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#### METROPOLITAN BOROUGH OF LAMBETH

**PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE** 

(Appointed by the Council on 24th May, 1963)

The Worshipful the Mayor of Lambeth Mr. Councillor G.F.S. Light, J.P. (ex-officio)

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#### STAFF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH F. Summers M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.

#### **PUBLIC ANALYST (PART-TIME)** D.G. Forbes, B.Sc., F.R.I.C.

#### CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT J.M. Roberts

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS**

(a) District Inspectors

W. Bonnin	(1)	(2)	
H.F. Bryan	(1)	(2)	(Retired 25.8.63)
F.W. Culver	(1)	(2)	(Lewisham M.B.C. 7.7.63)
C.S. Dancer	(1)	(2)	(Commenced duties 19.2.63)
K.W. Davies	(1)		(Commenced duties 16.9.63)
A.R. Grimston	(1)	(2)	
D.J. Huggins	(1)	(2)	
E.E. Morgan	(1)	(2)	Retired 22.3.63)
J.M. Read	(1)		(Commenced duties 19.8.63)
H.J. Rogers	(1)		
S.G. Starling	(1)	(2)	
H. Taylor	(1)	(2)	
J.W. Tiffrey	(1)		(Commenced duties 11.7.63)
Three Vacancies			
(b) Food Inspect	ors		
S. Bradley	(1)	(2)	
F. Russell	(1)	(2)	(3)
(c) Housing Insp	ectors		
S.G.Ford	(1)	(2)	
A.E. White	(1)	(2)	
(d) Smoke Inspec	ctors		
I. Bowers	(1)	(2)	(3)
R.A. Newton	(1)	(2)	

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(	e)	Rod	ent	Offi	cer
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S.F. Heal (1) (2) (Retired 20.1.63)

(f) Woman Inspector

Miss A.F. Crombie (1) (4) (6)

#### PUBLIC HEALTH VISTORS (OLD PEOPLE)

Miss M. McNair	(5)	(6)
Mrs. M. Richards	(5)	(6) (Commenced duties 15.3.63)

#### TECHNICAL ASSISTANTS (CLEAN AIR ACT 1956)

J. Millen	(Commenced duties 4.3.63)
J.A. Taylor	(Commenced duties 4.3.63)

#### **RODENT OFFICER \***

W. Deamer (Commenced duties 20.1.63)

### CLERICAL STAFF

L. Brann	
Mrs. J. Clark	
H.C. Collins	
Mrs. P. Dubury	
Miss M. Eden	(Commenced duties 16.9.63)
Miss A.P. Jones	
J.A. Keating	
Mrs. J. Kincart	(Resigned 5.8.63)
E.F. Mannerson	
Mrs. K.M. O'Sulliva	n
Mrs. M. Rogers	
E. Walker	

#### STUDENT PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS

Miss E. Fryer	(Commenced duties 1.9.63)
M.C. Gunton	
J. Marrin	(Commenced duties 1.4.63)
J. Martin	(Transferred from post of General Assistant 1.4.63)
J.W. Tiffrey	(Qualified as Public Health Inspecto 11.7.63)

#### GENERAL ASSISTANTS

W. Deamer	(Assistant Rodent Officer. Promoted Rodent Officer 20.1.63)
L. Whiston	(Rodent Operative)
G.O. Killgallon	(Rodent Operative. Commenced duties 17.6.63. Resigned 20.10.63)
J. Martin	(Transferred to Studentship 1.4.63)
R. Peaple	(Commenced duties 27.5.63)

#### BATHING ATTENDANTS HOME BATHING

#### SCHEME FOR OLD PEOPLE

Mrs. R. Bagge	(Commenced duties 18.2.63)
Mrs. R. Cullen	(Commenced duties 26.8.63)
Mrs. F.M. Gilbert	(Resigned July, 1963)
Mrs. F. Hones	J.A. Daylor
These bathing atte	ndants are employed part-time.

#### DISINFECTING STATION

Wanless Road, Loughborough Junction, S.E.24.

Superintendent :- C.E. Church

- **3** Drivers
- 2 Disinfectors

1 Stoker

**1** Apparatus Attendant

- 1 Cleaner (Part-time)
- (1) Cert. S.I.E.B.
- (2) Cert. Meat and other Foods
- (3) Smoke Inspectors Certificate
- (4) Health Visitors Certificate
- (5) State Registered Nurse
- (6) State Certified Midwife

Public Health Department, Blue Star House, 234/244 Stockwell Road, S.W.9.

Tel: BRIxton 7755

July, 1964

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Metropolitan Borough of Lambeth

#### Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report for the year 1963 on the health of the Borough of Lambeth.

The birth rate of 22.01 was the highest since the post war peak year of 1947. Of live births 17.4% were illegitimate compared with 17.3% in 1962. This high percentage was commented on in my report last year.

I regret to report that the infantile mortality rate is the highest for 10 years, although the figures for the years 1957, 1958 and 1959 are very close to the present figure. The reason for this rise is not readily apparent but the increase is more in proportion in the illegitimate births than the legitimate although both are affected.

Apart from 2129 cases of measles the year was free from outbreaks of infectious diseases. Three cases of typhoid fever occurred during the year, one of which was certainly, and the other two probably, contracted abroad. Because of this travellers abroad should consider the advisability of being immunised against this disease.

During the year the Council gave serious consideration to the implementation of the provisions of those sections of the Housing Act 1961 dealing with "Houses in Multiple Occupation" but in view of the shortage of staff it was not possible to deal with more than a few cases. Towards the end of the year the appointment of two technical assistants to carry out surveys with a view to action under the Act was authorised and these officers were appointed early in 1964 and action is being taken.

By the end of the year 11 Smoke Control Areas had been declared by the Council and of these 8 were operative.

The work amongst the elderly continues to expand. During the year another visitor was appointed to work in the department and it is probably due to the efforts of these two officers that it was not necessary to remove any old person compulsorily from their homes. In addition the work of the Lambeth Old People's Welfare Association has grown as can be seen from the Association's Annual Report which is included in the body of this report.

There were three retirements from the Public Health Inspectorate during the year, Mr. H. Bryan, Mr. E. Morgan and Mr. S. Heal. Each of these officers had been with the Council many years and their valuable experience of the borough will be greatly missed. To offset this three public health inspectors were appointed and one of the students qualified. At the end of the year there were three vacancies.

In conclusion I am pleased to acknowledge the support given to me by Members of the Council and the Public Health Committee in particular.

My thanks are due also to the other Chief Officers for their co-operation during the year and to members of the staff of the Public Health Department for their loyal and conscientious service.

I am,

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen, Your obedient servant,

F. SUMMERS Medical Officer of Health

#### SECTION A

#### STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Lambeth is one of the largest Metropolitan Boroughs, both in population and area.

It has common boundaries with Battersea, Wandsworth, Croydon, Penge, Camberwell, Southwark and the Cities of London and Westminster. The total area of the Borough is approximately 6½ square miles. This area excludes tidal water and foreshore, but includes approximately five acres which have been added to the Borough as a result of the new South Bank embankment, part of the river area having been reclaimed.

The land surface rises from 12 feet above sea-level at the river to 50 feet at Brixton, 150 feet at West Norwood and about 379 feet at and near the Crystal Palace. The perimeter of the Borough measures 17½ miles.

The Borough has approximately 328 acres of open space, including Brockwell, Kennington, Ruskin, Norwood, Archbishop's and Vauxhall Parks and Myatt's Fields.

Among the world famous buildings within the boundaries are Lambeth Palace, the Oval cricket ground, the County Hall, the Royal Festival Hall and the Headquarters of the London Fire Brigade.

Lambeth is divided into three Parliamentary Divisions, Vauxhall, Brixton and Norwood, each returning one member of Parliament and three members to the London County Council. These Divisions are, in turn, divided into a total of 21 wards for the purpose of Borough Council elections.

#### STATISTICS

#### GENERAL

Area of Borough					4,087.5 acres
No. of Wards					21
No. of Parliamentary Constitue	encies				3
Population Figure supplied by H	Registrar	Gener	al	• ••	in perioder
(Mid-year estimate 1963) .					223,120
Population figure Census 1961.					223,763
Density of Population i.e. numb	er of Per	sons p	er acre	9	
(Based on Registrar-General's	Estimat	ed Pop	ulation	1)	54.6
Number of marriages during year	r				2,098
Marriage rate per 1,000 Populat	ion		'		9.4
Marriage rate per 1,000 Populat	ion				
England and Wales					14.9
Rateable Value of District (196	3/64)			£	12,887,700
Sum represented by Penny Rate	(1963/64	4)			£53,000
Number of separately rated hous	ses and f	lats			
(1963/64)					57,077

### BIRTHS

Live Births

	Legitimate	III	egitima	ite		Totals
Males	2,310		482			2,792
Females	2,291		497			2,788
Totals	4,601		979			5,580
	Rate per 1,00		-			25.01
other area				• ••		22.01
Comparabili	ty Factor sup	oplied by	Regist	rar		
General		•• •••			•••	0.88

Birth Rate per 1,000 H	ome F	opulat	tion				
County of London							 20.1
Birth Rate per 1,000 H	ome F	opulat	tion				
England and Wales		1.1	TRO			11.01	 18.2
Corresponding Rate for	the H	Boroug	h of L	ambetl	h		
for the year 1962							 21.94
Illegitimate Live Birth	s per	cent o	f total				NINDM L
live births							 17.4%

### STILL BIRTHS

	Legitimate	Illegitimate		Total	S
Males	42	13		55	
Females	28	5		33	
Totals	70	18		88	- sint to
Still Birth Rate	e per 1,000 Total Bi	rths			
	still)				15.5
and the second se	e per 1,000 Home Po	pulation			0.39
	e per 1.000 Total Bi		*		

Birth Rate per 1,0	100 10	otal Bi	rtns			
England and Wales				 	 	17.2

#### DEATHS

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Males	Fema	les	Т	otal	
1402	1330	)	2	732	
Death Rate per 1,000 Home I	Population	qold 		briely.	 12.24
Death Rate corrected for com	nparison w	ith			
other areas					 13.71
Comparability Factor suppli	ed by Regi	istrar Ge	eneral		 1.12
Death Rate per 1,000 Home	Populatio	n			
England and Wales					 12.2
Corresponding Rate for the H	Borough of	Lambet	h for th	he	
year 1962					 11.1

Death Rate per 1,000	Home	Popula	tion			
County of London				•••	 	 12.4

#### MATERNAL MORTALITY

Number of Women dying in consequence of childbirth	 	3
Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 Total Births	 	0.53
Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 Total Births		
County of London	 	0.52

INFANTILE MORTALITY

Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age

18.2

	Legitimate	Illegitimate	Totals
Males	63	14	77
Females	47	17	64
Totals	110	31	141

Death Rate of Infants under 1 year of age per		
1,000 live births	 	25.27
Death Rate of Infants under 1 year of age		
per 1,000 live births County of London	 	21.4
Death Rate of Infants under 1 year of age per		
1,000 live births, England and Wales	 	20.9
Legitimate Infantile Mortality rate	 	23.9
Illegitimate Infantile Mortality rate	 	31.6
Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age		

	Legitimate	Illegitimate	Totals
Males	32	7	39
Females	28	15	43
Totals	60	22	82

Neo-natal Mortality Rate		
(Deaths under four weeks per 1,000 live births)	 	14.7
Neo-natal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births		
County of London	 ·	14.2
Neo-natal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births		
England and Wales	 	14.2
Deaths of Infants under 1 week of age		

	Legitimate	Illegitimate	Totals
Males	30	6	36
Females	25	14	39
Totals	55	20	75
-			

Early Neo-natal Mortality Rate

(Deaths under one week per 1,000 live births)	 13.4
Perinatal Mortality Rate	
(Stillbirths and deaths under one week combined per 1,000	
total live and still births)	 28.7

Perinatal Mortality	Rate	England and	Wales				29.3
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#### SUMMARY OF VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE TEN YEAR PERIOD

#### 1954 - 1963

Year	Population	Deaths	*Death Rate	Live Births	*Live Birth Rate	Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age	Infantile Mortality Rate	Maternal Deaths	Maternal Mortality Rate
1954	226,200	2,298	10.26	3,684	14.33	. 86	23.34	6	1.59
1955	224,200	2,385	10.74	3,597	14.12	74	20.57	4	1.08
1956	223,900	2,389	11.10	3,915	15.74	83	21.20	1	.25
1957	224,300	2,359	10.83	4.205	16.82	98	23.90	NIL	NIL
1958	223,600	2,529	11.65	4,444	17.12	111	24.98	1	.22
1959	223,300	2,483	11.38	4,685	19.09	116	24.76	1	.21
1960	224,080	2,388	10.86	4,802	19.55	101	21.0	2	.41
1961	221,960	2,585	11.65	4,847	19.87	109	22.41	3	.61
1962	223,370	2,479	11.10	5,329	21.94	102	19.15	5	.92
1963	223,120	2,732	13.71	5,580	22.01	141	25.27	3	.53

\* As adjusted by Comparability Factor

CAUSE OF DEATH	Sam	Total	Under	4 weeks				AGE	IN YE.	ARS			
CAUSE OF DEATH	Joex	All ages	4 weeks	and under 1 year	1-	5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75 and over
1. Tuberculosis, Respiratory	M F	12 6								3 2	6 2	1 -	22
2. Tuberculosis, Other	M F	4						1		27.19	1.	1	1
3. Syphilitic Disease	M F	2 6		1.2						1		1 3	1 2
5. Whooping Cough	M F	1		1									115 A
6. Meningococcal Infections	M F	1		1								11	
9. Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	M F	3 4							1	1	1	3	1
0. Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	M F	26 28							2 1	2 2	10 4	6 8	6 13
1. Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	M F	138 36						2	3	13 3	53 10	50 13	17 9
2. Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	M F	1 46	X						2	17	8	15	14
3. Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	F	19								5	2	5	7
4. Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms	M F	121 120	1	a series a	1	1		1 2	3 6	12 11	29 22	38 42	35 37

#### BOROUGH OF LAMBETH

and the second sec		Total	Under	4 weeks				AGE	IN YE	ARS			-
CAUSE OF PEATH	Sex		4 weeks	and under 1 year	1-	5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75 and over
15. Leukaemia, Aleukaemia	MF	6				1	1		1	1 1	1	2	1 2
16. Diabetes	M F	2 8		Spras							1 2	1 3	3
17. Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	MF	98 163					1	1	5	2 7	15 17	32 49	42 89
18. Coronary Disease, Angina	MF	277 208	10-16	10,317		1		1	9	29 5	78 19	87 .69	74 114
19. Hypertension with Heart Disease	MF	10 23		1983		1					2 2	5 4	3 17
20. Other Heart Disease	MF	106 152	alse	and		1.12		3	1 6	83	15 8	28 27	51 108
21. Other Circulatory Disease	MF	64 64	1438	2				2	2	5 7	14 8	18 14	21 34
22. Influenza	MF	5 10	1145	4447		1		In	2	1	22	23	1 2
23. Pneumonia	MF	111 133	1 4	12 6	4	1		1	1 2	3	10 6	25 21	54 91
24. Bronchitis	MF	177 69		5 3					1	8 5	46 7	57 13	60 40
25. Other Diseases of Respiratory System	MF	13 12	14.75	al and					22	1	2 2	51	3 7
26. Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	MF	10 10							1	ĺ	6	22	1 6

		Total	Under	4 weeks		5		AGE	IN YE.	ARS			
CAUSE OF DEATH	Sex	All ages	4 weeks	and under 1 year	1-	5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75 and over
27. Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	M F	7 9		2 4	1		1		1	2	1	1	2 2
28. Nephritis and Nephrosis	M F	6 3	-					1	1	1 2	2	1	
29. Hyperplasia of Prostate	М	10				1 2 2						6	4
30. Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion	F	3				1 3		2	1				
31. Congenital Malformations	M F	18 17	6 8	6 4	1	1 1	1		1 1	2	1	1	1
32. Other defined and ill-defined Diseases	M F	96 118	31 31	9 1	1	1	1	1 2	1	10 7	13 14	13 25	16 36
33. Motor Vehicle Accidents	M F	22 10		1		1.8.9	8	1	3	2	23	56	1
34. All other accidents	M F	27 23		1	1	1	2	2	3	7	1 3	6	5 15
35. Suicide	M F	28 21					1	4 5	5 2	8 5	73	1 2	2 3
36. Homicide and Operations of War	M F	1		1							1		R.
TOTAL ALL CAUSES	M F	1,402 1,330	39 43	38 21	5 5	5 2	14 4	19 16	44 31	122 76	318 147	394 331	404 654
GRAND TOTAL		2,732	82	59	10	7	18	35	75	198	465	725	1,058

#### VITAL STATISTICS

#### POPULATION

According to the Registrar-General's estimate for mid-year 1963 the population of the Borough of Lambeth has again declined.

The estimated home population of the Borough was 223,120 compared with 223,763 in 1962, a reduction of 634.

As the number of live births exceeded the number of deaths by 2,848 giving a natural increase in population a movement of residents out of the Borough would appear to be indicated.

#### BIRTHS

The number of live births increased by 251. This coupled with the reduction in the estimated home population gives an increased corrected birth rate of 22.01 compared with 21.94 in 1962. The crude birth rate was 25.01 per 1,000 home population compared with 23.85 last year. This increase however is not reflected in the corrected rate due to the fact that the comparibility figure supplied by the Registrar-General is less than that for the year 1962 and the crude rate has to be multiplied by this figure to obtain the corrected rate.

The rate, however, is higher than either that for the County of London or England and Wales.

Illegitimate births again increased, 979 occurring compared with 921 in 1962.

#### STILL BIRTHS

The Still Birth Rate at 15.5 per 1,000 total births is less than that for England and Wales which is 17.2.

#### DEATHS

The total number of deaths was 2,732, 1,402 males and 1,330 females. This was an increase of 253 on the number occurring in 1962 and gives a corrected death rate of 13.71 compared with 11.1 last year.

The rate is higher than those for England and Wales and the County of London which are 12.2 and 12.4 per 1,000 home population respectively.

Male deaths exceeded female by 72.

Heart and Associated diseases accounted for the largest number of deaths.

Deaths from all forms of malignant neoplasms increased, 535 occurring compared with 473 in 1962.

Fatalities from respiratory tuberculosis were not as high as in 1962, 18 deaths occurring compared with 22. Deaths from other forms of the disease increased, however, from 2 in 1962 to 4 in 1963.

Five more deaths occurred as a result of motor vehicle accidents compared with 1962, three more people died as a result of other accidents and six more committed suicide.

#### INFANTILE MORTALITY

The number of infants who died in the first year of life was 141. This is 39 more than in 1962 and gives an infantile mortality rate of 25.27 per 1,000 live births compared with 19.15 last year which was one of the lowest on record.

The rate compares unfavourably with that for the County of London which is 21.4 and England and Wales which at 20.9 was the lowest ever recorded in the Country.

Eighty two children died under the age of four weeks giving a neo-natal mortality rate of 14.7 compared with 13.3 in 1962.

The early neo-natal mortality rate (deaths under 1 week per 1,000 live births) was 13.4 also an increase on last year's figure.

According to the information supplied by the Registrar-General the deaths fell into the undermentioned categories.

Cause of Death	Male	Female	Total
Whooping Cough	-	1	1
Meningococcal Infection	1	1	2
Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms	1		1
Circulatory Disease	2	-	2
Pneumonia	13	10	23
Bronchitis	5	3	8
Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	2	. 4	6
Congenital Malformations	12	12	24
Other defined and ill defined diseases	40	32	72
Accidents		1	1
Homicide	1	•	1
TOTAL	77	64	141

### MATERNAL MORTALITY

Three women died as a result of childbirth compared with 5 in 1962, giving <sup>a</sup> maternal mortality rate of 0.53 per 1,000 total births.

# DEATHS FROM CANCER OF THE LUNG AND BRONCHUS

The number of deaths from this cause increased to 174. This is the highest <sup>number</sup> since figures first became available in 1950.

The deaths were split amongst the various age groups as follows.

The figures in brackets are those for the year 1962.

Sector Sector Sec	Males	S	Fe	emale	es	Totals	Senti S	
25-44 years	5	(3)		1	(-)	6	(3)	
45-64 years	66	(55)		13	(14)	79	(69)	
65-74 years	50	(37)		13	(11)	63	(48)	
75 years and over	17	(16)		9	(2)	26	(18)	
SPIER wooden	138	(111)	that for	36	(27)	174	(138)	

During the last 14 years 1,800 people have died from cancer of the lung whilst over the same period 528 deaths have occurred from respiratory tuberculosis.

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#### ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

The following tables show the road traffic accidents occurring within the Borough of Lambeth during the year 1963 and the comparative figures and casualties for the period 1955-1963.

The figures shown refer not only to Lambeth residents but also to persons living in other areas who were involved in accidents in the Borough.

The number of fatalities shown in these tables may not agree, therefore, with those in the list of causes of death supplied by the Registrar-General. The Registrar-General's figures refer to Lambeth residents only, and the death may have occurred within the Borough of Lambeth or outside the district.

My thanks are due to the Town Clerk for supplying me with the figures.

				Ca	sualti	es		
Month	No. of Accidents		Adul	ts		Childre	en	Totals
	1,890 1,819	Killed	Seriously injured	Slightly injured	Killed	Seriously injured	Slightly injured	alving pa 17 alties pa
January	95	2	13	78	-	2	8	103
February	99	1	10	88	-	1	20	120
March	139	1	21	131	-	2	17	172
April	175	4	13	148	-	3	36	204
May	165	5	24	149	-	8	44	230
June	154	2	20	128	-	4	35	189
July	133	2	13	120	-	9	32	176
August	171	1	20	151	-	8	33	213
September	148	-	16	137	-	3	29	185
October	168	1	20	148	-	8	32	209
November	176	1	24	154	-	7	20	206
December	150	1	15	151	-	2	17	186
TOTALS	1773	21	209	1583		57	323	2193

## ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS 1963 WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF LAMBETH

Accidents per mile of road Casualties per mile of road

12.49 15.40

#### BOROUGH OF LAMBETH

#### **COMPARATIVE FIGURES OF ACCIDENTS**

#### AND CASUALTIES FOR THE PERIOD 1955 - 1963

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the filling of the P	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963
Number of accidents involving personal injury		1,272	1,212	1,505	1,739	1,890	1,819	1,782	1,773
Casualties per mile of road	8.80	8.98	8.56	12.6	14.6	16.2	16.2	15.02	15.40
Casualty Figures Adults Killed Seriously injured Slightly injured	14 187 1,002	12 174 1,067	12 196 1,052	17 240 1,293	21 254 1,535	18 273 1,668	19 281 1,550	28 233 1,511	21 209 1,583
Totals ·	1,203	1,253	1,260	1,550	1,810	1,959	1,850	1,772	1,813
Children Killed Seriously injured Slightly injured	1 35 189	2 29 211	1 24 175	2 45 193	2 44 204	3 59 276	1 58 292	1 49 284	- 57 323
Totals	225	242	200	240	250	338	351	334	380
Combined Adults and Children	1 1			24 1	I	67 02		andro	
Totals	1,428	1,495	1,460	1,790	2,060	2,297	2,201	2,106	2,193

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#### PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER

#### INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

The undermentioned diseases are compulsorily notifiable within the Borough of Lambeth

Anthrax Cholera Diphtheria Dysentery Encephalitis, acute Enteric Fever Erysipelas Food Poisoning Malaria Measles Membranous Croup Meningococcal Infection Ophthalmia Neonatorum Paratyphoid Fever Plague Pneumonia, acute influenzal Pneumonia, acute primary Poliomyelitis, acute Puerperal Pyrexia **Relapsing Fever** Scabies Scarlet Fever Smallpox Tuberculosis, all forms Typhoid Fever **Typhus Fever** Whooping Cough

The following tables show the total number of corrected notifications, other than tuberculosis, received during the year.

Disease	1st Q	uarter	2nd	Quarter	3rd Q	)uarter	4th Q	uarter	To	otals	Grand
Disease	М	F	М	F	М	F	M	F	M	F	Total
Scarlet Fever Whooping Cough Acute Poliomyelitis	10 4	777	6 9	8 12	6 35	11 35.	15 22	13 40	37 70	39 94	76 164
Non-Paralytic	-		-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1
Measles	520	491	433	449	106	104	10	16	1,069	1,060	2,129
Dysentery	32	40	19	13	12	10	7	4	70	67	137
Meningococcal Infection	2	-	1	1			-	-	3	1	4
Pneumonia	13	12	7	5	4	3	1	3	25	23	48
Acute Encephalitis	L . E	125		188	1.38	1	12-	18.2		3 3	
(Post Infectious)	-	121-8	-		-	1			- 20	1	1
Typhoid Fever	1.4.2	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	2	3
Erysipelas	-	-	2	-	1	1	-	1	3	2	5
Food Poisoning	-	1	1	22	1	4	1	7	3	14	17
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	7	-	2		2	-	2	-	13	13
Ophthamia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1 13	2	3 25
Scabies	2	5	3	-	8	4		3	15	12	25
TOTALS	583	570	481	492	175	178	56	91	1,295	1,331	2,626

#### NOTIFICATIONS (CORRECTED) EXCLUDING TESERCULOSIS

Age Groups	Sc Fe	arlet ever		oping ough	Para	Acute P lytic	oliomye.   Noh	litis -Paralytic	Me	asles	Dys	entery	N	lening Infe	ococcal ction	Sca	bies	Totals
Under 1 year 1 year 2 years 3 years 4 years 5-9 years 10-14 years 15-24 years 25 years and over	M 1 3 5 20 5 3	F 1 2 2 1 20 11 2	M 14 6 8 10 6 20 2 4	F 16 11 10 8 11 34 3 -	M 	F	M	F	M 50 155 156 154 144 383 19 5 3	F 47 159 164 158 128 377 14 10 3	M 4 5 8 6 2 13 7 7 7	F 1 6 4 1 2 16 5 9 23	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	M 1 - - - 1 1	F	M 2 5 6	F - - 1 - 5 6	133 344 352 344 300 883 66 52 62
												-	+			13	12	
TOTALS	37	39	70	94	-	-	-	. 1	1,069	1,060	70	67		3	1	13	112	2,536
TOTALS Age Groups		39 monia	A		ncephal Por Infect	st	Typh Feve	oid E	ysipela	as	Food	Pu	aerpe Yrex	ral		13 halmia atorun	1	Z,530 Totals
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Age Groups	Pneu	monia F	A Infe	cute E ctive	ncephal Po Infect	st tious	Typh Feve	oid E er	ysipela	rs P	Food	Pu	yrex	ral ia	Neon	halmia atorun	1	Totals
Age Groups Under 5 years	Pneus M 4	monia F 7	A Infe M	cute E ctive F	ncephal Poi Infect M	st tious F	Typh Feve M	oid E er F N	ysipela	rs P	Food oisoning M F 2 2	Pr F M	yrex	ral ia F -	Neon	halmia atorun F	1	Totals
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NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE - AGE DISTRIBUTION

# PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCIES

Number of cases of Infectious Disease notified in each Parliamentary Constituency of the Borough.

	Parliame				
Disease	Vauxhal1	Brixton	Norwood	Total	
carlet Fever	34	19	23	76	
Whooping Cough	19	64	51	164	
Acute Poliomyelitis	1 2 1	0000	0-1-0-		
Non-Paralytic		-	1	1	
Measles	719	794	616	2,129	
Dysentery	67	22	48	137	
Meningococcal	123131	12 - A - 2 - 2	12 P P 27 Y		
Infection	2 5 .	2	-	4	
Paeumonia	5 .	19	24	48	
Acute Encephalitis	1 2 . 2				
(Post Infectious)	1			1	
Typhoid Fever	1	2		3	
Erysipelas		1	4	5	
Food Poisoning	3	12	2	17	
Puerperal Pyrexia	8	4	1	13	
Opthalmia Neonatorium	3	-	-	3	
Scabies	6	4	15	25	
TOTALS	898	943	785	2,626	

#### NOTIFICATIONS OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS

The number of corrected notifications received during the year increased from 1,001 in 1962 to 2,626 in 1963.

This was due almost entirely to an outbreak of measles, 2,129 cases being notified compared with 523 in 1962.

Other diseases to show an increase were Scarlet Fever, 76 compared with 65; Whooping Cough, 164 compared with 64; Pneumonia, 48 compared with 35; Food Poisoning, 17 compared with 15; Scabies 25 compared with 17 and Erysipelas 5 compared with 3. Other notifiable diseases decreased.

#### Poliomyelitis

As in 1962 one case only, an adult female, was notified. This case was of the non-paralytic type.

#### Food Poisoning

The seventeen cases of Food Poisoning were distributed throughout the year as follows :-

First Quarter	1
Second Quarter	.3
Third Quarter	5
Fourth Quarter	. 8
-	-
	17

Salmonella Typhimurium was identified in 10 cases. In the remaining 7 cases the causative agent was not identified.

A small outbreak of food poisoning due to Salmonella Typhimurium occured amongst the nursing staff at a hospital in the Borough.

There were only seven cases although the number at risk could have been as many as 500. The vehicle was thought to be cottage pie but unfortunately none was available for examination by the time the outbreak occurred.

#### Salmonella Infections not Food-Borne

In addition to the notified cases of food poisoning already mentioned the following salmonella infections were brought to the notice of the Public Health Department.

Salmonella Type	Number of Outbreaks		No. of	No. of	Total	
	Family	Other	cases involved in outbreaks	single cases	No. of cases	
Blockley	integer to	leosdino ne -	tat entirely t	1	1	
Bovis Morbificans			512, 57, 1992.	1	1	
Derby	-			1	1	
Stanley	carlet Ferr	1	4	No. 100 Contraction	4	
Tennessee	1		2	121102100	2	
Typhi-Murium	and and man		ano gana	2	2	
TOTAL	1	1	6	5	11	

#### **Fyphoid** Fever

Three cases of typhoid fever were notified during the year. Of these, one definitely originated abroad and the other two were probably contracted outside the United Kingdom. No other associated cases were discovered either in the Borough or in known contacts elsewhere in the Country.

The first case was a male aged 27 years who developed the disease on 29th June having spent a holiday in Majorca from 1st - 15th June with an organised holiday party.

The second case was diagnosed in a local hospital in a New Zealand teacher who had been living in Europe and was resident in another London Borough. She was taken ill on 10th June having come to England on 16th May and spent some time in the West Country before coming to London just before the onset of her illness. It is possible therefore that she may have contracted the disease in this Country but investigations along these lines yielded negative results. There was some anxiety concerning this incident as a close contact of this case was a cookery teacher in a large school in the Borough She was immediately suspended from duty and no infection occurred either in this contact or the school.

The third case was in a female aged 27 years who was taken ill some 25 days after returning from a holiday in Spain and was admitted to hospital as a possible case of typhoid fever. Tests in hospital proved negative until some three weeks after her admission to hospital, when the organism was finally isolated. There was a possibility that the disease was contracted in this Country but investigations were again negative.

#### **BOROUGE OF LAMBETE**

**IMMUNISATION - 1963** 

Completed Cases	Welfare Centres and Nurseries		General Practitioners		
	Under 5 years	5 - 14 years	Under 5 years	5 - 14 years	Totals
Diphtheria Prophylaxis only	12	76	2	5	95
Combined Antigen – Diphtheria and Whooping Cough			1		1
Triple Antigen – Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus	3,716	30	836	29	4,611
Diphtheria and Tetanus	70	81	er itte See opy the	1	152
Diphtheria – boosting doses – all ages	4,057		807		4,864
Whooping Cough only all ages (completed cases)	Norwood Relaton U addyse John Frank				

Diphtheria immunisation is the responsibility of the London County Council, but may also be carried out by general practitioners and I am indebted to Dr. W. H. S. Wallace, Divisional Medical Officer of Division 8 for supplying me with the above figures.

#### INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATES OF VACCINATION

International Certificates of vaccination for persons travelling to certain countries abroad are required in respect of Smallpox, Yellow Fever and Cholera.

Vaccination against any disease other than yellow fever can be done by a person's own doctor, or exceptionally (by arrangement) at a hospital. So long as vaccination is done under the National Health Service, whether by a person's own doctor or at a hospital, no charge may be made for it, but in either case the doctor may charge for issuing an International Certificate.

Yellow fever vaccination must, for international and technical reasons, be done only at a Centre designated by the Government, in London the Hospital for Tropical Diseases, 4, St. Pancras Way, N.W.1., Medical Department, Unilever House, Blackfriars, E.C.4., and West London Designated Vaccinating Centre, 53, Great Cumberland Place, W.1.

An International Certificate of vaccination against yellow fever will be supplied, after vaccination, at the Centre at which the vaccination is done.

The International Certificates for smallpox and cholera (for completion by the person's own doctor) must be obtained by the traveller himself and taken to the doctor, it is NOT for the Doctor, or a Local Authority, or their Medical Officer of Health, to supply them. The forms can usually be obtained by the traveller from the Company arranging his transport, or he can get them from the Ministry of Health, Alexander Fleming House, Elephant and Castle, S.E.1.

After completion by the vaccinator, certificates must be franked with an approved stamp.

Approved stamps have been prescribed for the United Kingdom. If the vaccinator is not himself an authorised user of a stamp, the person vaccinated must take or send the certificate for stamping to a local Authority.

In England and Wales this is the Town Hall, Urban District Council or Rural District in whose area the vaccinator practices. It should be noted that this is not necessarily the area in which the person vaccinated lives.

During the year 3,535 International Certificates of Vaccination were stamped by the Public Health Department.
# TUBERCULOSIS

### Notification

The following table shows the number of cases of tuberculosis notified for the first time during the year 1963 excluding transfers into the district and cases brought to notice other than by formal notification.

Are Crown	Respi	iratory	Non-re:	Total all	
Age Group	Male	Female	Male	Female	Forms
Under 5 years	1	2	-	1	4
5 - 14 years	2	-		er geber	2
15 - 24 years	11	5	2	1	19
25 - 44 years	16	14	4	3	37
45 - 65 years	23	5	3	•	31
65 years and over	11	2	-	1	14
TOTAL	64	28	9	6	107

These primary notifications were distributed amongst the Parliamentary Constituencies as follows :-

Norwood	34
Brixton	44
Vau xhall	29

The number of cases of tuberculosis remaining on the Régister at the end of the year is as follows :-

120	Respiratory	Non-respiratory	Total
Men	1,766	70	1,836
Women	1,373	80	1,836 1,453
Children	133	47	180
TOTAL	3,272	197	3, 469

Parliamentary	( initial	Respiratory			-	Non-respiratory			
Constituency	Adm	itted	Disc	harged	Admi	itted	Disch	arged	
Shid South a	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Vauxhall	25	5	10	3	-	1	-	-	
Brixton	15	10	9	7	3	1	2		
Norwood	7	2	9	3	2	3	1	-	
TOTAL	47	17	28	13	5	5	3	-	

### **ROSPITAL ADMISSIONS AND DISCHARGES**

According to the figures supplied by the Registrar General, the following deaths from tuberculosis occurred during the year.

Tuberculosis of Respiratory system			Other forms of Tuberculosis			All forms of Tuberculosis		
Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
12	6	18	4	-	4	16	6	22

The following table shows the primary notification of tuberculosis for the ten year period 1954 - 1963.

Year	Respiratory	Non-respiratory	Totals	Rate per 1,000 population
1954	352	17	369	1.63
1955	232	21	253	1.13
1956	180	18	198	0.88
1950	199	10	209	0.93
1957	189	21	210	0.94
1958	155	15	170	0.76
1959	135	9	146	0.65
1961	126	18	144	0.65
1962	120	10	132	0.59
1963	92	15	107	0.48

The following table shows the number of deaths from tuberculosis for the ten year period 1954-1963

Year	Respiratory	Non-respiratory	Totals	Rate per 1,000 population
1954	34	7	41	0.18
1955	32	4	36	0.16
1956	22		22	0.11
1957	17	5	22	0.10
1958	24	2	26	0.13
1959	27	2	29	0.13
1960	15	6	21	0.09
1961	27	2	29	0.13
1962	22	2	24	0.11
1963	18	4	22	0.10

## DEATH RATE FROM ALL FORMS OF TUBERCULOSIS PER 1,000 POPULATION AND NOTIFICATION RATE PER 1,000 POPULATION



I am indebted to Dr. Price, Consultant Chest Physician at St. Francis Hospital, for the following report on the work of the Chest Clinic during the year.

### **REPORT ON CHEST CLINIC WORK 1963**

Table 1 is an extract of the Annual return of Chest Clinic work as now prepared for the Ministry of Health. It includes observation cases of tuberculosis not formally notified under the Tuberculosis Regulations. These are cases of cured disease or of very doubtful activity where a period of observation is a necessary precaution against possible breakdown or infectivity.

### TABLE 1

1. Number of cases of tuberculosis (whether notified or not) on the register as being under treatment or supervision at 31st December.

RESPIRATORY				NON-	RESPIRATORY	ł	
Men	Women	Children	Total	Men	Women	Children	Total
793	574	44	1,411	20	22	3	45

2. Number of cases (whether notified or not) added to the register during the year ended 31st December who have radiological evidence of respiratory tuberculosis.

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(boltmore)	Men	Women	Children	Total	Men	Women	Children	Total
Group I	28	14	-	42	4	3	-	7
Group II	34	10		44	5	4		9
Group III	14	9	1	24	3	2	(di -da)	5
Totals	76	33	1	110	12	9	-	21

3. Number of cases of non-respiratory tuberculosis (whether notified or not) added to Clinic Register.

Men	Women	Children	Total
2	2	1	5

4. Number of cases included in 1. whose broncho-pulmonary secretion was positive during the year

Whilst this Table now gives a more accurate picture of Chest Clinic work it may give a false impression of the incidence of new cases of tuberculosis as compared with previous years.

Table 1A following shows the number of cases first diagnosed as suffering from respiratory tuberculosis during 1963 and notified under the Tuberculosis Regulations.

	Respiratory Tuberculosis				Non-	Respirato	ry Tuberc	ulosis
	Men	Women	Child- ren	Total	Men	Women	Child- ren	Total
Number of Cases diagnosed during the year 1963	30	15	1	46	2	1	-	3
Deaths	13	4	-	17	-		-	-

TABLE 1A

#### Deaths

Out of a total of 17 deaths, 13 male and 4 female, 12 were directly due to tuberculosis, 10 of these male 2 female. They were all pulmonary cases and all were over 60 years of age, half of them were more than 70 years old. 4 were residents of the Hostel for Tuberculous Men. Of the female deaths 1 was aged 77 years and had been ill at home, neglected for sometime and was without early medical attention. The other was a patient with long standing disease, aged 65 years who had consistently declined or neglected her treatment. Of the Hostel deaths 2 occurred in patients with resistant organisms following as a result of inadequate co-operation in chemotherapy. Male deaths again reflected neglect of aged sufferers and 4 old men, 3 of whom were over 70 years old who had been ill for quite a long time were referred for advice and treatment when the disease was far too advanced for effective treatment. To a slight extent the death rate in the borough is inflated by deaths among residents at the Tuberculosis Hostel which receives patients from the Greater London area.

#### **Respiratory** Tuberculosis

The decrease in incidence continued during the year and the lowest number ever, 46 were added to the Tuberculosis Register. The majority of these cases were at an early stage of the disease fully amenable to treatment. The decrease in the number of new cases occurred almost entirely among women and children 15 females and 1 child only being diagnosed during the year.

### Non-Respiratory Tuberculosis

No case of bovine infection was recorded. 3 adult cases only were diag nosed traceable to an initial primary lung infection.

## Tuberculosis Incidence

Year	Total on register	New cases dia gnosed	Deaths
1951	1,541	266	62
1952	1,512	152	38
1953	1,434	115	39
1954	1,395	159	20
1955	1,281	86	12
1956	1,242	80	21
1957	1,252	128	7
1958	1,214	118	7
1959	1,240	86	8
1960	1,239	89	12
1961	1,159	77	23
1962	1,144	60	18
1963	* 1,411	46	17

TABLE 2

includes
observation

Table 2 compares Chest Clinic figures since 1951 and demonstrates the continued fall in incidence and death rate. No significant racial preponderance was suggested in the incidence pattern but it is worthy of record that out of 64 new cases, 7 were of direct Eirean descent. It is to be noted that the total number of cases on the Register has apparently increased following the Ministry instruction to include observation cases in the total for statistical purposes.

### Treatment

Chemotherapy is now an established form of treatment for tuberculosis and is successful in the majority of cases. Initial treatment is given in hospital and a ward for male cases is available in Dulwich Hospital. Female patients may be admitted to Grove Park Hospital or the Lenham Chest Hospital. Subsequently long term chemotherapy is given as out-patients attending the Chest Clinic for a period up to 2 years. An average of 90 such patients were under treatment during the year.

## B.C.G. Vaccination

This procedure is now reserved at Chest Clinics for contacts at special risk, for new born contacts and for hospital staff. 240 such vaccinations were performed during the year.

### **Kealth Visiting**

The London County Council continued to provide 2 full time Tuberculosis Health Visitors based on the Chest Clinic at St. Francis' Hospital to cover health visiting duties in the South Lambeth area. A total of 3,880 visits were made to patient's homes during the year.

### Welfare

Close liasion was maintained with the National Insurance and National Assistance Officers who are now able to meet the needs of most patients. Where necessary, however, extra nourishment was provided by the London County Council on the Chest Physician's recommendation and 46 patients were supplied with milk butter and eggs during the year. In other neccesitous cases and in those with special needs help may be provided by the Chest Clinic Samaritan Fund supported by the Mayor of Lambeth under the Chairmanship of the Consultant Chest Physician. The day to day administration of the fund is the responsibility of the Chest Physician's Secretary who is also Secretary to the Samaritan Fund Committee and who was responsible for so assisting 150 patients during the year.

### SECTION C

# GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES

### FOR THE AREA

Care of the Aged

The appointment of the additional Visitor approved by the Council in 1962 was made in March 1963.

The work continued to expand and the number of visits made by the two visitors increased by 317.

During the year 584 new cases were brought to the notice of the Public Health Department, an increase of 31 over the number of new cases for 1962.

The age groups into which these new cases were divided were as follows :-

	Male	Female	Totals
60-69 years	35	72	107
70-74 years	32	67	99
75-79 years	43	. 79	122
80-84 years	35	108	143
85-89 years	28	63	91
90-94 years	. 8	11	19
95 years and over	diges lader	3	3
The same and social	181	403	584

The total number of visits made during the year was 3,817.

The number of old people persuaded to enter hospitals and institutions voluntarily was 245. It was not found necessary to use powers under the National Assistance Act 1948 or the National Assistance (Amendment) Act 1951. The fact that compulsory powers of removal were not used is due to the good work done by the two lady visitors and credit is due to them,

In addition a total of 540 persons received help in some form or another, and in 2 instances help was refused.

The number of cases on the register, including those from previous years is 2,563.

### Laundry Service for Aged Incontinent

The arrangements made with Southwark Borough Council for carrying out this service continued during the year.

The total number of persons receiving benefit from the scheme during the year was 161 (146). The total visits made were 3,087 (2,758) and the total number of soiled articles collected and taken to Southwark Cleansing Station was 37,516 (28,412). The total weight of the laundry cleansed was 28,092 lbs (24,953 lbs). The figures given in brackets are those for the year 1962.

#### **Home Bathing Service**

An increasing number of aged persons are benefiting from this service and during the year 2,728 baths were given. This is an increase of 328 over the figure for 1962.

### Old People's Kolidays, 1963.

During four successive weeks in May and two weeks in September, 1963 parties of old folk were taken to Brighton by coach for a week's holiday under the Council's holiday scheme.

Some of these parties were seen off by His Worship The Mayor, the Mayoress and Chairman of the Public Health Committee.

Letters of appreciation received and verbal expressions of thanks on their return from holiday and at the reunion held in December confirm that the old folk had a very enjoyable holiday.

An extra coach outing for all parties was arranged by Rutland Tours Ltd., in addition to the outing and theatre trip officially arranged, and this, of course, added to the enjoyment of the old folk.

The tables set out below show the age groups, and parliamentary divisions of participants in the Spring and Autumn holidays.

1.1.1.2			212		SPI	RING	***		1982	
	Males					Females				M/C*
	65/70	71/75	76/80	81 & over	60/70	71/75	76/80	81 & over		
Vauxhall	7	5	11	5	14	14	9	5	70	8
Brixton	9	10	2	3	21	14	18	7	84	12
Norwood	8	7	3	4	19	16	15	9	81	10
Totals	24	22	16	12	54	44	42	21	235	30
					AU	TUMN				
Vauxhall	.4	2	4	4	9	5	11	4	43	6
Brixton	8	6	5	3	13	11	8	5	59	11
Norwood	4	2	9	2	10	7	10	11	55	11
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OLD PEOPLE'S HOLIDAYS, 1963

3 cancellations due to illn ess were made too late to replace

\* Married couples included in totals.

I am indebted to the Chairman and Members of the Executive Committee of the Lambeth Old People's Welfare Association for allowing me to include the following report on the activities of the Association.

It should be noted that the Association's year **covers** the period from 1st April 1963 to 31st March 1964 and therefore does not co-incide strictly with the period covered by my Annual Report.

#### REPORT

During the year, many changes have taken place in the Association. First and foremost was the resignation of Miss Roith, who had been Secretary to the Association since 2nd January, 1961 and it was with regret that the Committee accepted the termination of her services on the 13th September, 1963. Miss Doris M. Beer, who had been Secretary to the Southwark Old People's Welfare Committee for six years was appointed in September and took up her duties on the 4th November.

The expansion of services which was the main concern of the new Executive Committee at its first meeting in July, 1962, has now taken place. The Deputy Organising Secretary who is a trained and experienced Social Worker, commenced her duties on the 1st April, 1963 and one of her tasks is the oversight of all the case work done in the Borough. There are now six Welfare Visitors, one of whom is a man. The Borough has been divided into five districts, and each of the women Welfare Visitors is responsible for a district. It was felt by the Association that one of the Visitors should be a man as there are many instances when a man's help is needed, and for this reason, he was not given a particular district but is called in on any occasion to all parts of the Borough.

#### General Welfare Work

Much constructive and re-habilitative work among the aged of the Borough has been made possible with the introduction of the six Welfare Visitors. 10,874 new contacts have been made with old people already known to the Association, and 1,886 new people became known and most of these presented a problem of some sort. Many were of temporary nature, and after a little help and understanding, the old people settled down again with just an occasional friendly visit to ensure that everything was alright, but in many other cases a of time and hard work has been needed to straighten out a difficult situation Applications come from varied sources and all day long the telephone is ringing with calls for help.

Some of the requests for assistance relate to decorating and the Association is very grateful for the really practical help given in this direction by the members of the Lambeth and Camberwell group of the International Voluntary Service. One one occasion, the Croydon group of the I.V.S. also assisted with decorating. In all these cases, the old people concerned have very much, appreciated, not only the help with the actual decorating, but the interest shown by the members of the I.V.S. It is of the utmost importance that our Visitors should be well informed about all the services available to old people, and they have attended short courses arranged by the London Council of Social Service, in conjunction with the National Old People's Welfare Council.

## Friendly Visiting

It is becoming more evident that, with the increase of visits made by our Welfare Visitors, there is a tremendous need for friendly visiting. Our Visitors' task is to try to meet any needs of the old people; to solve their problems, to help them to enjoy the closing years of their lives, and in many cases, to rehabilitate them and to bring them back into the Community from which, through age, disability, or loneliness, they have withdrawn. Quite often this means visiting daily for some time to support the old person in his or her time of need, but when the problem is solved the Visitor is no longer able to spend so much time, as there are many more waiting for this specialised attention. This is the time for the friendly visitor to take over. Sometimes we are asked to visit someone, and when the Visitor arrives, she finds the old person is just lonely. One old lady said "I want someone to come to tea" - she was not asking for help, she wanted to give. But she was very lonely because no one came to tea. We all know how we enjoy the friend who "pops" in whenever she has a minute to spare, especially if she brings all the interesting items of local news, and how much more does this apply to someone whose life has become restricted through age. If everyone who reads this report would "adopt" an old person, this would make a tremendous contribution towards solving the problem of loneliness in old age. The oldperson adopted may never meet the family, but through photographs, and interesting chatter about its various members would come to feel a part of it and would no longer be isolated and shut away.

# Meals-on-Wheels

In the past year 886,636 meals were taken to people in their own homes by the Meals-on-Wheels service. 30,862 of these were delivered by the Women's Voluntary Service in the southern part of the Borough. The remaining 55,774 were supplied by the Association's six vans in the northern section. The largest number of people served on any one day 416.

Over the year L.O.P.W.A. has had a gradual rise in the demand for meals, but the startling increase experienced during the winter '62-'63 was not repeated. The milder weather could have meant less illness and enabled more old people to to manage for themselves. In these circumstances it was not necessary to Purchase a further vehicle during the year, so it was decided to exchange the oldest van for a new one. In such an essential service it is vital that transport is always available and vans must be kept in perfect running order.

The Association realises that the meals staff gives more than a meal to their customers. Sometimes they are almost the only contact with the outside world and their daily call is eagerly awaited. Often odd jobs are undertaken by the drivers and escorts in their own time, such as haircutting and needlework. Visits during the long Bank Holidays have been made by some of the staff, and

these have been much appreciated. It has always been regretted that so little time can be spared with each person but with an average of forty meals per van, it is not possible to stay longer than is necessary.

Thanks are due to all those who give so much to make the Meals-on-Wheels Service such a vital part of the Association's work.

### Lunch Clubs

Prior to May, 1963 there were three centres in the Borough providing meals for the mobile elderly person at the same price as the person receiving Mealson-Wheels. They were King George VI Memorial Club for the Infirm, St. Thomas' Senior Club at Northcote House, and the Gothic Restaurant.

It was felt that Lunch Clubs offered an opportunity, not only to provide a hot meal at a reasonable price, but they also gave pensioners the chance to make social contacts with others in similar circumstances, especially those who do not belong to Clubs.

The Association decided to experiment with this scheme and on May 13th 1963, Springfield Hall, Wandsworth Road was opened as the first centre for this purpose. Meals were cooked on the premises, and up to March 31st this year, 11,063 meals were consumed. In addition, 19,548 meals were provided for the Meals-on-Wheels service.

#### Chiropody

Since this service was first introduced by the Association in 1949 when one session was held and seven old people treated, there has been a gradual overall increase in the service available to the elderly. It is comforting to know that, during the year ended 31st March, 1964 the needs of 2,580 old people were met. In all, 31 sessions per week were held at five clinics, three at a private surgery, and eight in the domiciliary service. A total of 14,213 treatments were given.

There continues to be an ever increasing demand for chiropody treatment and, although the expansion forecast in the 1963 report has taken place, the waiting lists for both clinics and the domiciliary service continues to rise.

It has been necessary, therefore, to ask the London County Council for an increased grant to finance the additional expansion required. If approved a considerable improvement in the existing service should be achieved, and it should be possible to open two new clinics in areas not already covered by this vital service.

The Association would like to thank all the chiropodists who continue to give such valuable service in alleviating one of the main needs of the elderly and to thank all the receptionists who give their unfailing voluntary help to the chiropody service.

### Boarding out Scheme

The objects of a boarding out scheme are :-

(a) To discover elderly persons who are in need of other accommodation, who would like to live in someone else's household but are not able to arrange this for themselves.

(b) To find householders or families willing to offer a home to an old person; and

(c) To match up the elderly people requiring accommodation and the hostesses offering homes so that each will suit the other as far as can reasonably be foreseen.

This is a very real service, although by its very nature it will only serve a small proportion of old people in the Borough. It is limited by lack of accommodation and the suitability of the old people needing such accommodation. The success of this service can never be judged by numbers. All Organisations who have established a Boarding Out Scheme are agreed that it is important to begin in a small way and to build up the service gradually. It is work that needs infinite patience and care and the delicate matching up of elderly person and hostess cannot be hurried.

The Boarding Out Officer has been appointed and commenced her duties on the 6th January. Arrangements were made for her to spend some time with the Lewisham Old People's Welfare Committee, who already have this scheme in operation, working with and learning from the Boarding Out Officer. We would like to acknowledge here our appreciation of the help given. Although our scheme, has only been operating since the end of February, already we have been instrumental in helping two old people to find happiness in more pleasant surroundings.

## Lambeth Centre for the Elderly

This purpose built unit was opened in June 1962 and caters for the needs of the elderly living in close proximity to the Centre. It is a two storey building with the workrooms on the ground floor. The top floor is used mainly as a rest or recreation centre and both services are in operation at the same time.

The ages of those attending range from 60 - 80 years. Of the present total of 69, nine are physically handicapped, three could be classified as mentally handicapped, and eight are rehabilitation cases. There is, however, a sufficient flow of work to cater for all sorts of handicap and enthusiasms, thus providing a constant sourse of interest for all.

A very successful Christmas celebration was held with everyone present, having an excellent Christmas dinner and te a and a food parcel. The Chairman presided at the dinner and declared a week's paid holiday to the delight of all present. The Rest Room is very much appreciated by all those who use it. Some like to come to relax and read, others to play cards, some just to chat; there is always a welcome from the staff, and the things so dear to most people's hearts "a cup of tea". There are 70 on the register (60 women and 10 men) and an average attendance in the Rest Room of about 30.

The Centre does provide a worthwhile service within the community and there is ample evidence that it has been instrumental in giving a number of old people a new interest in life.

### Clubs

There are now 29 clubs, some meeting two or three times a week, others only once, but all play a vital part in the welfare of the old people. Activities are varied, handicrafts, entertainments, cards, outings, parties, and club holidays are all features enjoyed. Some Clubs have their own visiting committee and many friendships are made through meeting at the Club.

During the year under review there was an increase in the number of applications received, and in all, 21 grants were made towards rent or its equivalent, purchase of equipment, and fees or expenses of entertainers at the clubs. The Entertainment Grant of up to £5. has helped Clubs to maintain an interest for their members, and it is hoped that no club has had to cut down on its activities owing to the lack of finance.

The Association would like to pay tribute to the Club Leaders for their untiring efforts in bringing happiness to so many lonely old people, and for their wholehearted support in all the work being done for the aged in the Borough.

The Inter-Club Competition and Exhibition of Work. This was held again in October and there were over 600 individual items of entry. The judging was carried out by Miss Cuthbertson, the Principal of the Stockwell and Waterloo Institute, together with her deputy, Mr. E.C. Thompson and Miss King. The cookery entries were judged by Mrs. Everard of the South Eastern Gas Board The very considerable care taken by all the Judges was very much appreciated and thanks are due to the Mayor and Mayoress who attended and distributed the prizes. The Competition Shield was again won by the Springfield Club.

Christmas Concerts. Unfortunately, because of the weather, only a few old people attended the "Club Christmas Concert", but those who did so, enjoyed their afternoon's entertainment, and sincere thanks are due to Mr. Walker who compared the afternoon for us.

On the 19th December an *Evening Concert* was given by the Chatsworth Choir and the Monotype Works Band. As it was a bitterly cold evening, there were only about 50 old people present but the evening was very much enjoyed and we wish to thank both the choir, the band and the conductor, Mr. M. Mitchell. Inter-Borough Talent Contest. Seven clubs were represented among the twelve entries for the Lambeth heats held in March. The judging was carried out by the Mayor, assisted by Miss May Barry and Mr. Tom Lewis. Mrs. Dimmock of St. Anne's Club at Vauxhall was the successful competitor and the Association again hired a coach to take a party of old people to the main competition at St. Pancras Town Hall. All those who had entered the Lambeth heat as competitors, accompanied Mrs. Dimmock and the remaining seats in the coach were offered to members of the St. Anne's Club.

## King George VI Memorial Club (Camberwell and Lambeth)

During the year ending 31st March, 1964, the total number of attendances was 11,765. The number of members during the year was 456 (an increase of 28 on 1962/1963) and 134 came off the Register for various reasons. The actual number of members at 31st March, 1964 was 322, and there were 190 referrals during the year. 157 people started during the year, but 105 are still waiting to join, some of whom were on the 1962/1963 list. The youngest member is aged 63, and the oldest will be 102 on 3rd June.

63 members went away for holidays through schemes organised by the Borough Council, U.G.S. Settlement, Old People's Welfare Associations, London County Council etc.

Outings included invitations to Women's Institutes and "Over 60" Clubs in the Country, tours around the Hopfields, and a trip to the seaside for each of the five Club days. Christmas parties were enjoyed by all members on their respective Club days, and the Management Committee is grateful to their many friends for their generous donations which contribute to the success of these functions.

The Monday Club won the Handwork Competition and a sale of the many and various items was held.

The high standard of services provided i.e. bathing, chiropody, hairdressing, personal shopping, taking members to appointments at hospitals, dental surgeries and opticians, giving advice on many welfare problems etc., is being maintained.

# Half-Day Summer outings

Once again, the Association ar ranged outings for older more infirm people not belonging to Clubs. There were three outings during the Summer, a total of 111 people participated and more than half of these were over eighty years of age. Two groups of ten people were entertained by the Kennington Toc H at a private house in Chessington, the Association's Kenebus being lent to them on both occasions. The three outings were made possible by the generosity of the Hedgerley (Bucks), Sidlow Bridge nr. Reigate (Surrey) and Iwade nr. Sittingbourne (Kent) Women's Institutes who provided tea and entertainment; and the Rotary Club of Brixton which paid for all three coaches. Again, every effort was made to offer these outings to people who lead restricted lives because of physical or mental infirmity and there is no doubt that they were greatly appreciated and of considerable value. The Association thanks the members of the Women's Institutes, the Rotary Club and Toc H, without whose co-operation and help this type of service would be impossible.

#### Holidays

400 old people went on the Holiday organised by the Lambeth Borough Council through its Scheme and 7 old people were sent away under the Infirm Holiday Scheme.

A total of 53 women savea with the Association for two weeks holiday with the Women's Holiday Fund and 12 also went away at Christmas

#### Good Neighbour and Sitter-in Service

This, like that of the Boarding Out Service has only just started. A part-time Day Care Officer was appointed in January. For a month her duties were primarily to understand the functions of the service and for this reason she spent some time with Mrs. Paynton who pioneered this scheme in St. Pancras. We would like to express our appreciation of the help given by Mrs. Paynton in this direction.

The functions of "Good Neighbours" vary considerably from case to case according to the type of infirmity, living conditions and other help available. In addition to seeing that the old people are safe, befriending them and ensuring that all is well, they shop, collect pensions, light and attend to fires, check gas, prepare a light meal, call a doctor or welfare worker, get prescriptions, help tidy or make beds, empty commodes, persuade the old people to wash, to change personal and household linens and arrange laundry. They give the old people the security of knowing that there will be one person constantly in and out on whom they can rely, and to whom they can confide their worries and who will be their main contact with the outside world. This security can have a tremendous effect upon morale.

The functions of "Sitters-In" are fairly clear cut. They relieve the strain on relatives simply by staying in the house with the aged and infirm person while the relatives go out, free from worry. They provide companionship, may prepare light meals and undertake simple tasks concerned with the confort and welfare of the old person. Old people liable to fall may need support when going to the lavatory and so on.

Both "Sitters-In" and "Good Neighbours" appointed under the Day Care Service are paid. They are used only when there is no other adequate support, and when the regular and continued care necessary is beyond what anyone will or can be expected to undertake on a voluntary basis for any length of time. The success of this service has already been proved by a number of old people living happily in their own homes who otherwise would have had to be admitted to a Welfare Home or into Hospital.

## Acknowledgments

Throughout the year the work of the Association is furthered by the support of many organisations and individuals some of whom are mentioned in the Report and others in the list of donations. In addition acknowledgment and thanks must be given to the following :-

The Lambeth Borough Council whose outstanding generosity has made it possible for the Association to expand and extend its services; and the Medical Officer of Health and other Council staff who are always ready to give help and advice.

The members and officers of the various voluntary and statutory bodies represented on the Association whose co-operation ensures that the most effective use is made of the resources and goodwill available for the assistance of the elderly.

The undermentioned for their donations or co-operation in the distribution of gifts at Christmas time and practical help throughout the year.

The Worshipful the Mayor of Lambeth The Staff of the Central Office of Information Norwood Girls' School Anonymous donor of pre-packed Christmas Dinners Brixton Rotary Club Lambeth Endowed Charities Norwood and District Welfare Fund British Red Cross Society Women's Voluntary Service Vauxhall Young Socialists Kennington Toc H Norwood Toc H Telephone Girls, Westminster N.A.A.F.I. Kennings Way Kennington Boys' School Dulwich College Allevns School Dick Sheppard School Times Furnishing Co. Staff of Marks and Spencer Lambeth Youth Council

The many people who remember the Association when they wish to dispose of unwanted clothes, beds, bedding, wheelchairs, home nursing equipment, etc.,

### Office

The office of the Lambeth Old People's Welfare Association is situated in Room 1 at the Town Hall, Brixton Hill, S.W.2. (Telephone BRIxton 7755, Extension 206).

The office hours are from 9.30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, to Fridays and 10 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturdays.

#### HOSPITALS

Lambeth is within the catchment area of two hospital groups, the Lambeth and Camberwell Groups. These in turn are administered by two different Regional Hospital Boards, the South West Metropolitan and South East Metropolitan respectively. The areas served by the two hospital groups extend beyond the Borough boundaries. The Lambeth group has premises outside the Borough whilst the Camberwell Group has none in it.

In addition to hospitals within the normal hospital framework of the National Health Service there are two teaching hospitals in the Borough, King's College Hospital and St. Thomas's Hospital each with its own board of Governors.

The following is a list of hospitals within the Borough :-

Lambe th Hospital Group (S.W. Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board)

Lambeth Hospital, Brook Drive, S.E.11. South Western Hospital, Landor Road, S.W.9. Annie McCall Maternity Hospital, Jeffreys Road, S.W.4.

#### **King's College Hospital Group**

King's College Hospital, Denmark Hill, S.E.5. Belgrave Hospital for Children, Clapham Road, S.W.9.

### St. Thomas's Hospital Group

Stl Thomas's Hospital, Westminster Bridge, S.E.1. St. Thomas's Babies Hospital, Black Prince Road, S.E.11. General Lying-in-Hospital, York Road, S.E.1. Royal Waterloo Hospital, Waterloo Road, S.E.1.

### PERSONAL HEALTH SERVICES

It is the duty of the Local Health Authority, in the case of the Borough of Lambeth, the London County Council, either to provide these services or arrange for their provision by some other organisation.

The County Council does in fact administer the maternity and child welfare services, the vaccination and immunisation, health visiting and domestic help services from the Divisional Health Offices, 2, Walworth Road, S.E.1.

Vaccination and immunisation is also done by general practitioners.

The midwifery, ambulance and mental health services are administered direct from the Public Health Department, County Hall, S.E.1. and home nursing is carried out on behalf of the County Council by voluntary organisations.

The voluntary nursing associations working in the Borough are as follows :-

Brixton District Nursing Association Camberwell District Nursing Association Norwood & District Nursing Association Ranyard Nurses Roman Catholic Nurses' Institute South London District Nursing Association Southwark, Newington and Walworth District Nursing Associations

### PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY SERVICE

The Public Health Laboratory Service provides a comprehensive service for the examination of specimens submitted by local authorities and general practitioners. The local Laboratory is situated at County Hall and is under the direction of Dr. A. J. H. Tomlinson.



### SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

## Water Supply

I am indebted to Dr. E. Windle Taylor, Director of Water Examination, Metropolitan Water Board for the following report on the water supplied to the Borough.

The supply to the Borough of Lambeth has been satisfactory both for quantity quality during 1963. The source of water supply is mainly River Thames derived water with a small admixture of water from Honor Oak well in the Summer months.

There were no new sources of supply instituted by the Board in the Borough during the year, but new trunk mains were laid in Lambeth to the extent of 1,462 yards. There were no changes in the general scheme of supply in the Borough but lengths of small service mains were laid to the extent of 673 yards. All new and repaired mains are chlorinated before being brought in or restored to service and samples of the water from them are tested bacteriologically to ensure that its quality is up to that normally supplied.

The number of samples taken during the year was as follows :-

	Chemical Examination	Bacteriological Examination
Honor Oak Well	1	59
Thames - derived South of River	156	1,873
	157	1,932

The average results were as follows :-

### Average Results of Chemical Examination

Description of the Sample	No. of Samples	Ammoniacal Nitrogen	Albumin Nitroge		Nitra Nitroge		lorides s C1.	fron	gen abs KMnO4 4 hrs. at 27 C.	
Honor Oak Well	1	0.065	0.022		-		16		Nil	
Thames-derived South of River	156	156 0.20		0.079 3.8			32		1.18	
Description of the Sample	Turbity units	Colour (Burgess) scale	Hardness (total)	ess Hardness 1) (non- carbonate)		pH Phospha value as PO				
Honor Oak Well	2.4	10	292		28	7.3	230			
Thames-derived South of River	0.3	10	266		66	7.8	1.3		11	
Description of the Sample	Sulphate as SO4		Fluoride as F mat		Surface- active material as Manoxol OT		Potas		Electri Conduct (microm	
Honor Oak Well Thames-derived South of River	62	5	0.25	0.	08	11.0	3.2	- 10	51	

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## Milligrammes per litre (unless otherwise stated)

	oar) noi	BEFORE TREATMENT									
	N	Agar count p		Coliform	count	Escherichia coli count					
Source of supply	Number of samples	20-24 hours at 37 C.	3 days at 22 C.	Per cent. samples negative in 100 ml.	Count per 100ml.	Per cent. samples negative in 100 ml.	Count per 100 ml.				
Honor Oak Well Thames-derived South of River	57	0.4	20	98.25		100.0	rinne A North anti-				

### Bacteriological Results-Yearly Averages, 1963

AFTER TREATMENT									
Agar plate count per ml.		Coliform count	E. coli count	an a					
Number of samples	20-24 hours at 37 C.	2 days at 22 C.	Per cent. samples negative in 100 ml.	Per cent. samples negative in 100 ml.	TELES.				
59	0.0	4	100.0	100.0 99.47					
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#### Water from Wells

There are a number of wells in use, the majority of which however, supply water used only for industrial purposes. The water from two wells is used for drinking purposes, or for the preparation of food. Reports of the analyses of water from these wells are received regularly and have been satisfactory for the year under review.

### Sewers

I am indebted to the Borough Engineer for supplying me with the following information with regard to sewers within the Borough.

A sum of £27,000 was provided in the estimates for the reconstruction of defective sewer in Greet Street, Speenham Road, Knatchbull Road, Miles Street and Baylis Road.

The local sewers which are nearly 150 miles in length are maintained by the Borough Council whilst the main sewers, into which the local sewers eventually discharge, are maintained by the London County Council.

The routine cleansing and flushing of the local sewer is carried out by the Council's direct labour force.

### SUMMARY OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

### **BY INSPECTORIAL STAFF**

#### Dwellinghouses

			Visits	Re-visits
In respect of nuisances			 1,743	4,046
In respect of Certificates under the				
Rent Act, 1957			 41	9
In respect of Rehousing			 98	63
In respect of Infectious Diseases			 200	6
Other reasons			 476	136
Clean Air Act, 1956				
Timed observations			 207	
Untimed observations			 516	-
Other visits, private and industrial	premi	ses	 10,912	3,783
Factories Acts				
Factories with mechanical power			 276	33
Factories without mechanical powe	r		 139	11
Outworkers			 205	-

Drainage									
RY1TYD N					Visits		Re-visits		
New Buildings	ON N	917	1.3.9.9		90		837		
Alteration to existing drain	age. e	tc.			2,208		2,483		
	-0-, -								
Other Inspections									
Bakehouses					52		Defe-the		
Butchers Shops					553		Dame Pros		
Restaurants					191		5		
Fried Fish Shops					20		and b - lod 3		
Ice Cream Premises					93		-		
Millahona					189		-		
Public Houses					25				
Other Destant					375		3		
Animals improperly kept					1		-		
Personal uncleanliness					-				
E.L					- 4	•			
					123		70		
Hairdressers and Barbers							1		
Pet Animals Act, 1951					35		400		
Rodent Control					1,389				
Unclassified					856		287		
Caravans					6		2		
				-	21,023		12,175		
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71									
The number of complaints r			luding				4,942		
rat and mouse infestations	s, was						4,942		
International Contractor			TTIN	C					
D	KAIN	TE	STIN	Ģ					
Number of Drains tested by	Distri	ict Ins	pector	s			1,503		
Number of Drains tested by							19		
							1,522		
DANG	GERO	US S	STRU	СТІ	IRES				
Designed									
Dangerous structures notifi	ea to l	Londo	n				30		
County Council							00		

### SUMMARY OF DEFECTS AND NUISANCES

### FOUND AS A RESULT OF ROUTINE

### INSPECTION AND INSPECTION FOLLOWING COMPLAINT

Dirty Premises							10
Verminous Premises							6
Defective Roofs							637
Defective rainwater pipes an	nd gutt	ers					370
D D .							430
Defective drainage and sanit		ttings					904
Choked drainage							428
Lighting and ventilation							28
Defective water supplies							198
Dustbins etc							47
General defects and dilapida							543
deneral delects and unaplus	acions						545
NO	TICE	S SE	DVF	n			
NO	TICE	SSE	RVE	D			
Number of Intimation Notice	s Serv	ed					1,629
Number served under Public			don) A	ct. 19	36 -		-
Section 40							214
Section 82							245
Section 93							31
Section 105							3
Section 108/9							258
Section 1007 9							200
Under the London County Co	ouncil	(Gener	ral Por	wers)			
Act, 1955 -							
C							164
Section 27							164
Under the Prevention of Dam	age b	v Post	s Act	1949			-
onder the rievention of Dan	age D	y i est	o net,	1,4,			
Under the London County (G	eneral	Powe	rs) Ac	t.			
1956 - Section 63 Lambeth					VS	and an	3
Section of Buildeth	Dorou	8. 000	inon I	Je Idi		all'su le	
Section 25(1)							172
Section 25(2)							84
Section 25(2) Section 26							6
Section 20							0
						-	1,180
							1,100

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### LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

### PUBLIC HEALTH (LONDON) ACT, 1936

In respect of 64 summonses returnable to the Lambeth Magistrates Court and Petty Sessional Court, 16 Abatement Orders were made, 20 cases were adjourned sine die and 15 were withdrawn, the nuisances being abated by the respective owners by the date of the hearing.

### **DWELLING HOUSES RENDERED FIT**

	r of dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence			
	formal action			707
	r of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied			
after	service of formal notice			
	Packarian not included in			
(a)	by landlords			673
(b)	by Council in default of landlords under the Fifth			
	Schedule of Public Health (London) Act, 1936			1
	Under Sections 40, 108/109 and 93 of the Public He	alth		
	(London) Act, 1936 and Prevention of Damage by			
	Pests Act, 1949			47
	Under Sections 27, 25(1) and 25(2) of London Count	v Co	uncil	
		,	unori	36
	(General Powers) Act, 1955			
				84
				04
				-

Outstanding cases from previous year are included.

### SECTION 95 PUBLIC HEALTH (LONDON) ACT, 1936

In 1963 Certificates of Habitation were issued in respect of 366 new dwellings in regard to the provision of a proper and sufficient water supply.

### DRAINAGE PLANS

All plans are registered with the Borough Engineer but the Public Health Inspectors are responsible for seeing that the work is carried out in accordance with the drainage bye-laws.

56 plans of new buildings and 62 plans of alterations to existing drains were deposited. Combined drainage was carried out in 9 cases.

### DISINFECTION

The following is a summary of the work carried out by the staff of the Wanless Road Disinfecting Station :-

Number of premises sprayed in which cases of			
Infectious Disease have occurred	 		128
Number of rooms included in above	 		190
Total number of rooms sprayed for all purposes	 		1,665
Number of articles disinfected	 	1.1	8,204
Number of library books disinfected	 		1,466
Number of disinfection certificates issued	 		35

### **DISIN FESTATION**

### Bed Bugs

Number of houses visited	 	 	 	215
Number of rooms sprayed	 	 	 	693
Number of houses revisited	 	 	 	35

The rooms were sprayed with a preparation of 5 per cent D.D.T. Lindane with Pybuthrin as a "Knockdown".

There were many complaints during the year of insect infestation. The usual offenders were wood boring beetles, ants, cockroaches, drugstore beetles, carpet beetles, clothes moths, weevils and silver fish.

The total number of visits made by the staff of the Disinfecting Station for all purposes was 1,980.

### PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

Rat destruction in dwelling houses and business premises is carried out under the direction of the Rodent Officer, and two Rodent operatives working under his supervision. Sewer treatment is carried out by the department of the Borough Engineer in conjunction with the Rodent Officer and his staff.

In all cases of dwelling houses treatment is undertaken by the Local Authority free of charge, but in the case of business premises a charge is made.

During the year, 1,340 complaints were received. Of this number 181 were not justified; 1,066 were in respect of brown rats, and 93 in respect of mice. During the course of investigation 1,146 baitings were made and 55 defective drains discovered.

### FACTORIES ACT, 1961

## PART 1 OF THE ACT

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by the Public Health Inspectors).

	Premises	Number on Register	Number of Inspections	Written Notices
(i)	Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	201	154	1
(ii)	Factories not included in (i) which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	719	309	4
(iii)	Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	61	61	
-	TOTAL	981	524	5

### 2. Cases in which Defects were found -

	Number of cases in which defects were found							
	1 1 1 2	18	Referred					
Particulars	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector				
Want of Cleanliness (S.1.)	2	2		2				
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	- 3	•	1111				
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)		- 2		10.1.10				
Inadequate ventilation		- E R		18.18-18				
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)								
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7) -	The rest	10-175	FULL					
(a) Insufficient		1.2.35						
(b) Unsuitable or defective	1 HE 4-95 L			12-				
(c) Not separate for sexes		STOP NO.		-				
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	4	4		4				
TOTAL	6	. 6	S -	6				

NO PROSECUTIONS WERE INSTITUTED

## PART VIII OF THE ACT

### OUTWORK

### (Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of Work	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 110(1) (c)(3)			
and the second second	(b) in expect of all de-			
Wearing Making, etc. Apparel Cleaning and washing	136			
Electrical	in a final a province in the land			
Handbags Cotton Bags	ender enter entern het enternet (d) en Andreasternet enternet of			
Paper Bags	Desterioring gives by land			
Artificial flowers Bedding	3			
Onions	period been been and the table of			
Embroidery	and an and the second second			
The making of boxes or other receptacles or parts thereof made wholly or partially of paper	9			
Carding etc., of buttons etc.	. 69			
Stuffed toys	enteringenteri birra geler sinerenterin			
Cosaques, Christmas crackers, Christmas stockings, etc.	of advects appointed in a			
Lampshades	3			
TOTAL	220			

NO NOTICES WERE SERVED OR PROSECUTIONS INSTITUTED

### **RENT ACT, 1957** 21 (a) Applications for Certificates of Disrepair Applications outstanding from 1962 21 Decisions not to issue Certificates Decisions to issue Certificates (a) in respect of some but not all defects 11 10 (b) in respect of all defects 21 Applications awaiting action at end of year 21 (b) Number of cases where decisions were made to issue Certificates but were awaiting action by the landlords at the end of 1962 Undertakings given by landlords under paragraph 5 of the First Schedule of the Act 11 Undertakings refused under proviso to paragraph 5 of the First Schedule of the Act 8 Certificates of disrepair issued Certificates still to be issued or undertakings still to be received from landlords at end of 2 vear 21 (c) Applications for certificates as to the remedying of defects specified in a landlord's undertaking 7 (a) by landlords (b) by tenants 2 (c) applications outstanding from 1962 9 Certificates issued (a) defects remedied 4 5 (b) defects not remedied (c) applications awaiting action at end of year 9

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(d)	Applications by landlords for cancellation of Certificates of Disrepair	15
	Applications outstanding from 1962	-
		15
	Certificates cancelled	10
	Cancellation refused	5
	Applications still to be dealt with at the end of	
	year	-
		15

In connection with the applications from landlords for cancellation of Certificates of Disrepair objections to cancellation were lodged in 5 cases.

### **REHOUSING AND OVERCROWDING**

### APPLICATIONS FOR REHOUSING

The following is a report of the activities of the Public Health Department during the twelve months ended 31st December, 1963 :-

1,033 cases have been dealt with on the following grounds :-

### London County Council

					Cases	
Health					 	 4
Insanitary o	ondi				 	 9
Overcrowdi	ng				 	 2

During the period 41 cases, previously investigated have been checked as being rehoused by the London County Council.

### Lambeth Borough Council

Health			 	 	 823
Insanitary c	ondi	tions	 	 	 70
Overcrowdin	ıg		 	 	 1
Closing Ord	ers		 	 	 9

During the period 58 cases, previously investigated have been checked as being rehoused by the Lambeth Borough Council.

Enquiries from other sources 16.

### HOUSING ACT, 1957

### RECORD OF WORK CARRIED OUT BY HOUSING INSPECTORS

### Individual Unfit Houses

Inspected - no action under Part II of the Housing Act :

1 Haycroft Road 18 Radnor Terrace 20 Rosetta Street 27 Rosetta Street 21 Somerleyton Road

### Underground Rooms and Parts of Buildings

Inspected - no action under Part II of the Housing Act :

3 Chestnut Road 5 Cotswold Street 13 Dulwich Road 63 Norwood High Street 33 Thurlow Hill 96 Thurlow Park Road

Closing Orders :

82 Lothian Road - 1 room 38 Norwood High Street - 2 rooms (varied)

Made fit - Closing Order determined :

- 1 Brailsford Road
- 39 Cleaver Square
- 1 Crawshay Road
- 20 Lansdowne Gardens
- 8 Pratt Walk
- 1 Stockwell Terrace

Voluntarily made fit :

41 Fentiman Road 156 Lambeth Road 2 Oakden Street 4 Oakden Street 8 Oakden Street 14 Oakden Street 16 Oakden Street
Voluntarily made fit :

7 Oakden Street 35 Ravensdon Street 55 Richborne Terrace

Slum Clearance 1961 - 1965

Manor Cottages Área

1-6 Manor Cottages (6 houses)

Represented 18th February 1963 Declared 13th March 1963

Monkton Street Area

10, 12, 24, 26, 28 and 30 Monkton Street (6 houses)

Represented 25th March 1963 Declared 17th April 1963

Morrish Road Area

23, 25 and 27 Morrish Road (3 houses)

Represented 29th April 1963 Declared 22nd May 1963

Curnicks Lane Areas

1-7 Curnicks Lane (7 houses)

Represented 16th September 1963 Compulsory Purchase Order made 13th November 1963

10-12 Elder Road (2 houses)

Represented 16th September 1963 Compulsory Purchase Order made 13th November 1963

Kenbury Street Area

66, 68, 70 and 72 Kenbury Street (4 houses)

Represented 25th November 1963 Declared 18th December 1963

Wheatsheaf Lane Area

29, 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34 Wheatsheaf Lane (6 houses) 29 and 30 Rosetta Street (2 houses)

Represented 21st October 1963 Declared 13th November 1963

#### **Discretionary** Grants

Applications for Discretionary Grants were received in respect of the following addresses. A comparatively high standard of fitness is required as the premises must provide satisfactory housing for thirty years. The accommodation must be self-contained and restrictions are imposed on rents.

These premises have been inspected and the applications which have received approval are so marked.

- 5 Aldebert Terrace
- 228B Brixton Hill
  - 66 Brixton Road
  - 23 Claylands Road
  - 57 Cleaver Square
  - 1-7 Curnicks Lane
  - 31 Knollys Road
  - 8A Lancaster Avenue Langton Hall, Langton Road
- 317A Leigham Court Road
  - 83 Lothian Road
  - 26 Stockwell Park Crescent

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Approved

#### Standard Grants

Standard Grants, which were introduced under the House Purchase and Housing Act, 1959, cover half the cost, up to a maximum of £155, of installing five basic improvements - a bath or shower, a wash-hand basin, a water closet, a hot water system and a food store. Grants may be made for all or some of these improvements and the conditions imposed are less rigorous than those for Discretionary Grants.

Applications for Standard Grants were received in respect of the following addresses. The premises have been inspected and the applications which have received approval are so marked.

39 Barn well Road 41 Barn well Road 28 Berridge Road 30 Brading Road 23 Branksome Road 66 Brixton Road 19 Camden Hill Road 37 Canterbury Grove 38 Carson Road 10 Chaucer Road 351 Clapham Road 21 Claylands Road

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23 Claylands Road **25 Cleaver Square 29 Cleaver Square** 72 Clive Road 77 Crown Dale 11 Dodbrooke Road 11 Dodbrooke Road 109 Dorset Road 69 Durban Road 101 Effra Parade 26 Elm Park 58 Fentiman Road 71 Ferndale Road 52 Finsen Road 52 Finsen Road 217 Gipsy Road 16 Glendall Street 83 Hackford Road 87 Hackford Road 36 Hanover Gardens 22 Hargwyne Street 34 Hawarden Grove 49 Horsford Road <sup>89</sup> Hubert Grove 137 Hubert Grove 55 Jeffreys Road 4 Kay Road 176 Kennington Park Road 55 Knollys Road 36 Ladas Road 54 Ladas Road 60 Ladas Road 204 Lambeth Walk 205 Lambeth Walk 78 Larkhall Lane 14 Lavengro Road 317A Leigham Court Road 75 Mayall Road 219 Mayall Road 247 Mayall Road **13 Merredene Street** 37 Mervan Road **28 Mordaunt Street** 38 Norwood High Street 114 Norwood High Street 281 Norwood Road 26 Nursery Road

28 Nursery Road

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164 Old South Lambeth Road 12 Plato Road 17 Probert Road 203 Railton Road 18 Raleigh Gardens 63 Rattray Road 35 Ravensdon Street 15 Rita Road 45 Robson Road 36 Romola Road 9 Rosetta Street 3 St. Louis Road 9 St. Louis Road 10 St. Louis Road 80 Shakespeare Road 14 Sidney Road 197 South Lambeth Road 230 South Lambeth Road 251 South Lambeth Road 3 Speenham Road 33 Strathleven Road 73 Thornlaw Road 69 Tivoli Road 33 Trent Road 6 Trigon Road

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TOTAL INSPECTIONS AND REVISITS DURING THE YEAR - 1,536

#### **ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION**

#### CLEAN AIR ACT 1956

## Smoke Control Areas

Additional Areas in the Borough were brought into Smoke Control bringing the total coverage at 31st December, 1963 to 949.31 acres made up as follows :-

Operative Areas Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 =	398.58 acres
	151.98 acres
(operative 1st July, 1964)	
No. 7 =	91.16 acres
(operative 1st Sept. 1964)	
No. 8 =	13.18 acres
(operative 1st Sept. 1964)	
No. 9 =	71.11 acres
(not yet confirmed)	
No. 10 -	97.3 actes
(not yet confirmed)	
No. 11 =	126.0 acres
(not yet confirmed)	at dags a stadi
treas during the year.	949.31 acres

During the year, due to the appointment of two technical assistants and to the modification and simplification of administrative procedures envisaged in the Ministry's Circular 3/62, it became necessary to revise and expand the Five Year Programme for the years 1962/1966. Areas centering around Myatts Field, Herne Hill Library, Effra Parade, Knight's Hill Railway (Goods) Station, and Idmiston Road were included in the Programme. The total area to be covered by the Programme (including Areas already operative) is 1669.06 acres. Circular 69/63 dated 17th December, 1963 was received from the Ministry of Housing and Local Government. This stated that due to the rapid technological advance in the Gas Industry, a shortage of solid smokeless fuel suitable for burning upon open fires necessitated a reassessment of policy in the establishment of future Smoke Control Areas. In particular, it foresaw a change over from open firegrates to openable stoves, gas fires, electrical night-storage heaters (but not appliances subject to "peak load" fluctuation) or fixed oil fired appliances.

# Measurement of Atmospheric Pollution

In addition to the five pollution measuring Stations situated in strategic points in the Borough, which are maintained daily, an automatic device, termed a Sequential Smoke Stain Recorder, is in occasional use in the Public Health Department offices (Blue Star House, Stockwell Road). This can be operated to give a continuously comparative indication of the pollution of the air by suspended smoke particles at intervals of 1 hour, 3 hours, 8 hours or 24 hours as necessary. It is used, particularly, to provide an hour by hour record of pollution levels during the incidence of "smog". The following figures show the number of visits and revisits made by the Smoke Inspectors and the Technical Assistants during the year.

Al Datheas Dani	Visits	Revisits
Timed Observations	207	detti-result fores
Untimed Observations	516	a agreement int
Other visits, private and industrial		
premises	10,912	3783

#### **INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD**

#### AND FOOD PREMISES

There have been no significant changes in the pattern or disposition of food manufacturing, processing or sale since the last report. The previous trend towards self-service in retail shops continues to expand and with it an even greater demand for pre-packed articles of food. Self-service introduced by two firms of wholesale grocers and provision merchants is now well established. They cater mainly for the smaller class of retailer who collects his supplies, providing his own transport for the purpose.

An additional ice-cream factory has moved to premises outside the district, With one exception ice-cream is made on the premises where it is sold. In the main, the type of ice-cream favoured by these smaller manufacturers is the "complete cold mix" and sterilised mix types which avoids many of the hazards associated with the full scale manufacture requiring heat treatment of the raw materials. The sale of ice-cream, mainly "soft" ice-cream, by itinerant vendors continued but on a diminished scale, probably because of the poor summer.

The last surviving butcher selling meat from a stall in the street gave up business during the year.

The following Regulations and Orders, relating to food, were made during the year :-

#### Regulation or Order

Soft Drinks Regulations, 1963 Ice Cream (Heat treatment, etc.) (Amendment) Regulations, 1963 Bread and Flour Regulations, 1963 Meat Inspection Regulations, 1963 Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) (Raw Cucumbers) Order, 1963 Milk (Special Designation) Regulations 1963 Liquid Egg (Pasteurisation) Regulations, 1963 Operative date

20th July, 1964

18th June, 1963 1st September, 1963 1st October, 1963

30th October, 1963 29th September, 1963

1st January, 1964

## Food Premises

During the year under review 1,861 inspections were made to food premises in the Borough.

These inspections and revisits were made up as follows :-

			Inspections	Revisits
			QNA XOLT	
Food Factories		 	 303	39
Bakehouses		 	 52	-
Butchers		 	 553	-
Fried Fish Shops	3	 	 20	read in a little
Ice Cream Premis	ses	 	 93	mong eaters
Milk Shops		 	 189	d colver-He
Public Houses		 	 25	for per-pecie
Restaurants		 	 191	5
Dairies		 	 60	floor the small
Other		 	 375	3
			1,861	47
			The second second second	

The approximate number of food premises by type of business in the area is as follows :-

Grocery and	prov	isio	ns	 	363
Greengrocen	y and	d fru	it	 	165
Fish shops,	wet	dry	and fried	 	98
Bakers				 	94
Butchers				 	142
Restaurants				 	202
Confectione	IS			 	279

#### Food and Drugs Act 1955 - Section 16

The number of registered premises is as follows :-

Manufacture and/or sale of ice cream.	614
Manufacture of sausages and	
preparation of preserved etc. food	294

Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959 - Regulation 8

Number of registered	distributors	 284
Number of registered	dairies	 2

#### Milk (Special Designation) Regulations 1960

The following table shows the number of licences in force :-

\* Dealers' Licences (Pre-packed)

Tuberculin Te	sted				161
Pasteurised					245
Sterilised					253
Dealers' (Paste	uriser'	s) Lie	cence		2
Dealers' (Tuber	culin 7	Tested	d) Lice	nce	2

\* Licences issued are valid for a period of 5 years.

#### SAMPLING OF FOOD AND DRUGS

## **Chemical Analysis**

Two hundred samples were procured formally, 118 of which were of milk, and 1,300 samples were procured informally.

Set out below is a table of samples reported by the Public Analyst to be adulterated or otherwise unsatisfactory, showing action in each case.

Articles	Result of Analysis	Action Taken
Ground Almonds	Poor quality and tendency to rancidity	Formal sample purchased and found satisfactory.
Channel Island Milk	Contained extraneous water	Series of Formal samples taken and found genuine.
Sal Volatile	Deficiency of ammonia	Subsequent sample satisfactory.
Borax and Honey	Contained excess borax	Formal sample satisfactory
Prunes (Canned)	Contaminated with tin and containing gas (hydrogen)	Balance of stock surrendered and destroyed.
Sal Volatile	Deficient in ammonium carbonate and ammonia	Formal sample purchased.
Sal Volatile	Deficient in ammonium carbonate - also labelling offence	Formal sample purchased.
Ravioli	Deficient in meat	Formal sample purchased.
Pork Luncheon Meat	Deficiency of meat	Formal sample purchased.
Pork Luncheon Meat	Deficiency of meat	Formal sample purchased.
Shredded suet	Deficiency of beef fat	Formal sample purchased.
Rice pudding	Insignificant amount of sugar present	Stock in shop inspected - The one can left of this batch withdrawn from sale. Packers attention called to Analyst's repor <sup>+</sup>

Informal Samples

Informal Samples (continued)

Articles	Result of Analysis	Action Taken
Pork Luncheon Meat	7½% deficient in meat	Formal sample purchased and found satisfactory.
Pork Luncheon Meat	2½% deficient in meat	Formal sample purchased and found satisfactory.
Yoghourt	Residue of fine sand adhering to inside of base	Attention of Vendor and Packer called to complaint.
Tinned peas	Deposit of grease con- taining rust in and around seams	Complaint justified - Tin replaced - Manufacturers investigated matter and extra precautions now taken.
Bottle of Milk	Residue of vegetable and animal tissue, mould, sand and starch	Prosecution not instituted after taking legal advice. Attention of bottling firm called to complaint.
Creamed rice	Sour and coagulated	Matter investigated - all stock of this batch withdrawn from sale.
Burgundy	Strength comparable with similar wines. Labelling did not conform with require- ments of Labelling Order, 1953	Complaint not justified - Strength in order, Labelling error rectified and now conforms with requirements of Labelling Order 1953
Pears in Syrup	Excessively acid, but otherwise not contaminated.	Tin replaced by shopkeeper.
Sandwich Spread	Incipient rancidity	Attention of vendor called to Analyst's report. Further sample purchased found satisfactory.
Casserole Steak	32% deficient in meat	Formal sample purchased.
Salad Cream	7% deficient in fat	Formal sample purchased - found satisfactory.
Seidlitz Powders	Outside B.P.C. Weight	Further samples purchased. Letter to manufacturers asking for comment on Public Analyst's report.

Informal Samples (continued)

Articles	Result of Analysis	Action Taken
Pork sausages	6% deficient in meat	Formal sample taken - result satisfactory.
Pork sausages	12% deficient in meat	Formal sample taken - result satisfactory.
Sweetening tablets	Exact proportion of in- gredients not clear	Referred to Council's legal Department for legal interpretation.
Vegetable oil	Not described by common or usual name	Referred to Council's legal Department for legal interpretation.
Pressurised Cooking oil	Propellant not described by its common or usual name in the list of ingredients	Referred to Council's legal Department for legal interpretation.
Dundee Cake	Contained a fragment of glass	Bakery inspected - Clean. Precautionary measures against entry of foreign matter reasonable. Bakers attention called to complaint
Sweetening tablets	Exact proportion of ingredients not clear	Referred to legal Department for interpretation regarding labelling.
Sal Volatile	Incorrectly labelled "B.P.". Should have been"B.P.C."	Suppliers advised of wrong labelling and agreed to rectify the matter.
Spirit of Sal Voltile	55% deficient in ammonia	Formal samples taken.
Spirit of Sal Volatile	Free ammonia virtually absent. 61% deficient in ammonium carbonate.	Formal samples taken.
Evaporated Milk	Soured; cheesy flavour; some corrosion of tin.	Tin returned for examination to the manufacturers.
"Tia Maria" Liqueur	19% deficient in Proof spirit, slight excess of acidity	Complaint via Kennington Police. Referred to legal Department. Case pending.

### Informal Samples (continued)

Articles	Result of Analysis	Action Taken
Bun	Contained a blue stain caused by copper compounds equivalent to about 0.04 per cent of copper. Calculated on the whole sample.	Extensive enquiries and inspections carried out - Unable to trace source. No other complaints, no reports from any source of similar trouble.
Raisin Bran Flakes	Misleading wording and Pictorial Device	New label approved and now in use.
Top of the Milk	Correct fat content declared but insufficient to comply with Food Standards (Cream) Order, 1951	Referred to legal department for decision regarding necessity to comply with Food Standards (Cream) Order, 1951

### .Formal Samples

Articles	Result of Analysis	Action Taken
Spirit of Sal Volatile	24% deficient in ammonia	Letter to supplier - Supplier replied confirming Analyst's report and stated that all stocks had been withdrawn and destroyed.
Spirit of Sal Volatile	80% deficient in ammonia 79% deficient in ammonium carbonate	As above.
Shredded suet	Deficient in beef fat	Attention of packers called to deficient
Minced Beef	Contained Sulphur Dioxide	Butchers advised to discontinue immed use of product known as Iyinta - Subse- quent sample satisfactory.
Minced Chicken in jelly	5.5% deficient in meat	Attention of manufacturers called to deficiency.
Casserole Steak	32% deficient in meat	Legal proceeding instituted. Defendant given absolute discharge on payment of £10.10.0. costs to the Council.

# Bacteriological and other Examinations

The following samples were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory for examination. Articles marked with an asterisk were suspected of having caused food poisoning, but in none of these cases was the food poisoning organism isolated.

	Ice cream and Ice Cream Mix	37
	Soft Ice Cream	6
	Chocolate Coated Ice Cream	1
*	Corned Beef	1
	Creamed Rice	2
	Canned Hamburgers	8
*	Frozen Cheese-Burgers	1
*	Plaice Fillet	1
	Canned Ham	6

In the course of the year two comparatively large ice-cream factories have transferred their operations to districts outside the Borough. This, together with the factory which closed down in 1962 has changed the pattern of sampling of ice-cream which is now confined mainly to the smaller shopkeeper and caterer and to mobile ice-cream Vendors.

of the 44 samples of ice-cream examined and submitted to the Methylene Blue Test, 12 fell into grades 3 and 4 representing 27% of the total. This does not appear to compare favourably with previous years when the greater pro-Portion of samples was factory samples and to this extent the comparison is not relevant.

Samples of milk were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory for examination under the Milk (Special Designation) Regulations as follows:-

Methylene Blue Test 198 (4 were void, the atmospheric shade temperature being over 65 ° F.).

Three failed to satisfy the prescribed test.

Phosphatase Tests 198

One failed the prescribed test.

A thorough investigation into the causes of the failures was carried out in each case. Time and temperature tests were carried out on the plant but did not show any defect. There have been no failures during the six months following

#### Labelling of Food

Mainly because of the progressive increase in pre-packed foods, scrutiny of declarations on labels attached to such food has become a routine duty of the Public Analyst and the Food Inspectors.

Two main methods of approach are employed. The labels on foods purchased informally for routine analysis are inspected first by the food inspectors in respect of the administrative requirements of the Labelling of Foods Order and later in the light of the Public Analyst's report. In addition food manufacturers, packers and labellers in the Borough are encouraged to submit their proposals for labelling their products before distribution. This reduces the incidence of adverse reports by other authorities.

#### **INSPECTION OF FOOD**

#### Inspection at Shops, Stores, Factories and Wharf

Large quantities of food of all varieties were inspected and as a result the following food was surrendered as unfit for human consumption and unsound certificates were issued.

Canned	Tons	Cwts.	Qrts.	Lbs.
Meat	3	10	3	4¾
Vegetables		15	2	14½
Fruit	1	10	2	21
Fish		-	2	8¾
Milk		2	2	16¼
Cream		2	1	14¾
Soup		5	3	11¼
Creamed rice		3	Bloe-Tes	17
Baby food				27¾
Fruit juice		3	1	18
Spaghetti		coup - dt sta	2	9
Mustard		-	-	- 1/4
Steak and Kidney Pudding	toine - P		-	14
Stewed steak			2	201/4
Tomato Puree			-	271/4
Chocol ate pudding			-	21/4
Frankfurter sausages		2	2	2¾
Tomato Juice		-	2	5
Tomato paste			1	2
Steak and Kidney pie				151/2
Rice			-	21/2
Chicken			-	4¾
Frozen whole egg		1	1	-
Frozen egg white		1	-	6½
Jam			3	25
Pease pudding		-	-	9
Ravioli			-	161/2

# Canned (continued)

Curry powder         1         13         1         22           Sauer Kraut         -         3¼           Cheese flips         -         2           Custard         -         1¼           Prawns         -         4¼           Olive Oil         -         1¼           Prawns         -         4¼           Hamburgers         -         1           Sweet Corn         -         3¼           Potato salad         -         10½           Milanese         -         1           Sago pudding         -         2           Golden syrup         -         14           Vegetable juice         -         1           Shrimps         -         1           Creamed sago         -         34           Creamed sago         -         34           Untreated         13         1         21¼           Meat         13         1         21¼           Turkey         13         1         21¼           Rabbits         1         2         -           Tomatoes         14         12         3           Carrots </th <th></th> <th>Tons</th> <th>Cwts.</th> <th>Qtrs.</th> <th>Lbs.</th>		Tons	Cwts.	Qtrs.	Lbs.
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Prepared		Tons	Cwts.	Qtrs.	Lbs.
Bacon		2	11	2	14
Frozen Food		1	10	2	8¾
Biscuits				-	51/4
Pickle				-	21/4
Marmalade				-	9
Jam			1	-	26
Sauce				-	51/2
Raisins				-	21/4
Chicken spread				Contract of	21/2
Tomato Ketchup				-	23
Steak pie				-	1
Cheese				1	16
Dried peel				2	lood boot
Dried figs				3	20
Dried apricots				2	21
Fruit juice				- 53	3
Beetroot				-	3¾
Stuffed olives				-	3/4
Tomato puree				-	3/4
Salmon spread				-	2¾
Rice-				-	1
Gravey browning					1/4
Flour				1	18
Salad cream				-	27¾
Fish cakes				2	-
Dried Milk				-	1/2
Vinegar				-	11/4
Sandwich spread				-	1/2
Mushroom Ketchup				1	13¼
Mincemeat				-	1
Onions	2			-	1¼
	12	4	8	-	81/4
Total Weight		47	10	0	0¾

The method of disposal of food surrendered or condemned as unsound.

Animal products where practicable were released to firms specialising in the manufacture of glue and similar commodities and from whom satisfactory guarantees as to disposal have been obtained. As an additional precaution unfit meat is stained.

Some vegetable waste which was suitable was diverted to approved sources for utilisation as pig food.

The balance was destroyed by incineration in accordance with arrangements entered into with Camberwell Borough Council.

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#### FOOD COMPLAINTS - 1963

1. ½ pint milk bottle 2. Tin of Pilchards 3. 1 pint bottle of milk 4. Sausages 5. Frozen beans 6. Tin of peas 7. Dutch butter 8. Brown bread 9. Bread 10. Mince pie 11. Chipolata pork sausages 12. Milk bottle 13. Tin of peas 14. Bread roll 15. Bottle of Yoghourt 16. Bottle of milk 17. Easter egg 18. Can of creamed rice 19. Can of creamed rice 20. 1/3 pint milk bottle 21. Jar of pickled red cabbage 22. Packet of dates 23. Bread 24. Oranges 25. Bread 26. Fried fish (plaice) 27. Orange squash 28. Loaf of bread 29. Tin of peas 30. Butter 31. Pork pie 32. 1/3 pint milk bottle 33. Apple turnover 34. 4 pint bottles of milk 35. Wholemeal bread 36. 1/4 lb. Ham 37. 1 pint milk bottle 38. Bread 39. Minced meat 40. Green streaky bacon 41. Sliced white loaf 42. Sausage rolls 43. Bread 44. Coconut snow cake 45. Sausages 46. Milk T.T. (1 pint) 47. Bottle of orange drink 48. Bread 49. Wonderloaf 50. Bacon 51. Milk 52. Veal and ham pie 53. Milk 54. Meat pie 55. Pint bottle of milk 56. Bun 57. Cakes 58. Swiss roll 60. Corned beef 60. Cake 61. Milk bottle 62. Cake

Watered milk Contained grub Dirt suspended in milk Contained elastic band Contained glass Contained wasp Rancid Contained maggots Contained fly Contained piece of wood Mouldy condition Dirty Dirty tin Contained rusty nail Foreign matter (sand) Dirty Thought to be contaminated by mice Suspected to be cause of food poisoning Suspected to be cause of food poisoning Contained pip of citrusfruit Out of condition Dirty Contained string One bad Mouldy Bad Unpleasant taste Mouldy Unpleasant taste Green and rancid Mouldy Contained metal cap Mouldy Small black coloured objects suspended in milk Metal embedded in crumb, and mould on underside Alive with maggots Black dirty looking object floating in bottle Black substance Unpleasant smell and taste Live maggot Mouldy Mouldy Mouldy Mouldy Mouldy Piece of wood in bottle Dirt adhering to inside of bottle Contained small screw Mouldy Maggotty Contained foreign body Mould on crust Dirty bottle Mouldy Dirty Bitter taste Mouldy Contained foreign matter Tasted bad Tasted of soap Dirty Contained glass

63. Milk bottle
 64. Chocolate pipes
 65. Crust of loaf

Dirty Infested with insects Dirty

No. of justified complaints in 1963 - 65 No. of complaints - 98

All complaints were investigated, the main object of which was to discover the cause and take necessary steps to prevent recurrances. Advice was given where appropriate.

Some of these foods were prepared outside the Borough, and a few overseas. In such cases the Medical Officer of Health of the district concerned, or where appropriate, the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, was informed.

In one case legal proceedings were instituted, the result being as follows :-

17. Easter Egg Contaminated by mice.

The defendant pleaded guilty, a fine of £2.0.0. was imposed and the defendant ordered to pay £1.0.0. costs.

#### Street Markets

Markets are held in The Cut, Lower Marsh, Lambeth Walk and Wilcox Road in the Inner Wards, and in Popes Road, Electric Avenue and Brixton Station Road. All these are inspected regularly.

#### Slaughter of Animals Act

No application was made during the year for the issue of a licence under the provisions of this Act.

#### GENERAL

# Public Swimming Baths

I am indebted to the Scientific Adviser of the London County Council for the following report on the results of Bacteriological Examinations of the water from Kennington Park and Brockwell Park Swimming Baths.

These samples were taken during the year 1963 and cover the summer and winter seasons.

1963	No. of samples	Agar count 1 ml. 37 C. 48 hrs.			Presumptive coli. without	Faecal coli.
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Brockwell						
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The following comments apply to the incidence of coliform pollution at Brockwell Park :-

Summer 1963 - The coliform pollution was found at times of heavy bathing loads, when free chlorine residuals although ranging from 0.3 to 1.0 p.p.m. did not prove adequate for immediate bactericidal action. To remedy these residuals were rapidly increased.

Winter 1963 - During the winter season, chemical dosing is done by hand and the incidence of coliform pollution was due to low, chlorine residuals. This was, however speedily rectified.

#### NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT 1948

## Section 50-Burials

Under Section 50 of the National Assistance Act 1948, the Lambeth Borough Council is required to arrange for the burial or cremation of any person who has died or been found dead in its area if in such cases it appears to the Council that no suitable arrangements for the disposal of the body have been or are being made.

During the year 27 funerals were arranged involving 16 males and 11 females.

The amount paid to funeral contractors was £273. 6s. 0d. The sum of £113. 13s. 6d. was recovered by way of grants, insurance policies and money found.

The actual cost to the Council was therefore £159. 12s. 6d.

#### LAND CHARGES ACT 1925

During the year 3,319 enquiries were received and dealt with in respect of searches under the above mentioned Act.

#### **PHARMACY AND POISONS ACT 1933**

The number of persons entered or retained on the list under the Pharmacy and Poisons Act, 1933 (Section 21) Part II was 140.

#### RAG FLOCK AND OTHER FILLING MATERIALS ACT 1951

Twenty two samples of various filling materials were submitted to a prescribed Analyst for examination.

One sample failed the test the trash content being in excess of the permitted maximum of 7.5%. The balance complied with the test under the Regulations for 1951

#### PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951

This Act provides that no person shall keep a pet shop except under the authority of a licence granted in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

A local authority may, on application, grant to a person who is not for the time being disqualified from keeping a pet shop a licence to keep a pet shop at such premises in their area as may be specified in the application, and subject to compliance with such conditions as may be specified in the licence.

In determining whether to grant a licence for the keeping of a pet shop, a local authority shall in particular have regard to the need for securing :-

(a) That animals will at all times be kept in accommodation suitable respects size, temperature, lighting, ventilation and cleanliness;

- (b) that animals will be adequately supplied with suitable food and drink and (so far as necessary) visited at suitable intervals.
- (c) that animals, being mammals, will not be sold at too early an age;
- (d) that all reasonable precautions will be taken to prevent the spread among animals of infectious diseases;

(e) that appropriate steps will be taken in case of fire or other emergency.

During the year 19 licences were issued under the Act.

No. of Inspections - 35 No. of re-visits - 1

### LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL (GENERAL POWERS) ACT 1954

#### Hairdressers and Barbers

On 6th July, 1955 the Lambeth Borough Council made bye-laws in respect of hairdressers and barbers under the above mentioned Act.

The total number of premises on the register at the end of the year was as follows :-

Premises			 202
Number of i	inspection	IS	 123
Number of	re-visits		 70

### LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL (GENERAL POWERS) ACT 1959

Control of Movable Dwellings

Section 22 of the above mentioned Act covers the control of caravan sites and came into operation on the 1st October, 1960.

The Council adopted the standards drawn up by the Metropolitan Boroughs' Standing Joint Committee and the recommendations made by the London County Council in relation to :-

- (i) Density
- (ii) Water Supply
- (iii) Sanitary Accommodation
- (iv) Disposal of Waste
- (v) Fire fighting equipment
- (vi) Footways and Hard Standing.

At the end of 1962 two caravan sites were in existence.

Application for renewal of the licence was received in 1 case but was refused until planning permission has been granted.

No application for renewal of the licence was received in the second case and legal proceedings are being considered.

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