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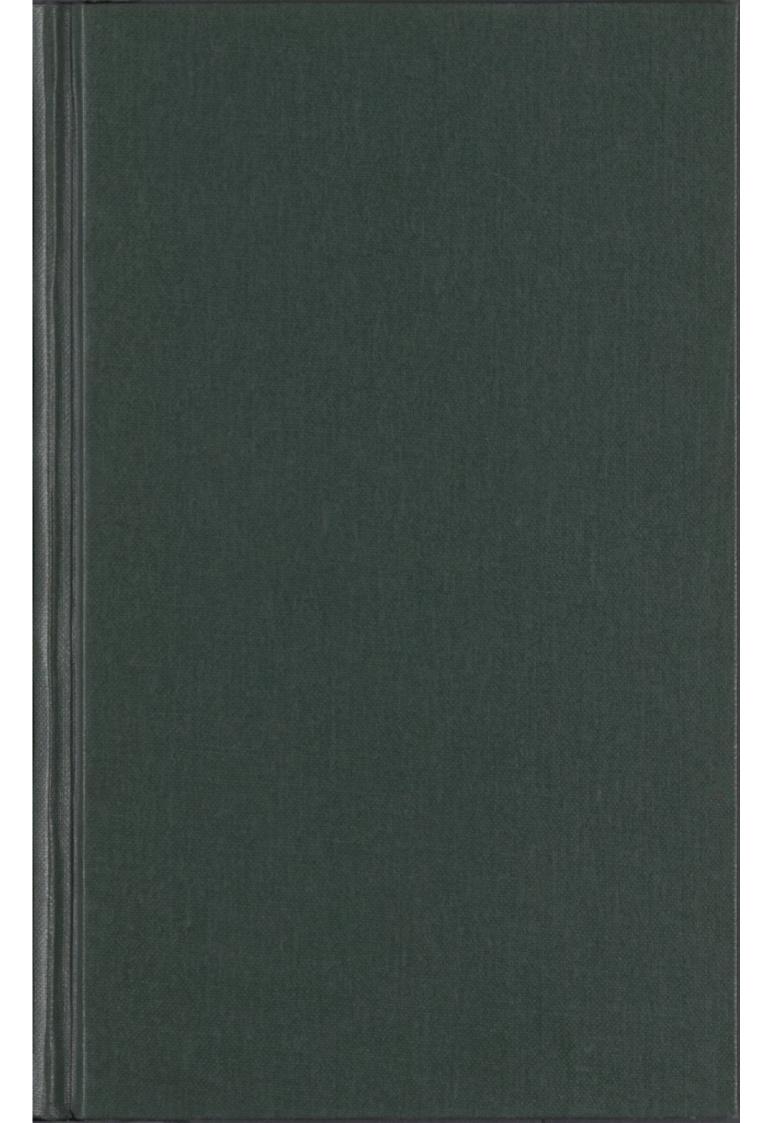
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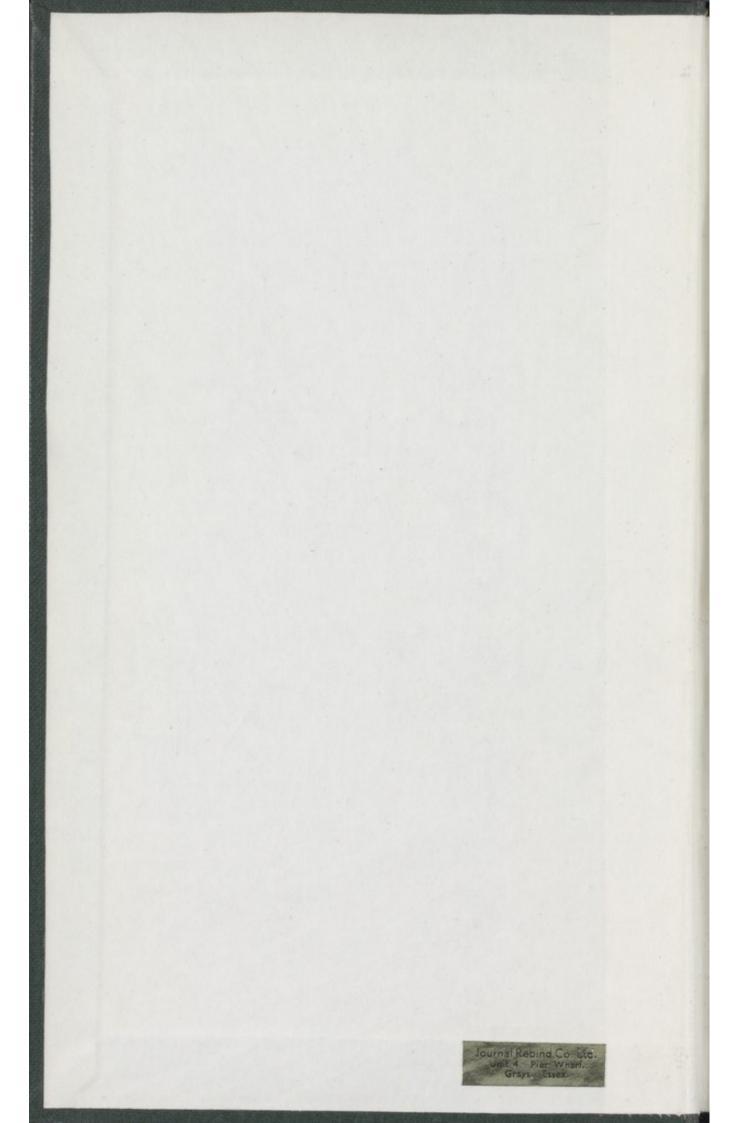
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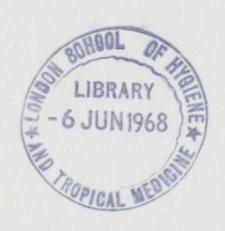
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HEALTH REPORT

FOR THE YEAR

1952

I. GORDON

M.D., Ch.B., M.R.C.P., D.P.H. Medical Officer of Health, etc.

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MISS M. G. BENNETT.	(from 1-10-52)
MISS E. J. WHITING.	MISS H. ARNOLD
MISS G. E. LEWIS (to 8-10-52).	(from 13-10-52)
MISS A. I. McCarthy (from 28-7-52)	Mrs. E. M. Gajewska (from 2-2-53)
MISS E. M. P. COLLINS	MISS D. LOWENBERG.
(from 5-8-52)	MISS C. OLDHAM.
MISS L. M. ROBERTS	MISS L. HOCKEY (to 1-2-53).
(from 28-7-52 to 6-6-53)	MRS. R. ROBERTSON.

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MRS.	A. '	T.	JONES.		Miss	W.	KERR	(from	5-8-52).

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Green Lane				Mrs. E. Drower.
Ley Street		 	***	Miss G. M. Gross
Stevens Road	 	 		Miss M. Vose.

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A. G. HUBBARD (School Health Services).

Domestic Help Organiser: Mrs. L. G. Lawrence.

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M.R.C.O.G.

Surgeon in charge of Orthopaedic Clinic: H. G. Korvin, D.M., F.R.C.S.

Ophthalmologist:

H. J. R. THORNE, M.B., B.S., D.O., D.O.M.S. (from 10-2-53).
 T. J. REGAL, M.D. (Berlin), D.O.M.S. (Lond.).
 E. M. L. EVANS, M.B., B.Ch., D.O. (from 30-10-52 to 1-3-53).

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Physician in charge of Rheumatism and Cardiac Clinics: K. Playfair, M.A., M.B., M.R.C.P.

Physician in charge of Paediatric Clinic: T. R. Savage, M.A., B.M., M.R.C.P.

Child Guidance Clinic:

Consultant Psychiatrists:

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Psychiatrist:

J. VINCENZI, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.M.

Orthoptist:
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Physiotherapist:

MRS. M. E. KING, M.C.S.P. (to 2-4-53).

P. J. HUNT, M.C.S.P. (from 30-3-53)

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M. SNIPPER, L.D.S., R.C.S. (Eng.) (to 18-6-52).

E. M. SYCAMORE, L.D.S., R.C.S. (Eng.).

W. AHLUWALIA, B.Sc., L.D.S., R.C.S. (from 13-10-52 to 31-12-52).

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S. SAMUEL, L.D.S., R.C.S. (from 14-1-53 to 18-3-53).

J. T. HUTCHINS (from 11-3-53).

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MISS P. M. LOUGH, L.C.S.T. (to 27-5-52). MISS P. J. KENT, L.C.S.T. (to 13-3-52). MRS. M. WALKER, L.C.S.T. (from 1-8-52).

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GEORGE TAYLOR, F.R.I.C.

J. HUBERT HAMENCE,, M.Sc., Ph.D.

PREFACE

Public Health Offices, Ilford.

September, 1953.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Ilford.

MR. MAYOR, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I submit herewith the Annual Report on the Health Services for the year 1952.

The health indices of the borough have maintained their satisfactory level. The rise in the Infant Mortality Rate reported last year (21.04 deaths per 1,000 live births) has not persisted, but the rate has fallen to 18.94, the second best so far recorded. The death rate for 1952 was 10.13 per 1,000 of the population, an improvement from 10.32 the previous year, this in spite of the larger proportion of old people amongst us and the severe fog last December.

There was no serious epidemic. Poliomyelitis notifications were 15, with one death, and measles reached a very high figure with 3,166 notifications with, however, only two deaths (there were 6 fatal road accidents and 13 other accidents that led to death). The birth rate, however, did not maintain last year's improvement and fell from 13.36 to 13.02.

Attention is drawn to the special reports in this issue by the Social Worker for the Aged (page 19), Senior Dental Surgeon (page 66), Ophthalmologists (page 70) the Orthoptist is now at work, Orthopaedic Surgeon (page 71), Ear Nose and Throat Surgeon (page 74) a commencement was made with tonsillectomy operations at the Isolation Hospital; Psychiatrist (page 82) the full sessions are now implemented; the medical officer in charge of the Enuresis Clinic (page 85), and a report on Home Safety (page 45).

My own report on Local Government follows, and is the reason for this short preface.

In conclusion, I wish again to express my thanks for the continued efficiency and loyalty of the staff in all sections of the Public Health Department. I would also mention the kind co-operation and assistance received from the officers and members of other Departments of the Corporation. Ilford is probably unique in the extent of the help given by the Ilford Federation of Voluntary Welfare Workers and to them, and to the Women's Voluntary Services, and the Ilford Social Service Association, I wish to express my appreciation of their help during the past year.

Finally, may I express my gratitude to the members of the Council, especially to the Chairmen, Vice-Chairmen and members of the Committees and Sub-Committees of the Ilford Borough Council and Essex County Council with whom I work.

I have the honour to be

Your obedient servant,

I. GORDON,

Medical Officer of Health.

CONURBATION CHAOS

Greater London is divided up into local authorities, but one may not realise this when one considers the local administrative areas that are chosen to run their services by many bodies including, one may remark, some of the larger local authorities. There is a tendancy for an authority or its officer to declare with much pride that they or he do not take cognizance of local authority boundaries when arranging to administer their functions. They soon find, however, that if they do not delimit their areas, these will stretch from the North Sea to the Bristol Channel; so, in a great hurry, limits are drawn. However, by not believing in local authority boundaries, these limits may be made to cut across communities, communities may be left out of the reckoning, and many other inconsistencies arise. Lest it should be thought that I am exaggerating, I will draw attention to the struggle that was required to persuade medical superintendents of hospitals dealing with the chronic sick that Ilford, which previously used beds in Essex County Council institutions, required any accommodation for the aged sick whatsoever, when these superintendents set about arranging their catchment areas.

Let us begin with the Post Office. Granted Ilford Parish was once a small attachment to Barking, but I am not sure that the postal authorities yet realise that this arrangement has come to an end, for the greater part of Ilford is in the Ilford and Barking Postal District. Outside this area in Ilford the most amazing inconsistencies exist. For instance, Chadwell Heath, Romford may be either in the Ilford or Dagenham Boroughs but the postal address would be Romford and part of Ilford has the postal address of Dagenham (in the Romford Postal District). Lest there be any jealousy, part of the borough of Dagenham is in the Ilford and Barking Postal District. A part of North Ilford also comes under the Woodford Green office. Most people will assume, with some justification, that Ilford, Dagenham and Romford are separate boroughs. That letters and packages correctly addressed are efficiently sorted and delivered I have no doubt; the difficulty lies in the mind of the public, who obstinately consider that somebody living in Ilford has an address there, and not a Dagenham one, so letters are incorrectly addressed and therefore delayed. Letters and notifications from hospitals and doctors dealing with disease, which may require urgent action, are repeatedly sent to the Medical Officer of Health of the borough according to the postal address; this means of course that the Medical Officer of Health of Ilford gets correspondence meant for the Medical Officer of Health of Dagenham, and vice versa.

The Metropolitan Police, in more ways than one, are a law unto themselves. South Ilford is in K Division, with headquarters in East Ham; North Ilford is in J. Division and its headquarters are in Hackney; both of these divisions contain fragments of other local authorities. J Division specialises in this. An old map shows that it once included parts of 5 metropolitan boroughs, part of one county borough, parts of 5 municipal boroughs, part of one urban district, and not one whole authority. It has now been reorganised to include parts of 3 metropolitan boroughs, parts of 2 county boroughs, parts of 2 municipal boroughs, 4 whole municipal boroughs and 2 whole urban districts, a definite indication of progress.

The Coroner and his pathologist are so accustomed to dissections that they have dissected Ilford. Inquests on deaths north of Eastern Avenue except King George Hospital are held at Walthamstow; those south of Eastern Avenue, including King George Hospital, at East Ham. The mortuary in Ilford, with which we have taken so much trouble, takes bodies at the moment from South Ilford, East Ham, Barking and Dagenham, but those from North Ilford go to Waithamstow. The medical officer of health is vitally interested in investigations carried out in these premises and should not be subject to these directions from the coroner.

The National Assistance Board, with whom we should closely work as we are both interested in the welfare of old people, combine South Ilford with Barking and Goodmayes Ward with Dagenham. However,

they cannot compete with H.M. Inspectors of Taxes who combine North Ilford with Barking and South Ilford with Dagenham.

One would hope that Essex County Council as a local authority would respect local authority boundaries. This hope is vain. The Children's Officer has divided Ilford up into three parts and each of the three officers dealing with each part is also concerned with adjacent authorities, South Ilford with Barking, Central and East Ilford with Walthamstow, and the rest with Chigwell and Waltham Holy Cross. This does not make for easy collaboration.

The borough is of course divided up between the Metropolitan Water Board which serves the western part, and the South Essex Water Works Company who deal with the east. We have in the past had a map of supply areas from the one which did not agree with that provided by the other.

So far I have considered authorities that have cut up the borough. The other way of introducing confusion is the random association of the borough with other authorities as may suit the wisdom or whim of the administration concerned. For instance, Beacontree Petty Sessions covers Ilford, Dagenham, Walthamstow, Leyton, Woodford and Barking. Ilford County Court, however, covers Ilford, Romford, Dagenham, Barking, Hornchurch, part of Rainham, Chigwell and Stapleford Abbots. The Factory Inspectors cover Southend, Barking, Dagenham, Ilford, Chelmsford, Maldon, Romford, Brentwood, Hornchurch, Thurrock, Billericay, Rayleigh, Purfleet, Canvey Island, Burnham and the rural districts of Maldon, Rochford and Chelmsford. The Rent Tribunal, however, prefers Barking, East Ham, Ilford and West Ham.

Again, Essex County Council are not very helpful; the Welfare Department merely puts Ilford in the southern area of the county, and the local work is carried out from an office in Romford and no one individual's duties are confined to any particular district. (Like the children's officer, the welfare officer is a visitor whom we would like to know and co-operate with.) The County Council are to be congratulated in that, unlike as appertains in some other parts of the country, the Health Areas coincide with the Education Divisions, thus making possible continuity of supervision of handicapped children; as plans are now being made for supervision of adult handicapped, one would wish that the welfare areas also corresponded and allowed for utilization of the experience of the staff of the Divisional Executive. District Nursing is managed from headquarters in Leyton with a sub-office in Barking which covers Ilford south of the High Road. For the mental deficiency aspect of mental health, Ilford and Barking are jointly managed from an office in Romford, and for some aspects of mental health from the same office in Romford the boroughs of Romford and Dagenham are included. For the Care and After-Care of patients from mental hospitals and psychiatric clinics that part of Essex in the area of the Metropolitan Police District (excepting of course East and West Ham) is in the province of an officer in Walthamstow. It is a pleasure to have to record that changes can sometimes be made in these areas if sufficient representations are made. The plan for Child Guidance (under the Essex Education Committee) was to join Ilford and Romford, although these boroughs are separated by another and the Child Guidance Clinic is almost on the Ilford/Barking boundary, and Ilford and Barking are joined for the purpose of mental health (under the Essex Health Committee). This has now been satisfactorily altered.

The London Electricity Board from its service centre in Ilford and branches, covers the borough of Ilford; so does the Valuation (Rating) office of the Inland Revenue; this breath of logic is understandable as once Ilford itself ran these offices.

Small wonder that the great voluntary societies have difficulties in adapting themselves. The British Red Cross Society and the St. John Ambulance Brigade each have their Ilford Divisions, but the Ilford Division of the British Red Cross Society is under the County Director for the

administrative county of Essex whereas the Ilford Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade is in the London District which covers the Metropolitan Police area. Perhaps this arrangement may reflect their differing outlooks.

Another voluntary body, the British Medical Association, covers in its local division East Ham, West Ham, Barking and Ilford, except for Claybury Hospital. The statutory body that represents the interests of the local doctors is the Local Medical Committee which, in spite of the adjective local, covers the administrative county of Essex, i.e., excludes East Ham and West Ham (and Southend); no arrangement seems officially to take cognizance of the fact that co-operation should take place locally in Ilford between the medical officer of health and the doctors.

The Ilford and Barking Hospital Management Committee, although it has no official catchment area, has an administrative area which includes, besides Ilford and Barking, part of Dagenham but excludes part of North Ilford. Catchment areas and administration for mental deficiency hospitals are quite different from those of general hospitals and mental hospitals; none are related to local authority health areas, or local authority mental health areas or general medical service areas (i.e., general practitioners).

People state you can prove anything by statistics, and so you can, if you manipulate your statistics wrongly, or your source is incorrect; but not otherwise. The Ministry of National Insurance by means of new claims for sickness benefit can give useful information as to the course of a wide-spread epidemic, such as influenza. For some time past they have been helpful to many authorities in this matter and send us weekly returns (7 to 14 days late, as the information must first go to Chelmsford in the case of Essex). On the weekly return figures are listed for North and South Ilford, and we have faithfully plotted these figures on a graph for some time, imagining that they did refer to North and South Ilford. Since this present investigation started, I have found out that although there are three offices of the Ministry in Ilford, the figures for North Ilford include part of Chigwell, South Ilford includes part of East Ham and Dagenham, and part of South Ilford, i.e., Goodmayes and Mayfield Wards, are not in the Ilford statistics at all, but appear, with parts of Dagenham and Barking, as Becontree.

The Ministry of Health are doubtless impressed with the statistics given to them by the local health authority, i.e., Essex, with respect to diphtheria immunisation, but do they consider to what community, if any, the statistics refer? Barking and Billericay are all there, in one big pudding, although socially and economically they are oceans apart.

Comparisons of, say, the causes of death in different communities, by age and sex, can be very helpful to medical officers of health and others. However, as in Table 20 (and others) of the Registrar General's Statistical Review of England and Wales (1951) we have these figures for metropolitan boroughs and county boroughs and they are not given for other communities, but only as urban and rural aggregates made for each county. That is, we can compare East Ham with Finsbury, but not Ilford with Harrow (each of the latter is much larger than each of the former and quite as important).

There are many other functions that I have not mentioned, such as Telephones, Gas, Transport (if local authorities had more say in London Transport the allegations made in the House of Commons with respect to lack of co-ordination in planning the Central London Line could not have been made), Ministry of Pensions, that would make confusion worse confounded in this administrative jungle. I would like to congratulate my staff who have carried out the investigations from which these details are derived. They have met co-operation, some indifference and a little hostility, and a large amount of ignorance from officials who sometimes seemed to think that it was an impertinence for Ilford to find out how Ilford was managed. These details are the result of what can only be termed a battle of wits, largely successful, but with some gaps that even our utmost persistence has been unable to fill.

SECTION A.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

Area (in Acı	res)		. 31	Land Inland Tidal V	Water 26 Vater 7		8,435
Population (C	Census 1921)				able instal		85,194
	Census 1931)						131,061
	Census 1951)	4			sional figure		184,707
Registrar-Ger	neral's Estima						104,707
June 30t	h, 1949			***			185,000
" "	1950 .			1 1			186,200
" "	1951 .			t was	100 and 100		181,600
29 19	1952				***		182,200
Number of in	habited house	es (end	of 1952) accor	ding to Rate		
	(s						51,148
Rateable Valu	ue—April 1st,	1952 (F	Houses :	and La	nd)	£1,0	665,208
Sum represen	ted by a penn	y rate,	April 1s	t, 1952	(approx.)		£6,780
Education Ra	te—		19	951-52		19	952-53
(E.C.C.)			8s	. 0·19d	Aliquett no		4·52d.
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Combined Ra	te (all service	es)		Os. Od.			0s. 6d.
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Ministry of L	owing figures	as to	unemp	oloymei	nt were sup	plied l	by the
			N	Males		Female	es
	nuary, 1952			607		246	
As at Jan	uary, 1953			711		232	
		Total	M.	F.		1952	1951
Si describiero					Birth Rate		
	Legitimate	2,232	1,180	1,052	per 1,000		
Live Births	Illegitimate	91	41	50	of the	13.02	13.36
2 137 009					estimated net resident		
					population.		
	Paralle Land			i ulma	Rate		
Still Births {		. 51	24	27	per 1,000 total (live	21.48	24.63
		-		-/	and still)	21 40	24 03
					births.		
191					Death		
					Rate per 1,000		
Deaths		1,809	943	866	of the	10.13	10.32
Water Street					net resident		
The second				3	population.		
Percentage of	total deaths	occurrin	a in n	ablia in		20.71	40.50
The of	total deaths	occurrin	s m pu	one in	stitutions	38.71	40.58

Maternal mortality (heading 30 of the Registrar-General's Short List): -

No. of Deaths.	Rate pe total (li still) b	ive and pirths.	
1952 1951	1952	1951	
Pregnancy, childbirth and abortion 1 0	0.42	0.0	
Death-rate of Infants under one year of age:	10.50	1051	
All infants per 1,000 live births	1952 18·94	1951	
		21.24	
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	19.71		
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births	0.00	14.28	
Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	365	357	
" " Measles (all ages)	2	1	
" " Whooping Cough (all ages)	-	2	
" " Diarrhœa (under 2 years of age)	1	-	

1. RAINFALL.

Total rainfall registered in the district during the year was 23.31 inches; the greatest fall in 24 hours was registered on 4th May, 1.05 inches. November was the wettest month.

2. POPULATION.

The number of patients and resident staff on the 30th June, 1952, at the following public institutions, was:—

Claybury Hospital	***		 ***		***	2,403
Goodmayes Hospital Australasian Hospital	(Dr. Ba	rnardo's	nes)			1,365 85
				Total		3,853

3. BIRTHS.

The number of births registered during the year was 2,323.

		Males	Females
Legitimate	***	 1,180	1,052
Illegitimate		41	50

i.e., 3.9 per cent. of the births registered were illegitimate.

The percentage of illegitimate births registered in the previous 10 years was 2.9 (1951); 3.1; 2.4; 3.2; 3.3; 3.1; 5.5; 4.2; 3.4; 3.5.

The birth-rate, calculated on the net estimate of the population is 13.02 per 1,000.

4. DEATHS.

The total number of deaths of Ilford residents was 1,809. This is obtained by taking the total number of deaths registered in the district (1,728), subtracting the deaths of non-residents occurring in the district (431), and adding the deaths of Ilford residents registered as having died in other districts (512).

The number of deaths of non-residents registered in the district (principally in large institutions) was as follows:—

Claybury Hospital	***			 191
Goodmayes Hospital	***	***		 64
King George Hospital Ilford Isolation Hospital	and Sar	natorium		 100
Other Non-residents			***	 43
			Total	 431

The number of deaths of Ilford residents registered as having died in other districts during the year was as follows, and includes deaths at the following Institutions:—

Oldchurch Hospital, Romford			74
Warley Hospital, Brentwood			7
Wanstead Hospital	***		23
Queen Mary's Hospital, West Ham		***	3
Hospital for Sick Children, Great Orm	and Str	oot	1
London Hospital	ond Sti	cet	52
St Bartholomew's Hospital		***	53
Rush Green Hospital	***	***	10
Westminster Hospital	***		13
St. Joseph's Hospice, Hackney	***	***	7
Severalls Mental Hospital, Colchester	***	+ + +	17
East Ham Mamarial II.	***		3
East Ham Memorial Hospital			2
Langthorne Hospital	***		21
Whipps Cross Hospital	449	***	34
St. Luke's Hospital			3
London Chest Hospital			1
In other Hospitals, Institutions and resident the residence of the residen	dences	out-	
side the Ilford district			240
	Total		512
	Total		512

The death rate, calculated on the net estimate of the population of 178,432 is 10.13 per 1,000.

Inquests.—During the year, 49 inquests were held on deaths occurring in Ilford, 24 on Ilford residents, and 25 on non-residents.

The ages at death were as follows:-

1 year	1-2 years	2-5 years	5-15 years		25-45 years		65 years and	
	1	1	1	1	13	years 9	upwards 23	

DEATH-RATES FROM TUBERCULOSIS AND CANCER, 1952.

The following Table shows the death-rates for 1952 for Ilford, compared with the provisional death-rates for England and Wales for the same period per 1,000 population; the figures having been supplied by the Registrar-General:—

	Ilford	England and Wales
Respiratory Tuberculosis Other Tuberculosis Cancer	011	·212 ·028 1·993

- 5. Marriages.—1,619 marriages took place in the Ilford district during 1952, both parties or one of the contracting parties being Ilford residents.
- 6. TABLES OF VITAL STATISTICS.—Table I gives a comparative statement of the birth-rate and death-rate for the past five years.

Table IA gives a comparison of the vital statistics of Ilford with England and Wales, London and other towns.

Table II gives a classified statement of the causes of death in 1952, arranged according to the age groups at which deaths occurred.

TABLE I.—VITAL STATISTICS OF WHOLE DISTRICT DURING 1952 AND PREVIOUS YEARS

	nated	ated		BIRTHS TOTAL DEATHS			REGISTERED IN						TERABLE ATHS	-1	NET DEATHS TO THE I		rg.
	ı, estii	n estimated each Year		Net (b)	THE DISTRICT		ts e		Unde	r 1 year Age	At al	l Ages				
YEAR	Gross population, estimated to middle of each Year	Net Population to middle of e	Uncorrected	Number	Rate (c)	Number	Rate (d)	of Non-Residents registered in the District	of Residents not registered in the District	Number	Rate per 1,000 Net Births	Number	Rate (e)				
1	2	2 <i>a</i>	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13				
948	183,400	179,637	2,239	2,848	15.8	1,351	7.3	260	427	62	21.7	1,518	8.4				
1949	185,000	181,108	2,027	2,630	14.5	1,646	8.9	402	484	53	20.1	1,728	9.5				
950	186,200	182,317	1,933	2,406	13.2	1,707	9.2	455	511	45 .	18.7	1,763	9.7				
951	181,600	177,811	1,677	2,376	13.3	1,789	9.9	483	529	50	21.0	1,835	10.3				
1952	182,200	178,432	1,830	2,323	13.0	1,728	9.4	431	512	44	18-9	1,809	10.1				

⁽a) The net estimated population is found by deducting the population of Claybury and Goodmayes Hospitals from the gross estimated population. The population of Dr.

(b) The net number of births is obtained by taking the uncorrected number of births supplied by the local Registrar and adding to or subtracting from it such a number as supplied for this purpose by the Registrar-General.

(c) and (c) Calculated on the estimated gross population.

(d) Calculated on the estimated gross population.

(d) Calculated on the estimated gross population.

TABLE IA

Table showing comparison between the Birth-rate, Death-rate, etc., of Ilford, other Towns, and of England and Wales for the Year 1952 (Provisional figures)

	per T H	late 1,000 otal ome	100	Death-rate per 1,000 Population								e per 000 Births	
	Live	Still- births	All Causes	Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers	Smallpox	Tuberculosis (all forms)	Pneumonia	Whooping Cough	Diphtheria	Influenza	Acute Polio- myelitis and Polioenceph- alitis	Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 Yrs.)	Total Deaths under 1 Year
England and Wales	15:3	0·35 22·6(a)	11.3	0.00	0.00	0.24	0.47	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.01	1:1	27·8(b)
160 County Boroughs and Great Towns, including London 160 Smaller Towns (Estimated	16-9	0·43 24·6(a)	12.1	0.00		0.28	0.52	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.01	1.3	31-2
Resident Populations 25,000 to 50,000 at Census 1951) London Administrative County	17.6	0·36 23·0(a) 0·34 19·2(a)	11·2 12·6	0.00	1 1	0.22	0.43	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.01	0.5	25·8 23·8
ILFORD (Estimated Gross Population, mid 1952=182,200)	12.7	0·28 21.4(a)	9.9	-		0.11	0.59	_	: _	0.02	0.00	0.4	18.94

⁽a) Per 1,000 total (Live and Still Births).(b) Per 1,000 related Live Births.

A dash (—) signifies that there were no deaths.

Registrar-General's Short List of Deaths and Causes:

TABLE II

Causes of, and Ages at, Death during the year 1952

THE RESERVE	1	Net D whet	eaths her o	at th	ing w	joine ithin	d age or wi	s of thout	the c	ident	s"	
CAUSES OF DEATH	All Ages	Under 1 year	1 and under 2 years	2 and under 5 years	5 and under 15 years	15 and under 25 years	25 and under 35 years	35 and under 45 years	45 and under 55 years	55 and under 65 years	65 and under 75 years	75 years and upwards
ALL CAUSES	1809	44	3	6	10	15	32	47	174	296	461	721
Tuberculosis, respiratory	19	_	-	-	-	1	5	2	2	4	4	1
Tuberculosis, other	2	-	-	-	_			1		4	4	
Syphilitic disease	9	-	_	_	_	_	_			-		-
Diphtheria	_				-	_	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping cough Meningococcal infections	1	-		1			-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute poliomyelitis	1			-		1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	2	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other infective and parasitic			_		_		_		2	1	1	-
diseases	59	_			-	_	_	3	11	10	22	1
Malignant neoplasm, stomach Malignant neoplasm, lung,	00											
bronchus	64		-	-	-	-	1	3	13	24	17	13
Malignant neoplasm, breast	40			-	-	-	1	6	9	13	7 4	
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	14		-	-	-	-	-	1	3	4	1	1
Other malignant and lym-	100			1	1	2	6	4	28	38	47	6
phatic neoplasms	188	-		1	î	-	_		2	1	3	
Leukaemia, aleukaemia	18	_		-		_	1		2	4	5	1
7 Vascular lesions of nervous	10										0.5	
system	230	-		-	-	1	1	5	10	30	65	11
8 Coronary disease, angina	280	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	37	60	101	1
9 Hypertension with heart		lane.			1	-		1	1	4	11	2
disease	37	-		-	-	1	3	4	12	20	45	20
Other heart disease	292	-		-	1	1	0	1	5	111	28	4
Other circulatory disease	89	_	_	1		-	_	1	-	1	-	
2 Influenza 3 Pneumonia	53	6	_	-	1		1		1	8	11	1 2
3 Pneumonia 4 Bronchitis	131	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	23	41	5
5 Other diseases of respiratory	1									3	1	
system	9	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	0		
6 Ulcer of stomach and	00			1		-	-	2	3	6	8	
duodenum	28	-	-		-			-				
7 Gastritis, enteritis and	6	1	-	-		-	1	1	1	1	1	1
diarrhoea 8 Nephritis and nephrosis	1.4	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	7	2	1	
9 Hyperplasia of prostate	0.0	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	2	9	
O Pregnancy, childbirth, abor-		1					1			-	-	
tion	1	-	-	17	-	2	1	1	2	_	-	
31 Congenital malformations	17	8	1	1	2	-	1000	1 4	100		1000	
32 Other defined and ill-defined		29	1		3	3	3	2	11	17	21	
diseases	132	29	1	-	1	l i	-	-	1	-	2	
33 Motor vehicle accidents	13	_	1	-		1	-	2	2	3		
35 Suicide	2.73	1-	-	-	-	1	3	2	1	2	1	
36 Homicide and operations of					-		1		-	1 300		
war		-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-			
Special Causes (included above	-	-	-	-	-	-	-					

SECTION B.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.

- 1. (i) Public Health Officers of the Authority.—Vide list at the beginning of this report.
- (ii) Home Nursing.—This service is administered by the Essex County Council. A report of the work performed during 1952 will be found in Part III Services section.
- (iii) LABORATORY FACILITIES.—Pathological specimens are now sent to the Bacteriological Laboratory, Oldchurch Hospital, Romford, for examination.

(iv) BYELAWS EXIST FOR: -

Prevention of Nuisances.

Cleansing of footways and pavements, and cleansing of earth closets, privies, ashpits and cesspools.

Dealing with common lodging houses and houses let in lodgings.

Houses let in lodgings or occupied by members of more than one family. (Sec. 84, Ilford Act, 1937.)

Slaughterhouses and humane slaughtering of animals.

Pleasure Fairs. (Sec. 128, Ilford Act, 1937.)

Tipping of Dust, Spoil and Refuse. (Sec. 85, Ilford Act, 1937.) For securing the cleanliness and freedom from pollution of tanks, cisterns and other receptacles used for storing water used or likely to be used by man for drinking or domestic purposes, or for manufacturing drink for the use of man.

Nuisances in connection with the removal of offensive or noxious matter.

Depositing of Rubbish, etc. (Sec. 249, Local Government Act, 1933.)

ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL ACT, 1933.

Part IV.—Establishments for Massage and Special Treatment. Inspections of licensed establishments are carried out quarterly. During 1952 twenty-five applications for renewal of licences were received. The Council renewed the licences in respect of these establishments. Two new applications were received, which were granted. The licences expire on 31st March of each year.

Part VI.—Hairdressers' and Barbers' Premises. During 1952, 33 visits of inspection were made by the Sanitary Inspectors to these premises.

Part IX.—Camping Grounds and Moveable Dwellings.

SHOPS ACT 1950 (Section 38). Since this Act came into operation the Sanitary Inspectors have made inspections in accordance with Section 38.

During the year 168 inspections were made, 5 Preliminary Notices were served, 3 of which were complied with.

No Certificates of Exemption from the provisions of Section 38 were granted in 1952.

There are three local Acts in operation—(1) The Ilford Improvement Act, 1898, which has important sanitary provisions: (2) The Ilford Urban District Council Act, 1904, the Section which deals with the control of tuberculosis is repealed, the powers of the Corporation now being contained in the Food and Drugs Act, 1938; and (3) The Ilford Corporation Act, 1937.

NURSES ACT, 1943 (PART 2). NURSES' AGENCIES.

The Essex County Council on application by the Ilford Council, delegated to them, in pursuance of Section 11 (1) the powers conferred upon the County Council by Part II of the Act, subject to certain conditions.

Agencies are inspected before the issue of a licence, and thereafter at intervals of not more than once a quarter.

The Medical Officer of Health is authorised under Part 2, Section 9 (2) to enter and inspect any such licensed premises in the Borough.

No application for a licence was received during 1952.

(v) NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948.—The County Welfare Officer has kindly supplied me with the following information.

The County Welfare Committee is responsible to the County Council for the duties imposed by Part III of the National Assistance Act, 1948, the main aspects being:—

- (a) the provision of residential and temporary accommodation, and
- (b) welfare arrangements for blind and other handicapped persons.

The following statistics show the extent to which the main services provided by the County Welfare Committee under the National Assistance Act, 1948, have been afforded to persons residing within the Borough of Ilford during the year 1952:—

(1) Residential and Temporary Accommodation.

- (a) Aged persons (including blind persons) admitted to hostels and other residential establishments:—39.
- (b) Other classes (admitted to temporary accommodation):— Adults 9, Children 11.—20.

(2) Blind Persons.

The numbers of registered blind, partially sighted and defective sighted persons resident in the Borough during the twelve months ended 31st December, 1952, were as follows:—

(i)	Registered as blind	 	 240
7. 7.	Partially sighted	 	 42
(iii)	Defective sighted	200	 11

all of whom were under the supervision of Home Teachers and 7 participated in the Home Workers' Scheme operated through the agency of the London Society for the Blind. In addition, 1 blind person was employed in the Workshops for the Blind and during the year 3 were placed in employment (open industry), the total number of Ilford residents so employed being 32 (9 partially sighted).

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948.

- (a) Section 47. One person was dealt with under this section during the year. This related to a woman of 86 years, living in one room. She was found to be in a dirty condition in her person and the room was insanitary.
- (b) Section 50 requires a Local Authority to arrange for the burial or cremation of a person who has died or been found dead, and where it appears to the Local Authority no suitable arrangements are being made for the disposal of the body.

The burial of three persons was dealt with during the year.

They were:—

- (1) A male, 69 years, patient in a nursing home.
- (2) A male, 69 years, lived in lodgings.
- (3) A male, 73 years, knocked down by car in highway.

Miss E. A. Workman, the Welfare Officer for Old People, commenced her employment on April 15th, 1952. She reports as follows:—

"The duties include not only the welfare of aged individuals who require assistance, but also co-operation with all other institutions and workers, both statutory and voluntary, who are concerned with the problem of old age. The former include hospitals, welfare departments, mental health workers, home teachers for the blind, sanitary inspectors, home nurses and domestic-help service; the latter, old age pensioners' clubs, Women's Voluntary Service, Old People's Welfare Committee, Ilford Social Service Association, and Patients' League.

"The main aim of all work with the aged must be to preserve an active normal life at home as long as possible. This can be attempted by communal provision for their needs as is the case with the domestic-help service, which is particularly valuable, or by attempts to promote more satisfactory personal relationships. In the latter case the emphasis is on the individual and the Welfare Officer has to make contact with relatives, friends, neighbours, doctors, etc.

"During this period of $8\frac{1}{2}$ months, 465 persons aged 65 and over were dealt with. Of these 53 persons entered hospital, 30 were admitted to Homes (eleven to those administered by the Essex County Council, and 19 to private Homes), and 382 remained in their own homes.

"Of these 465 persons, 64 died during the year, 48 at home, 14 in hospital and 2 in nursing homes.

"A total of 569 visits was made by the Welfare Officer to these 465 cases. In addition to the 569 visits, 417 visits were paid to and interviews given at the Public Health Offices and elsewhere with relatives, friends and officers of the various voluntary and statutory bodies.

"The problem of the nursing of chronic sick cases remains most difficult, and to ease this burden a special laundry service was inaugurated to deal with soiled articles. The admission to hospital of such cases is still a matter of some concern.

"It is also becoming increasingly difficult to secure the admission to Homes of fairly active aged persons. There are also borderline cases, and cases of senile dementia, who are not clearly the responsibility of any authority.

"An attempt is being made to ascertain some facts concerning the problem of old age in Ilford. For this reason a pilot survey was undertaken of the Clayhall Ward as a preliminary to a general survey of the whole Borough. A total of 498 visits was made resulting in 36 interviews of people aged 65 and over. This work was carried out with the assistance of the Women's Voluntary Service.

"In addition visits were made by the Welfare Officer to a number of hospitals, to Old People's Flats and Clubs, to Finsbury Settlement and Iselden House.

Laundry for the Aged Chronic Sick.

"With the co-operation of the Ilford and Barking Group Hospital Management Committee, a free laundry service was introduced by the Council for the cleansing of bed linen and personal clothing of chronic sick aged persons who are incontinent.

"Articles which are certified by the Sanitary Inspector under Section 84 of the Public Health Act, 1936, as requiring cleansing are laundered at Barking Hospital, transport being provided and laundry costs paid by the Ilford Borough Council.

"The service commenced on 8th December for a trial period of three months and by the end of December 8 persons had been assisted and 167 articles laundered."

(vi) Hospitals, Etc.

Isolation Hospital.-188 beds are provided.

Maternity Hospital.—51 beds for the reception of maternity cases are maintained at the Ilford Maternity Hospital.

King George Hospital.—The following is a return in respect of bed accommodation:—

Total number of Beds at	Pay Beds		Other P	atients	on de main		
31st December 1952.	Amenity Beds	Med	ical Su		gical	Children	
1052.	7	Male	Female	Male	Female		
215	21	26	18	55	59	36	

The above three hospitals are included in the Ilford and Barking Group. (Group 12 N.E. Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board).

Mental Hospitals.—There are two large Mental Hospitals in the district, the Goodmayes Hospital, with 1,269 patients (males 581, females 688), and Claybury Hospital, with 2,204 patients (males 928, females 1,276) in residence on 30th June, 1952. (These Hospitals are included in Groups 21 and 20 respectively of the North East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board.)

Other Institutions.—Girls' Village Homes, one of the late Dr. Barnardo's Institutions, with 90 beds in the Hospital on 30th June, 1952.

Maternity and Nursing Homes.—There are 4 private registered Nursing Homes in the distrirt for medical and senile cases.

All Nursing Homes in the district are visited by the Medical Officer of Health and the Chief Sanitary Inspector (or their deputies) quarterly and at other times when necessary.

(vii) Ambulance Facilities: County Ambulance Service.

A Central Ambulance Control has now been established by the Essex County Council at Ilford to deal with all requests for Ambulance transport arising in the whole of the Metropolitan area of Essex. The Control is manned continuously, is in direct contact with all Ambulance Stations in the Metropolitan area and is able to contact all other Ambulance Stations in the County.

In cases of emergency it is only necessary to dial 999. All other requests for ambulance transport should be made, preferably in writing, to the Controller, Ilford Ambulance Control, High Road, Ilford, or in cases of urgency by telephone (Ilford 3311).

Requests for Ambulance transport, other than emergency requests, are only accepted from Doctors, Midwives, Duly Authorised Officers and the medical staff of hospitals.

If any difficulty should arise in obtaining an Ambulance a call may be made direct to the Controller, Ilford Ambulance Control, Ilford 3311, or to the County Medical Officer of Health, County Hall, Chelmsford, Chelmsford 3231.

(viii) CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES: MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE.—Infant Welfare Centres are held at the following premises:—

control are need at the foll	lowing premises:—
Chadwell Christian Mission Hall, Essex Road, Chadwell Heath (for residents of Chadwell Heath area)	
Mayesbrook Clinic, Goodmayes Lane, Goodmayes (for residents of Becontree area)	
St. John's Church Hall, Devonshire Road, Seven Kings (for residents of Downshall area)	The second secon
Manford Way Clinic, Hainault (for residents of the Ilford portion of L.C.C. estate)	
Congregational Church Hall, Woodford Avenue, Ilford (for residents of Woodford Avenue area)	MANAGEMENT TO A
	Wednesday, 2 p.m.
Cecil Hall, Granville Road, Ilford (for residents of the east side of Cranbrook Road)	Wednesday, 2 p.m.
Cecil Hall, Granville Road, Ilford (for residents of the west side of Cranbrook Road)	Thursday, 2 p.m.
Seven Kings Methodist Church Hall, Seven Kings Road (for residents of Seven Kings area)	
Newbury Hall, Perryman's Farm Road, Newbury Park (for residents of the Newbury Park area)	10
Vine Memorial Church II-II C	Thursday, 2 p.m.
Vine Memorial Church Hall, Grosvenor Road, Ilford (for residents of Grosvenor Road area)	Thursday, 2 p.m.
Mayesbrook Clinic (for residents of Goodmayes area)	Thursday, 2 p.m.
Methodist Church Hall, Fremantle Road, Barking- side (for residents of Barkingside and Fairlop	
areas)	Thursday, 2 p.m.
Vine Memorial Church Hall, Grosvenor Road,	Friday, 2 p.m.
Valentines Mansion, Emerson Road, Ilford (for residents of Valentines area)	
arou)	Friday, 2 p.m.

Ante-Natal Clinics.—An Ante-Natal Clinic is held at the Maternity Hospital, Eastern Avenue, Ilford, on Tuesday morning, Tuesday afternoon (Obstetric Specialist), Wednesday morning, Thursday morning and afternoon, Friday morning, Friday afternoon (Obstetric Specialist), Saturday morning; at Mayesbrook Clinic, Goodmayes Lane, on Monday and Thursday mornings, and alternate Saturday mornings; at Manford Way Clinic, Hainault, on Wednesday mornings and the first Friday morning of each month.

Midwives Ante-Natal Clinics are held at the Public Health Offices, each Monday afternoon; at Mayesbrook Clinic on alternate Wednesday afternoons; at Manford Way Clinic on alternate Thursday afternoons.

Post-Natal Clinics.—These Clinics are held at the Maternity Hospital on each Monday afternoon; at the Mayesbrook Clinic, Goodmayes Lane, on alternate Saturday mornings; and at the Manford Way Clinic, Hainault, on the first Friday morning of each month.

School and other Clinics.—Clinic sessions are held at Health Services Clinics as under:—

- (i) PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICES, Valentines Mansion for—
 Diphtheria and Whooping Cough Immunization.
 Aural.
 Ophthalmic treatment.
 Paediatric.
 Infant Welfare.
 Midwives Ante-Natal.
 Enuresis.
- (ii) Newbury Hall, Perryman's Farm Road, for—
 Minor Ailments.
 Orthopaedic and Remedial Exercises treatment.
 Rheumatism.
 Artificial Sunlight treatment.
 Infant Welfare.
 Cardiac Clinic.
- (iii) MAYESBROOK CLINIC, Goodmayes Lane, for—

 Minor Ailments.
 Dental (Children and Expectant Mothers).
 Ophthalmic treatment.
 Artificial Sunlight treatment.
 Ante-Natal and Post-Natal.
 Diphtheria and Whooping Cough Immunization.
 Orthopaedic and Remedial Exercises treatment.
 Infant Welfare.
 Speech Therapy.
 Midwives Ante-Natal.
 Orthoptic.
- (iv) VALENTINES SCHOOL, Beehive Lane, for— Dental (Children). Speech Therapy.
- (v) LOXFORD HALL, Loxford Lane, for— Child Guidance Clinic.
- (vi) Manford Way CLINIC, Hainault, for—
 Ante-Natal and Post-Natal.
 Infant Welfare.
 Diphtheria and Whooping Cough Immunization.
 Midwives Ante-Natal.
 Dental (Children only).
 Ophthalmic treatment.
 Orthopaedic treatment.
- (ix) CHEST CLINIC.—A clinic for the diagnosis and treatment of tuberculosis is provided by the North East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board at 130-132, Cranbrook Road, Ilford. The following sessions are held each week:—
 - For Adults—Monday, 2 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 to 12 noon; Wednesday evening, for workers only, by appointment; Friday, 10 to 12 noon and 2 to 5 p.m.

For Children-Wednesday, 10 to 12 noon.

A Refill Clinic is held on Monday morning and on Thursday afternoon,

SECTION C.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

(i) WATER SUPPLY.—The district is served by the Metropolitan Water Board and the South Essex Waterworks Co., both maintaining a constant supply. The subject of the water supply of the Borough was dealt with at length in the Report for 1945.

The part of Ilford within the area of the Metropolitan Water Board is supplied with water derived from the River Lee, which after passing through storage reservoirs is filtered and chlorinated at Lee Bridge and Ferry Lane, and pumped from those works. Contact tanks are now in operation at these works in which the dose of chlorine is able to exert its full effect before the water passes into the distribution system. An additional amount of water is supplied to the area from Wanstead well.

Samples of the water in all stages of purification are analysed daily at the laboratories of the Board,

Lieutenant-Colonel E. F. W. Mackenzie, Director of Water Examination of the Board has kindly supplied me with the information that 1,393 samples of filtered water were submitted to chemical and bacteriological examination and found to be pure and wholesome. All new and repaired mains are chlorinated before being restored to use and samples of water from them are tested bacteriologically. The water is not plumbo-solvent.

The length of mains laid by the Metropolitan Water Board in Ilford during 1952 was 515 yards of 4-inch and 229 yards of 6-inch.

The water to the other part of the area is supplied by the South Essex Waterworks Co. The supply is obtained from the River Stour and from deep wells at Mill Road, Grove Road and Roding Lane.

Mr. Hugh G. Ramsay, Engineer to the South Essex Waterworks Co., has kindly supplied me with the information that over 3,500 chemical, bacteriological and biological examinations were made at the Langham laboratory, and all were reported as wholesome. The samples taken were from wells and houses in various parts of the area. Mains were extended by 453 yards, 4-inch size, by the Company during the year.

There are now no public wells in existence. There are a few private wells for domestic and commercial purposes.

7 samples of piped water supply (5 South Essex Waterworks Co. and 2 Metropolitan Water Board) were taken for Chemical and Bacteriological examination, and all gave satisfactory analyses.

- (ii) Drainage and Sewerage.—The Borough Engineer has kindly supplied me with the following statement:—
 - (a) Ilford Corporation (Drainage) Act, 1950:

Further representations were made to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government, as a result of which an Inspector of that Ministry held a Private Inquiry, and a meeting took place at the Ministry's Offices.

In a letter dated 10th December, 1952, the Council were advised that tenders could be obtained immediately for the construction of a storm relief sewer in Henley Road from Sunnyside Road to the River Roding and for an experimental length of soil sewer at the northern end of Horns Road; also that details could be prepared and submitted of the scheme to culvert the Mayes Brook from a point just north of Eastern Avenue to just south of the Ilford/Barking Borough Boundary, this scheme having been raised in priority consequent upon the impending development of the Marks Gate Estate in Dagenham and Ilford, the provisional starting date being the end of 1953. The details

of the new soil sewage pumping station in Roden Street and of the enlarged soil and surface water sewers in Sunnyside Road could also be prepared, a starting date in 1954-55 being envisaged.

(b) Ilford and Barking Joint Sewerage Committee:

Loan sanction has been granted and a contract let for the provision of new detritus handling plant at the Joint Pumping Station.

Designs for a building to give protection to the plant are in hand.

Flooding of Streams. No serious flooding of streams occurred during the year.

Pollution of Streams. There was no serious instance of pollution of watercourses during the year.

As from 1st October, 1952, the functions relating to the prevention of river pollution were transferred, under the provisions of the River Boards Act, 1948, to the newly formed Essex River Board. The Board made a request that, pending the creation of its own technical organisation, the Ilford Council would continue to act on behalf of the Board in connection with matters relating to pollution of rivers and streams, on an agency basis. The Council acceded to the request and, in 1952, investigation was made in one instance of alleged pollution of the River Roding. A sample of the River water was submitted to the Analyst and the report forwarded to the Board.

(iii) COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF REFUSE.—The Borough Engineer also kindly supplied the following information:—

					Tons
Total amount of refus	se coll	ected a	nd disp	posed of	46,298
Collection of Salvage:					
				Tons	Income
Wastepaper				1,247	£13,704
Kitchen Waste	***	***		1,708	£5,493
Scrap Metal, etc.				30	£861
				2,985	£20,058

(iv) Sanitary Inspection of the Area.—The following is a summary of the work of the Sanitary Inspectors during the year:—

Houses and premises inspected		30,741
Houses and premises reinspected (work in progr	ess)	23,520
Visits during disinfection		599
Houses in which nuisances were detected		1,359
Houses in which nuisances were abated		1,418*
Premises disinfected	***	487
Premises from which articles only disinfected		161
Articles disinfected		785
Premises disinfested for verminous conditions		24

* Includes 349 nuisances detected before 1st January, 1952.

Notices served:— Statutory:— Public Health Act, 1936 Housing Act, 1936 Factories Act, 1937 Shops Act, 1934			 Served 111 5 3	Complied with 65 4 1
Provide Dustbin (Ilford Council Act, 1904) Food and Drugs Act, 1938 Cleanse Water Storage Cist Cover Water Storage Cister Informal	 ern (F	n Dis	 62 14 2 3 1,558 1,758	49 11 1 3 1,234 1,368

*In addition to the above, 517 notices (77 statutory and 440 informal) served previous to 1st January, 1952, were also complied with.

Complaints.—During the year, 3,034 complaints of nuisances were received and investigated.

The following is a summary:-

		Total		3,034
Miscenancous				628
Miscellaneous		***		371
Defective or no provision of dustbin Rats and mice	***	***		1,090
Defective or no provision of 1		***		28
Smoke nuisances	***		***	133
	1000	***	***	14
Flooding of management	***	200	***	0 5
Dirty condition of rearway	***	Direct Co.		33
Dirty and verminous houses	***			72
Defective roofs, gutters, downpipes, e	tc.			96
Defective grants, w.c.'s and fittings		***		347
Dampness of premises				90
Bad smells				60
Animals improperly kept				14
Accumulation of manure and refuse				58

(v) SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS.—Samples of water for examination were taken from the open-air swimming bath from April to October (7). The samples were satisfactory, but in 2 samples the chlorine content was above, and in 2 samples the chlorine content was below, the prescribed standard. Samples were also taken from the two indoor baths during February, April, May, June, July, August, September, October and November (16); all of the samples were satisfactory, but in 14 samples (6 from the 1st and 8 from the 2nd class) the chlorine content was above the prescribed standard.

(vi) ERADICATION OF BED BUGS:—			
Houses found to be infested	 	M. M	25
" Disinfested	 		25 .

(vii) SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS ACT, 1933.—No licence to act as slaughterman was granted during the year.

(viii) Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (Restrictions) Acts, 1920 and 1933.—The Chief Sanitary Inspector is authorised by the Council to make visits and certify under the provisions of the Acts.

No certificates were issued during 1952.

(ix) RAG, FLOCK AND OTHER FILLING MATERIALS ACT, 1951.—This Act, which came into operation on 1st November, 1951, and repealed the Rag Flock Acts, 1911 and 1928, is designed to secure the use of clean filling materials in upholstered articles and other articles which are stuffed or lined, and for purposes connected therewith.

The Council is a Local Authority for the purpose of the Act, and delegated its powers under the Act to the Public Health Committee. The Medical Officer of Health and Sanitary Inspectors are authorised officers for all the purposes of the Act by virtue of their appointments.

It is unlawful, except on premises registered by the Local Authority, to use filling materials, specified in the Act, for any form of upholstery activities, subject to certain exceptions such as the re-making or reconditioning of any article, etc. Registration has been granted in respect of 14 premises.

The occupier of registered premises may only obtain "rag flock" from premises licensed under the Act, either for the manufacture of rag flock or as a rag flock store. One licence was granted in 1952.

The Act requires records to be kept on all registered and licensed premises and prohibits the selling or offering or exposing for sale of any articles containing unclean materials.

An authorised officer of the Local Authority has right of entry for the purpose of inspection and is empowered to take samples from all registered and licensed premises.

The Rag Flock and Other Filling Materials Regulations, 1951, prescribe standards of cleanliness, analysts who may undertake analyses and the fees to be paid to them, the form of certificate of test to be given by the prescribed Analyst, the records to be kept and the procedure, etc., for taking and treatment of samples.

- (x) SMOKE, ETC., ABATEMENT.—Complaints were received of alleged smoke nuisance from 6 factories in the Ilford Lane, Green Lane, Grove Road and Newbury Park areas. Regular observations were maintained and investigations carried out. In 3 instances no emission was noted which would have enabled action to be taken under the Public Health Act, 1936, but informal notices were served in the other 3 instances.
- (xi) PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936.—SECTION 154.—One instance was reported in 1952, of a person exchanging articles for rags received from children under the age of 14 years, in contravention of the Public Health Act, 1936.
- (xii) Land Charges Act, 1925.—During the year 3,392 enquiries were dealt with under this act.
- (xiii) Under Section 25 of the Burial Act, 1857, one exhumation licence was issued by H.M. Home Office. An officer of the Public Health Department was present to ensure that the conditions of the licence with regard to due care, attention to decenly, liming, etc., were satisfactorily complied wifh.
- (xiv) SQUATTERS.—A sanitary nuisance arose following the occupation of a hutted camp site at Woodford Bridge Road by squatters. Preliminary notices under the Public Health Act, 1936, were served upon the respective families requiring them to vacate the huts in order to abate the sanitary nuisance.

With a view to the protection of public health and pending the eviction of the squatters from the site, the Council decided to provide refuse and sanitary receptacles and for the collection of refuse, faecal matter and waste materials and for the cleansing of receptacles.

Negotiations were entered into with the Essex County Council, the owners of the land, for steps to be taken to secure the eviction of the squatters and the huts were finally vacated early in 1953. Forcible eviction was not necessary.

SECTION D.-HOUSING.

- (i) Overcrowding.—Two notices were served during 1952 and both were complied with.
- (ii) Unhealthy Areas.—No representations or complaints have been made regarding unhealthy areas during the year.

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	(iii) HOUSING STATISTICS.	
1	. Inspection of dwelling-houses during the year:	
	(1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Hausing	
	(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	2,434
	(2) (a) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub- head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regula- tions, 1925 and 1932	
	(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	353
	(3) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	Nil
	(4) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human	INII
		1,359
2.	formal Notices:—	
	Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers	1,227*
3.	Statutory rowers 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	5
	(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:—	
	(a) By owners	7*
	(b) By local authority in default of owners	1*
	B. Proceedings under Public Health Acts -	ATP.
	(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	178

(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:—	
(a) By owners	181*
(b) By local authority in default of owners	2*
c. No proceedings were taken under Sections 11, 12 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936.	
4. Housing Act, 1936, Part IV—Overcrowding:—	
(a) (i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of	
the year	278
(ii) Number of families dwelling therein	373
(iii) Number of persons dwelling therein	1,0021
(b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year	90
(c) (i) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	119
(ii) Number of units concerned in such cases	
(d) Postigulars of	4431
(d) Particulars of any cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the local authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding	
(e) Any other particulars with respect to overcrowding conditions upon which the Medical Officer of Health may consider it desirable to report	

* Includes compliances during 1952 of Notices served prior to 1st January, 1952.

HOUSING ACT, 1936.

During the year 1952 the work of receiving applications, calling for calculations for the "permitted number" was continued with a view to the issue of housing certificates.

21 certificates, in respect of 21 houses, were issued during the year, making a total of 18,291 certificates, in respect of 25,072 houses, issued to the end of 1952.

As new premises were constructed and placed upon the rating lists, "permitted number" certificates were issued as required.

SECTION E.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

MILK SUPPLY.

The Council delegated to the Public Health Committee all its powers and duties under the Food and Drugs (Milk and Dairies) Act, 1944, the Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949, the Milk (Special Designation) (Raw Milk) Regulations, 1949, the Milk (Special Designation) (Pasteurized and Sterilized Milk) Regulations, 1949, the Food and Drugs (Milk, Dairies and Artificial Cream) Act, 1950, and any Regulations which might hereafter be made under the last named Act.

The Milk (Special Designations) (Specified Areas) Order, 1951, which came into operation on 1st October, 1951, specified an area, including Ilford, in which the compulsory use of special designations for retail sales of milk shall operate,

(i) MILK AND DAIRIES REGULATIONS, 1949.—The Council is required to keep a register of all persons carrying on the trade of milk distributor, and of all dairy premises (other than dairy farms) in their district, and to remove from such register the name of any person who ceases so to trade and the address of any premises which ceases to be so used.

Persons and premises registered as	at 31st	Dece	mber,	1952:-	
Persons registered as distributor	rs of n	nilk		***	105
Premises registered as dairy pre	mises	(other	than d	lairy	
1411115)					13
251 inspections of dairy premises we	ere car	ried o	ut duri	ng the	year.
(ii) MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATION) (R	AW M	ILK) F	REGULA	TIONS.	1949
The following licences were granted	during	1952			
Accredited					NEI
do. (Supplementary)		***	***		Nil
Tuberculin Tested		***		***	Nil
	***				36
do. (Supplementary)		***			8
(iii) MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATION) (PAGGULATIONS, 1949,	STEUR	ISED A	ND STE	RILIZE	о Мік)
The following licences were granted	during	1952	:-		
Pasteurized (Dealer's)	***	***			63
do. do. (Suppleme	ntary)				9
do. (Pasteurizer's)				In	2
Sterilized (Dealer's)			***		
do. do. (Suppleme	ntomo	***	***		73
do (Starilizaria)	mary)	22.5	315	***	12
do. (Sterilizer's)	***	***	***		1

Two licences, granted by the Essex County Agricultural Executive Committee, in respect of the production of Tuberculin Tested and Accredited milk at farms in the Borough, are also in operation.

(iv) Sampling.—The following is the routine practice adopted:—

Designated Milks (Raw and Heat treated).-

These are sampled bi-monthly and after unsatisfactory reports.

Biological Tests.—Samples of all milks, designated or otherwise, are submitted for biological test for T.B. in Spring. Repeat samples if positive after clearance by the Divisional Inspector of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Milk Supplies to Maintained Schools.—These are sampled monthly and after unsatisfactory results.

The following results were obtained:-

Grade of Milk	Total	Satis- factory	Unsatis- factory	
Tuberculin Tested Milk	6	6	dabile is buightest	Person registered
Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurized) Milk	24	24	paintern .	mult to employed the To
Tuberculin Tested Milk (Farm bottled)	17	17	ring State	The following lighters.
Accredited	6	6	LOUIS	almid
Pasteurized Milk	103	101	2	Both samples failed to satisfy the Methylene Blue Reduction test. The re-
ant, diamine d		uireaciji unub bili	MILETANIA MILETANIA MILETANIA	tailer was communicated with and re-sampling ordered at a later date. Further samples proved satisfactory.
Sterilized	33	33		abol Oliobar -

- (v) BIOLOGICAL TESTS.—23 samples of milk were submitted to a biological test for tuberculosis, all of which were found negative.
- (vi) MILK AND DAIRIES ORDERS, 1926 AND 1938: INSPECTION OF DAIRY HERDS.—Four inspections were made by the Veterinary Officers of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries. The Ministry's Divisional Inspector states that no cows were found to be suffering from tuberculosis.
- (vii) Legal Proceedings.—17 complaints of the presence of foreign bodies in milk were received and investigated. No legal proceedings were taken, but a warning was sent in one case and representations were made to the retailers in all other cases.
- (viii) REGISTRATION.—No application for registration was refused during the year.

ICE CREAM.

(i) REGISTRATION.

Section 158 of the Essex County Council Act, 1933, which requires the registration of manufacturers and vendors of ice cream and the premises used by them, came into operation in the Borough on the 1st February, 1934. In 1948, the Council delegated to the Public Health Committee its powers and duties with regard to the granting, refusal or revocation of registrations, including the duty of interviewing applicants who are required to show cause why applications for registration should not be refused or existing registration should not be revoked.

35 applications for registration in respect of 35 premises were considered during the year 1952. The registrations were granted as follows:—

Purveyors	retailing	multip	ole fir	ms' prod	uction	s	34
Purveyors	manufa	cturing	and	retailing	their	own	
produ	ctions	***	***				1

(ii) ICE CREAM (HEAT TREATMENT REGULATIONS) 1947 to 1952...

The Ice Cream (Heat Treatment, Etc.) Amendment Regulations, 1951 appointed the 1st March, 1951, as the date from which local authorities may require the use of thermometers to indicate and record temperatures to which ice cream mixture is subjected in the manufacture of ice cream. The Council decided, in accordance with the recommendations of the Minister of Health, that 4 thermometers should be provided of the following types:—

A recording thermometer at the heat treatment stage; An indicating thermometer at the heat treatment stage; An indicating thermometer at the cooling stage; An indicating thermometer at storage stage.

(iii) SAMPLING.

Samples for bacteriological examination are taken monthly from April to September and at regular intervals during the winter months as supplied by all manufacturers to tricycle salesmen and local retailers. Samples are repeated after unsatisfactory results. In 1952, 94 samples were submitted for examination with the following results:—

No. of Samples	Ministry of Health Provisional	% of Total	Unsatis- factory
63 16 12 3	grade. I II III IV	67·0 17·0 12·8 3·2	Samples.
94		100.0	4

The 4 unsatisfactory samples contained coliform organisms including some of faecal origin.

6 samples of ice lollies were also taken, two of which were unsatisfory—one contained excessive bacteria and the other contained coliform organisms including some of faecal origin.

The ice cream was not manufactured in Ilford but the ice lollies were. The local Medical Officers of Health were communicated with in cases where supplies were received from outside the Borough and in all cases the Sanitary Inspectors visited the premises to check the arrangements for manufacture and/or storage. Further available samples proved satisfactory.

The Food Standards (Ice Cream) Order 1952 prescribed new standards for ice cream. During 1952, 6 samples swere submitted for chemical analysis, all of which complied with the Order.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1938. MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.

(i) INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION.

The Council has made bye-laws under Section 15, Food and Drugs Act, 1938 for securing the observance of sanitary and cleanly conditions and practices in connection with the handling, wrapping and delivery of food sold or intended for sale for human consumption, and in connection with the sale or exposure for sale in the open air of food intended for human consumption.

The whole-time services of two Sanitary Inspectors are utilised to deal with food preparing premises, factory canteen premises and food and drugs sampling. During 1952, they made 13,836 inspections of food shops and food preparing premises and copies of the bye-laws were supplied and explained. Interviews were held with directors and representatives of most of the multiple firms having shops in the district and agreement arrived at as to matters of policy affected by the bye-laws. 190 informal and 14 formal notices were served under the Food & Drugs Act, and 19 formal and 248 informal notices were complied with, including 8 formal and 95 informal notices served in 1951.

(ii) FOOD HYGIENE.

A "Clean Food" Exhibition was held for 3 weeks from the end of February, 1952, under the auspices of one of the large stores. There was a constant flow of visitors during the busy shop hours and at week-ends, and it is estimated that over 500 people stayed to see the hygiene films demonstrated in the small cinema. The Sanitary Inspectors were in attendance throughout the whole period of the exhibition and explained the principles of hygiene and the exhibits, and answered any necessary questions.

Considerable interest was demonstrated and it was felt the principles of the hygiene of food handling were inculcated in the 5,000 visitors to the Exhibition.

Twelve Lectures and demonstrations with film strips were organised for food handlers. For this purpose, canteens, restaurants and staff rooms have been kindly made available and food handlers in the vicinity invited to attend. Questions were raised followed by interesting discussions. These lectures were held in duplicate in order to allow the entire staffs of premises to attend without disorganising their business. Staffs of 12 canteens, cafes and food shops were invited, resulting in an attendance of 118.

Further lectures are being organised and it is intended to cover the whole of the Borough in this manner.

It is pleasing to note that the catering industry, as a whole, is cooperating admirably, as in the previous year.

(iii) SAMPLING.

The Council has delegated to the Public Health Committee power to institute legal proceedings under the Act.

210 samples (207 formal and 3 informal) of food and drugs were obtained during the year 1952; 11 formal and 2 informal samples were not satisfactory as follows:—

- (a), (b) and (c) Vinegar (formal).—These samples consisted of coloured acetic acid. Legal proceedings were taken in all cases. In two instances the retailers were fined £1 each, the other case was dismissed.
- (d) and (e) Butter Mints (formal) and Butter Scotch (formal).— The butter fat, if any, in these samples did not exceed 0.5% each and was insufficient to justify the descriptions. A letter of warning was sent to the manufacturer-retailer.
- (f) Pork sausages (formal).—Deficient in meat to the extent of 23%. Legal proceedings were taken and fines totalling £10 plus £3 3s, costs were imposed on the firm concerned. The manager was dismissed from the case on payment of £1 costs.
- (g) and (h) Whisky (formal).—Contained 68.7% and 67.8% proof spirit respectively. Both samples were in accord with the Act but were deficient to the extent of 1.3% and 2.2% respectively below the labelled 70%. No action was taken.

- (i) Gin (formal).—Contained 66.3% proof spirit and although in accord with the Food and Drugs Act was deficient to the extent of 3.7% below the labelled 70%. No action was taken.
- (j) and (k) Mustard (formal).—Deficient in allyl isothiocyanate to the extent of 20% and 34% respectively. A letter of warning was sent to the firm concerned.
- (1) Sausage, unclassified (informal).—Contained a foreign body found to be a papilla from the side or rear of tongue of ox or pig. No action was taken.
- (m) Loaf of bread and small piece of bread (informal).—The small piece of bread contained a greyish black foreign body found to consist of fatty discoloured dough. No action was taken.

(iv) HAWKERS OF FOOD.

Section 77 of the Ilford Corporation Act, 1937 provides for the registration of Hawkers of meat, fish, fruit and vegetables and their storage premises. Registration was granted to 20 persons (concerning 13 premises).

(v) REGISTRATION OF PREMISES USED FOR THE PREPARATION OR MANUFACTURE OF SAUSAGES, OR POTTED, PRESSED, PICKLED OR PRESERVED MEAT, FISH OR OTHER FOOD INTENDED FOR SALE.

Section 80 of the Ilford Corporation Act, 1937, requires registration of such premises.

One application for registration was received, and granted, during 1952.

(vi) ARTICLES OF FOOD SURRENDERED.

During the year the following articles were surrendered and condemned as being unfit for the food of man:—

Beverage—2 tins; Biscuits—80 lbs.; Butter—48 tins, 1½ lbs.; Cake 22½ lbs., 276 Swiss Rolls; Cereals—37 pkts., 12 tins, 142 lbs.; Cheese—102 lbs., 96 cartons, 7 portions; Coconut—60 lbs. 6 ozs.; Chocolate—115 bars, 21 pkts.; Confectionery—459 lbs., 6 ozs.; Drugs and Medicines 20 bottles, 7 pkts., 2,900 tablets; Egg (Dried)—28 lbs.; Fats—986½ lbs.; Fish (Wet and Dry)—121 st. 4½ lbs., 6 boxes; Fish (Tinned)—239 tins; Fish (Shell)—5 galls., 9 lbs.; Fish Paste—9 jars; Flavouring, Colouring, etc.—43 pkts., 4 jars, 72½ lbs.; Flour—6,539 lbs. 10 ozs.; Foods, Medical and Baby—108 tins, 26 cartons, 47 bottles, 21 jars; Fruit (Tinned)—2,760 tins; Fruit (Bottled)—23 bottles; Fruit (Dried)—699 lbs.; Fruit Juice—50 tins, 81 bottles; Jam, Preserves, etc.—466 lbs., 243 tins; Meat (Fresh)—5,124½ lbs.; Meat (Tinned)—4,462 lbs. 5½ ozs.; Meat Pies—18; Milk (Tinned)—709 tins; Milk (Dried)—21 tins; Nuts—290 lbs.; Pastry and Pudding Mixtures—5 pkts.; Pickles—16 jars, 8 tins; Poultry—32 lbs. 10 ozs., 9 tins; Puddings—18; Rabbits—75 lbs.; Salt—1 tin; Sauces and Salad Cream—16 bottles; Sausages—38 tins, 265¼ lbs.; Spirits—3 bottles; Soups—169 tins; Sugar—287½ lbs.; Soft Oil—112 lbs. 6 galls.; Vegetables (Fresh)—12 lbs.; Vegetables (Dried)—53½ lbs.; Vegetables (Tinned)—1,193 tins; Yeast—2 lbs.

(vii) ARTICLES OF FOOD SEIZED.

Arising out of a complaint, visits were made to two shops of a firm in the Borough when it was found that a quantity of shelled walnuts on sale were infested with larvae, maggots and mice excrement. The nuts were seized and submitted to a Justice of the Peace who ordered their condemnation.

Legal proceedings were subsequently taken and the firm was fined a total of £40, plus £5 5s. 0d. costs.

(vii) Foreign Bodies in Food.

17 complaints were received during 1952 of the presence of foreign bodies in foodstuffs. All were investigated and legal proceedings were taken in one case. A fine of £20, plus £2 2s. 0d. costs was imposed on the food manufacturers.

(viii) FOOD POISONING.

By virtue of Section 82 of the Ilford Corporation Act, 1927, food poisoning became compulsorily notifiable in Ilford as from 1st October, 1937. It is also notifiable under Section 17, Food and Drugs Act, 1938.

Thirty-eight notifications were received. The following is a summary of the cases for the year:—

AGENTS IDENTIFIED. Organisms or other Agents No. of No. of No. of responsible with No. of Suspected foods involved with outbreaks cases deaths outbreaks of each. No. of outbreaks of each. 1 2 Nil Salmonella Typhimurium ... 1 Unknown

There were four other outbreaks involving 11 cases but the cause was not discovered. There were also 25 single cases; Salmonella typhi-murium was traced in fourteen cases. Of the 25 single cases one was fatal, the cause of death being certified as Cerebral hæmorrhage and Enteritis (Salmonella Typhi-murium).

Four other instances of suspected food poisoning were investigated, but were not notified, and no specific cause was discovered.

(ix) Bakehouses.—There are 33 bakehouses in the district, 29 of which use motive power. 337 inspections of bakehouses were carried out during the year.

It was necessary to call upon the occupiers of bakehouses to carry out cleansing and other work in 17 instances, and the requests were complied with in all but two cases, where work was in progress.

DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS, 1894-1937 AND 1950.

(i) FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE.—Insofar as Ilford is concerned the following Orders were made in 1952:—

Foot and Mouth Disease (Controlled Areas) Special Order No. 1, 1952, made 4.1.52.

Foot and Mouth Disease (Controlled Areas) Special Order No. 2, 1952, excluded Ilford from 17.1.52.

Foot and Mouth Disease (Controlled Areas) Special Order No. 4, 1952, operated 28.3.52.

Foot and Mouth Disease (Controlled Area) Special Order No. 5, 1952, revoked Order No. 4 from 22.4.52.

Foot and Mouth Disease (Infected Area) Special Order No. 52, 1952, included Ilford from 9.4.52.

Foot and Mouth Disease (Infected Area) Special Order No. 54, 1952, revoked Order No. 52 from 28.4.52.

Foot and Mouth Disease (Controlled Area) Special Order No. 9, 1952, included Ilford from 7.5.52.

Foot and Mouth Disease (Controlled Area) Special Order No. 10, 1952, excluded Ilford from 17.5.52.

Foot and Mouth Disease (Infected Areas) Special Order No. 102, 1952, included Ilford from 13.6.52.

Foot and Mouth Disease (Infected Areas) Special Order No. 111, 1952, excluded Ilford from 28.6.52.

Licences were issued for entry into the Borough of 4 cows, 1 calving heifer and 16 pigs and countersigned for the removal from the Borough of 3 cows, 12 calves, and 137 pigs.

- (ii) REGULATION OF MOVEMENT OF SWINE ORDER, 1950.—This Order continued in operation during the year 1952. Licences were issued for removal from the Borough of 11 pigs and licences were received for entry into the Borough of 62 pigs.
 - (iii) FOWL PEST ORDER, 1936.

THE POULTRY PENS, FITTINGS AND RECEPTACLES (DISINFECTION) ORDER, 1952.

POULTRY AND HATCHING EGGS (IMPORTATION) (AMENDMENT) ORDER, 1952.

LIVE POULTRY (RESTRICTIONS) ORDER, and (AMENDMENT) ORDER, 1952.

These orders deal with the requirements necessary to prevent the spread of fowl pest by controlling the movement of live poultry and prescribing conditions relating to cleanliness, disinfection, lighting and ventilation at exhibitions and shows. One case of fowl pest occurred in 1952. One poultry show was held during the year. The birds were in good condition and all requirements were complied with satisfactorily. One licence was received in respect of the movement of poultry from Yorkshire into the Borough.

- (iv) Prohibition of Landing of Animals and Hay and Straw from the Channel Islands Order, 1952, and Order (No. 2) 1952—The first-named Order came into force on 6.5.52 and was revoked on 1.9.52. Order (No. 2) came into operation on 12.12.52, and prohibits the landing in Great Britain of animals, hay and straw brought from the Channel Islands.
 - (v) THE TUBERCULOSIS (AREA ERADICATION) AMENDMENT ORDER, 1952.

 THE TUBERCULOSIS (SOUTH-WEST WALES ERADICATION AREA)
 ORDER, 1952.

THE TUBERCULOSIS (SOUTH-WEST SCOTLAND ERADICATION AREA) ORDER, 1952.

The Chief purport of these Orders is to declare an area in which a substantial majority of the cattle therein are free from a particular disease and to control or prohibit the movement of cattle into, or out of, or within such area. The main purpose is, of course, to eradicate tuberculosis on a regional basis.

- (vi) THE HORSES (SEA TRANSPORT) ORDER, 1952.—This Order amends and re-enacts the provisions of previous Orders relating to the carriage of horses by sea from ports in Great Britain and extends them to horses shipped to Great Britain from overseas.
- (vii) The Diseases of Animals (Extension of Definitions) Order, 1952.—This Order extends the definition of animals contained in the Glanders or Farcy Order, 1938, so as to comprise horses, asses, mules and jennets, and the term "disease" shall comprise glanders and the form of glanders commonly known as farcy.
- (viii) ANTHRAX ORDER, 1938.—Notification was received that a pig had died in suspicious circumstances at a farm at a hospital in the Borough.

A veterinary inspector of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries examined the animal and certified it had not died of Anthrax.

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949.—This Act, which repealed the Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act, 1919, came into operation on 31st March, 1950. All Local Authorities are required to take all necessary steps to keep their districts free from rats and mice. To this end inspections must be made and, where rats or mice are found on premises to serve notice on the occupier to carry out specified treatment and works to exterminate them and to enforce the duties imposed by the Act on owners and occupiers of land. Where an owner or occupier fails to comply with a notice served by the Local Authority under the Act, the Local Authority may carry out the work and recover the costs incurred. Failure to comply with the notice renders the owner or occupier liable to a penalty. It is the duty of all occupiers of land to notify infestations of rats and mice in order that the Local Authority may carry out their duties under the Act.

The Council has appointed a whole-time Rodent Operative, who commenced his duties on 1st January, 1951. The following is a statement of

the work carried out during 1952:-

		Ту	pe of Pro	perty	
de torrer or reasons espans	Local Authority	Dwelling Houses	Agricul- tural	All other (including Business and Industrial	Total
I. Total No. of properties in District	151	50,986	40	5,122	56,249
II. No. of properties inspected as result:— (a) of notification	62	371		77	510
(b) otherwise	17	40	2	8	67
III. No. of properties found to be infested by rats:— Major	1	3		1	
Minor	39	223		29	291
IV. No. of properties found to be seriously infested by mice	18	82		36	136
V. No. of infested properties (under III and IV) treated by the Local Authority	67	332	1	85	483
VI. No. of notices served under Section 4:— (1) Treatment	_	-	.—		_
(2) Structural works (i.e., Proofing)		_	_	1	1
VII. No. of cases in which default action was taken by Local Authority following issue of notice under Section 4					
VIII. Legal proceedings	_	_	_	_	_

PETROLEUM (CONSOLIDATION) ACT, 1928.—The Sanitary Inspectors made 809 visits to premises where petroleum is stored, or in conjunction with the installation of such storage, and the testing of petroleum appliances or fittings.

The number of Licences issued was 142, and the fees paid to the Council for such Licences was £102. One Licence was issued for the storage of calcium-carbide, the fee payable being 5s.

PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951.—This Act came into force on 1st April, 1952, and the Council is the Local Authority for the Borough. The Act provides that no person may keep a pet shop, or carry on a business of selling animals as pets in premises of any nature (including private dwellings), or keep animals with a view to their being sold in the course of such a business, with certain exemptions, unless he obtains a licence from the Local Authority on payment of a fee not exceeding 10s. 0d.

In deciding whether to grant a licence the Local Authority is required to have regard to the need for securing that the accommodation shall be suitable as to size, temperature, lighting, ventilation, cleanliness, that there will be an adequate supply of suitable food and drink, that the animals will not be sold at too early an age, that all reasonable precautions will be taken to prevent the spread of infectious diseases and that appropriate steps will be taken in cases of fire or other emergency.

It is an offence to sell animals as pets in any part of a street or public place, except at a stall or barrow in a market or to sell pets to children under 12 years of age.

In accordance with the requirements of the Act the Council adopted a set of conditions for application to licences granted under the Act and decided that the licence fee payable should be 10s. 0d. The Chief Sanitary of the Act and he and his Deputy were authorised to inspect any premises in the Borough where licences are in force.

Licences were granted in respect of 10 premises during 1952.

SECTION F.

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

The following diseases are notifiable to the Medical Officer of Health:

1. Under Section 144 and Smallpox. Cholera. Diphtheria. Membranous Croup. Erysipelas. Scarlatina or Scarlet Fever. Typhus Fever.	343, Public Health Act, 1936. Enteric fever (Typhoid and Paratyphoid). Relapsing Fever. Anthrax (made notifiable by the Local Authority as from 1/4/22). Pemphigus Neonatorum (made notifiable by Local Authority as from 29/6/29).
2. Under Regulations of t	he Ministry of Health.
Plague	L.G.B. Order, 19/9/1900.
Puerperal Pyrexia	The Puerperal Pyrexia Regulations, 1951.
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	P.H. (Ophthalmia Neonatorum) Regulations, 1926.
Acute Primary and Acute Influenzal Pneumonia Dysentery Malaria	P.H. (Infectious Diseases) Regulations, 1953.
Tuberculosis	P.H. (Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1952.
Acute Rheumatism (up to 16 years)	The Acute Rheumatism Regulations, 1950.
Measles and Whooping Cough	The Measles and Whooping Cough Regulations, 1940.
Acute Poliomyelitis Acute Encephalitis Meningococcal Infection	P.H. (Acute Poliomyelitis, Acute Encephalitis and Meningococcal Infection) Regulations, 1949.
2 Po Local Act	
3. By Local Act. Food Poisoning	Ilford Corporation Act, 1937, and Food and Drugs Act, 1938.

In addition to the above diseases notifiable to the Medical Officer of Health, certain industrial diseases are notifiable to the Chief Inspector of Factories, Home Office, under Section 66 of the Factories Act, 1937. These are cases of Lead, Phosphorus, Arsenical or Mercurial Poisoning or Anthrax contracted in any factory. The Secretary of State can add other diseases to those mentioned by Regulation.

The total number of deaths of Ilford residents from the following infectious diseases during 1951 and 1952 were as follows:-

			1951	1952
Scarlet Fever		***	 -	-
Enteric Fever		***	 -	_
Diphtheria			 -	-
Acute Poliomyelitis		***	 1	1
Measles			 1	2
Whooping Cough			 2	
Influenza			 24	10
Tuberculosis—Pulmonary			 38	19
Other forn	ns		 3	2
Pneumonia (all forms)	***		 74	53
Diarrhœa (under 2 years)			 -	1
Meningococcal Infections	***		 1	1
		Totals	 144	84

437 627

69 20 11

455 380

20			Number of Cases Notified At Ages—years								To		Cases each			in				Admitted	S		
NOTIFIABLE DISEASE	At all Ages	Under 1	1 and under 5	5 and under 15	15 and under 25	25 and under 45	45 and under 65	65 and upwards	Cranbrook	Park	Loxford	Clementswood	Mayfield	Goodmayes	Fairlop	Clayhall	Barkingside	N. Hainault	Seven Kings	S. Hainault	*Total Cases Adm to Hospital	* Total Deaths	
Smallpox Scarlet Fever Diphtheria, including Membranous Croup	409	1	99	306		1	-	-	34	15	9	14	40		87	32	15	30	36	71	148	THE STATE OF THE S	
Enteric Fever (Typhoid and Para-Typhoid) Pneumonia	2 181	7		24	1 8	1 33		47		1 15	19		_ _ 9			1 10	17	_ _ 8	_ _ 5		1	_ 53	
Puerperal Pyrexia Acute Poliomyelitis Acute-Encephalitis Meningoccocal Infection	64 15 1	lab.		5 1	25 2 —	38	1 -		1 1 -	1 -	2 8	1 -1	1	1112	2 2		1 1 -	57	2	1 3 1	80 61 14	1	39
Dysentery Ophthalmia Neonatorum Erysipelas	99 - 34	8 -	33	11 -	12	9 - 9	1 13 — 17	13 - 7	1 22 — 3	1 - 2	- 3	1 1 1 2	_ 2 _	3	1 16 —		_	_ 1 _		1	57 —	1 -	
Pemphigus Neonatorum Tuberculosis Pulmonary Other Forms	158 20		- 3 1	- 6 3	35	73 6	36 2	5	7 2	13 2	15	7 7 3	15 2	3 14 1	19 1	13	2 12 2	2 - 16 3	7	1 20 3	6 137 9	19	
Anthrax Malaria—Believed contracted in this country Believed contracted		The Party	-	distribution of the second	_	Total	-	10	1	1	Total I			-	1		-	- 1	1 1		- 9	-	
abroad Acute Rheumatism Measles	12 3,166	48	_ 1,149	12 1,940	_ 18				_ 231	_ 220		- 3 312	_ 233	2	_	- 2 414	1		1		_ 10		
Whooping Cough Food Poisoning Typhus Fever	756 38 1	70 3 —	359 8 —	319	1 3 1	7 10 —	8 -	_ 2 _	82 9	59 —	56 2	54 2	47 1		142		59 1	291 41 4 1	259 63 3	268 46 5	69 20 11	1	

TABLE III.—Corrected Notifications of Infectious Diseases for the Year 1952

75 424 329 374

2,632 116 201 130

137

4,958

Totals

1,667

420 | 351 | 328 | 402 | 546 | 512

^{*} Included in the figures in these columns are cases not field in previous years as well as 1952.

The year 1952, on the whole, showed a slightly lower incidence of infectious disease than 1951. The number of cases of measles was 3,166 as compared with 2,985 the previous year. Whooping cough cases numbered 756 as compared with 1,026 in the year 1951.

(a) Smallpox.—No cases were notified during 1952. Notifications regarding 3 persons who had been in contact with cases of smallpox in other areas or on board ship were received. These were visited by the Sanitary Inspectors, five visits being paid.

One suspected case of Smallpox occurred during the year. The patient was admitted to hospital, but the case was not confirmed.

The following gives particulars as to vaccination during 1952:-

Primary vaccination ... 1,428 Re-Vaccination ... 435

Under the National Health Service Act, 1946, compulsory vaccination was abolished, and from 5th July, 1948, this service became the responsibility of the Essex County Council vide Section 26 of the National Health Service Act, 1948.

- (b) Scarlet Fever.—409 cases occurred in 1952. There were no deaths from this disease. Seven cases were admitted to Isolation Hospitals outside the district.
- (c) Diphtheria.—No cases occurred in 1952. This is the first year in which it has been possible to record a clean "bill of health" for this disease in Ilford.
 - (d) Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—No cases occurred in 1952.

The following figures show the number of cases of Ophthalmia Neonatorum notified during the past five years: 1948, 4; 1949, 1; 1950, 2; 1951, 3; 1952, nil. It is to be remembered that many cases of ophthalmia neonatorum are not due to gonorrheal infection.

- (e) Enteric Fever.—Two cases only occurred during the year, both females, ages 19 and 42 years. Both cases were para-typhoid fever "B". One was admitted to the Ilford Isolation Hospital, the other attended the Out-patients' Department, London Hospital. The patients recovered satisfactorily.
- (f) Typhus fever.—A case of this disease occurred in March, 1952. The patient, a female of 21 years, left New Zealand on 26th January by steamship. The vessel passed through the Panama Canal and the patient went ashore at Colon and Curacao Island. The vessel arrived at Southampton on 26th February and the patient reached Ilford the next day, being admitted to the Ilford Isolation Hospital on 29th February. The patient recovered after a stay of 33 days in Hospital.

This type of typhus fever is transmitted by the bite of a tick and is not louse-borne, as is the usual type of typhus fever.

(g) (i) Acute Poliomyelitis.—Fifteen cases occurred during the year. They were males of 5, 6, 8, 8, 10, 13 and 18 years and females of 3, 3, 3, 4, 24, 25, 29 and 31 years. Twelve cases were admitted to the Ilford Isolation Hospital, two to Rush Green Hospital, Romford, and one case was nursed at home.

Eleven cases were paralytic and four non-paralytic. One paralytic case was fatal, that of a male patient, aged 18 years, who died within a few minutes of admission to hospital.

(ii) Acute Encephalitis.—One case only of this disease occurred. It was in a male child of five years who was admitted to the Ilford Isolation Hospital. The child was discharged after 5 weeks in hospital, having made a satisfactory recovery.

(iii) Meningococcal Infection.—Two cases of this disease occurred—a male of 57 years, an inmate of Claybury Hospital, and a female of 5 years who was admitted to Rush Green Hospital, Romford. Both patients recovered.

One other case (which was not notified) occurred in a male child of two years. The child was admitted to the Ilford Isolation Hospital but died the same day. A post-mortem was performed by the Coroner who certified the cause of death as acute meningococcal septicæmia.

(h) Pneumonia—Influenzal and Primary.—This disease was less prevalent during 1952 than in the previous year, especially of the influenzal type.

The incidence of influenzal and primary pneumonia throughout the year is shown by the following table.

	-	Acute I Pneu	Prima monia	гу	Acute Influenzal Pneumonia					
Month, 1952		Hos	Hospital Admissions		Nursed at Home		spital issions	Nursed at Home		
			Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
January			17	2	7				6	-
February	***		6	1	7	_	3	1	5	
March			3	_	5	1	_	-	3	100
April	***		6	1	8	_			2	1
May			6	-	7	1			-	1
June	***	1000	2	_	3	_	2	1		
July	***		2			_	1		2	
August			2		3	_	1	_	ī	
September	***		-	-	4	2		RIDE	gar	
October			6	1	7	1	1	LL	Aug I	
November			3	1	5	1	4	1	1	_
December	***		10	-	25	1	2	-	4	_
Totals			63	6	81	7	13	3	24	1

It will be seen from the above figures that of 144 persons who suffered from acute primary pneumonia there were 13 deaths, equal to 9.0 per cent.; and in the case of acute influenzal pneumonia 37 persons with 4 deaths, equal to 10.8 per cent. It will be noted that there was a sharp rise in December, doubtless due to the very severe weather, particularly fog, which occurred in that month.

(i) Tuberculosis.—During the year 1952 there were 158 new notifications of Pulmonary Tuberculosis and 20 of other forms of Tuberculosis. 10 cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis were transferred to Ilford.

It is interesting to compare the figures of the number of persons added to the list during the past 10 years, and these show that 1952 was the lowest during that period.

Year		Pulr	nonary Cases	Non-Pulmonary Cases
1943	444		255	43
1944			222	33
1945			236	38
1946			247	34
1947			252	30
1948			266	26
1949			178	34

Year		Puln	nonary Cases	Non-Pulmonary Cases
1950	 		242	26
	 4		227	33
1952	 		168	20

Notifications and Deaths from Tuberculosis of Ilford residents during 1952:—

			New	Cases	L. Minney	Deaths					
Age Periods		Respi	ratory		on- iratory	Respi	ratory	Non- Respiratory			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
Under 1 y	ear	_	-		Name of						
1-5 years		2	1	1							
5-15		4	2	1	2						
15-25		20	15	3	54		1				
25-35		19	17	1	3	1	4				
85-45		28	9		2		2	1			
45-55		12	4	- 17	District of the last	2		TO SECOND			
55-65		17	8	1	1	2	2				
Over 65		3	2	1	-	3	2	1	_		
Totals		105	53	8	12	8	11	2			

Of the foregoing new cases, the following were notified from Institutions in the district:—

		Respiratory Tuberculosis	Non- Respiratory Tuberculosis
King George Hospital		6	
Claybury Hospital		1	
Goodmayes Hospital		6	- Control
Ilford Isolation Hospital		2	Tanasana T
Dr. Barnardo's Village Homes	***	1	1 207

Of the 21 deaths which occurred of Ilford residents, notification had previously been made of 18 of the cases. In the remaining 3 cases the presence of tuberculosis was discovered as a result of (a) post-mortem examination; (b) from changes revealed by X-rays; and (c) the patient (aged 81 years) was said to have contracted tuberculosis of the spine at the age of three, but it was not established whether he had been notified.

During the year 1952 the following deaths occurred from Tuberculosis:

below anoung to redmented	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary
Ilford Residents	19	2
Non-Residents— Claybury Hospital	5	
Goodmayes Hospital Ilford Isolation Hospital	2	
King George Hospital	9 2	1

The Contract of the Contract o			Pulmonary	Non- Pulmonary	Total
Number of cases on register,				175	1,426
Number of cases entered on during the year	the	register	168	20	188
Number of cases removed from during the year	the	register			
894 000,1	Pul.	Non- Pul.			
Recovered	20	-			
Deceased	25	3			
Left District		9			
Lost sight of	3	_			
Diagnosis not established	9	2			
21	- 0		140	32	172
Number of cases remaining on	regis	ter on			
31st December, 1952	···		1,279	163	1,442

Cases of Tuberculosis, on notification, are visited by the Tuberculosis Nurses. Cases of longer standing are visited by the Sanitary Inspectors during the year, a visit being made to each patient every six months; 1,072 persons were visited during the year. The following reports were obtained:

Condition good		***		Pulmonary Cases 563	Other Cases 68
Condition fairly good				178	15
Condition poorly				38	2
In canatoria				126	5
No information as to p	resen	t cond	ition	- 25	1
Removed from district,				45	6
				975	97

The treatment of Tuberculosis is now under the control of the Regional Hospital Board. On the 31st December, 1952, there were 1,133 patients on the register of the Ilford Clinic.

The number of patients from Ilford sent to Institutions under the Regional Hospital Board Tuberculosis Scheme during 1952 was as follows:

	7	Puln	nonary	Non-P	Non-Pulmonary			
Ordination and	Dw.	Males	Females	Males	Females	Total		
Adults		73	59	2	3	137		
Children		4	1	3	1	9		

MASS RADIOGRAPHY.

The Mass Radiography Unit of the North East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board attended in the Ilford district from 5th November, 1951, to the 21st January, 1952. Dr. Hugh Ramsay, the Medical Director, supplied me with particulars of the Survey as follows:—

Number of films taken at the Survey:-

		Min	iature	Lo	arge
(a) General Public (b) School children (c) School teachers (d) Local Firms and Or		1,784 792 141	Female 2,987 843 140 2,511		Female 119 12 1 77
Groups		5,509	6,481	260	209
Total	als	11	,990	4	69

The classification of the most important groups was:-Totals Males Females M.Active Post Primary Lesions ... (a) 7 8 (b) (c) 4 11 10 (d) (a) 42 42 Inactive Post Primary Lesions ... (b) (c) (d) 61 18 104 62 (a) 11 23 Inactive Primary Lesions (b) 4 (c) 21 49 28 (d) 15 143 121 Totals:

Tuberculosis Care Association.—This Association has assisted 71 cases with extra nourishment, clothing, and in other ways.

(i) Venereal Diseases.—Treatment of thtse diseases is now the responsibility of the Regional Hospital Board.

The following are the V.D. Treatment Centres situate nearest to

Romford.—The Annexe, Oldchurch Hospital, Waterloo Road, Romford:—

Sessions ... Monday, 4 to 6.30 p.m.

Tuesday, 4 to 6.30 p.m.
Thursday, 12.15 to 3.15 p.m.

Treatments are given from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Monday to Friday.

Whitechapel.—Whitechapel Clinic, Turner Street, Mile End, London, E.1:—

Sessions Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. Consultation to 7 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Times

Treatments are given from 9 a.m. onward.

West Ham.—Queen Mary's Hospital, West Ham Lane, Stratford, London, E.15:—

Sessions (Males) ... Monday, 3 to 6 p.m.
Thursday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 6 to 8 p.m.
Saturday, 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.

(Females) ... Monday, 6 to 8 p.m.
Thursday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; 3 to 6 p.m.
Saturday, 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.

PUBLICITY AND PROPAGANDA, ETC.

Public lectures to Ratepayers' Associations, Evening Institutes and Church organisations, etc., on health topics were given during the year. The Chairman of the Public Health Committee also made reference at a number of Council meetings to health subjects. Poster displays regarding Diphtheria immunisation and health topics were also given prominence.

On 24th October a film show featuring Vaccination and Diphtheria Immunisation was held at the Town Hall.

ACCIDENT PREVENTION IN THE HOME.

The Council agreed to membership of the Home Safety Department of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents and the first step in their programme was the inviting of delegates from numerous local organisations to attend an inaugural meeting on 18th November, 1952, at which Mrs. Duncan, Manager of the Home Safety Department of RoSPA, addressed the meeting on the cause and effect of home accidents, means of combating them, and the suggestion of the formation of a local Home Safety Committee under the general guidance of the Public Health Committee. The Council agreed to the formation of such a Committee, to be designated the Home Safety Advisory Committee, and invitations were sent to the 12 delegates present at the inaugural meeting, and also to other voluntary bodies inviting the sending of a representative to the future meetings of the Committee to discuss the inauguration of a scheme in Ilford.

The constitution of the Committee consisted of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Public Health Committee, who were elected to the same offices in this Committee, and the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Road Safety Advisory Committee, together with one representative of each of the organisations who were participating in the scheme, and the function would be to advise the Public Health Committee and make the necessary recommendations in regard to the training of people in matters relating to safety in the home, the training of representatives to undertake propaganda work within the borough, and the dissemination of propaganda by means of pamphlets, posters, film shows and other suitable means.

The Council authorised expenditure not exceeding £25 during the remainder of the current financial year. It was also agreed that a copy of the "Home Safety Bulletin," published by RoSPA quarterly, should be sent to all members of the Committee.

At the end of the year the Home Safety Advisory Committee, in addition to the Council members mentioned above, included members from 18 voluntary organisations, including the local press, and arrangements were in hand to give, early in 1953, film shows and talks to various organisations.

(Owing to legal difficulties the Council, early in 1953, handed over the administrative control to a voluntary committee.)

EXAMINATION OF OFFICERS AND SERVANTS.

The following medical examinations were carried out during 1952:-

	Officers	Servants
New Appointments	 35	29
Under Sickness Regulations	 7	15.
Totals	 42	44

SECTION G.—FACTORIES.

The Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, was superseded by the Factories Act, 1937, which came into operation on 1st July, 1938.

There are 400 factories with mechanical power on the register.

There are 196 factories without mechanical power on the register.

There are 220 outworkers on the register.

1.—INSPECTION OF FACTORIES AND OTHER PREMISES. INCLUDING INSPECTIONS MADE BY SANITARY INSPECTORS.

Premises	Number of						
(1)	Inspections (2)	Written Notices (3)	Occupiers prosecuted (4)				
Factories with Mechanical Power Factories without Mechanical	1,214	2	Columnia Col				
Power	170	37	10 - bind				
Other premises (not including Outworkers' premises)	66	2	THE PARTY OF				
Total	1,450	41	TORRID MIN				

2.—DEFECTS FOUND IN FACTORIES.

and points It's soltmone t	Nur	No. of defects in		
Particulars	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector	respect of which Pro- secutions were instituted
Want of Cleanliness (S.1)	18	23*		
Overcrowding (S.2) Unreasonable Temperature	one - Sile	Inth Hall	100-070	of beat mi
(S.3)	(- ne	_		and —
Inadequate Ventilation (S.4) Ineffective Drainage of	na ind	V 0 - 104	-	- 10
Floors (S.6)	_	-		_
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7):—		HABIN		e mining
Insufficient	9	5	and the coll	
Unsuitable or Defective	13	11	-	-
Not Separate for Sexes	1	1	-	_
Other Offences		-	minimit w	
Total	41	40*	man and the	-

^{*} Includes compliances of defects found in 1951.

PART III.—SERVICES.

National Health Service Act, 1946.

BIRTHS.—In accordance with the provisions of the Public Health Act, 1936, all live births and all stillbirths of twenty-eight weeks gestation and over must be notified within 36 hours to the Medical Officer of Health of the area in which the birth took place. The number of live births notified in Ilford under this Act during 1952 was 1,734 (929 males and 805 females), of which there were 112 (55 males and 57 females) where the ordinary place of residence of the parents was outside Ilford.

In addition 695 notifications of live births (359 males and 336 females) which took place outside the district, although the ordinary residence of the parents was in Ilford, were transferred to this district.

During the year there were 4 cases in which there was default in complying with the requirements of the Public Health Act relating to the Notification of Births and warning letters were sent to the persons concerned.

The percentage of live births occurring in Ilford, notified by the various responsible persons, was as follows:—

By Medical Practitioners			 	-23
By Certified Midwives	***		 	99.54
By Parents and others		***	 	.23

There were also 44 stillbirths (20 males and 24 females) notified in Ilford including 2 (1 male and 1 female) where the home address of the parents was outside the district, and notifications of 13 stillbirths (6 males and 7 females) which took place outside the district, although the ordinary residence of the parents was in Ilford, were transferred to this district. This represents a total of 55 where the home address was in Ilford, whereas the Registrar-General has allocated only 51 stillbirths to Ilford.

The following table shows the causes of the 55 stillbirths notified where the usual residence of the parents was in Ilford:—

STILLBIRTHS, 1952

Cause of Stilli	oirth	Delivery by County Council Midwife at home	Delivery in Hospital	Total		
Prolapsed cord	al kidneys rtum haemorrhage a sis und neck phalus erine death cous foetus l insufficiency mptic toxaemia rity and Congenital Atelec-			5 1 2 8 5 1 1 2 1 3 1	5 1 2 8 5 2 1 2 1 3 1	
Rhesus negative Tentorium haemorrhage Toxaemia True knot in cord Unknown Very short cord			- 1 7 1	1 2 4 — 4 —	1 2 4 1 11 11	
Total	s		10	45	55	

CARE OF PREMATURE INFANTS.—Of the 1,734 live births occurring in Ilford during 1952, 85 weighed $5\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. or less at birth; 17 of these babies were born at home and 68 in Hospital (including 6 where the home address of the parents was outside Ilford).

Of the 17 babies born at home: -

11 were nursed entirely at home;

6 were transferred to hospital;

All survived at the end of one month.

Of the 68 babies born in hospital:-

- 8 died during the first 24 hours (including one where the home address was outside Ilford);
- 5 died between the ages of one day and one month (including one where the home address was outside Ilford);
- 55 survived at the end of one month (including 4 where the home address was outside Ilford).

In addition 40 notifications were received of births outside the district where the ordinary residence of the parents was in Ilford and the weight of the infant at birth was $5\frac{1}{2}$ lb. or less. Of these there were:—

- 3 who died within the first 24 hours (all in hospital);
- 3 who died between the ages of one day and one month (all in hospital);
 - 34 who survived at the end of one month.

INFANT MORTALITY.—The number of infants dying within the first year of life was 44, the total number born being 2,323. The latter figure is supplied by the Registrar-General for calculating infant and maternal mortality rates. The infant mortality, or rate of deaths per 1,000 live births, was therefore 18.94.

The following table gives the deaths of infants under one year of age, classified according to age:—

INFANT DEATHS-1952.

Cause of Death	Under 1 week	1—2 weeks	2-3 weeks	8-4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	1-3 months	3-6 months	6—9 months	9 -12 months	Total
Abnormalities of the Heart Acute Purulent Bronchitis Atelectasis Broncho Pneumonia Convulsions Hepatic Necrosis Hydrocephalus Intracranial injuries Myelomeningocele Porencephaly Prematurity Tentorial tear	$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \\ -1 \\ -3 \\ -1 \\ -8 \\ 1 \end{array}$	- 1 1 - - - 1 - -	111111111111	111111111111	1 13 4 - 1 - 3 - 1 8 1	1 - 2 - - 1 - - -	- 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - -		111111111111	2 1 13 9 1 1 1 4 2 1 8 1
Totals	29	3	_	_	32	4	4	4	-	44

The comparative figures for the past 10 years are as follows:

			No	of Deaths	Rate per 1,000
Year			un	der 1 year	Registered Live Births
1952			 	44	18.9
1951			 ***	50	21.0
1950		- LOTE	 1000	45	18.7
1949		229	 1444	53	20-1
1948				62	21.7
1947			 	82	24.3
1946		***	 	102	29.6
1945			 	81	32.7
1944				102	36.8
1943	***		 ***	92	35.1

The mean average Infant Mortality rate for the past 10 years is therefore 25.9 per 1,000 live births.

The following table shows the comparison for Ilford, England and Wales, London, and Towns having a population exceeding 50,000 for the past 10 years:—

Year.		Ilford	England and Wales	London	Towns with population over 50,000
1952	***	 18.9	28	24	31
1951		 21.0	30	26	34
1950		 18.7	30	26	34
1949	***	 20.1	32	29	37
1948		 21.7	34	39	32
1947		 24.3	41	47	36
1946		 29.6	48	41	46
1945		 32.7	46	53	54
1944		 36.8	46	61	52
1943		 35.1	49	58	58

NEONATAL MORTALITY.—The death-rate of infants under four weeks of age is known as the Neonatal Mortality. There were 32 deaths of infants under four weeks of age during 1952 and the rate for the year was 13.8 per 1,000 live births.

The figures for the past 47 years were as follows:-

Yea	r	Number	Rate	Yea	ır	Number	Rate	
1952		32	13.8	1928		41	23.6	
1951		40	16.8	1927		32	19.3	
1950		32	13.3	1926		32	21.2	
1949		33	12.5	1925		37	24.9	
1948		37	12.9	1924		28	19.5	
1947		51	15.1	1923		34	21.2	
1946		74	21.5	1922		-40	27.1	
1945		49	19.8	1921		38	25.5	
1944		64	23.1	1920		45	27.0	
1943		54	20.6	1919		36	30.8	
1942		49	20.3	1918		32	30.4	
1941		36	22.0	1917		29	24.7	
1940		43	22.3	1916		43	28.8	
1939		57	25.8	1915		54	35.1	
1938		50	21.8	1914		43	28.7	
1937		52	23.0	1913		37	24.6	
1936		59	26.7	1912		45	30.2	
1935	***	51	24.8	1911		34	21:4	
1934	***	37	18.8	1910		54	32.2	
1933	***	48	25.9	1909		56 -	34:0	
1932		41	20.6	1908		55	33.2	
1931		64	82.3	1907		54	31.5	
1930		31	16.8	1906		57	33.5	
1929		48	27.4					

ILLEGITIMATE BIRTHS AND DEATHS.—91 of the live births registered (41 males and 50 females were illegitimate, that is 3.9 per cent. of the births registered.

No illegitimate child died under one year of age.

The following table shows the birth and death rates of legitimate and illegitimate infants for the past ten years:—

Maria .	Le	egitimate	Infan	ts	Illegitimate Infants					
Year	Live Births	Percentage of Registered Births	Deaths	Rate per 1,000 Legitimate Live Births	Live Births	Percentage of Registered Births	Deaths	Rate per 1,000 Illegitimate Live Births		
1952	2,232	96.1	44	19.7	91	3.9	_			
1951	2,306	97.1	49	21.2	70	2.9	1	14.3		
1950	2,332	96.9	41	17.6	74	3.1	4	54.0		
949	2,567	97.6	51	19.9	63	2.4	2	31.7		
1948	2,757	96.8	58	21.0	91	3.2	4	43.9		
1947	3,258	96.7	78	23.9	110	3.3	4	36.4		
946	3,336	96.9	97	29.1	107	3.1	5	46.7		
945	2,343	94.5	73	31.2	136	5.5	8	58.8		
944	2,655	95.8	95	35.7	116	4.2	7	60.3		
943	2,532	96.6	89	35.2	89	3.4	3	33.7		

The Chelmsford Diocesan Moral Welfare Association continued in 1952 to undertake the care of the unmarried mother and her child on behalf of the County Council and there has been direct co-operation through their Moral Welfare Worker for this district. In addition, all cases are followed up by the Health Visitors.

HEALTH VISITORS AND SCHOOL NURSES.—The shortage of health visiting staff continued and Clinic Nurses continued to be employed to relieve the Health Visitors of certain duties.

The Essex County Council's Training Scheme for Health Visitors, in conjunction with the S.E. Essex Technical College, has continued and certain trainees have again been allocated to Ilford for practical instruction. Three trainees, on completing the Course in 1952 and passing the examination for the Health Visitors' Certificate of the Royal Sanitary Institute, were appointed as Health Visitors and School Nurses here and one further trainee was appointed as a Tuberculosis Health Visitor.

At the end of the year there were 12 full-time qualified Health Visitors and School Nurses in addition to the Superintendent Health Visitor, and 5 Clinic Nurses. Although this shows an increase over previous years, the health visiting staff is still below the approved establishment of 18.

The following is a summary of the home visits made by the Health Visitors and Clinic Nurses during 1952 as far as the Maternity and Child Welfare work is concerned.

First visits to newly-born infants Subsequent visits to children under Subsequent visits to children over 1	1 year year of	of age a	nd und	 2,389 3,995 11,895
Visits to expectant mothers				 87
Home visits for other reasons				 4,316
	Tot	al visit	ts paid	 22,682

DAY NURSERIES.

- (a) The hours of opening at all the Nurseries during 1952 continued to be from 7.30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday to Friday only.
- (b) As from the 1st January, 1952, the charge made to parents for meals for children attending the Nurseries was increased from 1s. 6d. to 2s. 0d. per day for each child and this continued in operation throughout the year. On the 18th January, 1953, however, having regard to the provision in the National Health Service Act, 1952, that fees charged for the attendance of children at day nurseries should be in relation to the upkeep and running costs, the standard charge was increased to 7s. 6d. per child per day, with provision for this standard charge to be reduced, according to scale, when the means of the parents do not justify the full charge.

Following this increase in January, 1953, there has been a marked decrease in the daily attendances at the Nurseries. It should, however, be mentioned that for some months previously the number of applications for day nursery accommodation had somewhat diminished, largely due to the decline in the birth rate over the past four or five years and possibly in part due to the fact that there have been less opportunities for married women to find employment than there were two or three years ago.

(c) The training of Students at the Nurseries for the Certificate of the National Nursery Examination Board continued. Ten Students (two from the Ley Street Nursery, one from the Sunshine House Nursery, three from the Goodmayes Lane Nursery and four from Stevens Road Nursery) entered for the examination during the year, five of whom obtained the Certificate.

In January, 1953, approval was given to arrangements being made for young students to attend part-time courses (on one day a week) at day continuation classes whilst awaiting enrolment for the Nursery Nurses' Course at a Technical College in the September following their sixteenth birthday; this enables them to pursue their studies in general subjects and so improve their general educational standard during this pre-nursery course period.

(d) Stevens Road Nursery.—In view of the decrease in demand for accommodation at this Nursery, the Health Area Sub-Committee at their meeting in May, 1952, decided to offer to the Dagenham Health Area a block of 20 places. This offer was accepted and the first batch of children was admitted on the 30th June. The number of Dagenham children in the Nursery, however, has never exceeded 9 and at the 31st December was 6.

As the demand for places at this Nursery continued to decline in the latter months of 1952, notwithstanding the arrangements referred to in the foregoing paragraph, and the number of children on the register has steadily decreased since, approval was given by the County Council to close the Nursery on the 28th July, 1953, the remaining children being transferred to the Goodmayes Lane Nursery.

(e) The following is a table showing the attendances, etc., at the Day Nurseries during 1952:—

	Date of modation Opening Opening (Children) Average Daily Attendance during 1952		No. of	Reasons for Quarantine with Number of Cases									
Situation		Days in Quarantine	Chicken	Scarlet Fever	Whooping	Mumps	Measles	German Measles	Meningitis	Diarrhoea and Vomiting	No. on Waiting List at 31st Dec.		
vunshine House, Girls' Village Homes, Barkingside	17.8.42	45	37	120	2	7		20	6	1			8
Goodmayes Lane, Goodmayes (Replaced Green Lane Nursery, open from 5.5.43 to 9.11.51)	14.11.51	50	41	170	The state of the s	1	2	13	39	5	1	10	2
26-236, Ley Street, Ilford	16.8.43	50	41	131	20	5	6	2	3				5
tevens Road, Dagenham (Replaced Becontree Avenue Nursery, open from 17.1.44 to 13.3.50)	16,3.50	50	84	172	1	1	5	15	2	3	The state of the s		1

NURSERIES AND CHILD-MINDERS REGULATION ACT, 1948.—This Act, which came into operation in August, 1948, requires, inter alia, that every local health authority shall keep registers—

- (a) of premises in their area, other than premises wholly or mainly used as private dwellings, where children are received to be looked after for the day or a substantial part thereof or for any longer period not exceeding six days;
- (b) of persons in their area who for reward receive into their homes children under the age of five to be looked after as aforesaid.

The following shows the position regarding registrations under the Act:—

Number on register at 31/12/51	Premises 3	(b) Child-minders	
Number registered during 1952 Number of registrations cancelled during 1952 (Removals from district, etc.)	2	1	
Number on register at 31/12/52 Number of children provided for at 31/12/52		3 29	

CLINIC PREMISES.

- (a) Fairlop Centre.—Last year I reported that arrangements had been made for the Fairlop Infant Welfare Centre to be transferred from Fairlop School to the Holy Trinity Church Hall, Mossford Green, Barkingside, as the Education Committee required their accommodation for school purposes. The last session held at Fairlop School was on Saturday, the 16th August, 1952, and the Centre was transferred to the Holy Trinity Church Hall on Tuesday mornings, commencing on the 19th August.
- (b) Holy Trinity Church Hall, Barkingside.—Early on the morning of Monday, the 24th November, 1952, a fire occurred at this Church Hall, where the Barkingside and Fairlop Infant Welfare Centres were held on Monday afternoons and Tuesday mornings respectively. As the Hall was no longer usable, owing to the considerable damage caused to the buildings and the contents, emergency arrangements were made for the mothers to attend with their children at other Centres, and for Welfare Foods to be sold from the Barkingside Sub-Food Office.

It was later possible to arrange for the hire of the Methodist Church Hall, Fremantle Road, Barkingside, on Thursday afternoons, to hold a combined session for both Centres, and the first session was held there on the 11th December, 1952.

- (c) Following complaints of nuisances created by photographers outside the Infant Welfare Clinic premises the matter was referred to the Ilford Borough Council, who made a Byelaw, operative from the 1st May, 1953, prohibiting the importuning of any person, for the purpose of taking or selling any photograph, in any of the streets in which the Clinics are situate.
- (d) Mayesbrook Dental Clinic.—When the Manford Way Clinic was completed in 1951, the equipment held at the Mayesbrook Clinic for the No. 2 Surgery was transferred to the Manford Way Clinic, to obviate purchasing new equipment at a time when there was a great shortage of Dental Officers. As towards the end of 1952 our staff of whole-time Dental Officers had increased to 3 (including the Senior Dental Officer) and in addition we had been successful in obtaining the services of part-time Dental Officers for sessional work, steps were taken to re-furnish the No. 2 Surgery at Mayesbrook Clinic and this was in use from the 19th January, 1953.

INFANT WELFARE CENTRES.—102 voluntary lady helpers were engaged in the work at the Infant Welfare Centres at the end of December, 1952.

During the year the following attendances were recorded:	
Total number of attendances of infants	42,033
First attendances	1,947
Attendances of Children from 1 to 5 years	13,360
Total number of children on roll, December 31st, after omission of all those who had not attended for six	3,701
months	3,/01

The following is a comparison of the attendances at the Infant Welfare Centres for the past five years:—

		Total No. of attendances of Infants	First attendances	Total No. of children on roll on 31st December
1952 .	 	42,033	1,947	3,701
1951 .	 ***	44,419	1,998	4,887
1950 .	 	43,402	2,490	3,894
1949 .	 ***	43,668	2,621	3,697
1948 .	 	49,444	2,641	3,712

718 sessions were held during the year, the average attendance at each session being 59 mothers with their infants.

The following are the figures for each Centre:	The	following	are th	he !	figures	for	each	Centre:-	_
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Annal Series	and a			Sessions	Average Attendance
Chadwell .				48	47
Becontree .				49	54
Downshall .				49	63
Manford Way				49	41
Woodford Av	enue			49	81
Seven Kings				49	61
Cecil Hall (W	ednesdays)			49	62
Cecil Hall (TI	hursdays)	W.	MIL MOR	47	60
Newbury Hal	1	100		48	42
Goodmayes .				48	47
Grosvenor R	oad			48	75
Ilford Lane .				48	66
Valentines .			124.	48	68
¹ Barkingside (to	0 17/11/52)		43	76
² Fairlop (to 16	(8/52)			30	34
¹ Fairlop (19/8)	52 to 18/1	1/52)	14	21
³ Barkingside 3 11/12/52)			(from	2	41

¹ At Holy Trinity Church Hall.

² At Fairlop School.

³ Combined session at Methodist Church Hall, Fremantle Road.

ORTHOPAEDIC CLINIC.

- (i) Newbury Hall Clinic.—41 sessions were held during 1952, 227 children under 5 years of age being examined, making 372 attendances.
- (ii) Mayesbrook Clinic.—22 sessions were held during 1952, 111 children under 5 years of age being examined, making 177 attendances.
- (iii) Manford Way Clinic.—7 sessions (the first on the 12th March) were held during 1952, 25 Ilford children under 5 years of age being examined, making 34 attendances.

The 363 children were found by the Orthopaedic Surgeon to be suffering from the following defects:—

Diagnos	Diagnosis			New Ca	ises	0	Old Cases				
			A	В	C	A	В	C			
Paralysis :-											
A.P.M	***		-	1	-	-	1	-3			
Hemiplegia			1			The same of					
Deformity of hips			1	2	1024	1	2	1115			
Genu valgum			60	28	5	44	24	2			
O.C.T			5	4	_	14	6	2			
Genu varum			4	4	1	-	0	-			
Pes valgo planus			13	4	5	25	9	4			
Valgus ankles			3	3		8	4	1			
lalipes calc. valgus			2			2	1 7	1			
Congenital talipes I	LV.	***				1	1	-			
Congenital defect			1	1		2		1			
Intoeing			2	1	1	7	3				
Deformity of toes			6	3	1	2	-				
Black Posture	***		1	0	1	2	1500				
N.A.D		***	2	1			-	_			
Spastic Diplegia	***		-	1		4	3	2			
Other conditions	***		13	6	-	2	-				
Scoliosis	***	***	10		-		1	_			
	***	***	1		-	-	-	-			
Total	ls		115	58	13	112	58	12			

A-Newbury Hall. B-Mayesbrook. C-Manford Way.

15 pairs of Valgus Insoles, 3 pairs surgical shoes, 1 Metatarsal bar and toe spring, 10 G.V. night splints and 2 calipers and leg instruments were supplied during 1952.

At the Newbury Hall Clinic, 42 children under five years of age were treated by the Physiotherapist during the year, and 200 attendances were made by these children.

Treatment was also given to 16 children who made 65 attendances at the Mayesbrook Clinic.

PAEDIATRIC CLINIC.—The Consultant Paediatrician continued to attend the Clinic at Valentines Mansion during the year. 23 sessions were held and 82 new cases were examined, having been referred from the Infant Welfare Centres, Schools and Maternity Hospital for the reasons set out in the following table; a total of 151 attendances were made.

OPHTHALMIC CLINICS.—Attendances of children under school age for treatment by the Oculist during 1952 were as follows:—

	Valentines Mansion	Mayesbrook Clinic	*Manford Way Clinic	Total
Number of children who attended	0.2	48	7	148
Number of pairs of spectacles prescribed		27	5	77
Total number of attendances made		109	10	323
(* First s	ession held	17th March,	1952)	

AURAL CLINIC.—The Aural Surgeon attended at 92 sessions during 1952 and 90 attendances were made by 65 children of pre-school age. 9 children were operated upon for removal of tonsils and adenoids, 2 at Ilford Isolation Hospital, 4 at King George Hospital, Ilford and 3 at East Ham Memorial Hospital.

RHEUMATISM CLINIC.—31 sessions were held during the year at Newbury Hall, at which 33 children under 5 years of age, 14 being new cases, made 49 attendances. The following is a summary of the cases treated:—

		Condi	tion	1	New	Old	Total
	natism			 		1	1
Conger	nital hear	rt disea	ase	 	2	6	8
No act	ive rheur	matic o	disease	 	1	1	2
Functi	onal hear	rt mur	mur	 	8	5	8
Pains-	other th	nan rh	eumatic	 	2	_	2
Other	forms			 	5	2	7
N.A.D.		***		 	1	4	5
	Totals			 	14	19	33

Number	of	cases	referred	to Ear, Nose and Throat Surgeon	1
"	,,	,,	"	" Paediatrician	1
,,	**	,,	,,	for Blood Sedimentation Rate	2
"	,,,	,,	"	" X-ray and Electrocardiograph	24

ARTIFICIAL SUNLIGHT CLINIC.—51 sessions were held at the Newbury Hall Clinic and 49 at Mayesbrook. In all, 82 children under 5 years of age were treated, making 1,215 attendances.

The conditions treated were as follows:-

					1	Cases		
	Condi	tions				A	В	
Anaemia, Debility a	nd Mal	nutritio	on			33	11	
Wide Fontanelle						9		
Old Rickets						3	-	
O.C.T. (Bow legs)				***	***	4	3	
Bronchitis					***	5	-	
Alopecia			***			1	2	
Other conditions						8	3	
Totals						63	19	

A.-Newbury Hall.

B.-Mayesbrook.

26 cases were still attending at the end of the year; of the remainder 2 had removed from the district, 37 were discharged having made a satisfactory recovery and 17 were discharged due to absence.

SPEECH CLINIC.—6 children of pre-school age attended, making 68 attendances. The following is the classification of the defects found by the speech therapist:-

Dyslalia 5. Stammering 1.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.— TABULAR STATEMENT AS TO NUMBER OF CHILDREN SCHICK TESTED AND IMMUNISED AT THE DIPHTHERIA CLINICS FROM 1ST JANUARY, 1952, TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1952.

	Valentines Clinic			Mayesbrook Clinic			Manford Way Clinic			
	School Children (Various Schools)	The state of the s	Total	School Children (Various Schools)		Total	School Children (Various Schools)		Total	GRAND TOTALS All Clinics
Numbers Schick Tested :	A	- 30,0			28 0	ES.				
Positive	1		1	5		5	1 E F S			6
Negative	6	10	16	4	1	5	1		1	22
Numbers inoculated (full course)	25	400	425	26	254	280	6	82	88	793
Positive after full course of inoculations	95.59	500				200	1 2 1			
and re-inoculated	5	18	23	1	7	8		1	1	32
Negative after full course of inoculations	22	718	740	15	331	346	4	102	106	1,192
Re-inoculations (one only)	628	95	723	347	53	400	72	3	75	1,198
Awaiting re-test	4	207	211	1	101	102	3	36	39	352
Not re-tested after inoculation (on account of	TE BA			9 9			- 23 5			002
leaving District, etc.)	12	344	356	13	147	160	7	41	48	564
Positive after re-test but not re-inoculated for	- 4		77.0			200	1 1 1 1		10	004
same reason as above		4	4	E-0 7-9	-1	1	1 1 1 1	1 3 3		5
Final Schick Test in 1952 (1951 Cases) :-				53 44	2 B	-	888			
Positive after full course of inoculations,	1		- 4 5	F 8 E 1	E E	0 9 5	02 - 5	1 59	88	1 20
and re-inoculated	1	_	1		1 11	19.4	253	1	1	9
Negative	30	288	318	13	109	122	8 6 3 1	42	42	482

During 1952, a total number of 2,534 children attended at the Diphtheria Prevention Clinics, (1,484 at Valentines Clinic, 812 at Mayesbrook and 238 at Manford Way), making a total number of attendances of 8,689 (5,102, 2,814 and 773), with an average per session of 50, 53 and 16 respectively.

During 1952, 67 private doctors were supplied with prophylactic for the immunisation of 2,288 children and record cards were received from general practitoners as follows:—

			Under 5	Over 5
Inoculations (full course)	 	***	1,190	73
Re-inoculations (one only)	 		155	870

^{(*} These figures include cases inoculated by general practitioners who made subsequent attendances at the Diphtheria Clinics).

VACCINATION.—During 1952 record cards were received from general practitioners and various hospitals as follows:—

Ages up to 14— No. of children primarily vaccinated No. of children revaccinated	 1,249 50
Ages 15 and over— No. of adults primarily vaccinated No. of adults revaccinated	 179 385

TREATMENT OF MINOR AILMENTS.—Children suffering from simple dietetic ailments are treated at the Infant Welfare Centres. A certain number of infants were, however, brought to the Clinics at Newbury Hall and Mayesbrook Clinic to receive treatment for minor ailments.

CARDIAC CLINIC.—During 1952, 11 sessions were held. 53 expectant and nursing mothers were referred from either the ante-natal or post-natal clinics, and with 18 old cases made a total of 96 attendances.

The following is a summary of the new cases examined by Dr. K. Playfair:—

Condition	Post- Natal	Ante- Natal
Congenital Cardiac lesion Functional Cardiac disorder No lesion Old healed infective endocarditis Rheumatoid Arthritis Still being investigated	 - 1 1 - -	2 23 8 1 1
Valvular disease of the heart	 - <u>2</u> - <u>4</u>	- 8 - 49

11 of these patients were referred to Queen Mary's Hospital for X-Ray and electrocardiograph.

Midwives.—There were 14 State certified midwives (including the Superintendent, Deputy Superintendent, 9 domiciliary midwives and 2 part-time midwives), resident and practising in the district at the end of the year. In addition there were 18 State certified midwives at the Ilford Maternity Hospital.

Supervision of the midwives practising on the district, including regular inspections by the Medical Supervisor of Midwives, was carried out as in previous years, and general supervision, in accordance with the Rules of the Central Midwives Board, was exercised over the midwives practising at the Ilford Maternity Hospital.

Suspension from Practice.—No Midwives were suspended from practice during the year.

Medical Aid.—Medical aid was sought in 4 instances where the infant was found to have inflamed or discharging eyes. In all cases the condition of the eyes cleared satisfactorily.

Domiciliary Midwifery Service.—At the end of the year there were 9 Domiciliary Midwives employed by the County Council whole-time and 2 part-time, in addition to the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent.

During the year 594 cases were attended. In 517 cases the midwives were engaged to attend as midwives and in 77 cases as maternity nurses. The patients resided in the following wards:—

Barkingside 41; North Hainault 43; Cranbrook 65; Park 50; Seven Kings 56; South Hainault 48; Loxford 40; Clementswood 60; Goodmayes 17; Fairlop 73; Clayhall 62; Mayfield 39.

A Doctor was called in to 139 of the 517 cases in which a midwife had been engaged.

Of the infants born there were 9 stillbirths. In 4 of these cases the midwife was engaged as a maternity nurse only.

There were 9 deaths of infants during the first year of life where the birth had been attended by a Domiciliary Midwife, 7 of these occurring during the first two weeks of life.

Notices were received from the Domiciliary Midwives stating that artificial feeding had been substituted in respect of 27 infants attended by them during 1952.

During 1952 Ante-Natal Clinics conducted by the Domiciliary Midwives were held weekly at Valentines Mansion and fortnightly at Mayes-brook Clinic and Manford Way Clinic. The following is a summary of the attendances at these Clinics during the year:—

First attendances Subsequent attendances Totals	Valentines Clinic 297 1,073 1,370	Mayesbrook Clinic 137 386 523	Manford Way Clinic 106 366 472
Number of sessions Average aftendance at each	49	24	24
session	28	22	19

In addition 2,284 home ante-natal visits were made during the year.

Salvation Army Midwifery Service.—44 cases were attended by the Salvation Army Midwife during the year, 43 as a midwife and 1 as a maternity nurse.

A Doctor was called in to 19 of the 43 cases in which a midwife had been engaged.

Of the infants born there was one stillbirth.

Notifications were received from the Salvation Army Midwife that it was proposed to substitute artificial feeding in respect of 6 infants.

Gas and Air Analgesia.—During 1952 gas and air analgesia was administered in 394 cases, of which 351 were attended by the Domiciliary Midwives (326 when acting as midwives and 25 when acting as maternity nurses) and 43 were attended by the Salvation Army midwives (42 whilst acting as midwives and 1 when acting as a maternity nurse.)

All the domiciliary midwives employed at the end of the year were qualified to administer gas and air analgesia and the 1 Salvation Army midwife was also so qualified.

Four sets of apparatus for the purpose of the administration of gas and air analgesia are stored in the Ambulance Depot and the apparatus is transported to the house of the patient on the request of the midwife. The Salvation Army midwives also have two machines which are kept at their Branch Home and taken or sent to the home of the patient when required.

The service is freely available to all having home confinements, provided there are no medical contra-indications, and each expectant mother on booking the midwife is supplied with a leaflet explaining the nature and the availability of the service.

ANTE-NATAL CLINICS.—The following is a summary of the attendances at the Ante-Natal Clinics during 1952:—

		ternity	Mayesbrook	Manford
First attendances	Doctors	Midwives —	Clinic 266	Way Clinic 146
Subsequent attendances	. 6,975	2,955	2,456	1,019
Totals	. 8,093	2,955	2,722	1,165
Number of sessions	. 310	*192	130	62
Average attendance at each session	26	15	21	19

^{*} Running concurrently with Doctors' Clinics.

All patients booked for admission to the Maternity Hospital are medically examined at the Ante-Natal Clinics, the first appointment normally being made at the 16th week of pregnancy.

Post-Natal Clinics.—All patients confined in the Ilford Maternity Hospital and other patients on request are invited to attend the Post-Natal Clinics for the first time approximately six weeks after confinement.

During 1952 clinics were held at the Maternity Hospital weekly, at Mayesbrook Clinic fortnightly, and at Manford Way Clinic monthly. The following attendances were recorded:—

First attendances	Maternity Hospital 856	Mayesbrook Clinic 181	Manford Way Clinic 96
Subsequent attendances	512	98	3
Totals	1,368	279	99
Number of sessions	53	24	12
Average attendance at each session	26	11	8

CONSULTANT CLINIC.—The Consulting Obstetrician, or his Deputy, continued to hold a Clinic twice weekly for ante-natal and post-natal cases. During the year 103 sessions were held and a total of 702 examinations were made.

MATERNAL MORTALITY.—During 1952 there was one death of an Ilford mother recorded by the Registrar-General as due to or in consequence of pregnancy or childbirth.

Domestic Help Service.—During 1952 the heavy demand for this service continued. A full-time Organiser controls the service, under the general direction of the Area Medical Officer, and at the end of the year there were 16 full-time and 119 part-time Helps employed.

The	e following is a summary of the cases dealt with in 1952:-	
	Number of applications received for assistance	1,341
	Number of cases where Domestic Helps were provided (including 337 who were having service at the commencement of the year)	1,299
	Number of cases which on investigation were either not eligible for assistance or did not require the service	208
	Number of cases referred to other sources, e.g., W.V.S.,	12
	Cases booked but subsequently cancelled	80
	Number of cases where, at the end of the year, a domestic help was booked to attend in future months (maternity)	
	cases)	58
	Other cases awaiting help at end of year	18
	Enquiries incomplete at end of year	3
	Cases being served at 31st December, 1952	390

In November, 1952, 5 of the Domestic Helps took the examination for the Diploma of the National Institute of Houseworkers, four of whom were successful, one obtaining a Class 1 pass and the other three Class 2 passes.

Convalescent Facilities.—The following tables show the number of persons sent away for convalescence during 1952 and the number of cases in which the Invalid Children's Aid Association arranged the placing of children in suitable convalescent homes.

(a) Under Section 22 of the National Health Service Act, i.e., nursing mothers and young children.

Name of Home		N	lo. o	f we	eeks'	stay	All Rings and States	
		3	4	5	6	7	8	Remarks
Harts Leap, Sandhurst, Surrey	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	Both cases arranged by I.C.A.A.
Beach Court, Lancing	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	Arranged by I.C.A.A.
Whitechapel Mission Home, Southend-on-Sea	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	Mother with infant
Brooklyn Babies Home, Christchurch	-	No. of Street, or other Persons and Street, o	1	-	AL S	1	1 1 1	Arranged by Gt. Ormond Street Hospital
Dedisham Mother and Baby Unit, Slinfold	-	-	1	-	100	-	-	Mother and infant (mother had 2 weeks only)
Totals	1	NO OF	3	1	7.7	-	2	2 mothers with infants 4 unaccompanied children

(b) Under Section 28 of the Act, i.e., other persons requiring a change of air and surroundings to aid recovery and rehabilitation.

believes where solds at the little	No.	of we	W-4-1			
Name of Home	1	2	3	4	Total Cases	
Armitage House, Worthing	1	3	_		3	
Bell Memorial Convalescent Home, Lancing	-	1	4	DAL I	5	
Channel View Rest Home, Deal	-		1	-	1	
Church Army Home, Bexhill	-	200	2	-	2	
Essex Convalescent Home, Clacton	4	10	14	2	30	
"Heatherpine", Curridge, nr. Newbury Mrs. Hollamby's Home, Swalecliffe,	Jan 1	100	1	STE.	1	
Whitstable		1	-	-	1	
Kelsale Court, Saxmundham	1	-	-	-	1	
Leconfield, Bonchurch, Isle of Wight		-	1	-	1	
Samuel Lewis Home, Walton-on-Naze	-	5	5	-	10	
Rustington Convalescent Home,	1 24	1310-72	1000	5,7555		
Littlehampton	-	1	3	-	4	
"Templecombe", St. Leonards-on-Sea	1	-	-	-	1	
Totals	6	21	31	2	60	

Loan of Sickroom Equipment.—A further considerable increase above that noted in 1951 has been evident in the applications for this equipment in 1952, articles loaned during this year having doubled the 1951 figure, and a corresponding increase in the purchase of new items of equipment has been necessary. The issues from the Public Health Offices were as follows:—

	- DAL	Nu	Articles in			
Articles Loan	ied	on loan at 31.12.51	loaned or reloaned in 1952	on loan at 31.12.52	store at 31.12.52	
Mattresses (Dunlopil	llo)	6	6	10		
Mattress (Hair)		1	_	_	1	
Invalid Chairs		. 16	27	19	6	
Air Pillows		1	5	1	1	
Air Rings		8	64	23	16	
Back Rests		7	33	11	7	
Hospital Bed		1	_		1	
Iron Bed		1	_	_	1	
Commode Chairs		3	8	7	-	
Crutches (Pair)		1	-	1	-	
Fracture Boards (Se	t)	1	3	2	1	
Pillow (Feather)		1	_	-	1	
Pillow (Flock)		1	_		1	
Rubber Sheeting		17	79	40	4	
Medical Sandbags		1	_	1	-	
Spinal Carriages		1	1	1	-	
Air Beds		1	8	1	1	
Pillow (Down)		1	1	2		
Bed Cradles		2	7	4	2	
Bed Pans		8	42	20	6	
Diabetic Scales		2	_	2	_	
Feeding Cups		2	4	1	1	
Urinals		3	30	11	11	
Sputum Mugs			1	1	3	
Douche Cans		-	2	1	1	
Water Beds		-	2	_	1	
Water Pillows		_	2	1	-	
Bed Blocks		-	1	1	_	
Totals		86	326	161	66	

TUBERCULOSIS VISITORS.—Three Tuberculosis Visitors were employed in the Area during 1952 making a total of 4,204 visits to homes in the Borough.

REHABILITATION OF TUBERCULOSIS CASES.—Assistance in the maintenance charges of cases at the Papworth Hall Settlement was given as follows:—

Number	of	cases	being assisted at 31.12.51		m red	Nil
**	,,,	27	newly assisted in 1952			1
33	99		for whom responsibility ceased	***		Nil
33	,,	22	being assisted at 31.12.52	151		1

OPEN-AIR SHELTERS FOR TUBERCULOSIS CASES.—No open-air shelters were supplied for tuberculosis patients during 1952 and at the end of the year only one such shelter was in use in Ilford.

Provision of Free Milk for Tuberculosis Cases.—The County Council's scheme, commenced in Ilford late in 1951, for supplying to tuberculosis patients one pint of milk free of charge, on the recommendation of the Chest Physician, showed considerable progress during 1952 and the increase in the number of beneficiaries under the scheme still continues. Particulars of the grants made in 1952 are given below:—

No.	of	cases in receipt of free milk at 31.12.51		bing a	2
53		new grants made during 1952	***		84
35	22	grants discontinued during 1952	224		27
33	22	cases in receipt of free milk at 31.12.52			59

BOARDING-OUT OF CHILDREN (TUBERCULOSIS CONTACTS).—No applications were received in 1952 for assistance in the boarding-out of child contacts of tuberculosis patients under the County Council's scheme.

ILFORD TUBERCULOSIS CARE ASSOCIATION.—Mr. H. R. Stanbridge, a member of the Ilford Health Area Office staff, continued to undertake the secretarial work of this Association during 1952.

The following shows the assistance given by the Association during the year:—

The state of the s			Assisted	Total No. of Grants made
Extra nourishment (grants for periods of one renewed as required)	month	and	69	444 (including renewals)
Bedding and Furniture	tig man		1	1
Part Cost of Spectacles	***		1	1

TRAVELLING EXPENSES OF RELATIVES VISITING HOSPITAL PATIENTS.—
The County Medical Officer was able to give financial assistance in 1952 only in very special cases to enable them to visit relatives who were in hospital and no Ilford persons were assisted under this scheme.

HOME NURSING.—The Home Nursing Service in Ilford is undertaken by Nurses under the supervision of the Superintendent of the Lady Rayleigh Training Home at Leytonstone.

The work undertaken by Home Nurses operating in the Ilford area in 1952 was as follows:—

	attended		 	 	2,586
Visits	paid	***	 	 	71,188

HEALTH EDUCATION.—Posters covering various aspects of Health were displayed at the Public Health Offices and the Mayesbrook, Manford Way and Newbury Hall Clinics throughout the year and a supply of bookmarks publicising Diphtheria Immunisation was made available at the Public Libraries.

In April and May, 1952, at the request of a Youth Club in the district, arrangements were made for lectures on Sex Education to be given by members of the medical staff of the Department to the male and female members of the Club separately, and in October, 1952, a public film show featuring Vaccination and Diphtheria Immunisation was given at the Ilford Town Hall.

DENTAL TREATMENT.—Mr. E. V. Haigh, the Senior Dental Officer, has submitted the following report:—

"Maternity cases and children under the age of five continued to receive dental treatment at Mayesbrook Clinic only.

On the average, two sessions were devoted weekly, when full dental treatment was given to expectant and nursing mothers and to children under the age of five. These patients were referred from the ante-natal, post-natal and child welfare clinics.

Most extractions were performed under general anæsthesia, using nitrous oxide and oxygen, and always given by a doctor.

Conservative treatment, such as fillings, scaling and gum treatment, was carried out on all patients who required such treatment.

Dental X-ray facilities are available at Mayesbrook Clinic, and were used when required, often saving the patient pain and inconvenience by a much quicker diagnosis.

Dentures were provided for expectant and nursing mothers when required. These have been made at a local dental laboratory under an arrangement that has been in operation many years. The work has been very satisfactory."

The number of cases treated at the clinic during 1952 is as follows:-

26 ON SHAT SHORING TO AN ADDRESS OF SHARES	Examined	Needing Treatment	Treated	Made Dentally Fit
Expectant and nursing mothers Children under 5	205	205	243	146
	164	161	160	153

The forms of dental treatment provided were:-

	ractions	Anaesthetics		ngs	Scaling or Scaling	Silver Ni- trate	ings	do-	Prov	tures vided, aired emade
	Local Gene	General	Fillings	and Gum treat- ment	treat- ment	Dressings	Radio- graphs	Com- plete	Partial	
Expectant and nursing mothers	730	75	146	401	106	_	165	5	46	53
Children under 5	407		132	123	-	-	124	-	-	

In addition there were 607 prophylactic treatments and other operations carried out in the case of expectant and nursing mothers.

The total number of sessions held was 126.

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE.

Nutrition.

The summary of heights and weights over 10 years which is printed at the end of this Report in Table VIIA. and B. shows no appreciable change.

Incidence of Pediculosis and Scabies.

- (i) Pediculosis.—13 children were found to be infected with living hair vermin as against 7 in 1951, 5 in 1950 33 in 1949 and 56 in 1948.
- (iii) Scabies.—There were no cases reported during the year, as compared with 1 in 1951, none in 1950, 5 in 1949 and 19 in 1948.

SCHOOL PREMISES.—There are 34 schools, with 63 departments, 23,403 children were actually on the rolls on 18th December, 1952, as compared with 22,543 in December, 1951.

The figure 23,403 includes Barking Abbey (383) and Ursuline County Placed pupils (240).

The number of children in average attendance at school for the year ended 18th December, 1952=20,433.

The Sanitary Inspectors have paid the usual monthly visits to the elementary schools (1) to enquire as to the milk supplies, (2) to inspect the sanitary arrangements. 817 visits have been made during the year.

MEDICAL INSPECTION.—In accordance with the Handicapped Pupils and Medical Services Regulations, 1945 (para. 49), this is carried out as follows:—

- (a) Every pupil who is admitted for the first time to a maintained school shall be inspected as soon as possible after the date of his admission.
- (b) Every pupil attending a maintained primary school shall be inspected during the last year of his attendance at such a school.
- (c) Every pupil attending a maintained secondary school shall be inspected during the last year of his attendance at such a school.

During 1952 5,290 parents, or 78 per cent., attended the full routine medical inspections.

INFECTIOUS DISEASE.—The following table shows the incidence of infectious diseases in the Ilford schools since 1948:—

		Scarlet Fever	Diph- theria	Measles and Ger- man Measles	Chicken Pox	Mumps	Whooping Cough
1948		179	7	1,330	116	87	376
1949		262	400-0	641	75	224	210
1950	***	252	1	766	80	25	466
1951		202	1	1,316	320	28	389
1952		294	-	*2,242	624	612	316

* Of this number 1,960 were notified as measles.

Disinfection of all the cloakrooms at the maintained primary and secondary schools was carried out during the Summer and Winter vacations.

No schools were closed during the year on account of infectious disease.

Table VI shows the incidence of infectious disease in the Ilford schools during 1952.

3 home visits were paid by the School Nurses to cases of minor infectious disease. In addition the Sanitary Inspectors paid 1,921 visits to measles cases, and 301 visits to whooping-cough cases.

RINGWOI	RM	No. of cases at beginning of 1952	No. of cases reported during 1952	Total	Remedied during 1952	No. of cases under observation at end of 1952
Scalp		-	1	1	1	100 Till
Body				DE STEEL	Tellin	The state of the s
		=	1	1	1	

Following Up.—During 1952, 4,736 home visits by the School Nurses were paid for the purpose, and 3,540 re-examinations of children (some on several occasions) were carried out by the doctors at school; 144 visits to schools were made for this purpose alone, and other children were seen at the visits for routine medical inspection.

MEDICAL TREATMENT.

Squint ...

Other conditions

(a) Minor Ailments Clinics.—The attendances during 1952 were as follows:—

Newbury Hall Mayesbrook

Number of individual children seen	Newbury Hall 1,357	Mayesbrook 1,664
Number of attendances of children	. 2,516	2,887
Number of exclusion certificates granted	d 39	133
Number of certificates of fitness to attend school granted	30	101

The following table shows the conditions dealt with at both the Clinics during the year:—

the year.								
Subnormal Debility		ion						878 28
Debility	***	***		***	***			
Uncleanline	ss:—							The little
Head						***	***	103
Body	***	250.01	220 401			***	attorn	1
Skin:-								
Ringwo	orm:—							
Head								100
Body				***		***	***	1 - 01
Scabies		4.54					444	
Impetig								15
Derma	titis		***		***	***	***	4
Urticar	ia	***						12
Furunc	ulosis			***			***	44
Eczema	a	200	***	***		***		11
Other	Skin D	iseases	(Non-	Tuberc	ulous)		***	257
Eye:-								
Blepha	ritis					910		45
Conjur	ctivitis						744	48
Defect	ive Vis	ion (ex	xcludin	g Squi	nt)		***	118

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of of bergins referred to b	Total	number	of a	ilments		3,773
other Defects and Dis	cases			444		115
Rheumatism Other Defects and Dis	eacec			***		16
Minor Injuries				***	***	70
Other forms		7 242 15	***	***		61
Valgus Ankles		to dillo	100	94 111 3	1	25
Flat Feet	100	a a.	***	81 PM		32
Posture Pigeon Chest	***	1.12		The last		11
Genu Valgum		region of				11
Deformities: —						
Other Conditions			***		***	33
Enuresis	***	***		***		24
Petit Mal	***	***	***		****	
Habit Spasm Chorea	***	***			***	1
Nervous Debility						1
Nervous System:-						
Stability						15
Development	***					1
Psychological:—						111111111111111111111111111111111111111
Other				11111111	***	2
Hernia						dring
Developmental:	(20	The state of the	Circ	Je I Hydl	-1411)	177
		eferred to	o Che	est Physic	cian)	14
Tuberculosis: — Pulmonary—Definit	e					THE REAL PROPERTY.
	iai L	riscases		***	***	4
Pulmonary Catarrh Other Non-Tubercu	ılar D)iseases		. Ditta	1000	18
Bronchitis	***	***	***	***	***	29
Asthma						23
Lungs:-						
Influenza				are control		1
Colds and Coughs						185
Mumps			***	***	***	8
Whooping Cough Chicken Pox						1
Measles		brun i	1911			1
German Measles		***				2
Scarlet Fever		***				1
Infectious Diseases:-	100000	AND SECOND	15 500	Selection 1	HETSSA.	Name of the last o
Anaemia	***		***	***	***	11
Functional Organic	***	***				6
Heart and Circulation:						
Teeth—Dental Diseases		***				1,068
Defective Speech						20
Enlarged Cervical Gland				ıs)		54
Other conditions						17
Nasal Obstruction	***		***	***	***	37 10
Chronic Tonsillitis Nasal Catarrh	and A	Adenoids			11000	28
Adenoids only					***	6
Chronic Tonsillitis	only			DATE AL		80
Nose and Throat:-						-1013
Other Ear Disease		utill id		1000	111.4	19
Defective Hearing Otitis Media		***		-	-111-	34 22
Ear:-						
Eart						

SPECIAL CLINICS.

OPHTHALMIC CLINIC.

During the year 1952, the School Oculist held 210 sessions for the refraction of children suffering from defective vision (103 at Valentines, 99 at Mayesbrook and 8 at Manford Way). Full details of the work are given in Table IV, Group II.

3,540 attendances (1,709 at Valentines Clinic, 1699 at Mayesbrook Clinic and 132 at Manford Way Clinic) were made by 1,711 schoolchildren (831 at Valentines Clinic, 805 at Mayesbrook Clinic and 75 at Manford Way), as compared with 1,455 schoolchildren in 1951.

The 1,711 children were not all suffering from grave defects of vision. The following table shows the vision in the worst eye, as tested by Snellen's Type:—

 $\frac{6}{6}$ $\frac{6}{9}$ $\frac{6}{12}$ $\frac{6}{18}$ $\frac{6}{24}$ $\frac{6}{36}$ $\frac{6}{60}$ less than $\frac{6}{60}$ 357 278 339 286 154 167 81 49

The children who saw $\frac{6}{6}$ (practically normal vision) were suffering trom symptoms such as headaches, inflamed eyelids, etc., which rendered further examination necessary.

The 1,711 children were found to be suffering from the following defects:—

SELECTION STATE			-The	N	New Cas	es	Old Case			
Diagno	sis			A	В	С	A	В		
Myopia				83	62	27	176	160		
Myopic Astigmatism				4	4	-	3	5		
Hypermetropia				95	72	36	183	218		
Hypermetropic				2	2	1	14	11		
Astigmatism		5577	- 777	Britte	10-11	mondulation				
Mixed Astigmatism				1	5	_	7	17		
Squint				33	31	8	141	118		
Blepharitis				7	3	_	14	8		
Congenital Coloboma						-	-	2		
Congenital Cataract					2	-	1	-		
Conjunctivitis				4	3	- Lake	12	13		
					_	_	6	5		
Other conditions				1	1	1	5	10		
N.A.D				15	17	4	24	36		
1112121	Tot			245	202	75	586	603		

A-Valentines.

B-Mayesbrook.

*C-Manford Way.

(*The Ophthaimic Clinic opened on 17th March, 1952)

1,156 complete pairs of spectacles were provided, some of these being renewals after breakages. In addition, in 325 cases the lenses of spectacles were replaced or repairs of frames were carried out.

T. J. Regal (Mrs.), M.D., D.O.M.S., the Ophthalmic Surgeon at Valentines Clinic makes the following report:—

"The majority of children had defective sight due to refractive errors and of these a fair proportion had also a squint. All these cases are seen at regular intervals and are kept under observation all during their school life.

In addition to these the following conditions came under observation and received treatment at the Clinic or were referred to hospitals: Congenital abnormalities of the eyes and adnexae; acute inflammatory, infective, allergic and traumatic affections of the eyes.

Blind or partially blind children are seen at regular intervals and advised as regards special schooling and contact is maintained with the school authorities about their progress.

Orthoptic treatment, so far our greatest headache, will in future be carried out at the Orthoptic Clinic at Mayesbrook. A trained Orthoptist is about to be appointed and the Clinic will probably be opened about Easter, 1953."

Dr. E. M. L. Evans, M.B., B.Ch., D.O., the Ophthalmic Surgeon at Mayesbrook Clinic, makes the following report:—

"Most of the children attending the Clinic had refractive errors. About 30% suffered from squint and other errors of muscle balance. The position with regard to orthoptic treatment has remained unsatisfactory, but I understand that it is hoped to open an Orthoptic Clinic in Mayesbrook in the near future, and this will be a great help.

A small number of children with congenital abnormalities of the eyes and adnexae, and others with infective, allergic and traumatic affections were seen and received treatment."

ORTHOPAEDIC CLINIC.

Mr. H. G. Korvin, F.R.C.S., the Orthopaedic Surgeon, makes the following report:—

"1952 was an uneventful year at Mayesbrook and Newbury Hall Orthopaedic Clinics. We have succeeded in reducing the numbers of attendances by more than one-third. The opening of the Clinic at Manford Way played some part in this development, but in the main it was due to the Assistant School Medical Officers' taking over the supervision of many children after these had been examined at the Orthopaedic Clinic. I wish to express my thanks to these colleagues for the great help they are giving. It has made it possible to devote more time to difficult cases. It allowed also, by keeping the sessions within reasonable time-limits, to make the appointments system really efficient.

X-ray examinations were again carried out at King George Hospital, Ilford, while operative treatment was, as in the past, undertaken at East Ham Memorial Hospital Thanks to the parents' co-operation, it was usually possible to send a child home a few days after operation. This economy in hospital beds made it possible to arrange admission in all cases without undue delay.

The provision of surgical appliances was still not wholly satisfactory and further attempts at improving it are being made. To the equipment of the Physiotherapy Department at Newbury Hall a wall-mirror was added for the teaching of postural exercises.

Both clinics were running very smoothly in the past year, owing to the efficiency and helpfulness of all concerned."

- (i) Newbury Hall Clinic.—41 sessions were held during 1952, 174 children of school age were examined for the first time during the year and 420 children were seen who had previously attended the clinic. These 594 children made 869 attendances.
- (ii) Mayesbrook Clinic.—23 sessions were held during 1952, 73 children of school age were examined for the first time during the year and 208 children were seen who had previously attended the clinic. These 281 children made 396 attendances.
- (iii) Manford Way Clinic.—The first session was held on the 12th March, 1952.

7 sessions were held during 1952. 12 children of school age were examined for the first time during the year and 36 were seen who had previously attended a clinic. These 48 children made 82 attendances.

The 923 children were found by the Orthopaedic Surgeon to be suffering from the following defects:—

Maria Maria Salatania			N	ew Cas	es		old Case	es
Diagnosis			A	В	C	A	В	C
Paralyses :			Mala				100.00	
A.P.M			-	_	_	10	12	1
Hemiplegia			_		-	6	2	-
Paraplegia			1	-	-	2	-	-
Monoplegia			1		_	1	-	-
Spastic diplegia			1	-	10-11	5	-	-
Spastic Quadriplegia			1		-	-19	1	-
Scoliosis			3	1 11	1	4	2	2
Kyphosis			2	1	1	1	-	-
Slack posture			6	2	-	20	8	2
Deformity of hips	-	***		_		3	1	-
Depressed sternum			1		-	_	2	-
Genu valgum			30	19	1	130	70	13
O.C.T			_	_	_	10	10	3
Genu varum			12-	6	_	12	3	2
Pes valgus-planus			17	5	5	80	47	8
Valgus ankles			11	5	1	40	13	1
Talipes calcaneo-valg				UILENVI	110	3	2	-
Congenital talipes E.				1		6	-	-
Congenital defect			3	2 -	1111	12	1	_
Intoeing			2	1		6	2	_
			1	1	1/200	2	2	_
Pes cavus	***		19	8	1	9	5	2
Hallux valgus Deformity of toes			10	6	100	28	2	2
Traumatic condition			5	2	0115	3		_
					112311	2	1	
Torticollis			10	1	1	7	3	1
N.A.D	***		35	12	1	18	11	1
Other conditions			4	2	-	4	8	_
Foot strain			1	-	1000	-	_	
Exostosis		***	1		1133	1		-
Lumbar Lordosis						1		
THE RESERVE ASSESSMENT	s	10/25 757	174	73	12	420	208	36

A-Newbury Hall. B-Mayesbrook. C-Manford Way.

15 children of school age were admitted to the East Ham Memorial Hospital. Particulars as follows:—

No. of Cases	Defects
2	Bunionectomy
4	Stapling of Knees
3	Skin Tendon Lengthening
1	Removal Exostosis Femur
1 201	Removal Exostosis Right Heel
1	Osteotomy Great Toe
i	Arthrodesis 1st Tarso Metatarsal Joint
î	Removal Swelling Med. Malleolus
1	Brodies Abscess—Femur Drained

During the year 29 pairs of valgus insoles, 10 pairs of surgical boots or shoes, 19 pairs Genu Valgum splints, 16 metatarsal bars, 4 calipers and inverting irons were supplied to school-children.

582 cases were discharged from the Orthopaedic Clinic, 193, as cured, 182 discontinued attendance and were kept under observation at school, 177 were showing improvement and were kept under observation at school, 30 cases left school or left the district.

The Physiotherapist attends the Newbury Hall Clinic for orthopaedic treatment on Monday and Thursday mornings, and the Mayesbrook Clinic on Tuesday and Friday mornings. A total number of 195 sessions were held by the Physiotherapist for treatment during 1952 (96 at Newbury Hall Clinic and 99 at Mayesbrook Clinic).

At Newbury Hall Clinic 215 individual children of school age were treated by the Physiotherapist during the year and 1,402 attendances were made by these children.

Treatment was also given to 92 children, who made 851 attendances at the Mayesbrook Clinic.

Artificial Sunlight Clinic.—The physiotherapist attends the Newbury Hall Clinic on Tuesday afternoon and the Mayesbrook Clinic on Thursday afternoon for artificial sunlight treatment, 51 sessions were held at Newbury Hall Clinic and 49 at Mayesbrook.

At the Newbury Hall Clinic 59 children of school age were treated, making 933 attendances for treatment.

At the Mayesbrook Clinic 44 children of school age were treated, making 541 attendances for treatment.

The lamp used at each Clinic is a Centrosol Unit. The conditions treated were as follows:—

I	Cases							
1	A	inace me	В					
Anaemia, Debilit	v and	Malnu	trition			27	mVI TA	17
Bronchitis				4		12	100	7
Bowlegs						Impersor I	100	2
Alopecia						2	777	-
Asthma						2	old link	1
Knock Knees						1	tells.	-
Old Rickets		***	***	***		-		3
Chilblains						4		1
Other Conditions						11	Translin.	13
						59		44

A-Newbury Hall Clinic.

B-Mayesbrook Clinic.

Of the 103 cases treated 5 were Open Air school-children.

At Newbury Hall Clinic, 41 children of school age were discharged from the Artificial Sunlight Clinic, 29 as cured, 1 showing considerable improvement, 10 due to absence and 1 removed district.

19 children were still receiving treatment at the end of the year,

At Mayesbrook Clinic, 31 children of school age were discharged from the Artificial Sunlight Clinic, 23 as cured, and 8 discharged due to absence.

4 children were still receiving treatment at the end of the year.

AURAL CLINIC.

The Aural Clinic is held at Valentines Mansion, the Surgeon attending two sessions weekly for 40 weeks and one session weekly for 12 weeks.

92 sessions were held during 1952 and 1,411 attendances were made by 873 children of school age, of whom 292 were new cases.

The Consulting Oto-Rhino-Laryngologist (Mr. Morton Marks) submits the following report:—

"During 1952 the main problem has been the reduction of the enormous waiting list of tonsil and adenoid operations for this area. Some children are still awaiting operation who were placed on the list in 1946. It was felt that many of these no longer required operation and with this in view I undertook to see all these cases and review the whole waiting list. It was found that approximately 50% of the cases had either been operated on elsewhere or were no longer in need of operation and this in itself has considerably reduced the numbers.

Furthermore, I have been farming out many of these operation cases to other of my hospitals particularly East Ham Memorial and St. Mary's Plaistow. Thirdly, we are now in the process of commencing a double operating session on Wednesday afternoons and evenings at Ilford Isolation Hospital wherein we hope to deal with 12 children a week. At the moment, however, owing to the need of utilizing these beds for infectious cases, we have had to delay the commencement of this service.

By these measures it should be possible in the coming year eventually to reduce our numbers to manageable proportions."

The Surgeons attending the Clinic during 1952 were: -

Mr. Wm. Ibbotson, F.R.C.S., 2 sessions weekly to 30th April.

Mr. J. G. Stonham, F.R.C.S., 1 session weekly 1st May to 3rd December.

Mr. Morton Marks, M.R.C.S., 1 session weekly 1st May to 31st December.

The following table shows the work of the Clinic:-

AURAL CLINIC

	Nature of Disease		under ment	mer Hos	com- nded pital ment	Disch as c	arged ured	Disch a impr	S	as treat	narged no ment nired	asl	arged left rict	Disch as l sch	left	Childre parents to co attenda trea	arged n whose refused ntinue ance or ated where		otals
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	2. ,, Sepsis and Granulations	-	_	-	-	_	_	_	_	-	-	_	_	_	_				
	3. Other Causes	-	8-	8-	-		-	_	_	-	_	_			_	1		50.00	
(iv) (v)	Mastoid Disease (previous operation) Partial Deafness due to :—	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	1-	-	1		_	-	5
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	2. Tonsils and Adenoids	2	3	2	2	3	1		_		1			_	3	3		7	,
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	Totals	42	58	133	166	79	217	1	1	20	115	5	5	-	2	12	17	292	581

RHEUMATISM CLINIC.

The Physician attended 31 morning sessions during the year, and 164 children (75 of these being new cases) made 296 attendances. The 164 children were found to be suffering from the following conditions:—

I	Defect	s Found	i		New Cases	Old Cases	Totals
History of Rheur	natisn	n (obser	rvation)		1	1
Rheumatic Cardi					 1	2010	1
Other forms of C	arditi	S			 7	7	14
Tachycardia of N	ervou	s origin			 1	2	8
Congenital Heart					 2 3	11	13
					 3	5	8
Habit Spasm						_	
No Active Rheur					 4	16	20
Heart Murmur F					 28	20	48
Pains Due to Or			dition		 8	6	14
Allergie type						3	3
Exocardial Bruit					 _	1	1
					 1	_	1
Arrhythmia					 1	_	1
Nothing abnorma					 3	5	8
Other conditions					 16	12	28
			Totals		 75	89	164

Number	of cases	referred t	o Convalescent Home	1
,,	,,	**	General Hospital (In-patients)	-
9.9	99	,,	Isolation Hospital ,-	-
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"	**	**		13
,,	**	,,	Psychiatrist	1
,,	,,	,,	Open Air School	1
33	35	55	Paediatrician	1

Speech Clinic.—Miss P. J. Kent resigned her appointment as parttime Speech Therapist, for two sessions weekly, on 13th March, 1952.

Miss P. M. Lough resigned her appointment as full-time Speech Therapist on 27th May, 1952.

Mrs. M. Walker was appointed full-time Speech Therapist and commenced duties on 1st August, 1952.

By the end of the year, 138 individual children of school age had received speech therapy at this Clinic, making a total of 1,481 attendances.

The defects treated were as follows:-

Stammering		 	48
Dyslalia		 	78
Cleft Palate		 ***	1
Dysarthria		 	4
Dysphonia	***	 	1
Hyperrhinophoni	a	 	1
Hyporhinophonia	1	 	4
Others		 ***	1

51 children of school age were discharged from the Clinic during the year. In 34 cases the speech was normal. Of the remaining 17 cases, 9 ceased to attend for treatment and 8 left school or left the district.

SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE.—At the end of the year there were three full-time Dental Officers and one part-time officer attending six sessions weekly.

Owing to the increased Dental Staff it was possible for the Dentists to visit some of the schools for the purposes of inspection. 3,409 children were inspected at schools of which 2,483 required treatment.

Children seen by the doctors at routine medical inspections and at the School Clinics, who are found to require dental treatment, are referred to the Dental Clinics.

In addition to the 2,483 children referred for treatment by the Dental Surgeons at School Inspections there were 2,111 children specially referred by parents, teachers and School Doctors.

The amount of dental disease present in children at various ages is shown by the following table relating to school children inspected by the School Dental Officers:—

Age Groups (in years)	No. of Children inspected at School	No. of Children referred for treatment	No. of Children specially inspected at the Clinic	Total number of Children referred for treatment
5	270	168	315	483
6	351	221	373	594
7	359	231	240	471
8 9	452	390	259	649
	420	370	168	538
10	359	249	216	465
11	270	203	169	372
12	260	182	158	340
13	279	191	101	292
14	296	191	88	274
15	93	87	27	114
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17			1	1
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In addition to the ordinary dental work of fillings and extractions, 19 dentures and 167 regulation plates were supplied. Further, 52 X-ray examinations of the teeth of children of school age were carried out at the Mayesbrook Dental Clinic.

Full details of the dental work are shown in Table V.

OPEN-AIR SCHOOL.—During 1952 the number on the roll varied from 81 on 31.12.51 to 97 on 31.12.52. The number of admissions was 44 and the number of discharges was 28.

Debility without any other defect accounted for a total of 6 children in 1952, as against 13 in 1951 and 17 in 1950, 1 of the 6 was discharged to ordinary school during the course of the year.

Those admitted were recommended for examination from the following sources:—

SCHOOL	Medical Officer:-	to box s						
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	nchitis						6	
	ility	221			***	***	8	
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Pulr	nonary catarrh,			ion ar			1	
Deb	infection ility and emotio	nal diffi	culties	***	***		2	
Sub	normal nutrition		···		HILLYM	100	4	
	adjusted		00				1	
T.B.	Adenitis					men. In	1	
	ry to knee	444		***	***	***	1	
	hes' disease		***				2	
	ebral palsy		***		***	***	1	
	alysis 's disease		***				1	
	collapse of lung						1	
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							42	
Tubercu	losis Officer:-							
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In addition to the above 3 cases of milder spasticity attended the ordinary classes of the school.

Talipes and wasting of calf muscles Spina bifida occulta and paresis of lower limbs

By arrangement with Romford Authority, one case from their area was admitted during the year.

One child of 4 years of age is down for admission to this spastic class when he reaches school age, should there be a vacancy.

Another child aged 5 years is awaiting consideration for admission when her present treatment is finished.

As a result of the Medical Officer's periodic examinations a number of the children have been recommended certain treatment as follows:—

Administration of Milk in school		39
	100	
Administration of Cod Liver Oil Emulsion		38
Administration of Malt and Oil, etc		1
Referred to Orthopaedic Surgeon		1
" " Ophthalmic Surgeon		2
" " Aural Surgeon		1
" " Dental Surgeon		2
Recommended Asthma exercises		
Recommended Convalescent Home treatment		3
Recommended Child Guidance Clinic		1
Recommended Paediatric Clinic		
Recommended Artificial Sunlight treatment	***	1

A coure of asthma injections was given to 5 children during the year.

5 children received Artificial Sunlight treatment during the year.

The Dental Surgeon has carried out one complete inspection of the children's teeth at the Open-air School. The following table shows the dental work carried out:—

Number of	of	children	examined	by	the School	Dentist	 79
Number	of	children	referred	for	treatment	seed di	 59
Number	of	children	treated	by	Dental Sur	geon	12

The provision of extra rest and cod liver oil and milk continued as before and children with lung diseases were given daily deep breathing exercises.

The re-building of the rest-hall was completed after the Easter Vacation. The School can now take 115 children as against 85 previously.

Treatment for Uncleanliness.—The School Nurses paid 192 visits to the schools (an average of 6 visits to each school during the year), for the purpose of inspecting the heads and clothing of the children with the following results:—

Individual Children Examined	Number of Examinations of Children	Number Infested	Per cent.
19,811	57,274	*262	0.45

*Thirteen of this number were found to be infected with living vermin; the remainder with nits only. A child with any nits in the hair at all is included in these figures.

The percentages for the past 5 years were as follows:-

1948				***	1.3
1949				***	0.9
1950	firman ble	0110	A .soil		0.5
1951					0.4
1952				***	0.4

Other Ailments.—During 1952, 473 children were operated on for the removal of enlarged tonsils and adenoids as follows:—

King George Hospital		C		
		4		48
			***	32
Rush Green Hospital		***		2
Queen Mary's Hospital	200			1
St. Leonard's Hospital				16
East Ham Memorial Ho	spital			26
Wanstead Hospital				1
Privately				222

Provision of Meals and Milk for School-children.—The provision of meals in the schools commenced on 7th October, 1940. The total number of mid-day meals served during 1952 was 2,213,645 approximately.

There are 20 kitchens in the Borough, established at the following schools:—

Barking Abbey, Barley Lane, Beal, Benton, County High Boys, County High Girls, Cleveland, Dane, Fairlop, Gearies, Goodmayes, Gordon, Loxford, Mayfield, Newbury Park, Parkhill, Redbridge, The Glade, Uphall and Wm. Torbitt.

As from 6th August, 1946, milk in school has been supplied free of charge in accordance with the Provision of Free Milk Regulations, 1946.

In October, 1952, 18,964 children were receiving milk in school.

Work done by the N.S.P.C.C.—The following 44 cases were investigated:—

(1)	Neglect		 	 26
(2)	Ill-treatment	cases	 10000	 10
(3)	Other cases		 	 8

(Four cases were reported from the Public Health Department for neglecting medical advice; 40 were reported from other sources for general neglect.)

87 children (41 boys and 46 girls) were involved, 34 being of school age. In addition to this work, 193 supervision visits were paid to different cases, some of which were made to those reported during the previous year.

The Invalid Children's Aid Association.— Number of Ilford school children sent to:—

(a)	Recuperation	Holiday F	Iomes	 	35
(b)	Regional Hos	nital Board	1 Homes		1

- 1 Physically Handicapped boy provided with one week's holiday, from voluntary funds.
- 1 Problem Child provided with 2 weeks' holiday from voluntary funds.
- 1 Tricycle supplied to "Spastic" boy on advice from Orthopaedic Specialist.

Numerous escorts provided to London or all the way to Convalescent Homes by Voluntary Workers.

70 homes were visited during the year.

HANDICAPPED CHILDREN.

Section 33 of the Education Act, 1944, and the regulations made thereunder have placed on the Local Education Authorities new responsibilities for the provision of suitable education for children suffering from disability of mind or body.

A record of all such children is revised annually from returns submitted by all Head Teachers, and any new cases attending local maintained schools are reported to me with a view to medical examination and ascertainment of their suitability or otherwise of attendance at an ordinary school.

The several categories of pupils requiring special educational treatment are defined as follows:—

- (a) Blind pupils, that is to say, pupils who have no sight or whose sight is or is likely to become so defective that they require education by methods not involving the use of sight.
- (b) Partially Sighted Pupils, that is to say, pupils who by reason of defective vision cannot follow the ordinary curriculum without detriment to their sight or to their educational development, but can be educated by special methods involving the use of sight.
- (c) Deaf Pupils, that is to say, pupils who have no hearing or whose hearing is so defective that they require education by methods used for deaf pupils without naturally acquired speech or language.
 - (d) Partially Deaf Pupils, that is to say, pupils whose hearing is so defective that they require for their education special arrangements or facilities but not all the educational methods used for deaf pupils.
 - (e) Delicate Pupils, that is to say, pupils who by reason of impaired physical condition cannot, without risk to their health, be educated under the normal régime of an ordinary school.
 - (f) Diabetic Pupils, that is to say, pupils suffering from diabetes, who cannot obtain the treatment they need while living at home and require residential care.
 - (g) Educationally Subnormal Pupils, that is to say, pupils who, by reason of limited ability or other conditions resulting in educational retardation, require some specialised form of education wholly or partly in substitution for the education normally given in ordinary schools.
 - (h) Epileptic Pupils, that is to say, pupils who by reason of epilepsy cannot be educated in an ordinary school without detriment to the interests of themselves or other pupils and require education in a Special School.
 - (i) Maladjusted Pupils, that is to say, pupils who show evidence of emotional instability or psychological disturbance and require special educational treatment in order to effect their personal, social, or educational readjustment.
 - (j) Physically Handicapped Pupils, that is to say, pupils, not being pupils suffering solely from a defect of sight or hearing, who by reason of disease or crippling defect cannot be satisfactorily educated in an ordinary school or cannot be educated in such a school without detriment to their health or educational development.
 - (k) Pupils suffering from Speech Defect, that is to say, pupils who on account of stammering, aphasia, or defect of voice or articulation not due to deafness, require special educational treatment.

The number of children coming within these categories and their disposition as on the 31st December, 1952, are tabulated in the following table:—

RETURN OF HANDICAPPED PUPILS IN THE AREA ON 31ST DECEMBER, 1952 (Aged 2-16 Years)

9 5	4 3 1 4 2	5 45 44 68 3	6 11 14 27 2	7 12 21 54 12	8 14 11 2 7	9 1 - 2	95 165 39
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CHILD GUIDANCE CLINIC.—The Child Guidance Clinic was opened on 3rd January, 1949, at Loxford Hall, Loxford Lane, Ilford.

Dr. J. E. G. Vincenzi, the Psychiatrist, reports as follows:-

"The position at 1st January, 1952, was that there was a waiting list of 69, and as at 1st January, 1953, 123. This is partly accounted for by the fact that the Dagenham area do not now keep a waiting list of their own, but it does to some extent show that the Clinic has not coped with its requirements, let alone made up leeway. This is largely due to the inadequacy of phychiatric and lay-therapeutic time available.

Dr. Burbury left in August and Dr. Davidson was not appointed until December, so that for four months two psychiatric sessions a week were unfilled. With Dr. Davidson's appointment the prospects for 1953 are more favourable and it is hoped that extra lay-therapeutic time can be given, with the possibility of additional psychiatric sessions. During these four months the only psychiatrist working was obliged to take on cases of Dr. Burbury's, leaving even less time for diagnostic interviews.

The position as regards the Clinic has not been entirely satisfactory owing to the inadequate number of rooms suitable for interviews and the fact that the premises were still being used for other purposes making structural alterations impracticable. It is hoped that this difficulty will be overcome early in 1953.

It is a fact that 84% of the children seen were taken on for treatment. This is much higher than usual but is explained by the fact that only urgent cases were seen."

The statistical analysis of cases seen is given below:—

Total number of cases: 180 referred Boys Girls 66 36.7%

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Dr. W. M. Burbury resigned her appointment as part-time Consultant Psychiatrist with effect from 30th September, 1952.

Dr. H. M. S. Davidson was appointed part-time Consultant Psychiatrist and commenced duties on 5th December, 1952, undertaking 2 sessions weekly.

Dr. J. E. Vincenzi continued as Assistant Psychiatrist with 3 sessions weekly.

It is hoped very shortly to increase the number of Consultant sessions to 4 and eventually the total number of sessions to 9.

The Psychiatrists undertake 5 sessions weekly, whilst the Educational Psychologists and the Psychiatric Social Workers are whole-time.

During the year 180 new cases were referred to the Clinic. Five cases were examined at request of Courts.

The	following is a table of work u	inderta	ken a	t the	Clinic:	-
	Psychiatrist: —					
	Cases diagnosed					107
	Treatment interviews		0.22.			525
	Other interviews					170
	Psychologist: —					
	Cases tested	***				82
	Treatment interviews		f	***		137
	Other interviews		***			93
	School visits on Clinic cases		***			99
	Psychiatric Social Worker:-					
	Cases interviewed at Clinic					996
	Other interviews					149
	Play Therapist: -					
	Play Therapy interviews		***			648
	Number of cases recovered or s	ufficie	ntly in	nprove	ed to	
	warrant discharge					35
	Diagnosis and advice only		***			19
	Discharged—non-co-operative					22

EMPLOYMENT OF SCHOOL-CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS.—From special inquiries made at the various schools during 1952, it was found that 177 children were employed out of school hours. 174 children were submitted for medical examination in accordance with the Byelaws made under Part II of the Children and Young Persons Act, 1933, with the following result:—

Medically fit 174

EMPLOYMENT OF CHILDREN IN ENTERTAINMENTS PROVISIONAL AMENDING RULES, 1945.—15 Certificates were granted during the year.

EXAMINATION OF OFFICERS, ETC.—The undermentioned teachers and other officers were medically examined and reported upon during the year:—

Newly-	-appointed	Head Teachers	4
"	,,	School Clerical Assistants	7
**	,,	School Keepers	2
77	"	School Attendant	1
>>	22	Laboratory Steward	1
33	"	Speech Therapist	1
**	"	Assistant Architect	1
"	"	Typist	1 7
"	"		20
		Intending Teachers	29
			54

CAMP SCHOOLS.

The Elmbridge Camp School at Cranleigh, Surrey, and Kennylands Camp School at Kidmore End, near Reading, were taken over entirely by the Essex Education Committee on the 1st April, 1948.

Admissions and re-admissions of Ilford School-children to these two Camp Schools and the Hydon Health Camp are medically examined by the Assistant Medical Officers prior to entry.

THE CAUSES OF DEATH AMONG CHILDREN OF SCHOOL AGE (i.e., FROM 5—15 YEARS) IN ILFORD, DURING 1952, WERE:—

Asthma Congenital heart and Mongolian idioc	y	2
Epileptic Fits		1
Accident	1000	1
Cirrhosis of Liver		1
Rheumatic heart disease and operation		1
Malignant Cerebellar Tumour	1	1
Acute Leukaemia	***	1
Horsehengunge die	***	1
Herschsprungs disease		1
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ILFORD ENURESIS CLINIC

Dr. J. Pooley, Assistant County Medical Officer makes the following Report from December 19th, 1951 (date of commencement), to 31st December, 1952.

"The Clinic continues to be held on Wednesday mornings at the Public Health Offices, Emerson Road, and the attendance (apart from absences through illness) has been good.

1. APPOINTMENT LIST.—At 31st December, 1952, 153 cases had been seen, made up as follows:—

Recommended by		en under s of age		ren of	Total
The state of the s	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	2 - 101
Parents	3	1	4	map (U	9
Doctors in private practice	3	2	9	1	15
Infant Welfare Officers Assistant School Medical	6	3	in-	-	9
Officers	-	-	62	47	109
Health Visitors	_	_	4	2	6
Consultant Clinics	- Mon	1	2	2	5
	12	7	81	53	153

- 2. PROCEDURE.—At each clinic the original procedure has been continued as follows:—
 - (a) Examination of urine by Health Visitor (for sugar, albumin, reaction and specific gravity).
 - (b) History of enuresis is taken (including that of any relevant illnesses).
 - (c) Physical examination.
 - (d) The approachability of the child and parent is noted.
 - (e) General advice to child and parent is given, and in particular, discussion is directed towards individual problems.
 - (f) Charting of all dry nights is explained.
 - (g) Medicinal treatment is issued or prescribed (vide No. 3).
- 3. TREATMENT.—It will be seen that of the 153 cases examined at 31st December, 1952, 93 are boys and 60 are girls. The treatment issued or prescribed therefore was as follows:—

			Cases
	(a)	Benzedrine (either 2.5 mgm., 5 mgm. or 7.5 mgm.) at night at a time decided upon for each individual child	122
	715	Castimities branching Montaline Military	122
	(D)	Benzedrine and Mist. potassium citrate c hyoscyamus at night again at a time or times, decided upon for each child	9
	(c)	Phenobarbitone gr. ½ at night 8	16
		+ cases failed on Benzedrine 8	110
	(d)	Sodium Amytal gr. i at night	1
		+ case failed on Benzedrine	1
	(e)	Ephedrine gr. $\frac{1}{2}$, all of which cases had been previously treated with Benzedrine and included above	13
	(f)	Advice and charting only	13
	(g)	Cases referred (because of persistent failure to improve under one of the above measures) to hospital or Child Guidance Clinics	5
	(h)	Ephynal (previously treated by other methods and failed)	2
	NI	B.—The phenobarbitone, sodium amytal, ephedrine, M	
	14.1	cit c hyoscyamus and ephynal were not issued Health Area Office.	
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4.	AN	ALYSIS OF RESULTS IN RESPECT OF TREATED CASES:	Cases
		Completely dry	34
15		Very marked improvement (i.e., less than 5 nights wet in 28 nights)	34
	(111)	Marked improvement (i.e., less than 14 nights wet in 28 nights)	31
	(iv)	Some improvement (i.e., more than 14 nights wet in 28 nights)	and and
	(v)	No improvement	23
		Not yet re-attended	20
			153
		Total	155
for eac	h of	nteresting to note that of those completely dry (i) 2, and (ii) the average number of these children before discharge was: 4 visits for box or girls; (iii) the average age was: 7 years for boys and	of visits oys and
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have fa	llen	into four main groups:—	5116
	(i)	Those with some home or school problem, often frustration.	that of
	(ii)	Overcrowding in the home.	
	(iii)	Those with any physical defect, e.g., asthma, worms, e	tc.
	(iv)	Mismanagement by one or both parents.	or prese

In almost every case, the time spent in talking to the child and thus securing his or her interest, has proved as valuable, or more so, than the medicinal treatment given.

There have been a few cases who have relapsed as soon as the tablets have been discontinued—and in these, the substitution of a sweet or saccharin after a week or so, has often been sufficient to meet the case; in others, a gradual decrease of the dosage has been more satisfactory.

The home background is invariably important—a harassed, tired mother in an overcrowded house, naturally cannot give the calm reassurance so necessary to the child.

This was strikingly illustrated by a 6 year old boy who became completely dry as soon as a council flat was found for the family. The sleeping conditions in this family had been particularly bad.

Of recent months a system of waking certain children one hour before their normal waking time has proved very effective. This appears to rule out a large number of "pre-waking enuretics" who have described dreams of "being in the toilet" and who have woken too late to control the act of micturition.

Finally, it has been interesting to note that the 6—8 year old child is much more responsive to treatment than the younger child, and the child over 10 years of age is usually a much more difficult problem.

In general, the attitudes of both parents and children have been of interest and co-operation."

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION.

MEDICAL INSPECTION RETURNS.

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1952.

TABLE I.

Medical Inspection of pupils attending maintained Primary and Secondary Schools including (Special Schools).

A.—PERIODIC MEDICAL INSPECTIONS.

Number of Inspections in the prescribed G	roups:-	99. 8	
Entrants		***	3,196
Second Age Group	***		1,976
Third Age Group			1,573
	Total	***	6,745
Number of other Periodic Inspections		***	
Gran	d Total		6,745
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B.—OTHER INSPECTIONS.			
Number of Special Inspections	2.46		3,540
Number of Re-inspections			9,169
	Total	***	12,709

C.—PUPILS FOUND TO REQUIRE TREATMENT.

Number of Individual Pupils found at Periodic Medical Inspection to Require Treatment (Excluding Dental Diseases and Infestation with Vermin).

(No individual pupil is recorded more than once in any column of this Table, and therefore the total on column (4) will not necessarily be the same as the sum of columns (2) and (3).)

Group (1)	For defective vision (exclud- ing squint)	For any of the other condi- tions recorded in Table IIA (3)	Total individual pupils (4)
Entrants Second Age Group Third Age Group	92 193 227	929 551 373	989 666 539
Total (prescribed groups) Other Periodic Inspections	512	1853	2194
Grand Total	512	1853	2194

TABLE II.

A.—RETURN OF DEFECTS FOUND BY MEDICAL INSPECTION IN THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1952.

Note.—All defects noted at medical inspection as requiring treatment are included in this return, whether or not this treatment was begun before the date of the inspection.

Defect Code	Defect or Disease	Req	of Defects uiring tment	Number of Defects Requiring Observation but not Treatment		
No.		Periodic Inspection	Special Inspection	Periodic Inspection	Special Inspection	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	
4	Skin	156	353	75	1	
5	Eyes— a. Vision	512	196	199	5	
1000	b. Squint	86	15	21	(10)	
5	c. Other	53	183	38	_ 14	
6	Ears— a. Hearing b. Otitis	30	37	70	8	
	Media	10	22	19	1	
400	c. Other	16	24	25	2	
7	Nose or Throat	390	187	619	22	
8	Speech	44	41	58	2	
9	Cervical Glands	13	54	194	3	
10	Heart and			-		
	Circulation	56	16	177	1	
11	Lungs	85	76	335	8	
12	Developmental—	my again	g bobivory	Institution I		
And	a. Hernia	38		111	-	
10	b. Other	16	2	112	1	
13	Orthopaedic—	201	C THE PERSON	The second		
	a. Posture	281	11	74	1	
-	b. Flat foot	474	52	81	2	
14	c. Other	362	111	253	12	
1.2	Nervous system—	,		THE RESERVE		
	a. Epilepsy b. Other	10	62	18	-	
15	Psychological—	10	02	10	1	
	a. Develop-	PER DITTAL	1 GHOTELLIN	MINISTER STATES		
Dinin	a. Develop-	3	4	16		
	b. Stability	75	30	130	1	
16	Other	69	191	83	28	

B.—CLASSIFICATION OF THE GENERAL CONDITION OF PUPILS INSPECTED DURING THE YEAR IN THE AGE GROUPS (See Note (ii) on Table 1).

TION IN THE YEAR	Number	A-(Good)	В.—	(Fair)	C-(Poor)
Age Group	of Pupils Inspected	No.	of Col. 2	No.	% of Col. 2	No.	of Col. 2
maged zi(1) intention	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Entrants	3196	1302	41.0	1790	56.0	104	3.0
Second Age Groups	1976	620	31.4	1300	65.8	56	2.8
Third Age Groups Other Periodic	1578	519	33.0	1033	65.7	21	1.3
Inspections	377		III THAT	-			-
Totals	6745	2441	36.2	4123	61.0	181	2.8

TABLE III.

INFESTATION WITH VERMIN.

All cases of infestation, however slight, are recorded.

This return relates to individual pupils and not to instances of infestation.

110/11	
(i) Total number of pupils examined in the schools by school nurses or other authorized persons	19,811
(ii) Total number of individual pupils found to be infested	262
(iii) Number of individual pupils in respect of whom	exa
cleansing notices were issued (Section 54 (2), Education Act, 1944)	13
(iv) Number of individual pupils in respect of whom cleansing orders were issued (Section 54 (3),	02,021
Education Act, 1944)	2590
(v) Number of individual pupils disinfested:—	111
By Local Authority	111
By parents	151

TABLE IV.

TREATMENT OF PUPILS ATTENDING MAINTAINED PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS (INCLUDING SPECIAL SCHOOLS).

Notes:—(a) Treatment provided by the Authority includes all defects treated or under treatment during the year by the Authority's own staff, however brought to the Authority's notice, i.e., whether by periodic inspection, special inspection, or otherwise, during the year in question or previously.

(b) Treatment provided otherwise than by the Authority includes

all treatment known by the Authority to have been so provided, including treatment undertaken in school clinics by

N.B.—The information asked for in this table falls into these two Divisions (a) and (b), except in Group 5 (Child Guidance Treatment).]

the Regional Hospital Board.

GROUP 1.—DISEASES OF THE SKIN (EXCLUDING UNCLEANLINESS, FOR WHICH SEE TABLE III).

8 8		Number of cases treated or under treatment during the year										
		By the Authority	Otherwise									
Ringworm—(i) Scalp		 -	1									
(ii) Body			-									
Scabies	444		_									
Impetigo		 15	_									
Other skin diseases	***	 327	91									
Total		 342	95									

GROUP 2EYE	DISEASES,	DEFECTIVE	VISION	AND	SQUINT.
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	Number of cases	dealt with
	By the Authority	Otherwise
External and other, excluding errors of refraction and squint Errors of Refraction (including squint)	182	21 1,689
Total	182	1,710
Number of pupils for whom spectacles were (a) Prescribed (b) Obtained	Intel®	1,145 1,127
Total	_	2,272
GROUP 3.—DISEASES AND DEFECT	rs of Ear, Nose and	THROAT.
	Number of cases	treated
	By the Authority	Otherwise
Received operative treatment (a) for diseases of the ear (b) for adenoids and chronic	a) Penodes use mon	14
tonsillitis (c) for other nose and throat		473
conditions	86	28 116
Total	86	626
GROUP 4.—ORTHOPAEDIC A	ND POSTURAL DEFECTS	
a) Number treated as in-patients in hospitals	15	
Clair (a) Appr	By the Authority	Otherwise
b) New cases treated otherwise, e.g., in clinics or out-patients departments	276	10
GROUP 5.—CHILD GUII	DANCE TREATMENT.	muPl (8)
A Total Constitution of the Constitution of th	Number of cases	treated
Comment of Carles and	In the Authority's Child Guidance Clinics	Elsewhere
Number of pupils treated at child Guidance Clinics	783	1
GROUP 6.—Speed	CH THERAPY.	
135.8 4.351	By the Authority	Otherwise
Number of pupils treated by Speech Therapists for the first time	138	

GROUP 7.—OTHER TREATMENT GIVEN.

					New cases t	reated
					By the Authority	Otherwise
(a) (b)	Mis	cellaneous n	ninor a	ilments	 3,021	581
(0)	(1)	Heart and Sunlight T			 75 52	4 4
	(3)	Massage an	d Ren	nedial E	215	
	(4)	Enuresis			 132	Labor to Salara
			T	otal	 3,495	589

TABLE V.

DENTA	AL INSPECTION AND TREATMENT CARRIED OUT BY THE A	UTHORITY
(1)	Number of pupils inspected by the Authority's Dental Officers:—	
	(a) Periodic age groups	3,409
	(b) Specials	2,111
	Total (1)	5,520
(2)	Number found to require treatment	4,594
(3)	Number referred for treatment	
(4)	Number actually treated	4,314
(5)	Attendance made by pupils for treatment	9,553
(6)	Half-days devoted to: Inspection	25
	Treatment	988
	Total (6)	1,013
(7)	Fillings: Permanent Teeth	4,149
	Temporary Teeth	823
	Total (7)	4,972
(8)	Number of teeth filled: Permanent Teeth	3,529
	Temporary Teeth	787
	Total (8)	4,316
(9)	Extractions: (i) Permanent Teeth:	***
	(a) On account of Caries	659
	(b) For other purposes (ii) Temporary Teeth:—	144
	(a) On account of Caries	3,701
	(b) For other purposes	210
(10)	Administration of general anaesthetics for extraction	1,792
(11)	Other operations Permanent Teeth	4,361
	Temporary Teeth	901
	Total (11)	5,262

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE STAFF AND SCHOOL CLINICS AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1952.

1.—STAFF OF THE SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE.

Divisional School Medical Officer: I. Gordon, M.D., Ch.B., M.R.C.P. (Lond.), D.P.H.

Senior Dental Officer: E. V. HAIGH, L.D.S., R.C.S.

6	Number	Aggregate staff in terms of the equivalent number of whole time officers
(a) Medical Officers :		
(i) Whole time School		T. Hibergrandism and Mearl
Health Service	_	The state of the s
(ii) Whole time School	133-133	Andrew Labourell
Health and Local		
Health Services	7	2.92
(iii) General Practitioners		
working part-time in the School		
Health Service	DEBENDER OF THE PERSON NAMED AND POST OF THE	D. BILL
(h) Dental Officers	-	
(c) Speech Thoronict	1	3:36
(d) School Nurses	*18	(Combined 1
	10	(Combined posts, H.V. and S.N.) 5.85
(e) Nursing Assistants	5	(Clinic Nurses) 2.75
(f) Dental Attendants	4	8:46

^{*} All hold Health Visitor's Certificate.

II.—Number of School Clinics (i.e., premises at which Clinics are held for school-children) provided by the L.E.A. for the medical and/or dental examination and treatment of pupils attending maintained primary and secondary schools.

Number of School Clinics 5

III.—Type of Examination and/or Treatment provided at the School Clinics returned in Section II, either directly by the Authority or under arrangements made with the Regional Hospital Board for examination and/or treatment to be carried out at the Clinic.

	1952	SEE	Maoa		(i.e. premise	School Clinics es) where such t is provided
9.0	Examination and/or			Boor	Directly by the Authority (2)	Under arrangements made with R.H.B.&c
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Α.	examination or tre			ialist	ano sumo	Senior
-	examination or tre				2 3	plant _
-	examination or tre Dental Ophthalmic				2 3 —	- 3
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C. D. E.	examination or tre Dental Ophthalmic Ear, Nose and Throat	atme	nt		2 3 ———————————————————————————————————	3 1 3 1
C. D. E. F.	examination or tre Dental Ophthalmic Ear, Nose and Throat Orthopaedic Paediatric	atme	nt		2 3 — — — — —	3 1 3 1
C. D. E. F. G.	examination or tre Dental Ophthalmic Ear, Nose and Throat Orthopaedic	atme	nt		2 3 ———————————————————————————————————	3 1 3 1 -
A. B. C. D. E. F. G. H.	examination or tre Dental Ophthalmic Ear, Nose and Throat Orthopaedic Paediatric Speech Therapy	atme	nt		2 3 - - - - 2 - 2	3 1 3 1 - 1

IV:-CHILD GUIDANCE CENTRES.

(i) Number of Child Guidance Centres provided by the Authority=1

Staff		Number	Aggregate in terms of the equivalent number of whole-time officers
Psychiatrists Educational Psychologists Psychiatric Social Workers	See I see to	 2 2 2 2	5 11 2 2 2
Others :— Play Therapist Clerk/Typist		 1 2	11 2

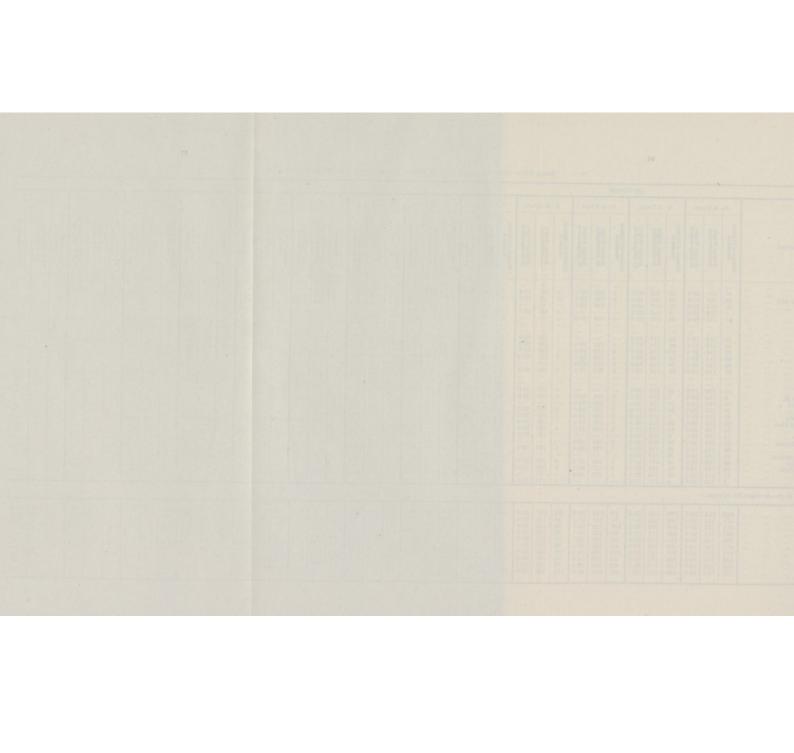
The Psychiatrists are employed by arrangement with the Regional Hospital Board.

Table VI.—Summary of Cases of Infectious Diseases among School Children, and of Contacts of such Cases, excluded from School Attendance during the Year ended the 31st December, 1952.

	1	FROM S	сноог	ATT	ENDAN	CE DU	RING T	THE Y	CAR EN	DED TH	E 31st I	ECEMBI	er, 1952				
									EASES	AND	CONTA	CTS					
	on Roll		rlet ver		ph- eria	Ger	les and man asles		oping igh	Chicken- pox	Polio- myelitis	Mumps	Pneu- monia	Rheu- matism	Sonne- Dysen- tery	Т	otals
SCHOOLS	No. ot	Cases	Contacts	Cases	Contacts	Cases	Contacts	Cases	Contacts	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases	Cuses	Cases	Contacts
Barley Lane Beal Modern Beal Modern Beal Modern Bean Modern Chadwell Christchurch Cleveland County High Dane Downshall Fairlop Gearies Goodmayes Gordon Highlands Loxford Mossford (Fairlop) Mossford (G.V.H.) Newbury Park Parkhill St. Augustine's SS. Peter and Paul's St. Vincent's South Park The Gilbert Colvin The Glade The John Bramston The Mount The Redbridge The William Torbitt Uphall Ursuline Woodlands Private	477 686 1238 97 646 816 1050 1224 656 1408 1826 1251 646 258 1020 393 851 352 172 405 902 271 663 383 1018 512 476 597 301 576 1013 392 240 301		3 16 1 7 11 5 8 3 11 2 2 2 2 10			7 85 1 1 88 117 168 10 1126 51 175 110 78 121 49 30 91 107 9 9 107 9 107 9 107 9 107 9 107 9 107 9 107 9 107 9 107 107 107 107 107 107 107 107 107 107	13				1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		1 2 2 1 3 1 1 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1 1 2 2		77 22 1.55 5 1.37 3988 222 3 32100 348 227 1.342 231 342 271 342 271 342 271 342 271 342 271 342 271 342 271 342 271 342 271 342 271 342 3 100 36 68 28 217 78 81 103 31 104 109 31 109 101 142 63	
Totals	23117	294	192	-		2242	207	316	31	624	5	612	17	11	5	4126	430

I Encephalitis case at South Park School.

		ge Groups				Age	Groups	
5-0 Ye	ars 6—7 Yea	s 7-8 Years	8—9 Years	9—10 Years 10—11 Ye	rs 11—12 Years	12-13 Years 13-14 Years	14-15 Years 15-16 Years	16-17 Years 17-18 Years
Number of Caldren Branning Average Helgh.	Average Weight (in Kilsgrammer) Number of Children Examined Average Reight (in Centimetree)	(In Kingmanneau) Number of Children Spanninod Average Height (in Continuetro) Average Weight	Number of Children Engantined Average Reight (in Centimetees) Average Weight (in Kibogrammon)	Number of Children Banninod Average Height (in Ceritaries) Average Weight (in Nonpersonney) Number of Children Banninod Average Reight (in Continenties)	(in Khigenmees) Number of Children Examined Average Reight (in Centimetes) Areage Weight (in Khigenmees)	Number of Children Average Weight (In Confinement) Average Weight (Manage Weight) (Manage Weight)	Number of Children Personal Children Average Irright (in Confinences) (in Kingsrammon) Number of Children Spanisher (in Kingsrammon) Number of Children Average Irright (in Kingsrammon) Average Irright (in Kingsrammon)	Number of Children Examinosi Paratag Trigidi (in Continerics) (in Kolquenerics) Sumber of Children Sumber of Children Sumber of Children Average Weight (in Kolquenerics) Average Weight (in Kolquenerics)
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