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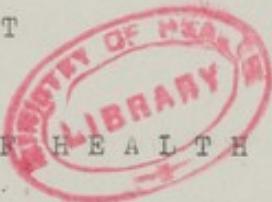
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URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL
OF

FELTHAM

CD. Bridge House

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
FOR
1943Medical Officer of Health (part time)

F. H. Woods, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

Dr. Woods was called to the services at the outbreak of hostilities.

Deputy Medical Officer of Health (part time)

D. McCarthy, M.B., Ch. B.

Chief Sanitary Inspector.

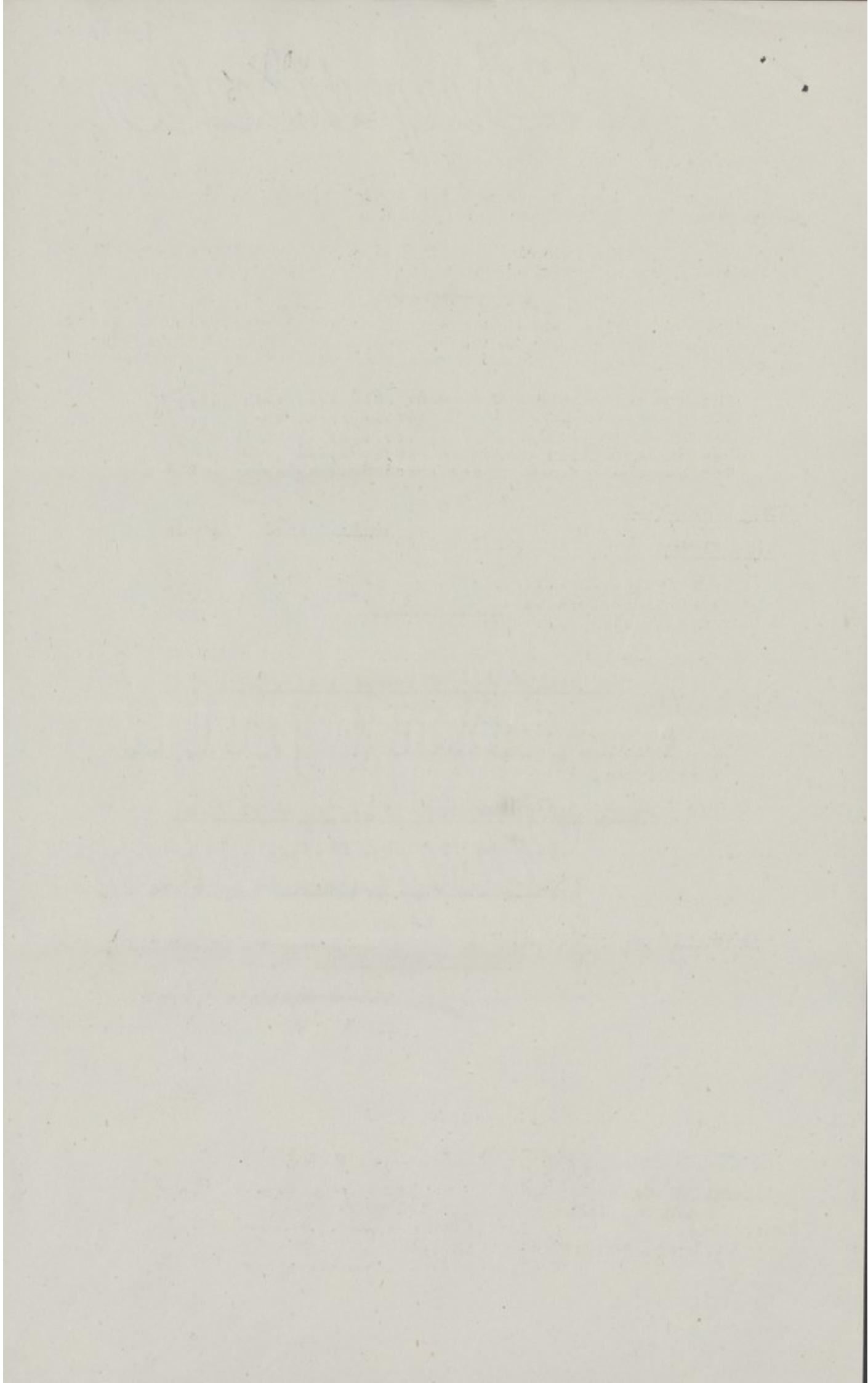
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Sanitary Inspector.

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Feltham, Middx.

June, 1944.



Council Offices,

Feltham.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I beg to present my Annual Report on the Health and Sanitation of your District during 1943.

The District is divided into three Wards: Bedfont, Feltham and Hanworth with a total acreage of 4,935.

The estimated population is 36,000 (mid. 1943), (Registrar General). This is a slight decrease compared with 1942. The day population is increased by people working at the various factories and shops. A small number continue to work at agriculture.

The sum represented by a penny rate is.....	£1,100
All classes of inhabited houses.....	10,096
Working-class dwellings.....	9,392
New working-class dwellings erected.....	nil
Total number of new houses erected.....	nil

VITAL STATISTICS.

	Total	Male	Female
<u>Live births</u>			
Legitimate.....	668	319	349
Illegitimate.....	30	17	13
Total.....	698	336	362

Birth rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population - 19.38

Still Births

Legitimate.....	18	8	10
Illegitimate.....	1	1	"
Total.....	19	9	10

Rate per 1,000 total births (live and still) - 26.49

Deaths.

297	151	146
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Death rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population - 8.25

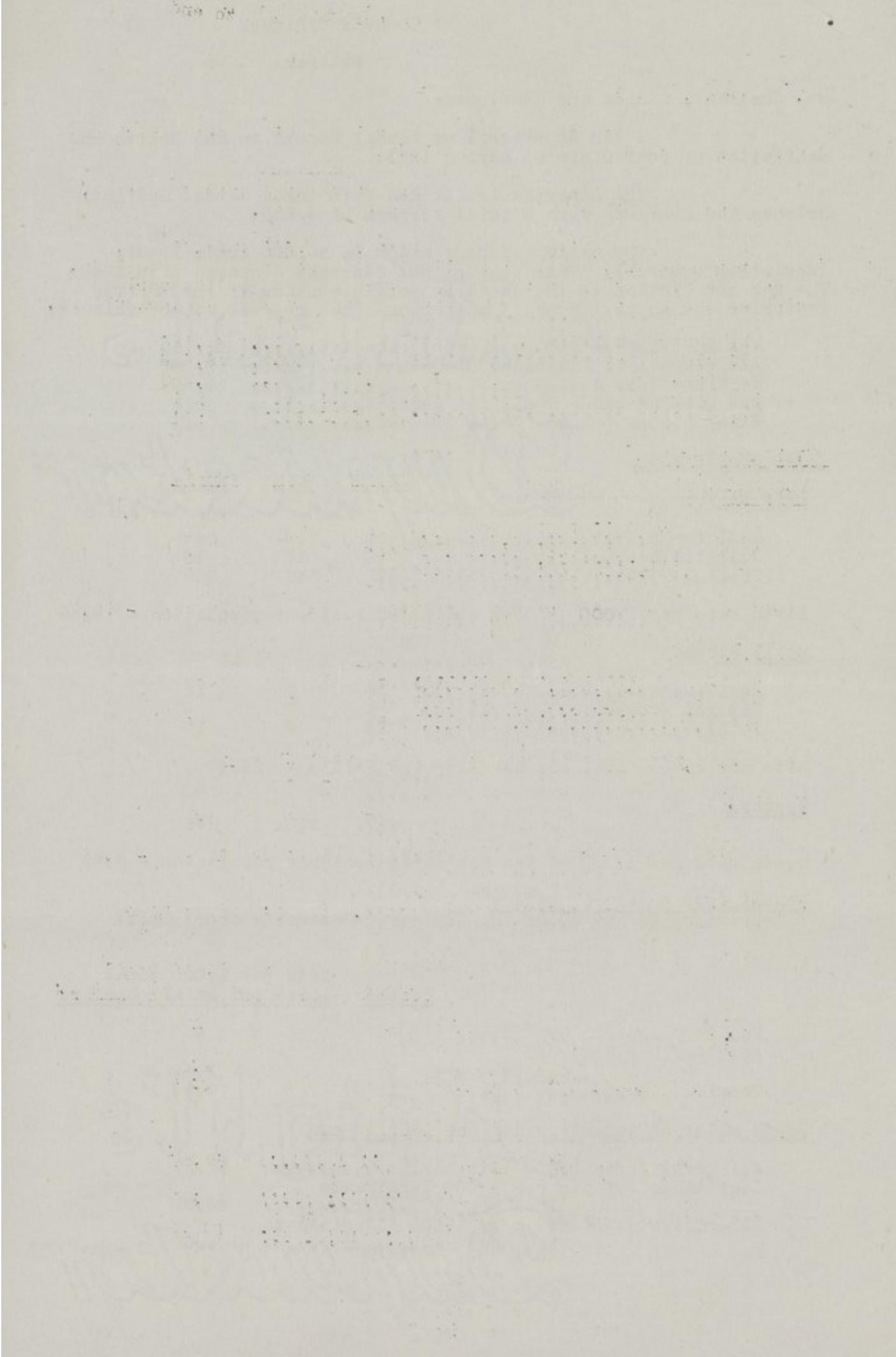
Deaths from puerperal causes

(Headings 29 and 30 of the Registrar-General's Short List)

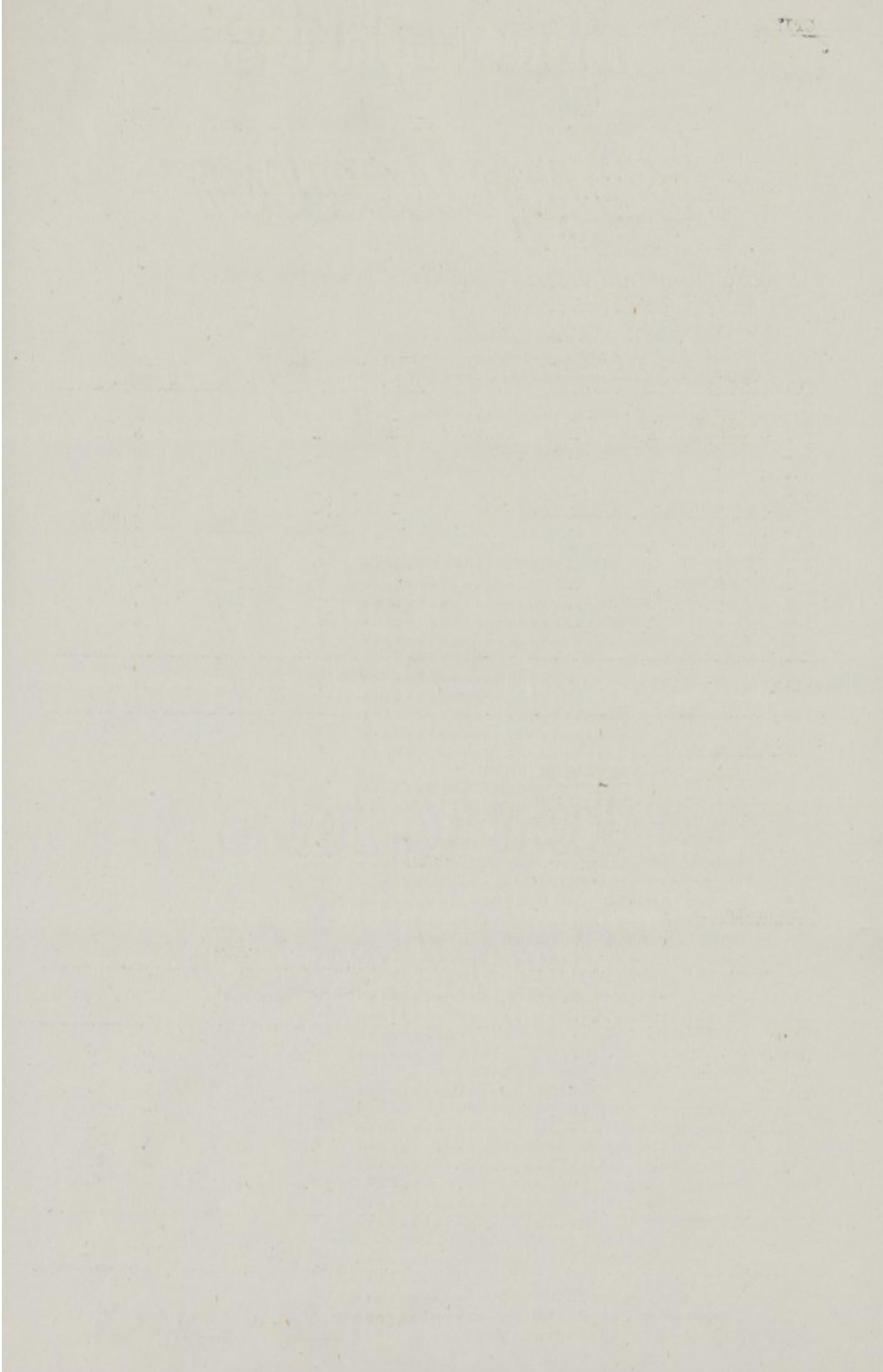
<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Rate per 1,000 total (Live and still) births.</u>
No. 29 Puerperal Sepsis....	-
No. 30 Other Maternal Causes....	1
Total.....	1

Death rates of infants under one year of age

All infants per 1,000 live births.....	47.27
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births.....	44.91
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births.....	100.00



	<u>Total</u>	Rate per 1,000 of estimated population.	
Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	41	1.13	
" " Measles (all ages)	-	-	
" " Whooping Cough (all ages)	-	-	
		<u>Rate per 1,000 live births</u>	
" " Diarrhoeas (under two years)	5	7.16	
The Birth, Death and Maternal Mortality rates for England and Wales in 1943 were:-			
Birth Rate.....		16.5	
Still Birth Rate.....		0.51	
Death Rate.....		12.1	
Puerperal Sepsis.....	0.39		
Others.....	1.45		
Total Maternal Mortality Rate.....		1.84	
<u>CAUSES OF DEATH IN YOUR AREA</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	
		<u>Total</u>	
1. Typhoid and paratyphoid fevers.....	-	-	-
2. Cerebro-spinal fever.....	-	-	-
3. Scarlet fever.....	-	-	-
4. Whooping Cough.....	-	-	-
5. Diphtheria.....	-	-	-
6. Tuberculosis of the respiratory system.....	8	10	18
7. Other forms of tuberculosis.....	1	1	2
8. Syphilitic disease.....	2	-	2
9. Influenza.....	4	2	6
10. Measles.....	-	-	-
11. Acute poliomyelitis and polioencephalitis.....	-	-	-
12. Acute infectious encephalitis.....	-	-	-
13. Cancer of buccal cavity and oesophagus (M) uterus(F) ..	1	3	4
14. Cancer of stomach and duodenum.....	1	3	4
15. Cancer of breast.....	-	3	3
16. Cancer of all other sites.....	13	17	30
17. Diabetes.....	1	1	2
18. Intra-cranial vascular lesions.....	8	12	20
19. Heart disease.....	30	35	65
20. Other diseases of the circulatory system.....	6	2	8
21. Bronchitis.....	13	7	20
22. Pneumonia	10	10	20
23. Other respiratory diseases.....	2	-	2
24. Ulceration of the stomach or duodenum.....	4	-	4
25. Diarrhoea (under two years of age) ..	2	3	5
26. Appendicitis.....	1	-	1
27. Other digestive diseases.....	4	6	10
28. Nephritis.....	2	2	4
29. Puerperal and post-abortive sepsis ..	-	-	-
30. Other maternal causes.....	-	1	1
31. Premature birth.....	4	3	7
32. Congenital malformations, birth injury, infantile disease.....	5	6	11
33. Suicide.....	-	2	2
34. Road traffic accidents.....	5	1	6
35. Other violent causes.....	7	7	14
36. All other causes.....	17	9	26
	151	146	297



NOTIFIABLE DISEASES OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS

<u>Disease.</u>	Total Nos. Notified	Admitted to hospital	Deaths
Diphtheria.....	4	4	-
Measles.....	100	3	-
Whooping Cough.....	54	6	-
Pneumonia.....	2	-	20
Scarlet fever.....	105	87	-
Cerebro-spinal fever.....	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia.....	2	2	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorium.....	1	1	-
Erysipelas.....	2	-	-
Poliomyelitis.....	-	-	-

<u>Age Periods</u>	<u>Scarlet Fever</u>	<u>Diph-</u>	<u>Puerp.</u>	<u>Erysip-</u>	<u>Pneu-</u>	<u>Whooping</u>
				heria	monia	Cough.
Under 1 year	-	-	-	-	-	2
1 - 2 years	-	-	-	-	-	4
2 - 3 "	5	-	-	-	-	17
3 - 4 "	7	-	-	-	-	14
4 - 5 "	5	-	-	-	-	16
5 - 10 "	61	1	-	-	-	40
10 - 15 "	9	-	-	-	-	5
15 - 20 "	3	3	-	-	-	-
20 - 35 "	4	-	1	1	-	2
35 - 45 "	1	-	1	1	-	-
45 - 65 "	-	-	-	-	1	-
Over 65 "	-	-	-	-	-	-
 Total	105	4	2	2	2	100
						54

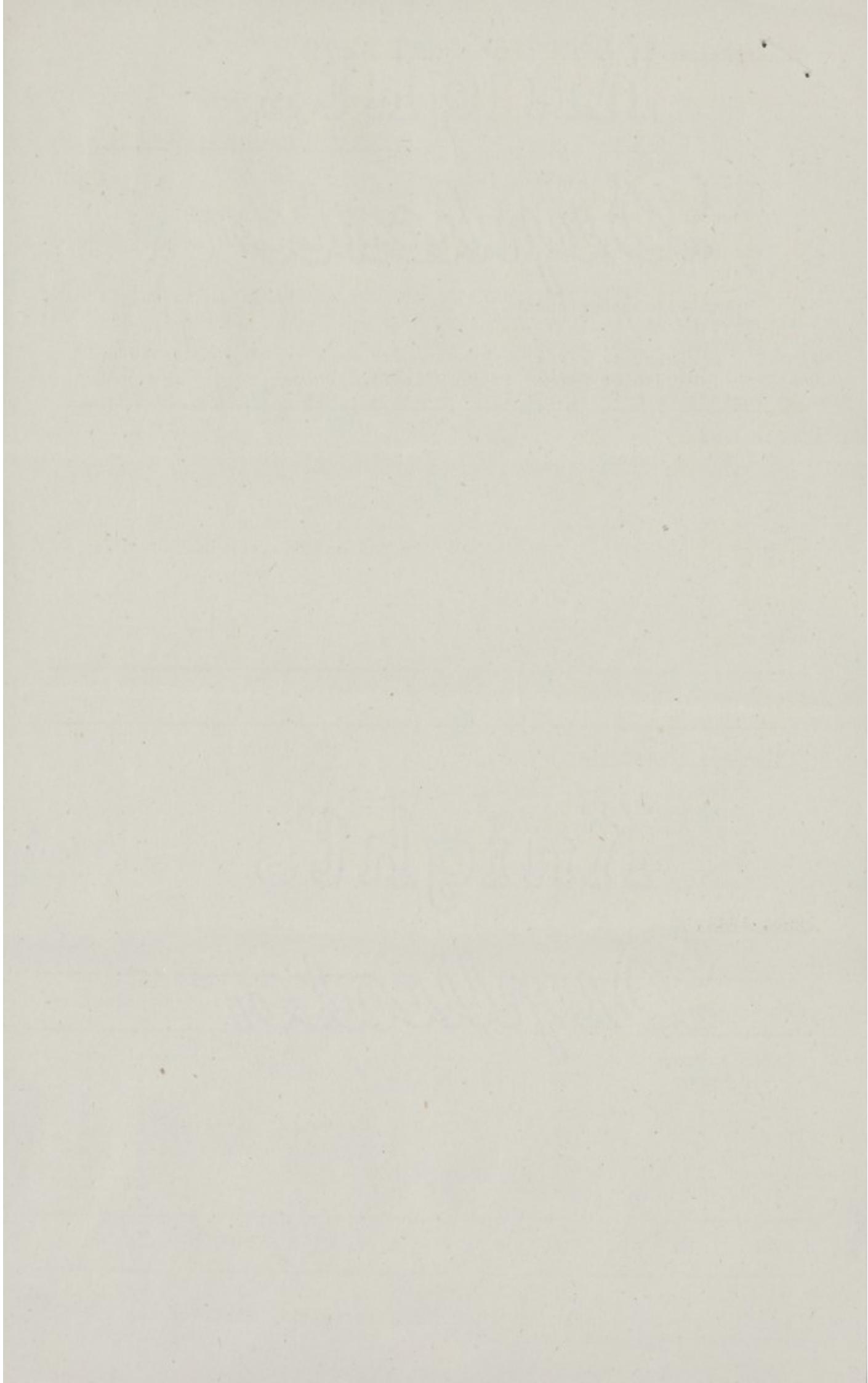
Ophthalmia Neonatorium

Notified.....	1
Cases treated at home.....	-
Cases treated in hospital.....	1
Vision unimpaired.....	1
Total blindness.....	-
Death.....	-

Tuberculosis

<u>Age Periods</u>	New Cases				Deaths			
	Respiratory		Non- Respiratory		Respiratory		Non- Respiratory	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 - 5 Years	-	5	1	-	-	1	-	1
5 - 15 "	2	5	1	2	-	2	1	-
15 - 25 "	3	11	-	1	-	2	-	-
25 - 35 "	10	7	-	2	2	1	-	-
35 - 45 "	6	1	-	1	1	2	-	-
45 - 65 "	6	-	-	-	5	2	-	-
Over 65 "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
 Total	27	31	2	6	8	10	1	1

1. The general health of the population in this District has on the whole been very good during 1943,



2. There are now five active day nurseries for children in the District three at Feltham, one at Hanworth and one at Bedfont.
3. Anti-Diphtheria immunisation is being carried out satisfactorily.
4. There is a slight decrease in the birth rates and the death rate compared with 1942.
5. The Infant death rate and deaths from appendicitis are markedly reduced.
6. There is a slight decrease in deaths from Tuberculosis and Cancer. There were no deaths from diphtheria and puerperal sepsis.
7. The District is still in urgent need of more houses as there is unnatural and uncomfortable overcrowding.

D. McCARTHY,

Deputy Medical Officer of Health.

June, 1944.

CHIEF SANITARY INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Council Offices,

Feltham, Middx.

Dr. D. McCarthy, M. B., Ch. B.,
Deputy Medical Officer of Health.

Sir,

During a large portion of 1943 the office was without the services of Mr. Bell, Sanitary Inspector, through illness. He recommenced duties the latter part of the year. This meant that only the most important work was carried out, such as food examination, water sampling, and disinfection. Trouble was experienced through crickets at the House Refuse Dump, ultimately this was overcome. Numerous complaints were received on various matters and these were dealt with as far as possible. The work of disinfection after infectious disease has received prompt attention.

Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act. 1919. A survey of the District was prepared and forwarded to the infestation Branch of the Ministry of Food upon the Council agreeing to undertake this work within the District. I attended the courses held in London on the subject. Arrangements have been made with the Civil Defence to use some of their personnel if required.

SUMMARY OF SANITARY WORK AND IMPROVEMENTS

Eradication of Bed Bugs

- (1) The number of Council houses infested.....16
- (1) The number of Council Houses disinfested.....16
- The number of other houses infested.....28
- The number of other houses disinfested.....28

- (2) The methods employed for freeing infested houses from bugs are the removal of all woodwork etc., and spraying with "Pyagra" insecticide or fumigating with "Cimex". In certain cases fumigation with hydrogen cyanide gas is carried out.

- (3) The furniture etc., of new tenants is inspected before removal to Council houses and if necessary is treated with insecticide.

- (4) The work of disinfection is carried out by the local authority, except when hydrogen cyanide gas is used, when a contractor is employed.

Infectious Disease.

The following number of rooms have been disinfected after cases of infectious disease:-

Impetigo.....	1
Tuberculosis.....	21
Cancer.....	1
Measles.....	-
Whooping Cough.....	-
Scarlet Fever.....	104
Diphtheria.....	9
Erysipelas.....	-
Typhoid Fever.....	-
Pneumonia.....	-
Cerebro Spinal Fever.....	-
Scabies.....	-
Total.....	136

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Milk (Special Designations) Regulations, 1936 to 1941.

The number of persons licensed in the district to sell or bottle:-

Tuberculin Tested.....	4
Accredited.....	-
Pasteurised.....	4

Supplementary Licences:-

Tuberculin Tested.....	3
Accredited.....	1
Pasteurised.....	4

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

Carcasses Examined at Slaughter-houses and Butcher's Shops.

	<u>Beasts.</u>	<u>Calves.</u>	<u>Lambs.</u>	<u>Pigs.</u>
Number killed.....	-	-	-	66
Number inspected.....	-	-	-	66

Diseases excluding Tuberculosis.

Whole carcase condemned.....	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ condemned.....	-	-	-	-
Percentage affected with disease other than tuberculosis.	-	-	-	-

Tuberculosis only.

Whole carcase condemned.....	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ condemned.....	-	-	-	5
Percentage affected with tuberculosis.....	-	-	-	7.57

Meat Inspected at Distributing Depot No. 16.

The following number of whole carcases have been examined:-

<u>Beasts.</u>	<u>Sheep</u>	<u>Calves.</u>	<u>Pigs.</u>
1	-	1	43

In addition a large number of quarters, parts of carcases and organs have been examined.

The following has been declared unfit for human consumption:

Whole Carcases

	<u>Beasts.</u>	<u>Calves.</u>	<u>Sheep.</u>	<u>Pigs.</u>
Tuberculosis.	-	-	-	-
Other Disease.	-	-	12	-

Part Carcases and Organs

Total: 2 tons 2 cwts. 87 lbs.

In addition the following amount of canned meat was found to be unfit for human consumption -

1 ton 9 cwts. 98 lbs.

I am, Sir

Your obedient servant,

R. J. ROWDON.

June, 1944.

Chief Sanitary Inspector.

