep:-	
Landed	89,262
Examined	916
Rejected	Nil

Imported Food Samples

<u>Egg Products</u>	<u>Control Samples</u>	<u>Positive</u>
Dried Egg Albumen	154	17
Frozen Whole Egg	195	23
Dried Whole Egg	469	5

Other Commodities

Number of Chemical Analyses carried out	104
Number of Bacteriological Investigations	20

Catering Establishments

As a result of 334 visits of inspection to catering establishments, insanitary conditions were remedied and improvements effected on 136 occasions.

Food and Drug Act, 1955

Number of samples examined	522
Number of Samples adulterated	32

Appropriate action was taken with regard to the non-genuine samples but in no instance was it necessary to institute legal proceedings.

Pharmacy and Medicines Act, 1941

Five samples were taken for analysis, all of which complied with the provisions of the Act.

Manufacture and Sale of Ice Cream

As in previous years, ice cream has been liberally sampled and factories in the area which produce "ice lollies" or "lolly" syrup are regularly and carefully supervised.

Sampling

Bacteriological. Fifty samples, 41 of ice cream and 9 ice lollies were submitted for examination and grading according to the Ministry's Grading Scheme. All were reported upon as being satisfactory and recourse to administrative action was unnecessary.

Quantitative Analysis. In the normal course of food sampling, 7 ice creams and 1 ice lolly were submitted for analysis, all of which were considered to be of satisfactory standard.

Food Rejected (Public Health Act, 1938)

From shops, stalls, etc: - Meat 292½ lbs.
Other foods 18,543½ lbs.

Public Health (Imported Food) Regulations, 1937 and 1948

Food rejected: - Meat 1,022½ lbs.
Other foods 3,943½ lbs.

Casuous Lymphadenitis

Australian and New Zealand Sheep:-
Landed 89,282
Examined 916
Rejected 111

Imported Food Samples

Egg Products	Control Samples	Positive
Dried Egg Albumen	154	17
Protein Whole Egg	198	23
Dried Whole Egg	489	5

Other Commodities

Number of Chemical Analyses carried out 104
Number of Bacteriological Investigations 30

Catering Establishments

As a result of 334 visits of inspection to catering establishments, temporary conditions were remedied and improvements effected on 136 occasions.

Food and Drug Act, 1935

Number of samples examined 522
Number of samples adulterated 32

Appropriate action was taken with regard to the non-genuine samples but in no instance was it necessary to institute legal proceedings.

Pharmacy and Medicines Act, 1941

Five samples were taken for analysis, all of which complied with the provisions of the Act.

PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

The total number of infectious diseases notified under Section 144 of the Public Health Act, 1936; Section 192 of the Public Health (London) Act, 1936; Section 26 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955 and associated Orders and Regulations was 588. Under the Public Health (Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1952 there were 60 notifications giving a consolidated total of 648 cases notified during the year. In two of these cases the diagnoses were not confirmed, thus giving a corrected figure of 646.

The following table shows the cases notified for the various diseases:-

Measles	306
Whooping Cough	55
Pneumonia - (Acute Primary and Influenzal) ...	42
Paratyphoid Fever	1
Scarlet Fever	106
Erysipelas	3
Zymotic Enteritis or Epidemic Diarrhoea - (Children under 5 years) ...	9
Sonne Dysentery	20
Scabies	1
Puerperal Pyrexia	1
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1
Poliomyelitis	1
Malaria	1
Tuberculosis - Pulmonary	55
- Non-pulmonary	5
Food Poisoning	39

Tuberculosis

The number of notified cases remaining on the Register at 31st December, 1958 was:-

	Men	Women	Boys	Girls	TOTAL
Pulmonary	575	496	23	20	1,114
Non-pulmonary	23	45	13	7	88

Mass Radiography

The responsibility for this service rests with the South East Metropolitan Hospital Board and the following is a summary of surveys carried out in the Borough during 1958:-

	Men	Women	TOTAL
Number x-rayed	3,483	2,032	5,515
Number abnormal on Large film	92	26	118
Cases considered tuberculous	32	10	42

Verminous Conditions

Treatment for all cases is carried out at the Tunnel Avenue Cleansing Station and the following table summarises work carried out during the year:-

	<u>Attendances</u>	
	<u>Vermin</u>	<u>Scabies</u>
Adults	261	26
Children under school age	20	11
School children	163	9

Disinfection

Total number of rooms disinfected	310
Total number of articles disinfected	2,670
Total number of articles destroyed... ..	3,120
Total number of Library books disinfected ...	66

CHEST CLINIC

I am indebted to Dr. J.L.Brown, Chest Physician at the Greenwich Chest Clinic for the following statistics:-

Number of new out-patients	1,775
Number of out-patient attendances (excluding refills) ...	5,958
Attendances for pneumoperitoneum refills ...	825
Number of Radiological examinations	6,461
Visits by Chest Physician to patients in their houses ...	12
Number of B.C.G. vaccinations... ..	140
Number of home visits by Health Visitors ...	3,221
Number of contacts examined for the first time ...	301

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