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ANNUAL (Abridged) REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

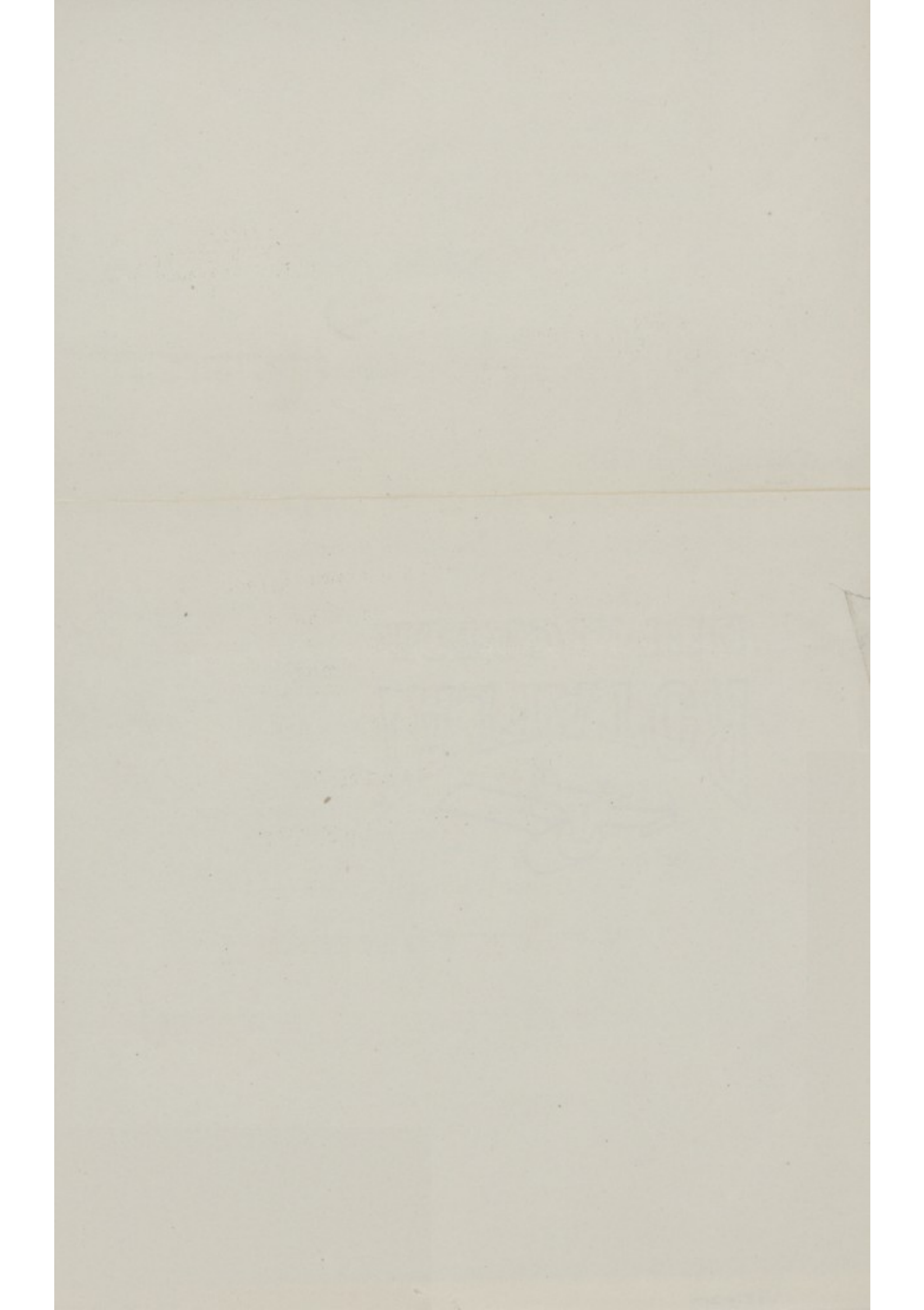
Relative to the work of the  
Health Services Department during the year

1945.

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Medical Officer of Health.

Health Services Department,  
Walworth Road,  
S.E.17



Health Services Department,

Walworth Road,

S.E.17.

October, 1946.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors  
of the Metropolitan Borough of Southwark.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

The year under review has seen a change from war to peace and many difficulties have arisen in consequence, particularly the shortage of houses and suitable accommodation for people returning from reception areas and from the Armed Forces. There is no doubt that the housing difficulty will have to be faced for some little time to come, an inevitable fact in a Borough which has been so badly damaged and devastated as the result of enemy action.

In spite of the war and the difficulties which presented themselves in the latter half of the year, the health of the Borough has been particularly good. The Infant Mortality Rate is noteworthy in that it has fallen to 39 per 1000 births, which is the lowest figure ever recorded in the Borough. Forty years ago the infant mortality figure was in the neighbourhood of 200 per 1000 births.

Infectious diseases have been slight and only one death occurred as a result thereof and that was due to cerebro-spinal meningitis.

The three nurseries maintained by the Ministry of Health were carried on throughout the year, although a serious handicap was the recruitment of suitable staff. At no time was there a complete staff at all the nurseries, although the children's accommodation was full.

In conformity with the request of the Ministry of Health a drive was made to obtain Home and Domestic Helps, but in spite of the efforts made by the Authority with the co-operation of the Ministry of Labour the campaign was unsuccessful.

The X-ray unit installed during the year in the Tuberculosis Clinic has enabled the medical staff to produce chest pictures of more detail and accuracy than in the past; and there is every hope that it will materially assist in the nation-wide fight against Tuberculosis.

I have much pleasure in tendering my best thanks for their support and co-operation to the Chairmen and members of the Committees on which I serve, to the Chief Officers of the Council and to the whole of my staff.

I am, Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Yours obediently,

W. STOTT

Medical Officer of Health.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER

OF THE LAND OFFICE

FOR THE YEAR 1891

ALBANY: J. B. LEECH, 1892.

The following is a summary of the work done by the Land Office during the year 1891. The work was done under the direction of the Commissioner, and the results are given in the following pages.

The first part of the report gives a general statement of the work done during the year. The second part gives a detailed statement of the work done in each of the several divisions of the office.

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# VITAL STATISTICS, 1945.

ESTIMATED CIVILIAN POPULATION - 71, 160.

<u>LIVE BIRTHS</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	613	557	1170
Illegitimate	77	58	135
	<u>690</u>	<u>615</u>	<u>1305</u>

Live Birth Rate - 18.3 per 1000 population.

<u>STILL-BIRTHS</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	10	23	33
Illegitimate	2	-	2
	<u>12</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>35</u>

<u>DEATHS</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
	645	502	1147

Death Rate:- 16.1 per 1000 population.

<u>MATERNAL DEATHS</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Live &amp; Still Births</u> <u>Rate per 1000</u>
From puerperal sepsis	Nil	Nil
Other puerperal causes	1	0.75

<u>INFANT DEATHS</u>	<u>Death Rate.</u>
All infants - per 1000 live births	39
Legitimate infants - per 1000 live legitimate births	43
Illegitimate infants - per 1000 live illegitimate births	7

<u>OTHER DEATHS</u>	<u>Deaths</u>
Measles (all ages)	Nil
Cancer (all ages)	194
Whooping Cough (all ages)	Nil
Diarrhoea (under 2 years)	10

## CLASSIFICATION OF DEATHS.

The causes of deaths ( 645 males and 502 females ) were as follows:-

Cerebro-spinal fever	1
Tuberculosis of the respiratory system	89
Other forms of tuberculosis	8
Syphilitic diseases	13
Influenza	7
Acute infective encephalitis	1
Cancer	194
Diabetes	7
Intra-cranial vascular lesions	89
Heart diseases	260
Other diseases of the circulatory system	55
Bronchitis	109
Pneumonia	71
Other respiratory diseases	9
Ulcer of stomach or duodenum	17
Diarrhoea	10
Appendicitis	3
Other digestive diseases	20
Nephritis	15
Maternal Causes (other than puerperal sepsis)	1
Premature Birth	17
Congenital malformations and birth injuries	14
Suicide	7
Road Traffic accidents	11
Other violent causes	50
All other causes	69
Total deaths all ages	<u>1147</u>

### Age Groups.

	<u>Under 1.</u>	<u>1 to 4.</u>	<u>5 to 14.</u>	<u>15 to 44.</u>	<u>45 to 64.</u>	<u>65 &amp; over.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
Males.	30	12	6	68	179	350	645
Females.	21	4	8	52	119	298	502
	<u>51</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>120</u>	<u>298</u>	<u>648</u>	<u>1147</u>

### Infant Mortality.

The total number of deaths of infants under one year of age was Fifty One, the causes of death being as follows:-

Syphilitic Diseases	1
Pneumonia	7
Diarrhoea	8
Premature birth	17
Congenital malformations and birth injuries	13
Other violent causes	4
All other causes	1
Total.	<u>51</u>

### MATERNAL MORTALITY.

The death of one women due to causes other than puerperal sepsis was recorded during the year.

# MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE CENTRES

Showing the Attendance at the Several Centres and visits paid to the homes of Mothers and Children by Health Visitors.

TABLE

	VILLA STREET	MANOR PLACE	LOHRIMORE HALL	LARCOM STREET	POCOCK STREET	CROSSWAY	LANBETH ROAD	GUY'S	TOTAL
Number of Births notified during the year	222	101	277	277	194	138	108	133	1450
Number of individual children attending the Centres during the year.	393	244	585	457	370	328	415	273	3065
Number of Sessions held during the year	99	50	106	100	98	49	94	96	692
Number of children 1 - 5 age group attending during the year	241	172	380	273	223	205	239	188	1921
Number of new cases attending the Centres during the year									
(1) Expectant Mothers (Ante Natal Clinics)	446				154		49	472	1121
(2) Post Natal Cases (Including Ante-Natal Clinics)	206	1	194	266	48	-	171	129	1015
(3) Infants under 1 year	199	96	229	231	166	170	92	102	1285
(4) Seen by Doctor	199	96	229	231	166	170	92	102	1285
(5) Children 1 to 5 years	61	23	62	66	33	46	48	33	372
(6) Seen by Doctor	61	23	62	66	33	46	48	33	372
Method of feeding (a) Breast	135	41	132	140	52	107	59	75	741
(b) Breast and bottle	20	12	34	23	9	19	6	9	132
(c) Bottle	52	25	41	57	53	27	19	16	290
(d) Ordinary diet	53	41	84	77	85	63	56	35	494
Total number of attendances during the year :-									
(1) Expectant Mothers (Ante Natal Clinics) seen by Doctor	1384				582		157	3092	5215
(2) Post Natal Cases (including Ante-natal Clinics)	206	1	197	272	48	-	181	129	1034
(3) Infants under 1 year	2563	1296	3389	2799	2038	1761	1450	1299	16595
(4) Children 1 to 5 years	1048	690	1335	1065	882	702	1527	935	8184
Average number of attendances (Infants under 1)	26.0	26.0	31.9	28.0	20.8	35.8	15.4	13.5	
" " " " (Children 1 - 5)	10.6	13.8	12.6	10.60	9.0	14.3	16.2	9.6	
(5) Infants seen by Doctor during the year	1154	403	741	1297	920	766	859	637	6777
(6) Children 1 to 5 seen by Doctor during the year	497	201	394	437	428	388	844	559	3748
(7) Number of weighings recorded (children)	3491	1901	4654	3993	3506	2997	2789	2319	25650
Total number of first visits paid by Health Visitors to homes of									
(1) Expectant Mothers	293	123	312	213	241	170	152	188	1692
(2) Infants under 1 year	222	101	277	277	194	138	108	133	1450
Total number of re-visits paid by Health Visitors to homes of									
(1) Expectant Mothers	59	198	505	137	174	135	154	327	1689
(2) Infants under 1 year	2227	917	2406	2459	2233	961	923	600	12726
(3) Children 1 to 5 years	3369	1169	3182	2922	2336	3022	1366	2185	19551



## NOTIFICATION OF BIRTHS.

	Mothers confined.	Live Births.	Still Births.	Total.
BORN AT HOME AND ATTENDED BY				
Midwives.	389	386	7	393
Private Doctors.	1	1	-	1
BORN AT HOSPITALS				
In the Borough.	122	125	1	126
Outside the Borough.	927	916	12	928
BORN AT OTHER ADDRESSES.	2	2	-	2
TOTALS.	1441	1430	20	1450

## HOME NURSING.

During the year, the nursing of sick children and home confinement cases and infectious disease was undertaken by the Catholic Nursing Association, Southwark, Newington and Walworth District Nursing Association and Ranyard Nurses.

The number of visits made by these associations were as follows:-

Catholic Nursing Association.	501
Southwark, Newington and Walworth District Nursing Association.	992
Ranyard Nurses.	445
Total Visits.	1938

## PREMATURE INFANTS.

The number of premature babies notified during 1945 was as follows:-

Born at Home.	16
Born in Hospital.	32
Total.	48

## BORN AT HOME

Nursed entirely at home	13
Died during the first 24 hours	-
Survived at end of first month	12

## BORN IN HOSPITAL

Died during the first 24 hours	1
Survived at end of first month	29

## HOME HELPS.

There were three part-time Home Helps on the register, and 20 cases were helped during the year under review.

## WOMEN'S COUNTRY HOLIDAY FUND.

Nine women and nine children were sent for convalescent treatment under this scheme.

## DAY NURSERIES.

There are three Day Nurseries under the control of the Council in the Borough, and the following is a summary of the average daily attendances during the year:-

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Bishop's House.	45	50	55	62	66	68	63	63	62	67	66	68
Crossways.	35	39	30	38	45	44	43	39	43	44	42	41
St. George's.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	26	25	25

Early in July the London County Council intimated that it would cease to control the St. George's Nursery, Westminster Bridge Road, on the 31st August, 1945. The Ministry of Health, however, stated that arrangements had been made for the Requisition Notice under which the premises were held by the London County Council, to be transferred to this Authority and requested the Council to assume authority for the management of the Nursery on behalf of the Ministry, as from the 1st, September, 1945, and that in future the number of nursery places would be increased from 25 to 60.

## SOLARIUM - HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

During the year 334 children under the age of five years received treatments in the Solarium at the request of the Council's Medical Officers. The total number of attendances was 1779.

## EXTRA NOURISHMENT.

The Invalid Kitchens of London, under arrangements made with the Council, supplied 201 dinners to children, necessitous, expectant and nursing mothers upon the recommendation of the Council's Medical Officers.

## DENTAL CLINIC.

There was a considerable increase in the number of new patients compared with the previous year due in a large measure to the decrease in enemy air activity. The attendances were as follows:-

New Cases.	
Expectant Mothers	79.
Nursing Mothers	35
Pre-school children	87
	<u>199</u>

The total number of attendances was 1056.

## VACCINATION.

The total number of certificates and copies of certificates of successful primary vaccinations received during the year 1945 was:-

Northern Division	322
Southern Division	608
TOTAL.	<u>930</u>



## CHILD LIFE PROTECTION.

At the end of the year there were 14 registered Foster Mothers caring for 15 Foster Children. Early in the year the only Foster Mother who was under the guaranteed Payment Scheme had to give up the care of the Foster Child because of domestic reasons. No other applications from Foster Mothers were received during the year although many were received from persons wanting Foster Mothers. Several of the Foster Mothers are not receiving payment as they do not come within the scope of the guaranteed payment scheme because the Mother is not resident in Southwark.

Three unregistered mothers were found and one who had returned to Southwark from evacuation without notifying her change of address. No proceedings were taken.

Six new Foster Mothers were registered, and four names were removed from the register.

Although the conditions in most of the homes were poor, the health and well being of the children has been generally satisfactory. 170 visits were paid.

## SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

Summary of work carried out under the Public Health and Factory Act during the year:-

Inspections upon complaints being received.	3988
Miscellaneous Inspections.	1787
Inspections of Air Raid Shelters.	356
Inspections of War damaged properties.	1413
Inspections of Factories.	1086
Visits to Outworkers	421
Re-housing visits.	434
Inspections of Shops.	51
Inspections of Common Lodging Houses.	45
Inspections of Bedding Stores.	1
Re-visits.	12393
Intimation Notices served.	1421
Statutory Notices served.	417
Defects found and remedied.	3999

## PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936 - LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

A summons was obtained in one instance against an owner of property for failure to abate a nuisance, and was withdrawn on the payment of £1.1.0. costs, owing to the fact that the necessary work had been carried out prior to the hearing.

## PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1945 - SECTION 122.

A certificate was issued under the above Section for the destruction of bedding in such a filthy, dangerous and unwholesome condition that health was endangered thereby, and that the destruction of such bedding was necessary to prevent the risk of infectious disease.

## PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936 - SECTION 224.

A certificate was issued under the above Section for the removal of an aged and infirm woman to a hospital or other suitable place.

## PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936 - SECTION 95.

Certificates as to habitability were issued in respect of 76, newly erected premises.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF  
FOOD AND FOOD PREMISES.

Systematic inspection of the food supplies in the Borough was made during the year. The riverside wharves received regular visits and large quantities of food were examined. Cold Storage Depots were also visited and considerable quantities of meat and bacon were inspected both during landing at the riverside and at routine examinations.

Premises where food is prepared or deposited for the purpose of sale were visited during the year, including food factories, eating houses and dairies. Directions to remedy defects were given in several cases.

Arrangements were made for the use of a number of parcels of food, found unsuitable for retail trade, in canteens and for manufacturing purposes.

Food found to be unfit for human consumption amounted to 60 tons, 3 cwt and 46 lbs. This was disposed of for the most suitable use.

The Department continued to work in full co-operation with the Ministry of Food Salvage Department, and with the Southwark Food Control Committee.

MORTUARY AND CORONER'S COURT.

The following is a statement of the work of the Mortuary and Coroner's Court during the year 1945:-

Post-mortems conducted without inquest.	571
Post-mortem conducted with inquest.	309
Inquest held - Post-mortem conducted elsewhere.	80
Bodies accommodated for convenience.	<u>1</u>
	<u>961</u>

COMMON LODGING HOUSES.

There are six Common Lodging Houses in the Borough, four being women's and two men's. The women's Houses provide for 252 beds and the men's 776. Three of the Houses which were badly damaged by enemy action, were still not weatherproof at the end of 1945, although repairs had been effected.

The standard of cleanliness was generally improved during the year, and although it was necessary to serve several Notices under the Public Health Act, the defects were remedied promptly.

Forty-five inspections were made during the year.

FACTORIES ACT, 1937.

Regular routine visits were paid to all factories in the Borough and more frequent interim visits where necessary. Many minor defects were remedied after verbal notice was given, but where more serious defects were found Notices were served and Licences issued.

The general standard was good, and in most cases the defects were due to War damage and the difficulty of obtaining labour and materials for repair and maintenance. There were many instances of friendly co-operation between the Council's Officers and H.M. Inspector of Factories.

With few exceptions, female labour was employed at all the factories, and 391 visits were made by the Council's Women Health Officer, who served some 20 Notices in respect of nuisances. This Officer also paid 143 visits to the homes of outworkers in the Borough. Other visits to factories made by the District Sanitary Inspectors numbered 695 and 278 visits were made to the homes of outworkers.



# RODENT CONTROL.

	<u>DOMESTIC DWELLINGS.</u>	<u>BUSINESS PREMISES.</u>
VISITS. Rodent Officer.	64	236
Investigators.	319	1165
Operatives.	2841	2588
Drains tested.	259	64
Drains found defective.	106	22
Drains repaired.	50	9
Drains opened up for examination.	43	2
Other preventive work.	1	3
Premises reported infested.	611	176
Premises freed of rodents.	341	126

	<u>Pre-baits.</u>	<u>Poison Baits.</u>	<u>Totals.</u>	<u>Bodies recovered.</u>
Business Premises.	27046	7636	34682	1271
Domestic Dwellings.	187	3663	3850	123

BLOCK SCHEME. The northern part of the Borough has been surveyed and divided into areas and the treatment carried out has been in accordance with the formula laid down by the Ministry of Food. Areas A and B consist of that part of the Borough bounded on the north by the river. On the east by the Blackfriars Road, on the south by the Cut, and on the west by Hatfields and Broadwall. Area C is bounded on the north by Bankside, on the west by the Blackfriars Road, on the east by Southwark Bridge Road, and on the south by Union Street.

The following resume indicates the work done:-

1. Premises treated and cleared.	68
2. Premises inspected and found free.	246
3. Premises empty.	104
4. Pre-baits laid.	9087
5. Poison Baits laid.	2567

Work on Area D commenced on December 3rd. This Area includes the Borough Market. 89 Stands and shops were treated and cleared, and 3 premises inspected and found free.

166 Notices were served on occupiers.

## SEWERS.

Half-yearly maintenance treatment of sewers was carried out in June and November with the following results:-

	<u>June.</u>	<u>November.</u>
1. Manholes Poison-baited.	677	727
2. Manholes not baited for technical reasons.	81	104
3. Estimated kill.	10356	9213

## TREATMENT & BATHING CENTRE, KING JAMES STREET.

During the year there has been a slight drop in the number of actual cases occurring among adults resident in the Borough. The routine visiting of cases and contacts who have failed to attend for treatment has been maintained and the Health Visitor made 451 original visits.

The incidence of scabies among L.C.C. School children showed a slight increase during the year.

The routine methods of treatment, other than those controlled by the L.C.C., Education Department, have been Benzyl Benzoate treatments, followed by medical examination seven days or more after the date of the last treatment. In this connection, 54 medical sessions were held at the Centre and 1087 cases were examined. These were either discharged or referred back for further treatment. Secondary ailments incident to Scabies have been successfully treated before discharge or sent for hospital treatment.

Disinfection of the personal clothing of all cases is carried out by means of electrical sterilization.

## TREATMENT OF VERMINOUS PERSONS.

There has been a steady increase among the male patients and a reduction in the number of female patients and school children.

The following figures indicate the principal sources from which verminous cases were received:-

### MALES.

Rowton House. One in Southwark and one in Lambeth.	215.
Salvation Army Hostel - Southwark only.	205
Casuals.	68
A.R.P. Shelters.	20
Marshalsea Road Common Lodging House.	20
Morning Post Home.	4
Embankment Fellowship, Lambeth.	4

### FEMALES AND YOUNG CHILDREN.

83, Blackfriars Road, Common Lodging House.	14
78, Camberwell Gate.	8
Cecil House.	12
Elizabeth Baxter Hostel.	7
Church Army Hostel.	5
A.R.P. Shelters.	5

## INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

Owing to the inadequate staffing of the L.C.C., Fever Hospitals, admission of cases of Scarlet Fever and Measles were restricted to cases where serious complications had arisen or where the home conditions were unsuitable. It is interesting to note that despite this change of the general policy in regard to Scarlet Fever there has been no evidence of dissemination of the disease. Fifty eight cases of Scarlet Fever were treated at home.

The return of Service personnel from overseas ports where Small-pox was prevalent led to cases occurring on H.M. Transports. The Local Authority of the district is responsible for keeping in touch with the various contacts, who were allowed to proceed to their home address for the full period of incubation. 57 visits were made in this connection.

## GENERAL DISINFECTION AND DISINFESTATION.

Disinfestation of verminous premises was carried out at the request of the District Sanitary Inspector and re-housing Officer. In general it may be stated that bug infestations were remarkably low and that the bad cases occurred in rooms occupied by aged and infirm persons who were not receiving adequate care and attention.

Towards the end of the year the Council was able to obtain a supply of D.D.T. Insecticides. The introduction of this method of vermin repression gave rise to changes in general procedure. Formerly a contact insecticide was used and results were judged by the actual kill. D.D.T. has a delayed action value extending over a period of many months; the kill is not instantaneous. It is not possible, therefore, at the present time, to offer any conclusive evidence of its effectiveness.



TREATMENT AND BATHING STATION KING JAMES STREET.  
ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 29th DECEMBER 1945.

<u>TREATMENT OF SCABIES.</u>	<u>LAMBETH.</u>		<u>SOUTHWARK.</u>		<u>TOTAL.</u>
	MEN.	WOMEN.	MEN.	WOMEN.	
1st. QUARTER.	177	695	217	618	1707
2nd. QUARTER.	131	509	150	505	1295
3rd. QUARTER.	124	478	137	493	1232
4th. QUARTER.	162	513	165	663	1503
TOTALS.	594	2195	669	2279	5737

<u>NUMBER OF ACTUAL CASES.</u>	<u>MEN.</u>		<u>WOMEN.</u>		<u>TOTAL.</u>
LAMBETH RESIDENTS.	321		1196		1517
SOUTH WARK RESIDENTS.	345		1098		1443
TOTALS.	666		2294		2960

<u>L.C.C. SCHOOL CHILDREN.</u>				
1st. Q UARTER.	849	2nd. QUARTER.	697	
3rd. QUARTER.	647	4th. QUARTER.	1532	
TOTAL.	3725.			

<u>TREATMENT OF VERMINOUS PERSONS.</u>	<u>LAMBETH.</u>		<u>SOUTHWARK.</u>		<u>TOTAL.</u>
	MEN.	WOMEN.	MEN.	WOMEN.	
1st. QUARTER.	24	36	156	41	257
2nd. QUARTER.	17	26	137	46	226
3rd. QUARTER.	16	39	130	76	261
4th. QUARTER.	2	38	112	55	207
TOTALS.	59	139	535	218	951
<u>NUMBER OF ACTUAL CASES.</u>	53	124	535	210	922

<u>L.C.C. SCHOOL CHILDREN VERMINOUS.</u>				
1st. QUARTER.	528	2nd. QUARTER.	502	
3rd. Q UARTER.	426	4th. QUARTER.	519	
TOTAL.	1975			

<u>SUMMARY OF TREATMENTS.</u>	<u>SCABIES.</u>	<u>VERMINOUS.</u>	<u>TOTAL.</u>
MEN. (Lambeth & Southwark).	1263	594	1857
WOMEN. do.	4474	357	4831
L.C.C. SCHOOL CHILDREN.	3725	1975	5700
TOTALS.	9462	2926	12388

<u>TREATMENT OF VERMINOUS BEDDING &amp; EFFECTS.</u>									
QUARTER.	RED.	PAIL.	BOIS.	PILL.	CUSH.	BLANKETS.	SHEETS.	QUILTS.	PIECES.
1st.	98	500	30	591	75	2567	48	60	22218
2nd.	31	572	12	197	12	1097	20	20	17534
3rd.	15	33	5	44	7	1963	18	9	15745
4th.	11	86	15	79	6	65	8	4	19813
TOTALS.	155	1191	62	911	100	5692	94	93	75310
DESTROYED	17	11	5	14	3	2	-	-	131
4 Rugs & 10 cwts of household effects.									

<u>TREATMENT OF INFECTIOUS BEDDING &amp; EFFECTS.</u>									
1st.	14	33	4	58	4	118	19	14	116
2nd.	13	35	9	79	13	82	32	27	66
3rd.	16	31	11	65	6	81	31	27	103
4th.	8	12	4	60	-	75	38	30	47
TOTALS.	51	111	28	262	23	356	120	98	332
DESTROYED	1	1	Public Library Books Disinfected					100	

<u>TREATMENT OF VERMINOUS ROOMS.</u>				
Sulphured & Sealed	10			
Sprayed with Insecticide	930	Total Rooms treated	940	
L.C.C. PREMISES FOUND TO BE VERMINOUS	4	ROOMS TREATED	5	
SOUTHWARK COUNCIL ESTATE FOUND VERMINOUS	3	ROOMS TREATED	7	

FOOD & DRUGS ACT, 1938 - ANALYSIS OF SAMPLES.

	<u>Samples Examined.</u>		<u>Adulterated.</u>	
	<u>Formal</u>	<u>Informal</u>	<u>Formal</u>	<u>Informal</u>
Milk.	278	26	2	
Condensed Milk.		8		
Dried Milk.	1			
Graded Milk.		22		
Butter.	23	14		
Cheese.	4	6		
Margarine.	13	15		
Lard.	15	14		
Tea.	18	2		
Coffee.	8			
Coffee Mixture & Essences.	14	13		
Cocoa.	13	14		1.
Sugar.	14	5		
Meat & Meat Products.	30	127	1	4
Canned & Bottled Foods.	30	176		5
Fruit & Vegetables (canned etc).	44	45		1
Preserves, Jellies, Jams etc.	45	22		1
Cereals & Cereal preparations.	84	157	5	13
Bread, Flour & Confectionery.	97	160	3	6
Wines, Spirits & Beverages.	10	40	1	2
Condiments, Spices, Sauces etc.	133	230	6	6
Drugs & Medical Preparations.	10	62	2	6
Miscellaneous Samples.	12	37		1
Total.	896	1195	20	46

Percentage of adulterated samples - 3.16.

FOOD & DRUGS ACT, 1938 - LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

<u>DEFENDANT.</u>	<u>CAUSE OF PROCEEDINGS.</u>	<u>RESULT.</u>
Eastern Provision Co., Ltd. 5/9, The Highway, N.E.1.	Selling Liver Sausage containing sulphur dioxide 250 parts per million.	Withdrawn on payment of £2-2-0 costs.
David Jones, 1, Stead Street, S.E.17.	Selling vinegar 16 per cent deficient in Acetic Acid.	Dismissed under P.O.A. on payment of £2-2-0 costs.
J. Green's Beattall Food Products, 55a, Yeldham Road, HAMMERSMITH, W.6.	Selling self-raising flour 49 per cent deficient in available Carbon Dioxide.	Withdrawn.
Andrew Lawrence, 157, New Kent Road, S.E.1.	Selling vinegar 15 per cent deficient in Acetic Acid.	Fined £3.
Ernest E. Burford, 4, Montpelier Road, Pockham, S.E.15.	Selling vinegar 8.5. per cent deficient in Acetic Acid.	Fined £1 and £1-1-0 costs.

Seven cautionary letters were sent in respect of other non-genuine samples.



## BAKEHOUSES.

There are 43 bakehouses in use in Southwark, of which 16 are underground bakehouses.

During the War the following underground bakehouses were closed owing to damage by enemy action:-

126, Southwark Bridge Road.  
17, St. Georges Road.  
195, Great Dover Street.  
80/82, Old Kent Road.  
55, Rodney Road.

## MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS) REGULATIONS, 1936 - 1943.

Dealers licences were granted authorising the use of the special designation "Pasteurised" in 25 cases, and Dealers Licences authorising the use of the special designation "Tuberculin Tested" were granted in 9 cases.

8 Supplementary Licences in respect of "Pasteurised Milk" and 5 in respect of "Tuberculin Tested" Milk were granted to dealers selling from premises outside the Borough, the principal licences having been issued by the appropriate licencing authority in each case.

During the year, 23 samples of graded milks were taken and submitted to the Public Analyst for bacteriological examination and chemical analysis.

## MILKSELLERS.

At the close of the year, there were 184 registered retailers and wholesalers in the Borough, whilst the number of retailers and wholesalers purveying milk in the Borough but registered elsewhere was 43.

## PUBLIC HEALTH (CONDENSED MILK) REGULATIONS, 1923 & 1927.

10 samples of Condensed Milk were purchased under the above Regulations for analysis. They were all certified by the Public Analyst to comply with the said Regulations.

## PHARMACY & POISONS ACT, 1933.

During the year 73 visits were paid to the various premises listed by the Council for the sale of Part II Poisons under the above Act.

There are 51 names of persons on the Council's List of Sellers of Part II Poisons.

GENERAL.

Notifications of Infectious Disease generally revealed a slight decrease on the 1944 figures, the only important variations being for Whooping Cough - which was only about 25 per cent of the previous year's total - and Measles, which showed a considerable increase, due to the fact that 1945 was a Measles epidemic year, also that the 1944 total for this disease was exceptionally low.

Hospital accommodation remained seriously restricted, and only cases of particular clinical severity or unsuitable home nursing conditions were removed. It is, therefore, especially gratifying to record that only one death occurred from infectious disease during the year under review.

The gradual return of Service personnel from abroad who had been in contact with cases of Smallpox and Typhus during their journey home, or where, owing to the speed of air travel, symptoms might not have been apparent at the time of their arrival, necessitated the examination of all such contacts returning to the Borough. No cases of smallpox or Typhus were reported in Southwark during the year.

NOTIFICATIONS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

The notifications of Infectious Diseases during the year totalled 1971, of which 449 were removed to the London County Council's fever hospitals. The total number of cases of Infectious Disease, after correction of diagnosis, was 1862.

<u>Disease.</u>	<u>Total, after correction of diagnosis.</u>			<u>Admitted to Hospital.</u>
	<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>	<u>Total.</u>	
Scarlet Fever.	73	66	139	98
Diphtheria.	19	19	38	38
Pneumonia.	34	34	58	7
Erysipelas.	9	24	33	16
Dysentery	18	11	29	29
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	10	2	12	2
Puerperal Fever.	-	3	3	3
Puerperal Pyrexia.	-	17	17	17
Enteritis.	5	10	15	15
Food Poisoning.	1	-	1	-
Scabies.	201	294	495	-
Measles.	538	427	965	217
Whooping Cough.	20	37	57	7
Totals.	928.	934.	1862.	449.

One death only, from Cerebro Spinal Meningitis, was discovered on post-mortem examination.

TUBERCULOSIS.

Primary Notifications.

	0-	1-	5-	10-	15-	20-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-	Total	Total including duplicate notifications
Pulmonary Males.	-	5	4	3	5	10	11	21	17	15	11	-	102	113
Pulmonary Females.	-	3	4	2	17	19	11	7	4	5	2	-	74	85
Non-Pulm Males.	-	-	1	2	3	1	2	2	-	1	-	-	12	12
Non-Pulm Females.	-	2	1	2	-	2	5	-	-	-	-	-	12	12
Totals.	-	10	10	9	25	32	29	30	21	21	13	-	200	222



RETURN RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE DISPENSARY DURING THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1945.

DIAGNOSIS.	PULMONARY.				NON-PULMONARY.				TOTAL.				GRAND TOTAL.
	Adults.		Children.		Adults.		Children.		Adults.		Children.		
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
A. (1) Number of definite cases of Tuberculosis on the Dispensary Register at the beginning of year.	273	262	49	46	16	25	3	3	289	287	52	49	677
(2) Transfers from other Authorities during the Year.	12	10	1	-	-	-	-	-	12	10	1	-	23
(3) Lost sight of cases returned during the year.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B. Number of New Cases diagnosed as tuberculosis during the year.													
(1) Class T.B. minus	38	30	8	12	-	-	-	-	38	30	8	12	88
(2) Class T.B. plus	30	28	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	28	-	-	58
(3) Non-pulmonary	-	-	-	-	2	4	2	3	2	4	2	3	11
C. Number of cases included in A & B written off the Dispensary Register during the year as:-													
(1) Recovered.	10	3	-	3	-	-	1	-	10	3	1	3	17
(2) Dead (all causes).	34	21	-	-	-	1	-	-	34	22	-	-	56
(3) Removed to other Areas	17	4	1	1	1	2	1	-	18	6	2	1	27
(4) For other reasons.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
D. Number of definite cases of tuberculosis on the Dispensary Register at the end of the year.	292	302	57	54	17	26	3	6	309	328	60	60	757

A.P. Refills..... 1737.  
X-Ray Exams..... 3339.

Total Attendances..... 7079.  
Home visits by Health Visitors..... 2386.