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Borough of Edmonton.



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and

School Medical Officer

FOR THE YEAR

1940

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Her Worship the Mayor
Deputy Mayor

Councillor Mrs E.M.Hearn, J.P.
Councillor T.H.Joyce

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

Chairman Councillor C.G.Lacey

Aldermen Mrs H.M.Barrass, J.Reid, Mrs E.A.Young.

Councillors W.Cudworth, Mrs E.M.Moss, A.W.Pearce, J.A.Ward

STAFF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Medical Officer of Health, School Medical Officer, and Supervisor for the
Maternity and Child Welfare Services:-

D. REGAN, B.A., B.Sc., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H. (L'pool)

Deputy Medical Officer of Health, and Deputy School Medical Officer:-

I.G.McINTYRE, B.A., M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H. (Left Council's
Service April, 1940)

Assistant Medical Officers and School Medical Officers:-

Hilda R. Hay., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Margaret F. Covey, B.Sc., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Catherine A.Goggin, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H. (Commenced July 1940)

Senior Sanitary Inspector:-

W.Tillcock, M.R.San.I.

District Sanitary Inspectors:-

G.H.Huckle,

J.P.Farrer,

E.Dodsworth,

H.W.Grieves,

F.Beilby.

Mrs H.Fowler, Women Sanitary Inspector.

Chief Clerk:-

F.J.Nash, Cert.R.San.I.

J.L.A.Saunders, Infectious Disease Clerk,

A.E.Clarke, Records Clerk,

D.H.J.Newman, Correspondence Clerk, (In H.M.Forces)

H.J.Weldon, Junior Clerk, (In H.M.Forces)

S.Clayton, Shops Acts Inspector,

T.G.Marsden, Assistant Shops Acts Inspector,

Miss I.M.Bowie, Temporary Clerk,

N.Gilbert, Temporary Clerk.

% Moisty paid under Public Health Act or by Exchequer Grants.

a Certificated Sanitary Inspector

b Certificate of Meat and Food Inspector

c Inspector under the Petroleum Acts

d Inspector of Canal Boats

e Certificate of Smoke Inspector.

PREFACE

Public Health Department,
Town Hall, Edmonton, N.9.

Her Worship the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors
of the Borough of Edmonton.

Your Worship, Ladies & Gentlemen,

I have much pleasure in presenting my sixth Annual Report for the year 1940. Notwithstanding the difficulties created by the War, the Medical Services have not only been restored but also improved upon. It is the wish of the Council that all these Services be maintained to their full capacity.

In the year 1940 life in the Borough while not normal, took on a more even tenor, although such discomfort and abnormality occurred towards the end of the year the health of the people remained steadfastly good. Infectious Disease on the whole remained abnormally low, but the spread of Scabies gave some little difficulty.

On account of overcrowding in an already overcrowded department, additional accommodation was obtained adjacent to the Town Hall for the Sanitary Inspectors and Shops Acts Inspectors.

As anticipated in my Report for 1939, it became necessary to obtain extra assistance to deal with the establishment, training and maintenance of the First Aid Services. Mr. A. E. Clarke, my Records Clerk was seconded to A.R.P. duties in this connection; Mr. A. Ballentine, Housing Survey Clerk at the outbreak of War, was also transferred to A.R.P. duties, and 2 Lady Clerks were appointed. Later in the year Dr. R. Grenville Samuel was appointed as Medical Officer, A.R.P. Services.

During the year Dr. C. the line A. Goggin joined the Staff as Assistant Medical Officer and School Medical Officer.

I would like to mention that Mr. David H. J. Newman, Correspondence Clerk, joined His Majesty's Forces in August 1940. His services will be greatly missed in the Department, and I sincerely trust that his return will not be long delayed when Peace is once more restored.

I wish to thank the Members of the Council for their courtesy to me during an exceedingly difficult year.

In conclusion, I would like to thank the Members of the Staff for the very excellent manner in which they have carried out their duties in the most trying circumstances, and not only that but also to fulfil many other duties which have fallen to their lot on account of the War.

I have the honour to be, Your Worship, Ladies & Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,

D. REGAN,
Medical Officer of Health.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area (in acres)	5,896
Population -	
Census of 1921	66,809
Census of 1931	77,652
Estimated by the Registrar-General for mid-year, 1940	95,500
Number of Inhabited Houses and Tenements at the end of 1940	25,807
Number of Inhabited Houses and Tenements at the end of 1939	25,726
Rateable Value, April, 1940.	£759,595
Estimated product of one penny in the £ for the year ending 31st March, 1941	£ 2,366
Rates in the £ for the year ending 31st March, 1941	15/-

SOCIAL CONDITIONS

The extent of unemployment may be estimated by the following figures relating to:-

- (1) The number of free dinners given to schoolchildren, and
- (2) The actual figures supplied by the Director of Public Assistance.

No: 1 is given on purely economic grounds.

(1)	Number of free dinners during 1939 (to the end of August)	101,681	
	" " " " 1940	49,530	
(2)	Figures re out-relief:-	Persons	Amount
	For the year 1939		
	(a) Ordinary out-relief	4,244	£44,450
	(b) Unemployed out-relief	454	£ 2,556
		<u>4,698</u>	<u>£47,006</u>
	For the year 1940		
	(a) Ordinary out-relief	2,194	£22,475
	(b) Unemployed out-relief	207	£ 789
		<u>2,401</u>	<u>£23,264</u>

VITAL STATISTICS

	M	F	Total	Grand Total
LIVE BIRTHS				
Legitimate	738	696	1,434	
Illegitimate	16	21	37	1,471
Birth-rate per 1,000 of population				15.4
STILL-BIRTHS				
Legitimate	28	24	52	
Illegitimate	-	1	1	53
Total of live and still-births				1,524
Rate per 1,000 total births				34.77

DEATHS

Number	514	530	1044	
Rate per 1,000 population				10.93

DEATHS FROM PUERPERAL CAUSES

	Deaths	Rate per 1,000 total (live & still) births
Puerperal & Post-abortion Sepsis	-	-
Other Maternal Causes	4	2.72
	4	2.72

DEATH-RATE OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE

Number	32	24	56	
All Infants per 1,000 live births				39.5
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births				39.1
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births				54.0
Deaths from cancer (all ages)			145	
" " measles (-do-)			1	
" " whooping cough (all ages)			---	
" " diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)			3	

The following causes of death are supplied by the Registrar-General and refer to deaths which were registered during the calendar year:-

Causes of Death	M	F	Total
Typhoid and Para-typhoid Fevers	-	-	-
Cerebro-spinal Fever	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	-	-	-
Diphtheria	1	-	1
Tuberculosis of the Respiratory System	36	34	70
Other Forms of Tuberculosis	1	6	7
Syphilitic Diseases	3	-	3
Influenza	4	2	6
Measles	1	-	1
Acute Poliomyelitis & Polio-Encephalitis	-	-	-
Acute Infective Encephalitis	3	1	4
Cancer of Buccal Cavity & Oesophagus (M) Uterus (F)	13	8	21
Cancer of Stomach & Duodenum	15	16	31
Cancer of Breast	-	21	21
Cancer of all Other Sites	36	36	72
Diabetes	1	4	5
Inter-Cranial Vascular Lesions	29	45	74
Heart Disease	113	125	238
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	16	6	22
Bronchitis	41	35	78
Pneumonia	38	35	73
Other Respiratory Diseases	10	7	17
Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum	4	5	9
Diarrhoea (under 2 years)	2	1	3
Appendicitis	1	2	3
Other Digestive Diseases	9	20	29
Nephritis	6	8	14
Puerperal & Post-Abortive Sepsis	-	-	-
Other Maternal Causes	-	4	4
Premature Birth	8	4	12
Congenital Malformations, Birth Injuries, Infant Diseases	15	14	29
Suicide	7	7	14
Road Traffic Accidents	12	3	15
Other Violent Causes	52	48	100
All Other Causes	77	33	70
TOTAL DEATHS	514	530	1044

The following tables give the deaths of those registered during the 52 weeks ended 28th December, 1940, sub-divided as to age groups:-

MALES													
Causes of Death	ALL	1	2	5	15	25	35	45	55	65	75 &		
	AGES	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	over	
		1	2	5	15	25	35	45	55	65	75		
Diphtheria	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis of the Respiratory System	34	-	-	-	-	4	8	6	10	5	1	-	-
Other Forms of Tuberculosis	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Syphilitic Diseases	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	-	-
Influenza	4	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-
Measles	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Infective Encephalitis	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-
Cancer of Buccal Cavity & Oesophagus	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	6	4	-
Cancer of Stomach & Duodenum	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	5	4	3	-
Cancer of all Other Sites	39	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	11	17	6	-
Diabetes	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Intra-Cranial Vascular Lesions	29	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	8	11	7	-
Heart Disease	112	-	-	-	-	2	2	8	8	27	34	31	-
Other Dis: of Circulatory System	17	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	2	6	6	-
Bronchitis	39	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	5	7	14	11	-
Pneumonia	38	8	1	-	1	1	-	1	6	8	10	2	-
Other Respiratory Diseases	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	5	1	2	-
Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum	4	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	1	-	-	-
Diarrhoea (under 2 years)	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Appendicitis	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Digestive Diseases	8	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	4	1	-
Nephritis	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	2	1	-
Premature Birth	8	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cong: Mal: Birth Injuries, Infant Dis:	13	11	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Suicide	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	2	-	-
Road Traffic Accidents	12	-	-	-	1	2	2	-	2	2	1	2	-
Other Violent Causes	47	1	2	-	2	5	8	10	4	8	5	2	-
All Other Causes	37	1	-	-	3	1	1	1	3	3	8	16	-
	503	32	4	2	9	17	26	34	56	101	123	94	-

FEMALES													
Tuberculosis of the Respiratory System	36	-	-	1	-	9	10	9	3	2	2	-	-
Other Forms of Tuberculosis	5	-	1	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Influenza	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
Acute Infective Encephalitis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Cancer of Uterus	9	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	1	3	1	-
Cancer of Stomach & Duodenum	16	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	5	7	2	-
Cancer of Breast	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	6	7	-	4	-
Cancer of all Other Sites	38	-	-	-	-	3	-	5	6	8	9	7	-
Diabetes	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	-
Intra-Cranial Vascular Lesions	44	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	8	13	20	-
Heart Disease	121	-	1	-	-	-	2	5	5	22	31	55	-
Other Dis: of Circulatory System	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	2	-
Bronchitis	34	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	4	3	8	16	-
Pneumonia	34	3	1	-	-	-	4	2	3	6	6	9	-
Other Respiratory Diseases	7	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	4	-
Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	2	-	-	-
Diarrhoea (under 2 years)	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Appendicitis	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Other Digestive Diseases	19	-	-	-	-	2	-	4	1	5	5	2	-
Nephritis	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	4	1	-
Puerperal & Post-Abortive Sepsis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Maternal Causes	4	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Premature Birth	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cong: Mal: Birth Injuries, Infant Dis:	14	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Suicide	6	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	1	1	-	-	-
Road Traffic Accidents	3	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Violent Causes	42	1	-	-	4	2	5	8	7	5	8	4	-
All other Causes	33	1	-	1	1	1	1	2	7	3	7	9	-
	518	24	3	3	7	26	28	46	53	79	108	141	-

There is a slight difference in respect of the causes of death between those last two tables and the one supplied by the Registrar General who is in possession of additional information on the matter.

INFANTILE MORTALITY

The deaths of infants under 1 year of age were as follows:-

	M	F	Total
Legitimate	31	23	54
Illegitimate	1	1	2
	<u>32</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>56</u>

The death-rate of all infants per 1,000 live births was 39.5. A detailed sub-division of the causes etc., of these infants deaths is as follows:-

MALES

Causes of Death	Under				Total					Total
	1 week	2nd week	3rd week	4th week	under 1 month	1-3 mths	3-6 mths	6-9 mths	9-12 mths	
Measles	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Diarrhoea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
Pneumonia	2	-	-	-	2	-	4	2	-	8
Violence	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Congenital Debility	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2
Premature Birth	4	2	-	-	6	1	1	-	-	8
Injury at Birth	4	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	4
Atelactasis	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Asphyxia Neonatorum	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Congenital Malformations	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	2
Other Causes	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Totals	16	2	-	-	18	4	6	4	-	32

FEMALES

Menigitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Bronchitis	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	3
Violence	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Diarrhoea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Congenital Malformations	2	-	-	-	2	2	-	1	-	5
Congenital Debility	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Premature Birth	2	-	1	-	3	1	-	-	-	4
Injury at Birth	3	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3
Atelactasis	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Asphyxia Neonatorum	3	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3
Totals	10	1	1	-	12	6	1	5	-	24

COMPARATIVE STATISTICS

The Registrar-General has forwarded provisional figures relating to the Country as a whole, and to London, enabling comparisons to be made as follows:-

	Birth-rate per 1,000 population		Death-rate per 1,000 births	
	Live	Still	From diarrhoea etc., under 2 years	Total deaths under 1 year
England and Wales	14.6	0.55	4.6	55
London	13.7	0.44	5.8.	50
EDMONTON	15.4	0.55	2.12	39.5

ANNUAL DEATH RATE PER 1,000 OF POPULATION

	All Causes		Scarlet Fever				Whoop Cough	Diphtheria	Influenza
	Measles								
England and Wales	14.3	.02	.00	.02	.06	.32			
London	17.8	.01	.00	.00	.01	.18			
EDMONTON	10.93	.01	.00	.00	.01	.06			

The following table gives the number of births and deaths (registered) sub-divided into the four wards of the Borough. It should be remembered that births are only of those which occurred in Edmonton and of course of Edmonton addresses; these are registered in Edmonton. Births which take place outside the Borough are not included; this fact accounts for the difference between these figures and those supplied by the Registrar-General. The deaths include those taking place outside the Borough, the information being given us quarterly by the Registrar-General.

Ward	Births		Deaths		Infant Deaths	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Bury Street	206	195	130	149	14	10
Church Street	89	101	84	124	1	4
Angel Road	139	122	135	130	7	5
Silver Street	155	138	150	114	9	5
Vagrants	-	-	4	1	1	-
	589	556	503	518	32	24

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE BOROUGH

LABORATORY FACILITIES

These are as described in previous reports. The following examinations were carried out during 1940:-

Swabs for Diphtheria:-	Positive	Negative	Total
From suspected cases	13	369	382
From contacts	13	134	147
From carriers and old cases	1	5	6
	<u>27</u>	<u>508</u>	<u>535</u>

	Present	Not found	Total
Sputa for the presence of Tubercle bacillus	2	18	20

During the year, the following material was sent to the Clinical Research Association for bacteriological examination:-

	Positive	Negative	Total
Blood for presence of Typhoid organisms	-	15	15
Urine -do- -do- -do-	-	2	2
Faeces -do- -do- -do-	-	8	8
Swabs for virulence of K.L.B.	-	1	1
Swabs for presence of haemolytic Streptococci	-	1	1
Vaginal swabs for presence of Gonococci	-	2	2
Blood for Undulant Fever	-	1	1

The Middlesex County Council is the Authority under the Food and Drugs Act as regards adulteration.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES

The Council possesses three ambulances, housed at the Fire Brigade Station, and the following figures, kindly supplied by the Superintendent, give some idea of the work carried out during the year:-

Private Cases	6,278
Accident Cases	512
Maternity Cases	114
Clinic (tonsil cases)	12
Special Services	234
False alarms	29
	<u>7,179</u>

First aid was rendered on 151 occasions, whilst the resuscitating apparatus was in use 36 times. The bedside apparatus for the supply of oxygen was requested by 82 patients.

The total mileage of the vehicles was 31,248 miles.

The Council's small bus conveys the deaf and dumb and partially blind children to and from school, picks up a few other children in the morning taking them to a spot to meet the guide; also conveys children to and from London railway termini in connection with convalescent home treatment.

NURSING IN THE HOME

This has been described in previous reports.

HOSPITALS

Infectious fevers are admitted into the Enfield, Edmonton and Potters Bar Joint Isolation Hospital, situated in Enfield.

Arrangements for the treatment of ear, nose and throat disorders amongst school children are made with the Prince of Wales's Hospital, Tottenham; ring-worm is treated at, and ultra-violet light treatment given in, the North Middlesex County Hospital, Edmonton.

NURSING HOMES REGISTRATION

There is one Nursing Home registered by the Council. This is kept under supervision by the Medical Officer of Health. No new applications to be placed on the Register were received during 1940.

SANITARY INSPECTION IN THE AREA

Five District Sanitary Inspectors are engaged in the sanitary supervision of the Borough, working under the supervision of the Senior Sanitary Inspector. The Women Sanitary Inspector looks after outworkers' premises, the sanitary condition of factories where women are employed, the investigation of notifiable infectious diseases, including tuberculosis. She also assists in the supervision of the women's public conveniences. The Senior Sanitary Inspector supervises the work of the Borough and is Inspector under the Canal Boats Acts.

At the outbreak of hostilities the Senior Sanitary Inspector was appointed Controlling Officer for Emergency Petrol Supplies and also Authorised Officer for Decontamination of Food. (Gas Contamination Officer). The District Sanitary Inspectors are acting as Billeting Officers, and in addition one as War Mortuary Superintendent.

The following tabular statement gives the number and the nature of the inspections made during the year:-

Complaints	1191
Infectious Disease	599
Tuberculosis	127
Factories with mechanical power	107
Factories without " "	12
Other premises under the Factories Act	2
Outworkers	189
Schools	23
Offensive Trades	25
Shops and stalls	323
Shops Act (Primary)	6
Shops Act (Re-inspections)	1
Sanitary conveniences and urinals	553
Stables	36
Piggeries	12
Petroleum	33
General Inspections	240
Re-inspections	2627
Sundry visits	843
Cinemas and halls	9
Visits to Canal	10
A.R.P. Shelters	39
Billets	2504

INSPECTIONS OF PLACES WHERE FOOD IS PREPARED

Butchers	230
Fish shops	69
Coffee shops	63
Ice cream shops	80
Dairies and milkshops	135
Slaughterhouses	10
Bakehouses	24
Food stores (M.C.C. General Powers Act)	12

NUMBER OF NOTICES SERVED

Preliminary or Informal Notices	580
Statutory Notices	73

DEFECTS REMEDIED

Houses repaired, cleansed, etc.	425
D.W.Cisterns repaired, covered	21
Water fittings repaired	87
Water taken off main	3
Drains examined, tested, etc.	204
Drains cleared, trapped, repaired	254
Drains re-constructed	54
Chambers inserted	23
Chambers sealed down	24
Soil and vent pipes repaired	47
W.C's repaired, cleansed, etc.	238
Flushing cisterns repaired	81
Waste pipes repaired, etc.	70
Sinks repaired or renewed	35
Roofs repaired	340
Gutters and R.W.P's repaired	193
Yards paved or repaved	75
Scullery floors repaired	29
Spaces under floors ventilated	79
Dampness remedied	162
Floors repaired	100
Coppers and stoves repaired, etc.	117
New dustbins supplied	66
Accumulation of refuse removed	9
Nuisances from animals abated	1
Other nuisances abated	292

SANITARY CONVENIENCES

There are seven Public Conveniences in the Borough which are kept under constant supervision by the Public Health Department.

RATS AND MICE (DESTRUCTION) ACT, 1919

The Middlesex County Council is the Authority for this Borough under the Act, which places the responsibility upon the occupier of the premises infested, but the Rat Destruction Officer of the County Council is always willing to give advice. The Inspectors of the Public Health Department often examine the drainage of premises where it might be possible that the infestation is due to a defect in the house drainage system.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL (GENERAL POWERS) ACT, 1938. SECTION 71

HAWKERS, ETC.

This Act came into operation on the 1st January, 1939, the Council together with other Local Authorities considered the adoptive Sections and put the necessary resolutions and action into being regarding Sections 70 and 71, and as regards the latter Section, 87 applications for registration were received during 1939. No new applications were received during 1940.

DISINFECTION AND DISINFESTATION

The Council's Disinfecting Station was completely destroyed during October of this year, and from that time onwards the work has been carried out at Disinfecting Station of the Enfield Urban District Council. I would like to take this opportunity of expressing my thanks for the co-operation received from the Enfield Council in this matter.

The following table gives some idea of the work carried out:-

Number of journeys to collect bedding	278
" " " " return bedding	245
Rooms disinfected after infectious disease	475
Rooms disinfected after phth isis	99
Rooms disinfected after cancer	--
Disinfestation carried out after vermin	269
Bedding, clothing, etc. disinfected after Infectious Disease	
Number of articles	2,518
Bedding, clothing, etc. disinfected after Phthisis	
Number of articles	583
Bedding, clothing, etc. disinfected after other cases	
Number of articles	1,785

The Council distribute a disinfectant powder and fluid to residents who apply for the same at the Town Hall Yard. During the year the applicants numbered 22,460. One hour daily is allowed for such distribution with the exception of Fridays and Saturdays. A Formalin Chamber is used for the disinfection of books, leather goods, etc. - articles that would be damaged by steam. The number of books and other articles thus disinfected was 541.

Twenty-two Council houses and 103 other houses were found to be infested and the total number of rooms disinfected was 269. The whole of the work is carried out by the Department, the materials used being Block Disinfestators combined with the use of Insecticides such as Pyagra, etc.

PETROLEUM (REGULATIONS) ACTS, 1928 and 1936.

During the year 4 new licences and 114 renewals were granted by the Council. The following is a list of particulars of quantities, etc., affected by these licences:-

Petroleum Spirit	475,315 gallons
Petroleum Mixtures	5,609 gallons
Carbide of Calcium	1 ton 102 lbs.

MORTUARY

During the year 81 bodies were deposited in the Mortuary, 69 by order of the Coroner, and 12 for sanitary reasons.

CANAL BOATS ACTS

During the year 10 visits were paid to the Canal and 6 boats were seen, but of this number none were fitted or used as dwellings or registered under the Acts.

PLACES OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT

Nine inspections of cinemas and other places of entertainment were made in accordance with the Circular of the Ministry of Health of 1920. Conditions were found to be generally satisfactory.

FACTORIES ACT, 1937

The following work has been carried out under the above Act:-

1 - INSPECTIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVISIONS AS TO HEALTH

Premises	Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
Factories with mechanical power	104	14	-
Factories without mechanical power	10	-	-
Other premises under the Act (including works of building and engineering and construction but not including outworkers' premises)	2	-	-
Totals	116	14	-

2 - DEFECTS FOUND

Particulars	No: of defects			No: of defects in respect of which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	18	18	-	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	-	-	-	-
Sanitary (Insufficient)	3	3	-	-
Conveniences (Unsuitable or defective)	16	16	-	-
(Not separate for sexes)	-	-	-	-
Other offences	1	1	-	-
(not including offences relating to Home Work or offences under Sections mentioned in the Schedule to the Ministry of Health (Factories and Workshops Transfer of Powers) Order 1921, and re-enacted in the Third Schedule to the Factories Act, 1937)				
Total	38	38	-	-

3 - OUTWORK IN UNWHOLESOME PREMISES

Nature of work	Instances	Notices Served	Prosecutions
Wearing apparel -			
Making, etc.	-	-	-
Cleaning and washing	-	-	-

. FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS, ETC.

DEFECTS REMEDIED

W.C.Walls cleansed	13
W.C.Cisterns repaired	1
W.C.Seats repaired or renewed	11
W.C.Flush pipes repaired	3
W.C.Doors repaired	1
Roofs repaired	1
Workrooms cleansed	5
Sanitary accommodation improved	3

SCHOOLS

The exclusion of children suffering from infectious diseases and their contacts is dealt with in accordance with the Memorandum issued jointly by the Ministry of Health and the Board of Education. No schools were closed during the year on account of infectious diseases.

HOUSING - HOUSING ACT, 1936

1. INSPECTION OF DWELLING-HOUSES DURING THE YEAR:-

- (1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) 960
- (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose 3455
- (2) (a) Number of dwelling-houses (including under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 and 1932 -
- (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose -
- (3) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation -
- (4) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to above under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation 591

2. REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES:-

- Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers 571

3. ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR:-

A - Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936:-

- (1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs 92
- (2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:-
- (a) By owners 78
- (b) by Local Authority in default of owners 1

B - Proceedings under Public Health Acts:-

- (1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied 5
- (2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal Notices:-
- (a) By owners 7
- (b) By Local Authority in default of owners -

C - Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of Housing Act, 1936:-

- (1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which demolition orders were made -
- (2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of demolition orders -

D - Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936:-

- (1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made -
- (2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenements or rooms having been rendered fit. -

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

MILK SUPPLY

With respect to the Milk (Special Designations) Orders samples of designated milks are sent to the Counties' Public Health Laboratories for bacteriological examinations. Various licences were granted as under:-

	Primary	Supplementary
Pastourised	17	8
Tuberculin Tested	13	5
Accredited	-	1
	<u>30</u>	<u>14</u>

Two of the above retailers are licensed to bottle Tuberculin Tested Milk, and one firm is licensed to pastourise and bottle milk on the premises; one firm is licensed to bottle pastourised milk on the premises.

Supplementary licences are granted to milk retailers who live outside the Borough, but who sell milk in the Borough; the primary licence is granted them by the Authority of the area in which they reside

UN SOUND FOOD

The following is a list of the food surrendered for examination and retained as unfit for human consumption:-

28 lbs Dabs	15 lbs Tripe and $\frac{1}{2}$ set of Feet
1 box Plaice	1 cwt Fish
26 lbs Bacon (various)	1 Pig carcass
25 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs Bacon (various) (Lithuanian)	5 boxes Mergins
12 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs Bacon	1 boneless Ham
1 Sheeps Liver	3 tins Corned Beef (18 lbs)
1 Lamb	5 boxes Kippers
30 lbs Pork	15,800 tins Pineapple
49 boxes Tomatoes	34 lbs Dried Apricots
32 lbs Rump Trippings	36 lbs Bacon
1 tin Boneless Ham	20 boxes Tasmanian Apples
10 lbs Bacon	80 tins Fruit (miscellaneous)
9 lbs Chine of Mutton	14 tins Plums
29 lbs Bacon	25 bottles Mixed Pickles
23 lbs Bacon	10 jars Paste
2 Sides of Bacon	10 tins Ham & Beef Roll
77,000 tins Skippers in Oil	

SHOPS ACTS

The Shops Acts Inspector submits a monthly report to the Public Health Committee, and the following is a short summary:-

Visits to Shops, Licensed Street Traders etc.	2,801
Contraventions	35

Proceedings were taken against 4 traders and fines were inflicted as follows:- 1 of £4 2 of 10/- and 1 of 5/-.

CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF FOOD

The only examinations carried out by the Council are those for designated milks; these are sent to the Counties' Public Health Laboratories. The matter was discussed previously.

PREVALENCE OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE

MEASLES AND WHOOPING COUGH

These diseases were made compulsorily notifiable in October, 1939. 308 cases of Measles and 47 cases of Whooping Cough were notified during the year.

There were no deaths from Whooping Cough and only one death from Measles.

In October of this year the Council agreed to supply Measles Immune Globulin to General Practitioners for the treatment of Edmonton children, subject to the Doctors signing a statement that the material would be supplied to the patient free of charge.

DIPHTHERIA

Once again I am happy to report a still lower incidence of this disease. Only 14 cases were notified during the year. There was one death.

SCARLET FEVER.

This disease continued to occur throughout the year in a mild form, but here again I am pleased to report a still lower incidence than last year, 111 cases against 182. There were no deaths.

SMALLPOX.

No cases of smallpox were notified during the year.

ENTERIC FEVER.

During June and July there was a minor outbreak of this disease, but despite extensive investigation we were unable to trace the source of infection. There were no deaths.

In November we were informed that an Edmonton patient, who was a typhoid carrier, had discharged himself from Hospital, and further that he was employed as a meat porter. In the circumstances a Notice was served on him under the Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations, 1927 excluding him from employment in such trade or business concerned with the preparation or handling of food or drink for human consumption for a period of 12 months, in the first instance. A Notice to this effect was also served on his employer.

DYSENTERY.

No cases of this disease were notified during the year.

CEREBRO-SPINAL FEVER.

A slight rise in the incidence of this disease occurred during 1940. The cases were carefully investigated, and precautions taken to prevent the spread of infection. No deaths took place.

POLIOMYELITIS.

Three cases were notified during the year, but there were no deaths.

IMMUNISATION AGAINST DIPHTHERIA.

As reported last year the outbreak of war caused a temporary suspension of this scheme. The Clinic was re-opened in March of this year.

During the year some 460 children were immunised, this was a fairly satisfactory response considering the circumstances prevailing during the latter half of the year. However I feel confident that with more extensive propaganda and more settled times, the response will be much greater.

PUERPERAL PYREXIA AND OPHTHALMIA NEONATORUM

These are referred to later on under the heading of Maternity and Child Welfare.

FOOD POISONING

Only 1 case was reported - a non-resident inpatient at the N.Mdx.C.Hosp.

PNEUMONIA

The number of cases of primary and influenzal pneumonia notified remains about the same. There was a slight increase in the number of deaths from all forms of pneumonia.

DIARRHOEA AND ENTERITIS UNDER 2 YEARS OF AGE

The death-rate per 1,000 live births for London as a whole was 5.8 whilst that for Edmonton was 2.12 as compared with 8.2 and 1.23 respectively last year.

The following table gives the age incidence etc., of those suffering from notifiable diseases, excluding tuberculosis, which is dealt with separately.

It must be noted that the figures in the second column as being removed to hospital includes those already under treatment at a hospital - for instance the North Middlesex County Hospital.

This remark applies more particularly to the infections associated with parturition and include puerperal pyrexia and ophthalmia neonatorum.

Disease	No:																	
	Total	remvd																
	No:of	to																
Cases	Hosp:	Deaths	1	2	3	4	5	10	15	20	35	45	65	& over				
Scarlet Fever	111	101	-	1	4	5	11	10	52	11	7	7	1	2	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	14	14	1	-	-	1	2	3	7	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Enteric Fever	26	26	-	-	1	-	-	-	4	2	5	10	2	2	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	85	79	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	72	11	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia	65	29	73	3	2	3	1	2	3	-	5	16	9	18	3	-	-	-
Erysipelas	25	6	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	5	3	14	1	-	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	6	5	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	47	1	-	9	6	6	2	11	12	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	308	11	1	7	16	23	19	26	183	8	10	16	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cerebrospinal Fever	13	13	-	3	1	-	-	-	4	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-

The following table indicates the Wards from which the various cases were notified:-

Disease	Bury	Church	Angel	Silver	N.Mddx. C.Hosp:	Other Instns:	Total
	Street Ward	Street Ward	Road Ward	Street Ward			
Scarlet Fever	52	14	22	23	-	-	111
Diphtheria	5	1	4	4	-	-	14
Enteric Fever	6	1	12	5	2	-	26
Puerperal Pyrexia	10	5	7	12	51	-	85
Pneumonia	21	12	23	8	-	1	65
Erysipelas	7	6	5	6	-	1	25
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	2	1	-	-	3	-	6
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Whooping Cough	22	14	2	9	-	-	47
Measles	57	193	22	33	3	-	308
Cerebrospinal Fever	2	3	1	7	-	-	13
Poliomyelitis	1	-	2	-	-	-	3

CANCER

The incidence of Cancer relative to the various organs of the body is given as under:-

	Males	Females
Breast	-	21
Uterus	-	9
Buccal Cavity and Oesophagus	13	-
Stomach and Duodenum	14	16
All Other Sites	39	38
	<u>66</u>	<u>84</u>

PREVENTION OF BLINDNESS

Cases of ophthalmia neonatorum are promptly visited and, if thought necessary, are removed to Hospital for treatment. In one case blindness resulted, but the baby died later from measles.

As provided by Section 176 (1) of the Public Health Act, 1936, arrangements exist with the Middlesex County Council for the treatment at the school clinics of adolescents who are ascertained at school to be suffering from defective vision.

ORTHOPAEDIC SCHEME

In my Report for 1939 I gave details of a scheme for orthopaedic treatment for children after leaving school in cases where they are found whilst at school to be needing such treatment.

Financial assistance was rendered for the supply of surgical appliances in one case during the year.

TUBERCULOSIS

The following table gives details as to ages and sex of new cases of tuberculosis, also deaths from the disease; this latter figure including the deaths of non-notified cases:-

Age periods	New Cases				Deaths			
	Respiratory		Non-respiratory		Respiratory		Non-respiratory	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Under 1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 - 5 years	1	-	1	2	-	1	1	1
5 -15 "	-	2	3	2	-	-	-	2
15-25 "	10	16	-	8	4	9	-	1
25-35 "	11	18	2	2	8	10	-	1
35-45 "	3	7	-	1	6	9	-	-
45-55 "	12	2	-	-	10	3	-	-
55-65 "	10	4	-	-	5	2	-	-
65 years upwards	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-
Totals	47	49	6	15	34	36	1	5

In addition, 22 cases of pulmonary tuberculosis and 3 cases of non-pulmonary tuberculosis previously notified in other areas, moved into Edmonton.

The total number of names thus added to the Register during the year, excluding of course, non-notified deaths, was:-

	Males	Females
New cases - Respiratory	47	49
Non-Respiratory	6	15
Transferred cases - Respiratory	11	11
Non-respiratory	1	2
	<u>65</u>	<u>77</u>

The cases dying of tuberculosis and not previously notified were:-

	Males	Females
Respiratory	2	1
Non-respiratory	-	-

There were thus 3 non-notified deaths out of a total of 77 persons registered as dying of tuberculosis (Registrar's figure). Regarding the non-notification of the above cases, there was no suggestion of wilful neglect or of refusal to notify.

The non-respiratory forms of tuberculosis notified were:-

	Males	Females
Spine	2	1
Other bones and joints	-	3
Meningeal	-	2
Glands	3	2
Abdomen	-	5
Kidney	-	1
Testis	1	-
Salpingitis	-	1

The Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1925, relate to tuberculosis of employees in the milk trade; whilst Section 172 of the Public Health Act, 1936, gives power to the Local Authority to remove to hospital certain cases of tuberculosis which are dangerous to other people.

No occasion during the year had occurred in which it has been necessary to invoke these powers.

PUBLIC HEALTH (TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS, 1930

The number of cases of tuberculosis on the Register at the end of 1940 was:-

	Males	Females	Total
Pulmonary forms	267	232	499
Non-Pulmonary forms	82	81	163
	<u>349</u>	<u>313</u>	<u>662</u>

The corresponding figures at the end of 1939 were:-

	Males	Females	Total
Pulmonary forms	273	225	498
Non-Pulmonary forms	84	76	160
	<u>357</u>	<u>301</u>	<u>658</u>

Corresponding figures for previous years were:-

	Males	Females	Total
1938	363	297	660
1937	336	260	596
1936	315	252	567
1935	330	265	595
1934	339	281	620
1933	320	281	601
1932	363	284	647
1931	382	311	693
1930	381	311	692

COUNCIL'S EMPLOYEES

During 1940 the Medical Officer of Health paid a total number of 304 visits to those employees who had been on the sick list longer than a fortnight and, when necessary, at fortnightly intervals. Of these 81 were "not at home" and 27 had already resumed duty.

Also, during the year 12 persons were examined prior to their appointment to permanent posts.

THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES

OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

1776

The first of the United States was the British colony of Massachusetts, which was founded in 1630. It was the first of the thirteen colonies that would eventually form the United States. The other colonies were founded at various times, and each had its own unique history and culture.

The colonies were united by a common language, a common religion, and a common desire for independence from Britain. They were also united by a common enemy, the British government, which sought to control the colonies and limit their freedom.

The colonies fought a war of independence from 1775 to 1783, and they won. The United States was born. The new nation was a democracy, and it was the first of its kind in the world. The United States was a land of freedom, and it was a land of opportunity. The United States was a land of hope, and it was a land of dreams.

The United States has a long and proud history. It has been a land of discovery, a land of exploration, and a land of achievement. The United States has been a land of progress, a land of innovation, and a land of leadership. The United States has been a land of peace, a land of justice, and a land of freedom.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE.

Chairman: Cr. J. WARD.

Mrs. E.M.Hearn (Mayor); T.C.Joyce (Deputy Mayor); Aldermen W.Preys and
Mrs. M.M. Barrass.
Councillors - G.W.Ballams; L.E.Berridge; W.Cudworth; C.G.Lacey; Mrs.M.M.Moss.

STAFF.

D.Regan, B.A., B.Sc., M.B., Ch.B., B.A.O., D.P.H.(L'pool).

I.McIntyre, B.A., M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H., Deputy Medical Officer of
Health and Deputy School Medical Officer (Left April, 1940),

H.R.Hay, M.B., Ch.B.(Edin)., D.P.H., Assistant Medical Officer.

M.F.Coveney, B.Sc., N.U.I., M.B., Ch.B.(Sheff)., D.P.H.(Eng)., Assistant
Medical Officer.

C.A.Goggin, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H. (Commenced July, 1940).

J.A.Cholmoley, F.R.C.S.(Eng)., Orthopaedic Surgeon.

R.Leslie Dodds, F.R.C.S., Consulting Accoucheur.

E. Underhill, L.D.S., R.C.S., Dentist.

HEALTH VISITOR SCHOOL NURSES (Combined Service).

abde Miss A. Bintelcliffe - Lady Superintendent, Health Visitor School Nurses.

de Miss A.Naylor

d Mrs.C. Boothby

bed Miss M. R. Hazelton

acd Miss J. M. Anderson

bed Miss V. Garrett

bed Miss J. Paterson.

bd Miss M. Druce.

bed Miss R. Bullock.

bed Miss M.E.Bishop (resigned Nov.1940).

bed Miss B. F. Lister.

c Miss A. Fahy (School Work only).

Mrs. C. Tonkin (School Work only).

MASSEUSE.

Miss M. F. Cozens-Walker, Chartered Masseuse, Orthopaedic Clinic (part-time).

MUNICIPAL MIDWIVES.

cdf Mrs. R.K.M. Wingrove - Non-Medical Supervisor of Midwives.

cd Mrs. D.S.C. Gazzard.

d Mrs. A.J. Griffiths

cd Miss D.L.N.Noakes (res. July1940)

cd Miss A.G.Walker

cd Miss A.L. Gow

cd Miss K.M. James.

cd Miss D.M. Lewis.

cd Miss V. Unnen.

cd Mrs. A.M.Burton (temporary).

d Miss D.Chaplin (temporary from July
1940).

a Maternity and Child Welfare Certificate.

b New Health Visitors' Certificate.

c State Registered Nurse.

d State Certified Midwife.

e Sanitary Inspector's Certificate.

f Teacher's Certificate of Midwifery.

CLERICAL.

Miss R. Saunders	Senior Clerk.
Miss N. A. Eyres	1st Assistant.
Miss C. L. Churchloy	2nd Assistant (resigned Oct. 1940).
Miss E. Slater	3rd Assistant (resigned Oct. 1940).
Miss I. Wilkins	4th Assistant
Miss H. P. Turton	Commenced Nov. 1940.
Miss W. A. Beattie	Commenced Nov. 1940.

DAY NURSERY.

ed Miss W. J. Vigar	Matron (resigned Nov. 1940).
g Miss W. Betteridge	Temporary Matron.
g Miss E. A. Weller	Staff Nurse.

c State Registered Nurse.
d State Registered Midwife.
g Certificate of Day Nursery Training.

The following information gives details of the Maternity and Child Welfare Clinics at the end of 1940:-

- (1) Ante-Natal Clinic at Brookfield House, Fore Street (adjoining The Town Hall).
Five sessions weekly..
- (2) Child Welfare Centre:-
 - (a) Brookfield House. Four Sessions weekly.
 - (b) St. Stephen's Church Hall. One session weekly.
 - (c) St. Alphago Church Hall. Two sessions weekly.
 - (d) St. Aldhelm's Church Hall. Two sessions weekly.
- (3) Post-Natal Clinic at Brookfield House. One session weekly.
- (4) Dental Clinic at Greyland Road School Clinic. Two sessions weekly.
- (5) Orthopaedic Clinic at Methodist Central Hall, Fore Street. Two sessions weekly.
- (6) Obstetric Surgeon attends once a fortnight at Brookfield House.

FOREWORD.

In spite of the War the Maternity and Child Welfare Department has every reason to be proud of its progress, and although there were many problems, especially during the period of intensive air-raids, most satisfactory results have been obtained.

The Clinic services have been carried on as usual, and the attendances have amply justified this step. The progress of the Ante-Natal Clinic has been more than encouraging, and whilst in 1939 there were 215 sessions in 1940 there were 254. The total attendances increased from 5,271 in 1939 to 5,645 in 1940. 1,184 prospective mothers attended the Clinic during the year, which speaks for itself as to the value of the work and the manner in which it is appreciated. The Ante-Natal Service is carried on by the midwives under the supervision of the Non-Medical Supervisor of Midwives, and in that way the nurses are in a position to know the whole medical and social history of the women they will be attending for their confinements.

The St. Alphage and St. Aldhelms Clinics were re-opened in 1940 as there was a great need for Infant Welfare sessions in these areas. The attendances at all Infant Welfare Clinics has been most satisfactory.

The National Milk Scheme was introduced in July 1940 as a war measure by the Ministry of Food, and expectant and nursing mothers and children under 5 years of age can obtain 1 pint of milk daily either at a reduced rate (2d per pint) or free in necessitous cases. Application certificates are completed for the mothers by members of the Medical, Health Visiting and Midwifery Staffs under the scheme of co-operation with the Ministry of Food. An arrangement was also made whereby National Dried Milk could be distributed in the Infant Welfare Centres. Mothers can obtain this food at their nearest Clinic instead of journeying each week to the local Food Office, and in this way the infant is kept under constant supervision. The normal brands of dried milk foods are still available at the Clinics for sale or free under the same arrangements as in operation prior to the War.

The Government's Evacuation Scheme for expectant mothers was in operation throughout the year, and when the air raids commenced in August many women took advantage of the scheme and left Edmonton for their confinements. The women were sent away at the eighth month of pregnancy, but mothers can claim billeting allowance at any period of pregnancy if they can find private accommodation in a reception area. A certificate is issued by the Department confirming the date of the confinement, and the Education Department then make the other arrangements under the L.C.C. Scheme.

On January 6th, with the approval of the Ministry of Health, the Nursery children (evacuated at the outbreak of war), were transferred from billets to the "Foxes", Ramsden Heath, Essex. The accommodation and general arrangements proved most satisfactory, but unfortunately as the year advanced the area was not considered suitable on account of its proximity to the coast. After great difficulty a suitable house was found, namely Children's House, Sun Lane, Harpenden, Herts, and the 16 children were transferred on 3rd October, 1940. The party have settled down very happily and when the premises are fully equipped there will be accommodation for 28 children. Many changes have taken place in the Nursery Staff, and in November 1940, Miss Vigar, who had been in the Council's employment for many years, left to get married, and a temporary Matron had to be engaged.

I would like to extend my very best thanks to the Members of the Maternity and Child Welfare Committee for their co-operation during the year and to the members of the Staff, who through many vicissitudes, have unfailingly carried out their duties.

The under-mentioned information will give some indication of the work carried out by the Department during the year 1940:-

BIRTHS.

The total number of births notified during 1940 was as follows:-

Live births notified by midwives.. .. .	1,741
" " " " doctors and parents.....	125
Stillbirths notified by midwives.....	98
" " " " doctors.....	12
	<u>1,976</u>

These figures include births which have taken place in the North Middlesex County Hospital, both of Edmonton and Non-Edmonton residents; excluding these latter the notified births of Edmonton residents are:-

Live births notified by midwives.....	889
" " " " doctors and parents.....	119
Stillbirths notified by midwives.....	36
" " " " doctors.....	10
	<u>1,054</u>

Number of live Edmonton babies born in outlying Institutions... 204.

The following table includes births of Edmonton residents and those born and registered in other districts:-

	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
Live Births.....	698	651	1,349
Stillbirths.....	24	23	47
	<u>722</u>	<u>674</u>	<u>1,396</u>

VISITS PAID BY THE HEALTH VISITORS.

The following table gives details as to the visits paid by the Health Visitors -

To expectant Mothers:-		
First visits	119	
Total visits		124
To children under 1 year of age:-		
First Visits	1,438	
Total visits		9,270
To children between 1 and 5 years		11,994
Infant Protection visits to children 5 - 9 years		<u>49</u>
		<u>21,457</u>

ANTE-NATAL CLINIC.

This Clinic was held five times weekly, and the following are the figures for the year:-

Total number of sessions in the year	254
Number of prospective mothers	1,184 X
Total number of attendances	5,645
Number of consultations	4,849
Average number of attendances:-	
(1) Per session	22.22
(2) For consultations	19.09

(X) Included in this total are 311 referred from the North Middlesex County Hospital under the scheme of co-operation with that hospital.

POST-NATAL CLINIC.

This Clinic is held once weekly and the following are the figures for the year:-

Number of sessions	50
Actual number of mothers who attended	343
Number of consultations	457
Average attendance per session	12.68
Total attendances at Clinic	634

SPECIALIST' CLINIC

The consulting Specialist made 25 visits during the year and saw 131 cases, making an average of 5.24 per session.

CHILD WELFARE CLINICS.

The figures relating to attendances are:-

	<u>Brookfield House.</u>	<u>St. Stephens.</u>	<u>St. Alphege's.</u>	<u>St. Aldhelms.</u>
Number of sessions	206	51	80	40
New Cases:-				
(a) Under 1 year	717	147	182	80
(b) 1 - 5 years	264	55	71	26
Attendances.				
(a) Under 1 year	10,210	2,047	3,251	1,109
(b) 1 - 5 years	<u>10,341</u>	<u>998</u>	<u>2,490</u>	<u>828</u>
Total attendances	<u>20,551</u>	<u>3,045</u>	<u>5,741</u>	<u>1,937</u>
Doctor's consultations	4,507	727	1,477	747
Average attendances	99.76	59.70	71.76	48.42

ORTHOPAEDIC CLINIC.

The Clinic is held twice weekly and the following are the figures for the year:-

Number of sessions	104
New Cases referred during the year	63
Attendances:-	
Surgeon's days	227
Treatment Days	788
Total attendances	1,015.

In-patient Treatment.

Six children were admitted to Stanmore during 1940, the average length of stay being 9 weeks.

One child sent to Stanmore in 1939 was still away during 1940.

DENTAL CLINIC.

Details of the work carried out are:-

	<u>Mothers.</u>	<u>Children.</u>
Number of attendances.	799	358
No. of new cases	244	191
Total number treated	532	345
Fillings.	101	12
Dressings	10	436
Scalings	41	-
Extractions (no. of teeth)		
(a) Under Gas	1,193	532
(b) Local Anaesthetic	21	-
Number of Gas Cases	365	224

Dentures.

Number supplied - 54 of whom 23 were assisted by Committee.

MUNICIPAL MILK SUPPLY.

Number of applications	1,328
Number of renewals	1,279
Number of recipients	2,258
Number of pints granted free	95,466

MUNICIPAL MILK SUPPLY Contd.

In July 1940 the Ministry of Food introduced the National Milk Scheme, whereby members of the Public could obtain milk at 2d per pint or free in necessitous cases. This has meant that the Maternity and Child Welfare Scheme of distribution was no longer required, but it is still possible for children under 5 years of age and nursing or expectant mothers to receive an additional pint of milk per day through the Maternity Department, if such a course is desirable on medical grounds and they come within the scale of income.

DETAILS REGARDING FREE SUPPLIES OF DRIED FOODS, COD LIVER OIL, ETC. (Distributed by M & C. W. Department).

Trufood	905 tins.
Cod Liver Oil and Malt	4,192 cartons.
Bonnox	204 cartons.
Pure Cod Liver Oil	294 bottles.
Halycalcyne	186 bottles.
Ferrox	62 bottles.
Cow and Gate	1,235 packets.
Glucose	143 packets
Ostermilk	377 tins.

NATIONAL DRIED MILK.

150 tins of National Dried Milk were distributed in the Clinics, 95 being sold and 55 given free.

This distribution is carried out under a Scheme of co-operation with the Ministry of Food.

CONVALESCENT CASES.

8 children were sent away under contract with the Invalid Children's Aid Association.

TONSILS AND ADENOIDS.

24 children were admitted to hospital for Tonsils and Adenoids operation during 1940, of this number 22 paid the full cost of 5/- and the other two were granted free treatment.

HOME HELPS.

114 women had the services of Home Helps during the year -

33 Paid the full cost.
17 Paid half cost.
64 were free.

INFECTIOUS ILLNESSES.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum. Six cases were notified during the year, and of this number 4 cases occurred in the North Middlesex County Hospital, none of which were Edmonton cases.

Puerperal Pyrexia. 85 cases were notified during the year, and of this number 71 cases occurred in the North Middlesex County Hospital, of which 20 were Edmonton cases. Two were admitted to Enfield and Edmonton Isolation Hospital.

MIDWIFERY AND MATERNITY SERVICES.

The number of claims made by doctors for Medical Aid during the year 1940 was 211, of this number 57 cases were granted free of charge.

MUNICIPAL MIDWIFERY SERVICE.

The following gives information as to the actual bookings for 1940:-

Number of women who booked during 1940..... 763.

Of this number 173 were granted the service of a midwife free and 56 re-applications were reviewed during the year, these mothers thus being relieved from further payments.

Analysis of work.

Actual confinements attended by midwives ... 606 (Of this number 576 as midwives and 30 as Maternity Nurses).

Attended by midwives, but women admitted to Hospital for actual confinement ... 72

Left district before confinement or mothers evacuated through L.C.C. scheme etc. ... 101 (Attention and Supervision given by Municipal Midwives during Ante-Natal period).

EVACUATION OF EXPECTANT MOTHERS UNDER THE GOVERNMENT SCHEME AT THE 8th MONTH OF PREGNANCY.

The Department has been responsible for the arrangements in connection with the evacuation of Expectant Mothers under the Government Scheme, and in 1940, 122 mothers applied to be sent away and by the 31st December 68 women had been sent to reception areas for their confinements, and 9 had cancelled arrangements.

ANTE-NATAL SCHEME OF CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE COUNCIL AND THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.

Under an arrangement with the Middlesex County Council the Health Visitors visited 135 homes during the year where women had applied to the North Middlesex County Hospital for admission and the Authorities desired to have a report on the home circumstances.

311 women were referred to the Council's Ante-Natal Clinic for attendance for routine supervision purposes prior to their confinements.

CHILDREN UNDER 5 YEARS OF AGE DISCHARGED FROM THE NORTH MIDDLESEX COUNTY HOSPITAL.

62 visits were paid to children under 5 years of age who had been discharged from the North Middlesex County Hospital, and it was necessary for them to remain under supervision.

STERILISED MATERNITY OUTFITS.

245 Sterilised Maternity Outfits were issued during the year, 146 being paid for, and 99 being given free of charge.

DAY NURSERY.

On the 6th January the Nursery was transferred to the Foxes, Ramsden Heath, but during the year the area became unsuitable on account of its nearness to the coast, and on the 3rd October 1940 the children were transferred to the Children's House, Sun Lane, Harpenden. Sixteen children are accommodated but when the final arrangements are complete it will be possible to take 28 children.

INFANT LIFE PROTECTION

Each of the Health Visitors employed by the Council is an Officer for Infant Life Protection, and great care is taken by them in supervising this part of the work. A considerable amount of time and trouble is taken in order to be satisfied in all cases.

The number of persons on the register at the end of 1940 was 25 and the number of children 24.

BIRTH CONTROL CLINIC.

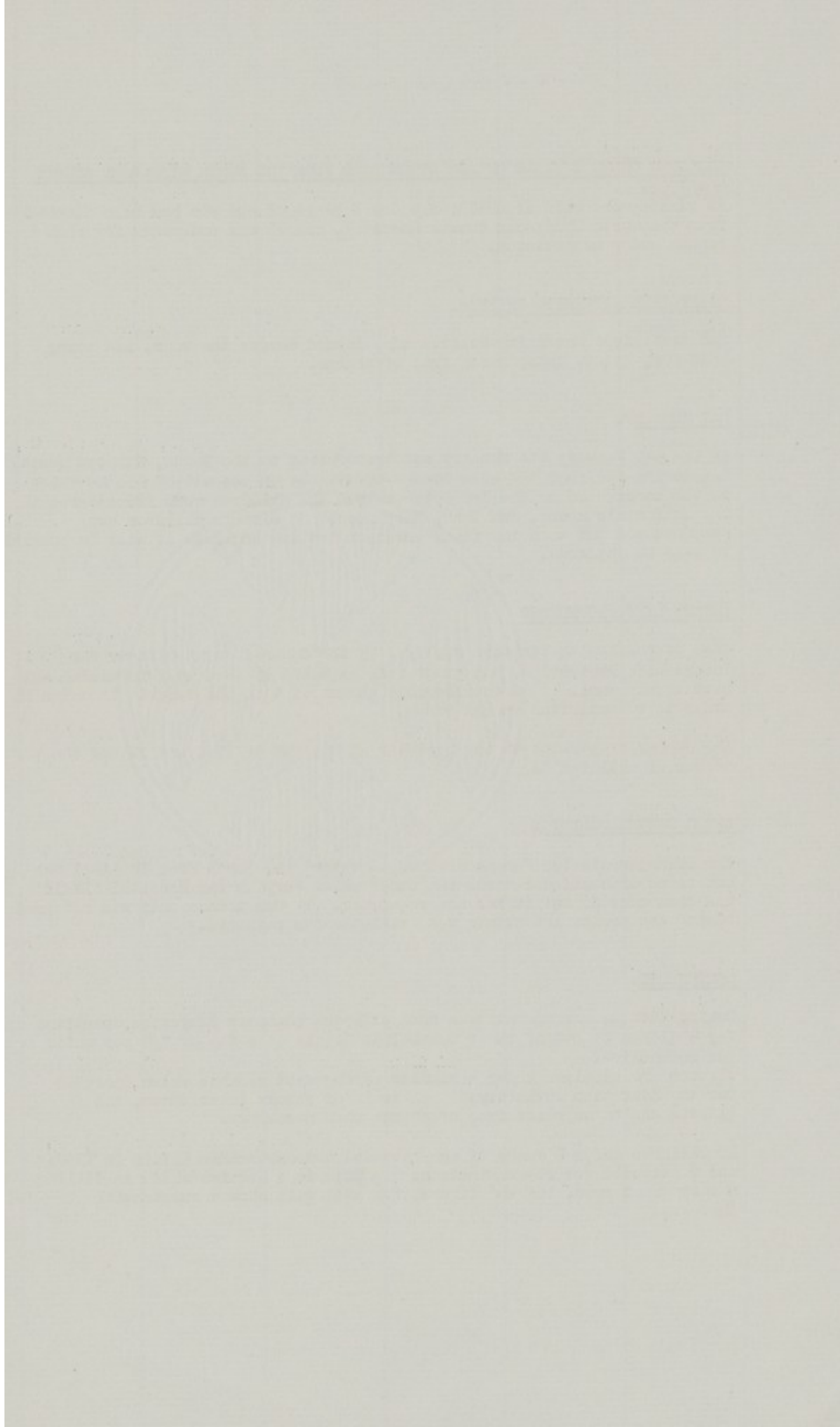
The arrangements for Edmonton women to attend the Royal Free Hospital has had to be discontinued since the outbreak of War, as the Hospital Clinic has been closed, but it has now re-opened. One mother only was referred during the period the Clinic was available for patients.

OPHTHALMIC.

During 1940 an arrangement was made with the Edmonton Education Committee for children to attend their Ophthalmic Clinic at a fee of 7/6 per child per refraction.

Glasses are supplied under a similar arrangement as that which operates for the Education Authority. A scale of income is in force, and glasses can be supplied free of charge when necessary.

18 Children under 5 years of age attended the Ophthalmic Clinic in 1940, and 7 attended for re-examination. This is a Service which is filling a very great need, and the figures for 1941 will show a substantial increase.



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Whole-Time Medical Staff.

- D. REGAN, B.A., B.Sc., M.B., Ch.B., B.A.O., D.P.H. (L'pool), School Medical Officer and Medical Officer of Health and Supervisor of Maternity Services.
I. G. McINTYRE, B.A., M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H., Deputy School Medical Officer and Deputy Medical Officer of Health (Left the Service, April, 1940).
Mrs. M. E. DALBY, M.B., B.S., (Lond.), D.P.H. Assistant School Medical Officer. (Retired February, 1940).
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Whole-Time Dentists.

J. F. ARDOUIN, L.D.S., R.C.S., Senior Dentist.
E. UNDERHILL, L.D.S., R.C.S., Assistant Dentist.
F. H. S. WEISS, L.D.S., R.C.S., Assistant Dentist (now serving with H.M. Forces).

Consultants.

J. A. CHOLMELEY, F.R.C.S. (Eng.), Orthopaedic Surgeon.
Miss L. M. SMITH-CLARK, M.B., Ch.B., Ophthalmic Surgeon.
J. BROWNING ALEXANDER, F.R.C.P., Rheumatic Specialist.
W. IBBOTSON, F.R.C.S., Aural Specialist.

Part-Time Staff.

Miss M. F. COZENS-WALKER, Chartered Masseuse.
Miss B. N. OLDREY, M.S.S.T., Speech Therapist.

School Nurses and Health Visitors.

Miss A. BINTCLIFFE, Lady Superintendent.
Miss A. NAYLOR.
Mrs. C. BOOTHBY
Mrs. C. TONKIN
Miss M. R. HAZELTON
Miss A. PAHY
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Miss V. GARRETT
Miss J. PATERSON
Miss M. DRUCE
Miss R. BULLOCK
Miss M. E. BISHOP (Resigned owing to Marriage November, 1940).
Miss B. LISTER.

Dental Attendants.

Miss O. BROOKS
Miss C. E. STANBRIDGE.

Clerical Staff.

B. R. ALLEN, School Medical Clerk (Now serving with H.M. Forces)
Miss C. D. R. LOGSDON, Clerk (Resigned owing to Marriage 20th April, 1940).
Miss B. E. T. CROSS, Clerk (Resigned owing to Marriage 1st January, 1940).
H. A. CARLESS, Clerk.
S. E. WOODROFFE, Clerk.
Miss A. SAVILL, Clerk (Commenced 24th June, 1940).
Miss E. R. CROSS, Clerk (Commenced 24th June, 1940).

To the Chairman and Members of
the Education Committee.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my sixth Annual Report on the work of the School Medical Service for the year 1940. In accordance with the Board of Education's Form 6M, the report is being confined to a short statement of salient facts, especially any changes in nutrition, cleanliness, etc.

As the Members are aware, the schools re-opened officially in January after a great number of the evacuated children had returned to Edmonton. Immediately afterwards, the School Medical Services were brought practically up to peace-time standard. The only exception being that Croyland Road Clinic was utilised as an A.R.P. Depot, but this was restored to the School Medical Department during the early part of November of this year when it was re-decorated and arrangements were made for the Minor Ailments Clinic to be re-opened as in peace-time. Unfortunately, Pymmes Park Clinic was destroyed by fire on the 13th December, and consequently only one Minor Ailments Clinic is functioning that is, Croyland Road Clinic, which is totally inadequate for the number of children in Edmonton.

During the later part of the year attendances at the various clinics were quite good, in spite of the incidents occurring in the district.

I wish to acknowledge the loyal co-operation of my entire staff who have given the best of their services throughout the year, and also my thanks and appreciation to the Head Teachers

and Teachers for their help and co-operation with my Department.

I am very grateful to the Chairman and Members of the Education Committee for their courtesy shown in the work of the School Medical Service.

I have the honour to remain, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your Obedient Servant,

D. REGAN.

School Medical Officer

1. STAFF.

During the year there were a few changes in staff.

Miss B. E. T. Cross and Miss C.D. R. Logsdon left during the early part of the year owing to marriage, and their places were filled by temporary clerks. On the 24th June, Miss A. Savill and Miss E. R. Cross commenced duties with the Department as clerks.

Mr. Bernard R. Allen was enlisted in H.M. Forces on the 2nd August.

I regret to say that Mr. Eric Underhill, School Dentist, contracted poliomyelitis during August and in consequence the services of Mr. W. Howitt were engaged, in a temporary capacity, until the 6th December, when Mr. Howitt enlisted in the Royal Air Force.

2. CO-ORDINATION.

Co-ordination between the School Medical, Public Health and Maternity and Child Welfare Departments was greater than it has ever been in previous years and smooth working between the general practitioners, the Education Office and teaching staff continued to exist.

3. SCHOOL HYGIENE.

Arrangements for School Hygiene were the same as in previous years.

4. MEDICAL INSPECTION.

The number of children fully examined in the routine inspection of each group during the year 1940 was 7537, and the analysis of the age groups were as follows:-

Entrants.	1109
Second Age Group.	2090
Third Age Group.	1197
Total	4396
Number of Other Routine Inspections	3141
Grand Total	7537

5. FINDINGS OF MEDICAL INSPECTION.

(a) Malnutrition.

The following table gives the classification of the nutrition of the children inspected during the year 1940 in the routine age groups:-

	Total	A	B	C	D
Entrants	1109	182	814	112	1
Second Age Group	2090	397	1494	195	4
Third Age Group	1197	363	735	92	7
Other Routine Inspections	3141	730	2111	281	19
	7537	1672	5154	680	31

(b) Cleanliness.

The question of cleanliness was dealt with as in previous years.

(c) Minor Ailments and Diseases of the Skin.

The attendances at the Pymmes Park Minor Ailment Clinic for the year were as follows:-

11,145 attendances

The above figure represents only eleven months of the year as the Pymmes Park Clinic was destroyed by fire on the 13th December. Many records were lost and full details as to the nature of complaints, etc., cannot be given.

(Croyland Road Minor Ailments Clinic re-opened in January, 1941).

(d) Visual Defects and External Eye Diseases.

The Ophthalmic Clinic was conducted on the same lines as in previous years at the Pymmes Park Clinic, until December when arrangements were made for the Clinic to be held in the Croyland Road School (adjoining Croyland Road Clinic). Statistics are given at the foot of this report.

(e) Nose and Throat Defects.

and

(f) Ear Diseases and Defective Hearing.

During the year the Aural Clinic was held on the fourth Friday of each month with Mr. William Ibbotson, F.R.C.S., in attendance. One of my assistants held the Clinic weekly in order to keep close observation on the cases. Owing to the outbreak of hostilities operations for the removal of tonsils and/or adenoids at the Prince of Wales's General Hospital ceased, and it was during the end of August that arrangements were made with the Emergency Base Hospital at Goodmayes for the admission of six cases per week for tonsillectomy and/or adenoidectomy.

During the year Mr. Ibbotson saw 107 New Cases and 103 Old Cases.

The Speech Clinic was held as usual during the year, and the following figures show comparisons over a period of three years:-

	1938	1939	1940
New Cases	61	66	57
Received Treatment	52	85	93
Discharged.	20	32	23
Waiting List	100	83	50

(g) Dental Defects.

The arrangements for the treatment of dental defects were carried out at the Pymmes Park and Haselbury Clinics. When the Pymmes Park Clinic was destroyed by fire on 13th December, the Dental Clinic at Croyland re-opened in the early part of January, 1941.

(h) Orthopaedic and Postural Defects.

This Special Clinic continued to run in a very satisfactory manner at the Methodist Central Hall. The Consulting Surgeon attended on the first Friday of each month, and the Masseuse on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings.

During the year 95 new cases were seen and the total attendances were as follows:

1047 BOYS and 1527 GIRLS - a total of 2574.

(i) Heart Diseases and Rheumatism.

This clinic continued to take place at Pymmes Park House. Dr. Browning Alexander attended on the third Thursday of each month and one of my Assistant Medical Officers held weekly sessions in the interval to keep cases under observation.

The total attendances for the year were 640 and Dr. Browning Alexander saw 85 NEW CASES and 107 OLD CASES - a total of 192. Arrangements were made for 7 cases to be admitted to Heart Homes for a period of treatment; 2 at Cuckfield and 5 at West Wickham.

(j) Tuberculosis.

I am grateful to Dr. H. Evans, Tuberculosis Officer, for the courtesy he has extended to this Department at all times and for his promptitude in attending to all cases referred.

The number of notified cases and the mortality of children of school age, taken from the records of the Public Health Department, during 1940 was as follows:-

	<u>Notified.</u>		<u>Deaths</u>	
	M. ***	F. ***	M. ***	F. ***
Pulmonary	1	2	-	-
Non-pulmonary	3	1	-	2

(k) Other Defects and Diseases.

These cases are freely referred to the Minor Ailment Clinic and either treated there or referred elsewhere.

6. FOLLOWING-UP.

The same arrangements were in effect as in 1939.

7. ARRANGEMENTS FOR TREATMENT.

During 1940 the arrangements for treatment were as follows:-

Minor Ailment Clinic - held at Pymmes Park House with a doctor and nurse in attendance each morning.

Ophthalmic Clinic - By appointment only each Monday at Pymmes Park House.

Rheumatic Clinic - By appointment only each Thursday afternoon at Pymmes Park House. The Specialist attended every third Thursday each month.

Aural Clinic - By appointment only every Friday afternoon at Pymmes Park House. The Specialist attended the fourth Friday each month.

Orthopaedic Clinic - By appointment only at the Central Hall, Fore Street, N.9. The Masseuse held four sessions weekly and the Specialist attended on the first Friday of each month. (Pk.Clinics)

Dental Clinics - These Clinics were held at Haselbury and Pymmes

Speech Clinic - The Speech Therapist held a Clinic at the Education Offices on Monday and Thursday mornings.

8. INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Arrangements were carried out as in previous years with regard to children suffering from infectious diseases.

MEDICAL INSPECTIONS OF CHILDREN ATTENDING PUBLIC
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

TABLE 1

A. Routine Medical Inspections.

Number of Inspections in the prescribed Groups:

Entrants 1109
Second Age Group 2096
Third Age Group 1197

Total 4396

Number of other Routine
Inspections 3141

7537

B. Other Inspections.

No. of Special Inspections and Re-Inspections: 7834

TABLE II.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE NUTRITION OF CHILDREN INSPECTED DURING THE YEAR
ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1940.

Age-Groups	Number Inspected	A		B		C		D	
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Entrants	1109	182	16.41	814	73.39	112	10.10	1	.10
Second Age Group	2090	397	19.00	1494	71.48	195	9.33	4	.19
Third Age-Group	1197	363	30.32	735	61.40	92	7.79	7	.58
Other Routine Insps.	3141	730	23.24	2111	67.21	281	8.95	19	.6

TABLE III.

GROUP 1 - TREATMENT OF MINOR AILMENTS (excluding Uncleanliness, for which see Table V.).

Unfortunately, the records for this table were destroyed by fire at Pymmes Park House.

GROUP II - TREATMENT OF DEFECTIVE VISION AND SQUINT (excluding Minor Eye Defects treated as Minor Ailments - Group 1).

	No. of Defects dealt with		
	Under the Authority's Scheme	Otherwise	Total
Errors of Refraction (in- cluding squint).	846	2	848
Other defect or disease of the eyes (excluding those recorded in Group 1).	25	-	25
TOTAL	871	2	873
No. of Children for whom Spectacles were	Under the Authority's Scheme	Otherwise	Total
(a) Prescribed	811	1	812
(b) Obtained	805	-	805

GROUP III - TREATMENT OF DEFECTS OF NOSE AND THROAT.

Unfortunately, records for this table were destroyed by fire at Pymmes Park House.

TABLE IV.- DENTAL INSPECTION AND TREATMENT.

(1) Number of children inspected by the Dentist.

(a) Routine age-groups

Age	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	TOTAL
No.	6	636	787	683	792	793	820	726	701	686	169	11	3	6813

(b) Specials

(c) TOTAL (Routine and Specials)

(2) Number found to require treatment

(3) Number actually treated

(4) Attendances made by children for treatment

1606

8419

5807

3098

5324

DENTAL INSPECTION AND TREATMENT (Cont.)

(5) Half-days devoted to:-	(7) Extractions: -
Inspection 61	Permanent Teeth ... 447
Treatment 623	Temporary Teeth ... 5304
TOTAL 684	TOTAL ... 5751
(6) Fillings: -	(8) Administrations of
Permanent Teeth .. 2395	general anaesthetics
Temporary Teeth .. 162	for extractions ... 1889
2557	(9) Other Operations:-
	Permanent Teeth ... 488
	Temporary Teeth ... 3050
	3538

TABLE V.- VERMINOUS CONDITIONS.

(1) Average number of visits per school made during the year by the School Nurse	17
(2) Total number of examinations of children in the Schools by School Nurses	31315
(3) Number of individual children found unclean	1161
(4) Number of individual children cleansed under Section 87 (2) and (3) of the Education Act, 1921	1157
(5) Number of cases in which legal proceedings were taken:-	
(a) Under the Education Act, 1921-	-
(b) Under School Attendance Byelaws	-

TABLE VI.- BLIND AND DEAF CHILDREN.

	AT A PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	AT AN INSTITUTION OTHER THAN A SPECIAL SCHOOL	AT NO SCHOOL OR INSTITUTION	TOTAL NOT RECEIVING SUITABLE EDUCATION
BLIND CHILDREN	-	-	-	-
NOTE:- 7 children are on the rolls of the School for Partially-Sighted Children, Lordship Lane, N.22.).				
DEAF CHILDREN	-	4	-	-
NOTE:- 10 children were on the rolls of the Special School for Deaf and Dumb Children, Philip Lane, Tottenham, N.15.				

MENTALLY DEFECTIVE CHILDREN.

Total number of children notified during the year by the Local Education Authority to the Local Mental Deficiency Authority, under the Mental Deficiency (Notification of Children) Regulations, 1928 4

SECONDARY SCHOOLS

TABLE I

Number of Pupils inspected - 1st January, 1940 to 31st Dec., 1940.

A. ROUTINE MEDICAL INSPECTION.

(1) Cases in which a full examination has been made.

Age.	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	TOTAL
Boys	-	-	24	40	6	-	-	-	-	-	70
Girls	-	-	41	49	27	2	10	9	-	-	138
TOTAL	-	-	65	89	33	2	10	9	-	-	208

TABLE II.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE NUTRITION OF PUPILS INSPECTED DURING
THE YEAR - IN AGES.

Ages.	Number of Pupils Inspected.	A. (Excellent). No.	B. (Normal). No.	C. (Slightly sub- normal). No.	D. (Bad). No.
11	64	12	47	5	-
12	90	33	51	6	-
13	33	8	24	1	-
14	2	-	2	-	-
15	10	3	6	1	-
16	9	2	7	-	-
Total	208	58	137	13	-

TABLE III

DEFECTIVE VISION AND SQUINT (Excluding minor eye defects)

Defect or Disease.	Number of Defects Dealt with.		
	Under the Authority's Scheme.	Otherwise.	Total.
Errors of Refraction (including squint)	134	-	134
Other defect of disease of the eyes (excluding those recorded as minor ailments).	-	-	-
TOTALS.	134	-	134

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN FOR WHOM SPECTACLES WERE PRESCRIBED.

- (a) Under the Authority's Scheme 125
(b) Otherwise -

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN WHO OBTAINED OR RECEIVED SPECTACLES

- (a) Under the Authority's scheme 121
(b) Otherwise -

TABLE IV

DENTAL DEFECTS.

(1) Number of pupils who were:-

- (a) Inspected by the Dentist:-

<u>AGES</u>		<u>AGES</u>	
9	-	15	51
10	-	16	18
11	36	17	3
12	56	18	-
13	54		
14	54		
		TOTAL	272
		Specials	29
		GRAND TOTAL	301

- (b) Found to require treatment 194
(c) Actually treated 129

(2) Half days devoted to {Inspection 2} Total 32
 {Treatment 30}

Dental Defects (Cont.)

(3) Attendances made by pupils for treatment	236
(4) Fillings	{ Permanent teeth 274 } =Total 274 Temporary teeth -
(5) Extractions	{ Permanent teeth 74 } Total 84 Temporary teeth 10
(6) Administrations of general anaesthetics for extractions	30
(7) Other Operations	{ Permanent teeth 58 } Total 59 Temporary teeth 1

JUNIOR TECHNICAL SCHOOL.TABLE I.DEFECTIVE VISION AND SQUINT (Excluding minor eye defects).

Defect or Disease.	NUMBER OF DEFECTS DEALT WITH		
	Under the Authority's Scheme	Otherwise.	Total
Errors of Refraction. (Including squint)	22	-	22
Other defect or disease of the eyes (excluding those recorded as minor ailments).	-	-	-
TOTALS	22	-	-

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN FOR WHOM SPECTACLES WERE PRESCRIBED.

- (a) Under the Authority's Scheme 21
(b) Otherwise -

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN WHO OBTAINED OR RECEIVED SPECTACLES.

- (a) Under the Authority's Scheme 21
(b) Otherwise -

TABLE II.DENTAL DEFECTS.

- (1) Number of pupils who were:-

- (a) Inspected by the Dentist:-

Age

12	-	}	TOTAL 27.
13	12		
14	15		

Specials 5

GRAND TOTAL 32

- (b) Number found to require treatment 14
(c) Number actually treated. 17

- (2) Half days devoted to { Inspection 1 } Total 4
Treatment 3

- (3) Attendances made by pupils for treatment 38

- (4) Fillings { Permanent teeth 30 } Total 30
Temporary teeth -

- (5) Extractions { Permanent teeth 20 } Total 20
Temporary teeth -

- (6) Administrations of general anaesthetics
for extractions 7

- (7) Other Operations { Permanent teeth 10 } Total 10
Temporary teeth -

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