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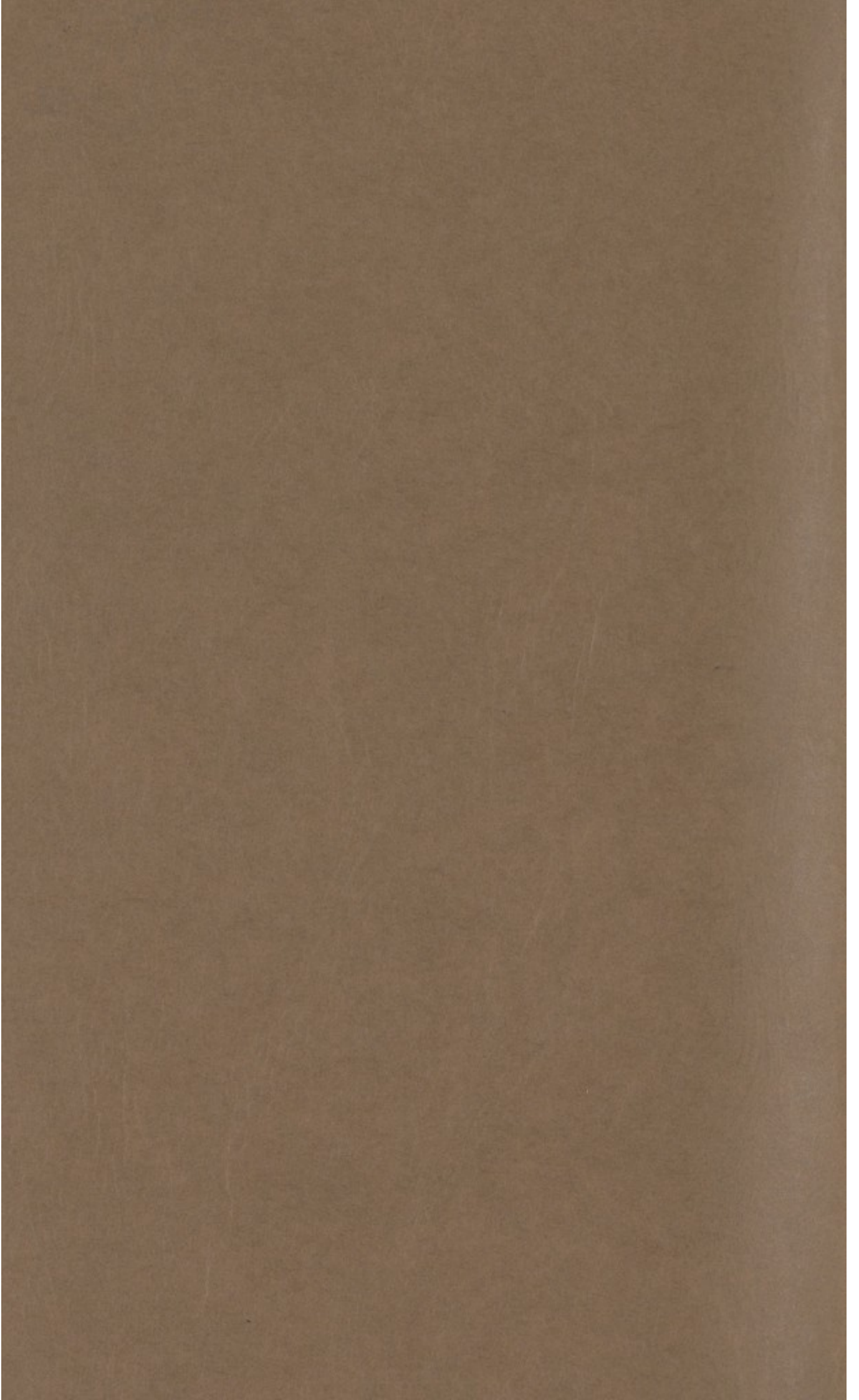


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ON THE 12th FEBRUARY 1914

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The Medical Officer of Health

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THE STANDING CONFERENCE OF BODIES CO-OPERATING IN THE INVESTIGATION OF ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION

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The Medical Officer of Health

THE LONDON AND HOME COUNTIES SMOKE ABATEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

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as at 31st December, 1956

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Inspector.....(Vacant)

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J. H. Riley
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K. A. Webster (Temporary)
(Six vacancies)

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N. R. Jackson
J. V. Kaye
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Storekeeper and Housing Assistant.....F. A. Stewart
Assistant Storekeeper.....A. J. Parfree
Rodent Officer (Temporary) and Drainage Foreman.....J. Chatting
Cleansing Station and Visiting Nurse.....Miss D. I. Dombre

EMPLOYEES

Drainage.....7 men
Rodent Control.....5 men
Disinfection.....6 men

Personal Cleansing and
Laundry.....6 women and 1 man
Mortuary.....1 man

Food and Drugs and Smoke Abatement.....1 man

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
TOWN HALL, HACKNEY, E. 8.

June, 1957

To His Worship the Mayor and to the Aldermen and
Councillors of the Metropolitan Borough of Hackney

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit my Annual Report on the health and sanitary circumstances of the Borough of Hackney for the year 1956. This report is the 101st in the series of health reports submitted to this local authority, and it is the fifth report which I personally have the privilege of presenting.

Statistics. The mid-year population of the borough, as estimated by the Registrar General, was 165,800 persons, 1,400 fewer than in the previous year. The enumerated population at the census of 1951 was 171,342, and at the census of 1931 it was 215,333. Deaths from all causes totalled 1,845 as compared with 1,743 in 1955. The *crude* death rate per thousand of the population was 11.13 as compared with a rate (provisional) of 11.7 for England and Wales as a whole. The corrected Hackney death rate after the application of the "area comparability factor" of 1.11 was 12.35; this factor makes allowance for the age and sex distribution of the population, and thereby enables a more accurate comparison to be made between the rates of given areas. The total number of live births was 2,470 resulting in a birth rate of 14.90 per thousand of the population, or a corrected rate of 13.71 after applying the birth rate "area comparability factor" of 0.92. The number of deaths of infants under one year was 44, resulting in an infantile mortality rate of 17.81 as compared with a rate of 23.8 (provisional) for England and Wales. There was only one death from causes associated with pregnancy giving a *maternal death rate* of 0.40 as compared with a rate of 0.56 (provisional) for England and Wales.

Malignant disease in all sites claimed 381 deaths as compared with 368 in the previous year. The 84 deaths from malignant disease of the lung and bronchus were nine more than in 1955. The death rate from cancer of the lung and bronchus in Hackney was 0.51 per thousand of the population, as compared with a rate of 0.41 (provisional) for England and Wales. The association between the increased death rate from cancer in these sites and atmospheric pollution and heavy cigarette smoking is now generally accepted. There is an increasingly strong current of opinion that the time has arrived for Central Government to sponsor a campaign of health education against cigarette smoking, particularly amongst the younger members of the community.

Accidental deaths. Deaths from motor vehicle accidents were fifteen as compared with thirteen in the previous year. All other types of accidents accounted for 36 deaths and five of these were in children under the age of fifteen years. There were 19 deaths due to accidents in the home, and 16 of these were in persons aged 60 years or over.

Infectious disease. The incidence of serious infectious disease was low. Of the total number of 1,394 (3,293 in 1955) notifications

received, 456 related to measles, 395 to whooping cough, 190 to dysentery, 130 to scarlet fever and 53 to puerperal pyrexia. Sonne dysentery was again endemic but a good deal less prevalent than in the previous year. Its occurrence was mainly sporadic but one day nursery was involved in an outbreak of some 45 cases. Some 228 cases of infectious disease were admitted to hospital as compared with 356 in 1955. Only five cases of poliomyelitis were notified, and of these three were of the paralytic type and two of the non-paralytic type. *Poliomyelitis vaccine* was given to 646 children. Results of trials to date in this Country and elsewhere indicate that this vaccine gives an apparent protection of about 80 per cent. against the paralytic forms of the disease. There is still much to be learned about the mode of spread of, and the provision of adequate and lasting immunity against this dread disease. Intensive research continues, and there are undoubtedly good grounds for being optimistic as to the future. The six deaths from infectious disease were all due to pneumonia.

Tuberculosis. Notifications of tuberculosis were 123 as compared with 129 in the previous year, and the total deaths from this disease were 18. The death rate per thousand of the population was 0.11 for Hackney, as compared with a rate of 0.12 (provisional) for England and Wales. *B.C.G. vaccination* was given to 1,059 school children, and to 169 child contacts. The remarkable decline in the mortality and morbidity from tuberculosis is probably the outstanding conquest in the field of health in recent years. The tables in the section of the report dealing with tuberculosis give details of the declining death rate in Hackney.

Inspection and supervision of food. The Food and Drugs Act, 1955 came into operation on the 1st January, 1956. This Act, in addition to consolidating previous legislation, introduces some important changes in the law relating to food. The Food Hygiene Regulations, 1955, made under the new Act also came into operation on the 1st January, 1956. These Regulations, in replacing the provisions of SECTION 13 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1938, lay down requirements in respect of cleanliness of food premises and of stalls and of apparatus and equipment, the hygienic handling of food, the cleanliness of persons engaged in the handling of food, and their clothing; and the action to be taken when they suffer from or are carriers of certain infections. They also deal with the construction of food premises, the repair and maintenance of food premises, stalls, vehicles, etc., and the facilities to be provided; and the temperature at which certain foods which are particularly liable to transmit disease are to be kept in food premises. The legal powers now available to local authorities in their efforts to secure higher standards of hygiene in the food and catering industries are unquestionably ample. A copy of the Regulations and a copy of a pamphlet summarising their principal provisions were sent to all food traders in the Borough. It is a pleasure to report that, though much has yet to be done, the standard of hygiene in the majority of food premises continues to improve; in this connection the co-operation of many persons engaged in the distribution and sale of food is very welcome. The general public can help to a very great extent in bringing about further improvement by refusing to accept food which is offered for sale under unhygienic conditions.

Housing. The major portion of the time of the Public Health inspection staff was, as is to be expected, devoted to the inspection of dwellings,

and following such inspections, dwellings to the number of 279 were repaired as a result of informal action and 2,374 as a result of formal action under the Public Health (London) Act; in 29 instances the Council carried out the necessary works in the owners' default. During the year two slum clearance areas, one at Downham Road involving 14 houses and 20 families, and one at Holmbrook Street comprising 12 houses and 17 families, were represented, and Clearance Orders were made by the Borough Council. The London County Council represented 31 houses in the Marlow Road area, and made a Compulsory Purchase Order in respect of this area, and some 120 adjoining houses. Under Sections 11 and 12 of the Housing Act, 1936, two Demolition Orders and one Closing Order were made in respect of houses, and Closing Orders to the number of 33 were made in respect of individual underground rooms at 15 premises. Demolition and Closing Orders necessitated the rehousing of 19 families by the Borough Council. Under the provisions of the Housing Repairs and Rents Act 1954, thirty-four Certificates of Disrepair were granted, and ninety-one certificates were revoked. Since the Act came into operation in August, 1954, a total of 458 Certificates of Disrepair have been issued of which 266 have been revoked; applications for the Revocation of Certificates of Disrepair to the number of 37 have been refused.

Atmospheric Pollution. The year under review will always be a landmark in environmental Public Health legislation, as the Clean Air Act received Royal Assent in July, and the various sections are to come into operation on dates to be appointed by the Minister of Housing and Local Government. If the powers contained in this Act are implemented by the responsible local authorities it would appear that the prospect of a reasonably clean atmosphere will be achieved in the lifetime of the present generation. To attain this end a big task faces local government; the implementation of the Act to the full will necessitate much effort and expenditure of time and money, but the improvement in health and the saving of human lives, as well as the material advantages to be gained will, however, be worth-while results. This paramount problem of atmospheric pollution has far too long been shelved, and the opportunity now presented must not be missed. Domestic chimneys are responsible for more than fifty per cent. of our air pollution and the establishment of smoke control areas is undoubtedly one of the most urgent requirements. To deal with the additional burden of work which will of necessity fall on the department, the Council during the year agreed to my recommendation that the establishment of the department be revised to provide for additional appointments of one Assistant Clean Air Inspector and one experienced Clerical Assistant.

Mortuary and Coroner's Court. As a result of the reorganisation of Coroners' Districts in London, the use of the Hackney Coroner's Court, which is Borough Council property, was discontinued, and the agreement with the London County Council for the use of the premises, terminated on December 31st, 1955. The accommodation previously in use as a Coroner's Court, and which is part of the Mortuary building, has now been leased to the London Hospital Medical College for use as a Department of Forensic Medicine for a term of three years from the 1st January, 1956; there is an option for the renewal of this lease for a further period of two or four years. Following the review of Coroners' Districts, bodies from the boroughs of Bethnal Green and Shoreditch which had previously been sent to the Poplar Mortuary, are now sent to the Hackney Mortuary. Prior to 1956 the Stoke Newington Borough

Council, by agreement, used the Hackney Mortuary facilities; a new agreement operative from the 1st April, 1956, now provides for the cost of the Hackney Mortuary to be apportioned, on a population basis, between the boroughs of Hackney, Stoke Newington, Bethnal Green and Shoreditch.

Public Health Inspection Staff. The Sanitary Inspectors (Change of Designation) Act, 1956 provides that sanitary inspectors shall in future be designated as Public Health Inspectors. Arising out of the recommendations of the Working Party on the recruitment, training and qualification of sanitary inspectors, the Royal Sanitary Institute and Sanitary Inspectors' Examination Joint Board has now been reconstituted as the Public Health Inspectors' Education Board. The objects of the new Board are:-

- (a) to examine for and issue a Diploma in Public Health Inspection as the basic qualification to be recognised by the Minister;
- (b) to examine for other certificates it may consider necessary for public health inspectors;
- (c) to approve courses of instruction for all of its examinations;
- (d) to approve local authorities for the purpose of practical training; and
- (e) to keep under review all questions relating to the recruitment, training and examination of public health inspectors.

On the 1st January there were seven vacancies on the department's working establishment of 24 public health inspectors. During the year two officers resigned to take up appointments elsewhere and there was one death. Four appointments were made during the year with the result that at the 31st December there were six vacancies. In the current year three district inspectors have been appointed, and one has left to take up an appointment elsewhere, so that at the time of writing there are still four vacancies. A system of paid pupillage was adopted by this authority in 1955. There are now five pupils in training in the department, and I am pleased to report that the system works most satisfactorily. These pupils, most of whom have had some training or experience in the building, plumbing or allied trades before coming to us, give considerable help in the department, and relieve the public health inspectors of a certain amount of routine work. The long term result of training schemes, whereby the total pool of public health inspectors will be increased is, of course, the more important aspect of this matter.

Employment for the Elderly. An event of no small importance in the voluntary welfare services of the borough during the year was the establishment of Hackney's first Workshop for the Elderly at the premises of the Pedro Street Settlement in Rushmore Road. The initiative in establishing the *Hackney Association for Workshops for the Elderly* came from the Rotary Club of Hackney whose members considered it would be a suitable method of commemorating locally the golden anniversary of the foundation of the Rotary Movement. Much credit is due to the officers and members of that Club, and to the many individuals and representatives of various organisations who have devoted much time and energy to making the venture the success which the first year's working indicates it will be.

Personal Health Services. That vast measure of social legislation, The National Health Service Act, 1946, has now been in operation some

eight years. As was to be expected in a reorganisation of medical services of such magnitude, weaknesses in the administrative structure have become apparent with the passage of time. Whilst it may well be that the time is not yet opportune for major alterations in the service, the view is widely held that some relatively minor but important changes, which are obviously necessary, should be made without undue delay. When the Act came into operation in 1948 a number of local authorities, the Metropolitan Boroughs included, lost to the County Councils the Maternity and Child Welfare Services which they themselves had, over the years, fostered and developed. This compulsory transfer of health functions was considered by the non-county authorities concerned to be a retrograde step, and not in the best interests of the community; these authorities then felt, and still feel, that as these services are provided for local residents, their administration should be in the hands of the locally elected representatives of the people who are unquestionably in a far better position to assess the needs of the persons they represent than a relatively remote authority such as the County Council.

Many months ago agreement was reached between the London County Council, in its capacity as local health authority under the National Health Service Acts, and the Metropolitan Boroughs' Standing Joint Committee, representing the Metropolitan, City and Borough Councils, that the appropriate Ministries be recommended to take the necessary steps to restore to the Metropolitan Boroughs the personal health services which were transferred to the County Council in 1948. It appears that no definite action has been taken in Whitehall to put this recommendation into effect. Opposition to the agreed proposals has been voiced in certain quarters, but it is felt that the grounds for this opposition are not reasonable and could not be justified.

It is earnestly to be hoped that an early decision will be made to put into operation the wishes of the elected representatives of the people of London. The Metropolitan, City and Borough Councils are unquestionably appropriate authorities with the necessary resources, financial and otherwise, to provide a service of the highest order. The restoration of the personal health services to the Boroughs would provide an additional stimulus to Borough Council Members and to their Officers, and would widen the scope of, and increase interest in local government in London.

At the present time there is much discussion in local and central government quarters on areas and status of local authorities and of their functions, and it is generally agreed that reorganisation of local government areas over the Country as a whole is long overdue. The unusual and complicated system of local government in London is very different from that in other parts of the Country, and it will need special consideration in its widest possible aspects. Any review of London's special problems, if and when it does take place, is likely to be a very lengthy process, but this must, however, not be taken as an excuse for inaction at the present time, and it certainly is not a valid reason for deferment of the restoration of the personal health services to the Metropolitan Boroughs.

Once again the compilation of an Annual Report presents me with the opportunity of acknowledging the help and co-operation the staff of this department continues to receive from the many individuals and organisations whom we meet in our daily work. The medical practitioners in general practice in the borough again gave us their whole-hearted co-operation, as also did the professional and administrative staffs of the local hospitals. Our relationship with the Divisional Medical Officer

of the London County Council and the staff of his department at Drysdale Street continued to be most helpful and cordial. The various voluntary organisations in the borough cover a wide range of health and welfare activities and I am most grateful to them for their readiness at all times to co-operate to the full with the activities of this department. Our best thanks are also due to the Chief Officers and members of the staffs of other departments of the Council for their continued and helpful co-operation. The staff of the Public Health Department again carried out their varied and onerous duties most efficiently and loyally, and I am very happy to have this opportunity of recording my appreciation of their services.

In conclusion, it is a great pleasure to take advantage of this occasion to express to the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee and to the Members of the Council individually and collectively, my deep gratitude for their continued support, and for the help and encouragement which they gave to me personally and to the department during the year.

I am, Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,

JOHN FENTON,

Medical Officer of Health.

SOCIAL CONDITIONS AND VITAL STATISTICS

The Metropolitan Borough of Hackney is situated in the north-eastern part of the County of London. On the south it adjoins the Metropolitan Boroughs of Shoreditch, Bethnal Green and Poplar, and on the west the Metropolitan Boroughs of Islington and Stoke Newington; to the north lies the Municipal Borough of Tottenham, and to the east the boroughs of Walthamstow and Leyton.

The total area of the borough comprises some 3,287 acres of which approximately 625.56 are public open spaces. The Borough Council is responsible for some 10.9 acres of open space and the County Council for 614.66 acres.

The borough is residential as well as industrial in character. For local government electoral purposes the borough is divided into 16 wards and three Councillors represent each ward.

The Housing Report published by the Registrar General in 1956, following the census of 1951, reveals that at the time of the census the occupied and retired males in the borough were, on the basis of *occupational grading* divided into social classes in the following proportions:-

(a) Professional, etc. and intermediate occupations	12.6%
(b) Skilled occupations	61.4%
(c) Partly skilled and unskilled occupations ..	26.0%

The rateable value of the borough as at 1st April, 1956 was £2,491,633 and the estimated product of a penny rate for the year 1956/57 was £10,050. The estimated number of inhabited hereditaments at the end of the year was 40,455.

The population of the borough as enumerated at the census of 1931 and that of 1951 was:-

1931			1951		
Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females
215,333	99,794	115,539	171,342	80,837	90,505

The following tables show the total population of the borough with marital condition and age grouping at the 1951 census:-

Age last birthday	Persons	Males				
		Total	Single	Married	Widowed	Divorced
All Ages	171,342	80,837	33,645	44,243	2,555	394
0-4	13,974	7,125	7,125	-	-	-
5-9	11,408	5,860	5,860	-	-	-
10-14	9,248	4,770	4,770	-	-	-
15-19	9,201	4,100	4,075	25	-	-
20-24	12,213	5,716	4,335	1,377	1	3
25-29	14,380	7,087	2,476	4,574	13	24
30-34	13,106	6,509	1,230	5,216	22	41
35-39	14,263	7,062	976	5,965	37	84
40-44	14,206	6,838	762	5,941	50	85
45-49	12,813	6,194	624	5,396	117	57
50-54	10,990	5,008	426	4,409	139	34
55-59	9,199	3,949	272	3,444	207	26
60-64	8,242	3,504	220	2,959	309	16
65-69	7,094	2,858	213	2,241	390	14
70-74	5,506	2,213	151	1,571	486	5
75-79	3,312	1,322	83	816	421	2
80-84	1,547	542	36	250	254	2
85-89	521	152	9	53	90	-
90-94	108	27	2	6	18	1
95 and over	11	1	-	-	1	-

Age last birthday	Persons	Females				
		Total	Single	Married	Widowed	Divorced
All Ages	171,342	90,505	34,927	44,852	10,142	584
0-4	13,974	6,849	6,849	-	-	-
5-9	11,408	5,548	5,548	-	-	-
10-14	9,248	4,478	4,478	-	-	-
15-19	9,201	5,101	4,831	270	-	-
20-24	12,213	6,497	3,303	3,173	11	10
25-29	14,380	7,293	1,632	5,568	28	65
30-34	13,106	6,597	1,068	5,350	79	100
35-39	14,263	7,201	1,093	5,834	171	103
40-44	14,206	7,368	1,237	5,765	277	89
45-49	12,813	6,619	1,128	5,004	409	78
50-54	10,990	5,982	919	4,281	717	65
55-59	9,199	5,250	793	3,369	1,055	33
60-64	8,242	4,738	644	2,592	1,482	20
65-69	7,094	4,236	513	1,871	1,839	13
70-74	5,506	3,293	412	1,110	1,767	4
75-79	3,312	1,990	257	486	1,246	1
80-84	1,547	1,005	159	152	692	2
85-89	521	369	53	21	294	1
90-94	108	81	9	6	66	-
95 and over	11	10	1	-	9	-

VITAL STATISTICS

Estimated Mid-Year Home Population - 165,800

						<i>Total</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>
BIRTHS								
Live births	-	Legitimate	..	..	..	2,304	1,192	1,112
		Illegitimate	..	..	..	166	86	80
Still births	-	Legitimate	..	..	..	44	22	22
		Illegitimate	..	..	..	6	2	4
DEATHS								
All causes	..	..	..	..	..	1,845	917	928

						<i>Hackney</i>	<i>England* & Wales</i>
BIRTH RATE PER 1,000 POPULATION							
Live births	..	..	..	..	..	14.90	15.6
Still births	..	..	..	..	..	0.30	0.37
STILL BIRTH RATE PER 1,000 TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS.						19.84	23.0
Birth rate after applying "Area Comparability"							
Factor of 0.92	..	..	..	..	..	13.71	-
DEATH RATE (CRUDE) PER 1,000 POPULATION						11.13	11.7
Death rate after applying "Area Comparability"							
Factor of 1.11	..	..	..	..	..	12.35	-
TUBERCULOSIS DEATH RATE PER 1,000 POPULATION						0.11	0.12

(* Provisional figures)

						<i>Hackney</i>	<i>England & Wales</i>
MATERNAL MORTALITY - Death rates per 1,000							
Live and Still Births:							
Maternal causes excluding abortion	..	..	..	..	..	0.00	0.46
Due to abortion	..	..	..	..	..	0.40	0.10
						<u>0.40</u>	<u>0.56</u>

						<i>Hackney</i>	<i>England & Wales</i>
DEATH RATE OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE							
All infants per 1,000 live births	..	..	..	..	..	17.81	23.8
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	..	..	..	..	..	16.92	-
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births	..	..	..	..	..	30.12	-

						<i>Total</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>
NEO-NATAL MORTALITY								
Deaths of infants under four weeks of age:								
Legitimate	..	..	..	..	..	29	18	11
Illegitimate	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	3
Neo-natal Death Rate:								
All infants per 1,000 live births	..	..	..	..	..	13.36	-	-
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	..	..	..	..	..	12.59	-	-
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births	..	..	..	..	..	24.10	-	-

MARRIAGES - Marriages to the number of 1,463 were solemnized in the borough giving a marriage rate of 8.82 per thousand of the home population. The provisional rate for England and Wales was 7.9.

CAUSES OF DEATH

	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Total</i>
Tuberculosis, respiratory	16	2	18
Tuberculosis, other	-	-	-
Syphilitic disease	6	-	6
Diphtheria	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	-	-	-
Meningococcal infection	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-
Measles	-	-	-
Other infective and parasitic diseases	-	4	4
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	35	21	56
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	76	8	84
Malignant neoplasm, breast	3	40	43
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	16	16
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	83	99	182
Leukaemia, aleukaemia	6	5	11
Diabetes	7	9	16
Vascular lesions of nervous system	62	124	186
Coronary disease, angina	184	131	315
Hypertension with heart disease	13	34	47
Other heart disease	94	145	239
Other circulatory disease	36	42	78
Influenza	1	1	2
Pneumonia	39	45	84
Bronchitis	112	66	178
Other diseases of respiratory system	6	5	11
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	14	10	24
Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	2	5	7
Nephritis and nephrosis	10	8	18
Hyperplasia of prostate	15	-	15
Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	-	1	1
Congenital malformations	3	5	8
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	58	67	125
Motor vehicle accidents	7	8	15
All other accidents	17	19	36
Suicide	11	8	19
Homicide (Infanticide)	1	-	1
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AGE MORTALITY

	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Total</i>
Under 1	24	20	44
1-4	1	-	1
5-14	6	5	11
15-24	7	-	7
25-44	45	36	81
45-64	295	167	462
65-74	254	258	512
75 and over	285	442	727
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	917	928	1,845
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Infant mortality. There were 44 deaths of children under one year, giving an infant mortality rate of 17.81 per thousand live births as compared with a rate of 23.8 (provisional) for England and Wales. In both cases the rates are the lowest ever recorded. Comparable infant mortality figures for Hackney, London and England and Wales for the last five years:-

	1956	1955	1954	1953	1952
Hackney	17.81	23.18	19.21	19.57	19.78
London	21.4	23.20	20.68	24.80	23.80
England and Wales	23.8	24.90	25.50	26.80	27.60

CAUSES OF DEATH IN CHILDREN UNDER ONE YEAR

	Under 24 hours	1 day to 1 week	1 - 2 weeks	2 - 3 weeks	3 - 4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	1 - 3 months	3 - 6 months	6 - 9 months	9 - 12 months	Total
Asphyxia - Inhalation of stomach contents into air passage ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Asphyxia pallida. Toxaemia of pregnancy	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Atelectasis	3	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3
Atelectasis. Immaturity ..	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Bronchitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Cardiac failure due to Erythroblastosis foetalis ..	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Cerebral Haemorrhage. Prematurity	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Cerebral Haemorrhage. Rupture of vein of Galen. Breech delivery	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Cerebral Haemorrhage. White asphyxia and anoxia. Prematurity	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Coal gas poisoning (Infanticide)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Congenital Malformations ..	1	1	-	-	1	3	1	1	-	-	5
Intracranial damage. Difficult labour. Lower segment Caesarean section	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Intra partum asphyxia. Cord around neck	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Letterer-Siwe's Disease ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Meningitis. Meningomyelocele Hydrocephalus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Pneumonia	-	-	-	1	-	1	3	-	-	1	5
Prematurity	7	3	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	10
Prematurity. Atelectasis ..	1	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Pulmonary Atelectasis. Neonatal asphyxia	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Pulmonary collapse. Oesophagobronchial fistula ..	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Pulmonary Haemorrhage. Haemorrhagic disease of newborn	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Respiratory failure. Prematurity	1	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Want of attention at birth ..	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Totals ..	19	11	1	1	1	33	5	2	1	3	44

Maternal Mortality. The one death from causes associated with pregnancy or childbirth, was certified as follows:-

<i>Age</i>	<i>Cause of death</i>
25	General peritonitis due to septic abortion (self induced abortion by syringing)

The maternal mortality rates for Hackney and for England and Wales in the last five years were:-

	1956	1955	1954	1953	1952
Hackney	0.40	1.68	0.82	1.19	Nil
England and Wales	0.56	0.64	0.69	0.76	0.72

Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea. The age and sex distribution of the seven persons certified as having died from these causes was:-

<i>Age groups</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Total</i>
45 - 64	-	1	1
65 - 74	2	1	3
75 and upwards	-	3	3
	2	5	7
	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>7</u>

Other infective and parasitic diseases. Four deaths were classified under this group, namely:-

<i>Sex</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Cause of death</i>
Female	38	Acute hepatitis. (Virus).
Female	66	Liver failure. Infective hepatitis of virus origin.
Female	69	Haematemesis due to rupture of oesophagus varices due to cirrhosis of liver. Old infective hepatitis.
Female	71	Old hepatitis.

Suicide. There were nineteen cases of suicide - eleven men and eight women - in the following age groups:-

<i>Age groups</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Total</i>
25 - 44	3	2	5
45 - 64	4	3	7
65 - 74	2	2	4
75 and upwards	2	1	3
	11	8	19
	<u>11</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>19</u>

The causes of death in these cases were as follows:-

Males	-	25 years	..	Coal gas poisoning.
		27 years	..	Gun shot wound of chest (self inflicted).
		41 years	..	Carbon monoxide poisoning (coal gas).
		45 years	..	Coal gas poisoning.
		46 years	..	Asphyxia. Carbon monoxide poisoning. Inhalation of domestic gas.
		50 years	..	Coal gas poisoning.
		55 years	..	Coal gas poisoning.
		66 years	..	Asphyxia due to drowning.
		67 years	..	Coal gas poisoning.
		80 years	..	Coal gas poisoning.
		81 years	..	Coal gas poisoning.
Females	-	32 years	..	Coal gas poisoning.
		38 years	..	Aspirin poisoning.
		52 years	..	Self inflicted cut throat.
		58 years	..	Lysol poisoning.
		59 years	..	Coal gas poisoning.
		68 years	..	Drowning.
		73 years	..	Coal gas poisoning.
		84 years	..	Coal gas poisoning.

The following table shows comparative figures in relation to suicidal deaths in the borough during the past six years:-

Year						Males	Females	Total
1951	..	..	..	..	..	9	9	18
1952	..	..	..	..	..	10	7	17
1953	..	..	..	..	..	9	5	14
1954	..	..	..	..	..	20	13	33
1955	..	..	..	..	..	6	8	14
1956	..	..	..	..	..	11	8	19

ACCIDENTS - Motor Vehicle. There were fifteen deaths certified as being due to motor vehicle accidents, seven men and eight women.

All other accidents. Apart from accidents due to motor vehicles, thirty-six deaths are recorded in the Registrar General's annual death statistics under the classification "*all other accidents*". Details of age, sex and cause of death of thirty-five persons, eighteen males and seventeen females, who are known to have lost their lives from accidents due to certain other causes are as follows:-

	Age	Cause of death	
Males	-	8 months	Asphyxia - inhalation of stomach contents into air passage.
		5 years	Drowning.
		9 "	Drowning.
		12 "	Asphyxia due to drowning.
		29 "	Fractured skull and contused brain due to slipping and falling against a passing train.
		32 "	Coal gas poisoning - fell against gas pipe and joint came undone.
		38 "	Asphyxia due to drowning when he jumped into the River Lea in an attempt to rescue a boy.
		46 "	Shock and haemorrhage due to a fractured spine and multiple injuries caused by a fall in a building undergoing demolition.

	Age	Cause of death
Males -	54 years	Asphyxia by coal gas poisoning accidentally occasioned whilst working in the course of his employment on a gas main.
	55 "	Fractured spine and other multiple injuries. Struck by railway train at work.
	63 "	Pulmonary embolism due to intercostal haemorrhage and pleural effusion due to fractured ribs sustained when he fell down the hold of a barge he was loading.
	64 "	Depressed fracture of the occipital regions of the skull. Steel wire of hoist unplayed and asbestos boards struck deceased.
	74 "	Contusion of the brain and subdural haematoma resulting from a fall (fall on stairs at home).
	76 "	Pulmonary embolism. Left popliteal phlebo-thrombosis. Quadraplegia and purulent bronchitis. Fractured cervical spine. Fall down stairs.
	77 "	Broncho pneumonia from senility. Fractured left femur caused by a fall at home.
	82 "	Broncho pneumonia. Fractured femur. Fall on stairs.
	82 "	Broncho pneumonia due to chronic bronchitis. Fractured right femur and ulna sustained when he fell down steps.
	86 "	Fractured femur. Fall to floor.
Females -	Newly born (Unknown)	Want of attention at birth.
	40 years	Methaemoglobinaemic poisoning by metal hydroquinine injected rectally for radiographic examination.
	51 "	Coal gas poisoning. Collapsed from minor exertion without being able to light gas ring already turned on.
	53 "	Spirits of salts poisoning taken in mistake for lemonade.
	64 "	Coal gas poisoning. Collapsed from mitral stenosis after turning on gas tap.
	68 "	Methaemoglobinaemic poisoning by metal hydroquinine injected rectally for radiographic examination.
	68 "	Pulmonary embolism. Phlebo-thrombosis of left femoral vein. Fractured femur. Fall to floor.
	68 "	Drowning.
	72 "	Suppurative bronchitis following fracture of pelvis following fall at home.
	77 "	Fat embolism. Fractured femur. Fall to floor.
	77 "	Hypostatic pneumonia following burns due to her clothing becoming ignited by an electric fire.
	79 "	Fractured humerus, wrist and femur. Fall to floor.
	80 "	Myocardial infarction and coronary thrombosis following burns.
	83 "	Fractured femur. Fall to floor.
	85 "	Broncho pneumonia. Fractured femur. Fall at home.
	91 "	Collapsed left lung due to fractured ribs when she fell at home.
	95 "	Fractured femur. Fall to floor.

Homicide (Infanticide). There was one case of infanticide, a male child aged 11 months. The cause of death was certified as coal gas poisoning. The mother was charged with murder, and was found guilty of infanticide.

Coronary disease, angina pectoris. Deaths classified under this cause group totalled 315, or approximately 17 per cent. of the total deaths for the year. There were 277 deaths from this disease in 1955 and 291 in 1954. Comparative death rates per 1,000 population from this disease over the last seven years are as follows:-

Year	Hackney	County of London	England & Wales
1950	1.29	1.25	1.25
1951	1.46	1.37	1.33
1952	1.67	1.48	1.40
1953	1.50	1.43	1.40
1954	1.72	1.50	1.51
1955	1.66	1.57	1.59
1956	1.90	1.70	1.67

MALIGNANT DISEASE

(a) *All Sites.* The 381 deaths in 1956 from malignant disease showed the following age, sex and site distribution:-

Age Group	Stomach		Lung bronchus		Breast		Uterus		Other		Totals
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Under 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
1-4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
15-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
25-44	1	-	3	2	1	5	-	4	5	4	25
45-64	16	2	42	2	-	17	-	8	26	35	148
65-74	11	8	25	4	2	8	-	1	29	30	118
75 and upwards	7	11	6	-	-	10	-	3	21	29	87
Totals	35	21	76	8	3	40	-	16	83	99	381

(b) *Lung and Bronchus.* Deaths and death rates from cancer in these sites since 1946:-

Year	Male	Female	Total	Rate per 1,000 population
1946	47	12	59	0.35
1947	44	9	53	0.30
1948	47	20	67	0.39
1949	53	16	69	0.40
1950	60	8	68	0.39
1951	66	13	79	0.46
1952	62	16	78	0.46
1953	78	14	92	0.54
1954	75	11	86	0.51
1955	60	15	75	0.45
1956	76	8	84	0.51

Comparative death rates per 1,000 population from malignant disease of lung and bronchus since 1950:-

Year	Hackney	County of London	England & Wales
1950	0.39	0.43	0.28
1951	0.46	0.46	0.30
1952	0.46	0.48	0.32
1953	0.54	0.51	0.34
1954	0.51	0.54	0.37
1955	0.45	0.57	0.39
1956	0.51	0.58	0.41

Statistics relating to all cancer deaths in Hackney over the past 25 years are as follows:-

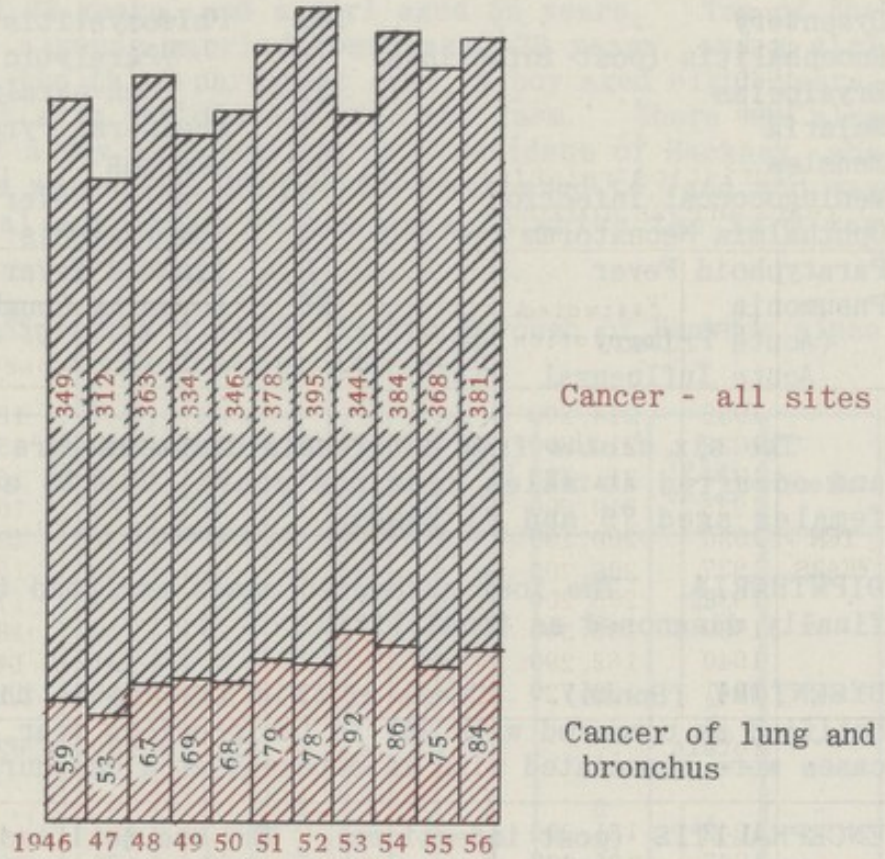
	Year	Estimated Population	Age Groups					Total Deaths	Death rate per 1,000 Population	
			Under 1	1-4	5-14	15-44	45-64			65 & over
TEN YEARS	1932	214,200	-	-	-	26	147	154	327	1.53
	1933	214,300	-	-	2	21	146	157	326	1.52
	1934	211,120	-	-	1	29	165	163	358	1.70
	1935	210,600	-	-	1	27	162	167	357	1.70
	1936	209,100	1	-	-	26	131	194	352	1.68
	1937	206,700	-	1	1	23	142	180	347	1.68
	1938	205,200	-	1	-	23	133	171	328	1.60
	1939	195,300	-	2	-	26	133	183	344	1.76
	1940	168,290	-	-	1	31	131	148	311	1.85
	1941	123,720	-	-	2	18	118	112	250	2.02
	Totals	..	1	4	8	250	1,408	1,629	3,300	1.70 (Average)
TEN YEARS	1942	131,200	-	-	2	19	131	141	293	2.23
	1943	136,270	-	1	-	23	105	165	294	2.16
	1944	135,540	-	-	-	22	116	156	294	2.17
	1945	140,570	-	-	1	18	127	164	310	2.21
	1946	166,560	-	1	-	23	126	199	349	2.10
	1947	174,240	-	-	-	33	125	154	312	1.80
	1948	172,900	-	-	-	22	156	185	363	2.10
	1949	173,020	-	-	-	23	132	179	334	1.93
	1950	172,100	-	2	-	27	149	168	346	2.01
	1951	170,800	-	2	1	28	136	211	378	2.21
	Totals	..	-	6	4	238	1,303	1,722	3,273	2.09 (Average)
FIVE YEARS	1952	171,000	-	2	2	33	144	214	395	2.31
	1953	169,600	1	-	2	29	131	181	344	2.03
	1954	168,600	-	-	-	20	141	223	384	2.28
	1955	167,200	1	1	1	20	143	202	368	2.20
	1956	165,800	1	-	1	26	148	205	381	2.30
	Totals	..	3	3	6	128	707	1,025	1,872	2.22 (Average)

Deaths of Hackney residents from various causes and in different age groups are shown in the table on pages 1 and 2 of the Appendix.

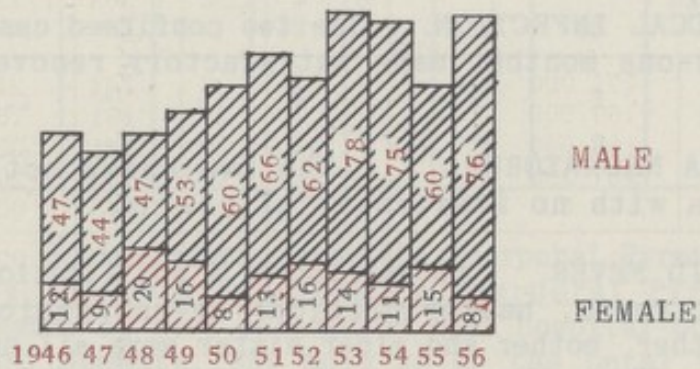
Statistics relating to births and deaths in Hackney, the County of London and England and Wales for the years 1932-56 are set out on page 3 of the Appendix.

DEATHS FROM CANCER 1946-1956

All Sites and Lung and Bronchus



DEATHS (MALE AND FEMALE) FROM CANCER OF LUNG AND BRONCHUS 1946-1956



PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS AND CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

The following cases of infectious and contagious diseases were notified:-

Dysentery	190	Poliomyelitis	5
Encephalitis (post infectious)	1	(Paralytic)	3
Erysipelas	22	Non-paralytic)	2)
Malaria	1	Puerperal Pyrexia	53
Measles	456	Scabies	41
Meningococcal infection	2	Scarlet Fever	130
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	2	Tuberculosis	123
Paratyphoid Fever	8	Typhoid Fever	1
Pneumonia	55	Whooping Cough	395
(Acute Primary)	44		
Acute Influenzal)	11)		

The six *deaths* from notifiable diseases were all due to pneumonia and occurred in males aged one month, 76, 78 and 82 years, and in females aged 76 and 81 years.

DIPHTHERIA. The four suspected cases admitted to hospital were all finally diagnosed as tonsillitis.

DYSENTERY (Sonné). Cases of this disease to the number of 190 were notified as compared with 447 in the previous year, and 340 in 1954; 59 cases were associated with an outbreak at a day nursery.

ENCEPHALITIS (post infectious). The one notified case of this disease was in a boy aged 11 months, who made a satisfactory recovery after a few weeks' hospital treatment.

MALARIA. The one notification of malaria related to a man who was suffering from a relapse of the disease originally contracted abroad.

MEASLES. A total of 456 cases were notified, and 27 cases were admitted to hospital for treatment.

MENINGOCOCCAL INFECTION. The two confirmed cases, males aged twenty and twenty-one months, made satisfactory recoveries after hospital treatment.

OPHTHALMIA NEONATORUM. The two cases notified made complete recoveries with no impairment of vision.

PARATYPHOID FEVER. On receipt of a notification relating to a child aged eight years, bacteriological investigation revealed that the child's father, mother and elder sister were all apparently symptomless excretors. The mother had, in fact, been treated for paratyphoid fever in hospital from the 12th September to the 9th December, 1955, and was, on discharge, regarded as free from infection.

Early in May three individual cases were notified, and there was evidence that they were associated with products from a Bakery in another area. The last case, which appeared to be an isolated one,

occurred in the autumn in a member of the nursing staff of one of the local hospitals.

POLIOMYELITIS (Infantile Paralysis). Some 25 persons were admitted to hospital suspected of suffering from Poliomyelitis. The diagnosis was, however, confirmed only in five cases, and two of these were of the non-paralytic type and three of the paralytic type. The non-paralytic cases were a man aged 22 years, and a girl aged 5½ years. Two of the paralytic cases were a young married woman aged 28 years, and a girl aged seven years; in the third paralytic case, a boy aged eight years, there had been contact with the disease at a hop farm. There was also the paralytic case of a boy aged ten years, a resident of Hackney, who developed the disease whilst at the hop farm referred to, and who was notified to the local authority of the area in which the farm was situated.

POLIOMYELITIS. Incidence and deaths in the Borough of Hackney since 1950: -

Year	Type	0-1	-5	-15	-20	over 20	Totals	Total cases	Deaths
1950	Paralytic ..	-	4	5	2	2	13	23	2
	Non-paralytic ..	-	3	5	-	2	10		-
1951	Paralytic ..	-	-	1	-	1	2	2	-
	Non-paralytic ..	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
1952	Paralytic ..	-	5	2	-	1	8	15	-
	Non-paralytic ..	-	1	4	-	2	7		-
1953	Paralytic ..	-	5	2	-	3	10	13	1
	Non-paralytic ..	-	-	-	-	3	3		-
1954	Paralytic ..	-	2	2	-	-	4	7	-
	Non-paralytic ..	-	-	2	-	1	3		-
1955	Paralytic ..	1	5	6	4	4	20	35	-
	Non-paralytic ..	-	-	12	1	2	15		-
1956	Paralytic ..	-	-	2	-	1	3	5	-
	Non-paralytic ..	-	-	1	-	1	2		-

PUERPERAL PYREXIA. In accordance with the Puerperal Pyrexia Regulations, 1951 and 1954, 53 notifications of Puerperal Pyrexia were received. Of this number 51 were associated with hospital confinements and two with home confinements, but only 28 of the total related to residents of the borough.

SCARLET FEVER. Notifications of this disease numbered 130 as compared with 81 in the previous year, and 130 in 1954; 37 cases were admitted to hospital.

INCIDENCE OF SCARLET FEVER 1947-1956

Year	Total cases	Cases notified in age groups											Admitted to Hospital	Deaths	
		Under 1	1 - 2	2 - 3	3 - 4	4 - 5	5 - 10	10 - 15	15 - 20	20 - 35	35 - 45	45 - 65			65 and upwards
1947	313	.	6	20	30	29	141	70	9	6	2	.	.	125	.
1948	259	1	9	23	28	38	119	30	3	7	1	.	.	99	.
1949	267	.	10	25	29	29	145	21	4	1	2	.	1	107	.
1950	274	.	4	16	26	43	144	32	5	3	.	.	1	141	.
1951	316	.	2	12	29	48	183	29	8	5	.	.	.	137	.
1952	392	.	4	23	20	45	257	32	4	7	.	.	.	125	.
1953	291	1	4	19	25	40	181	15	2	4	.	.	.	99	.
1954	130	.	3	7	12	9	83	11	2	2	1	.	.	49	.
1955	81	.	3	4	7	6	47	9	2	2	1	.	.	26	.
1956	130	1	2	5	13	30	71	6	1	1	.	.	.	37	.

TYPHOID FEVER. The one case of this disease occurred in a woman aged 24 years, who contracted the infection abroad.

WHOOPING COUGH. The number of cases notified was 395 as compared with 295 in 1955 and 220 in 1954.

PUBLIC HEALTH BACTERIOLOGY. The 2,144 specimens submitted for examination to the Public Health Laboratory Service were reported on as follows:-

Specimens	No.	Organisms	Results	
			Negative	Positive
Throat and Nose Swabs	137	Diphtheria Bacilli ..	121	-
		Haemolytic Streptococci ..	71	44
		Monilia	-	2
		Vincent's Angina	88	6
		H. Pertussis	3	1
Faeces and Rectal Swabs	1,884	Pathogens	1,550	-
		Salmonella Derby	-	5
		Salmonella Enteriditis	-	5
		Salmonella Newport	-	1
		Salmonella Paratyphi B	-	7
		Salmonella Thompson	-	4
		Salmonella Typhimurium	-	22
		Shigella Sonnei	-	290
Sputum	2	Tubercle Bacilli	1	1
Urine	121	Salmonella Enteriditis	-	1
		Salmonella Paratyphi B	-	3
		Salmonella Typhimurium	-	1
		Pathogens	116	-

**INFECTIOUS AND CONTAGIOUS DISEASE NOTIFICATIONS IN AGE GROUPS,
ADMISSIONS TO HOSPITALS, AND DEATHS - 1956**

Disease	At all ages	Under 1 year	1 to 2 years	2 to 3 years	3 to 4 years	4 to 5 years	5 to 10 years	10 to 15 years	15 to 20 years	20 to 35 years	35 to 45 years	45 to 65 years	65 and upwards	Admitted to Hospital	Deaths
Dysentery	190	11	13	28	20	18	54	11	5	13	10	7	.	37	.
Encephalitis, post infectious	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
Erysipelas	22	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3	3	14	2	8	.
Food Poisoning	32	3	1	2	.	1	7	1	2	9	4	1	1	11	.
Malaria	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
Measles	456	19	42	61	61	75	188	5	4	1	.	.	.	27	.
Meningococcal infection	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2	.
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Paratyphoid Fever	8	.	.	.	1	.	3	1	.	1	2	.	.	5	.
Pneumonia, Acute Primary	44	1	1	.	1	.	5	3	2	4	4	10	13	18	6
Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	11	.	.	.	.	.	2	1	.	2	2	3	1	.	.
Poliomyelitis, Paralytic	3	.	.	.	.	.	2	.	.	1	.	.	.	3	.
Poliomyelitis, Non-paralytic	2	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	1	.	.	.	2	.
Puerperal Pyrexia	53	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10	39	4	.	.	51	.
Scabies	41	1	2	1	3	.	8	2	.	13	3	6	2	2	.
Scarlet Fever	130	1	2	5	13	30	71	6	1	.	1	.	.	37	.
Typhoid Fever	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	1	.
Whooping Cough	395	43	28	40	52	48	165	13	2	3	.	1	.	23	.
Totals ..	1,394	82	91	137	151	172	506	43	26	91	34	42	19	228	6

INCIDENCE OF INFECTIOUS AND CONTAGIOUS DISEASE IN ELECTORAL WARDS - 1956

Disease	Kenninghall	Penbury	Kingsland	Albion	Town Hall	Triangle	Chatham	Kingsmead	Wick	Victoria	Northfield	Springfield	Northwold	Rectory	Leabridge	Rushmore	Totals
Dysentery	7	18	7	7	1	9	37	10	10	14	5	11	15	10	17	12	190
Encephalitis, post infectious	1																1
Erysipelas		1	1		1	2	2	1	2	1	1	6	3		1		22
Food Poisoning	3	3	4	3		2	2			6	1	4	1	2	1		32
Malaria					1												1
Measles	42	70	36	35	47	33	58	8	23	22	3	9	14	35	17	4	456
Meningococcal infection		1													1		2
Ophthalmia Neonatorum													2				2
Paratyphoid Fever				4	1			1		1				1			8
Pneumonia, Acute Primary	2	3	5	7	2	1	1	2	3	2	2	1	6	5	1	1	44
Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	1		1					2		2	2		3				11
Poliomyelitis, Paralytic					1			1						1			3
Poliomyelitis, Non-paralytic										1					1		2
Puerperal Pyrexia	6		2		2	4	2	1	21	3	3	2	1		1	5	53
Scabies	3	8	1	4		1	5	2	1	6	2	1	4	1	2		41
Scarlet Fever	4	13	5	7	3	12	14	11	12	12	7	3	7	3	8	9	130
Typhoid Fever															1		1
Whooping Cough	41	25	7	14	24	34	21	22	8	30	50	25	29	33	19	13	395
Totals	110	142	69	81	83	98	142	61	80	100	76	62	85	91	70	44	1,394

MONTHLY SUMMARY OF INFECTIOUS AND CONTAGIOUS DISEASE NOTIFICATIONS - 1956

<i>Disease</i>	<i>Jan.</i>	<i>Feb.</i>	<i>Mar.</i>	<i>Apr.</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>June</i>	<i>July</i>	<i>Aug.</i>	<i>Sept.</i>	<i>Oct.</i>	<i>Nov.</i>	<i>Dec.</i>
Dysentery	17	4	7	14	17	22	34	22	4	7	22	20
Encephalitis, post infectious	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	2	1	-	4	2	-	1	2	2	4	2	2
Food Poisoning	1	1	-	-	2	4	5	3	4	6	4	2
Malaria	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	-	1	1	5	5	30	68	48	14	12	89	183
Meningococcal infection ..	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	4	-	3	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Pneumonia, Acute Primary ..	9	8	6	5	5	3	1	-	-	1	1	5
Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal ..	2	4	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Poliomyelitis, Paralytic ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	-
Poliomyelitis, Non-paralytic ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Puerperal Pyrexia	7	-	11	1	3	2	3	8	2	3	5	8
Scabies	2	2	3	4	-	3	4	2	8	6	5	2
Scarlet Fever	6	8	13	8	15	15	8	3	10	14	6	24
Typhoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	25	26	27	32	41	47	69	50	30	12	21	15
Totals ..	71	56	73	75	95	126	195	139	76	68	157	263

TUBERCULOSIS

Of the total 196 notifications of Tuberculosis received, 184 related to pulmonary infection and 12 to non-pulmonary.

The *attack rate* (123 new cases) per thousand of the population for all forms of Tuberculosis notified for the first time was 0.74 as compared with 0.77 in 1955 and 0.90 in 1954.

Details of the notified cases are as follows:-

Age groups	Primary notifications				Non-primary notifications			
	Pulmonary		Non-pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-pulmonary	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
0 - ..	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 - ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 - ..	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - ..	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
10 - ..	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - ..	6	4	-	1	-	1	-	-
20 - ..	5	7	1	1	9	3	2	-
25 - ..	12	10	1	-	21	13	-	1
35 - ..	12	8	1	-	6	4	-	-
45 - ..	13	3	1	3	5	1	-	-
55 - ..	14	2	-	-	4	1	-	-
65 - ..	9	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
75 - ..	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals ..	77	37	4	5	47	23	2	1

Primary notifications relate to persons who had not been previously notified in the area of any authority. The sources of information of the 73 *non-primary* cases were:-

"Transfers" from other areas	68
Death Returns - Local Registrar	4
Posthumous notification	1

In the *primary non-pulmonary* cases the site of the disease was:-

Males - 22 years	Elbow joint	Females - 17 years	Knee joint
33 "	Testis	22 "	Renal tract
41 "	Kidney	48 "	Kidney
49 "	Meninges	50 "	Renal tract
		54 "	Kidney

During the year 18 Hackney residents died from Tuberculosis in the following age groups:-

Age Groups	Tuberculosis respiratory		Tuberculosis other forms	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
25 - 44 ..	1	-	-	-
45 - 64 ..	8	2	-	-
65 - 74 ..	4	-	-	-
75 and over	3	-	-	-
Totals ..	16	2	-	-

The Department's Tuberculosis Register at January 1st and December 31st showed the following position:-

	<i>Pulmonary</i>		<i>Non-pulmonary</i>		<i>Total</i>	
	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>
On Register at 1st January	931	775	100	111	1,031	886
Add: -						
Notifications	77	37	4	5	81	42
Transfers from other areas	47	23	2	1	49	24
Returned to Hackney ..	7	5	-	-	7	5
Deduct: -						
Deaths	26	4	1	1	27	5
Left the Borough	64	37	3	9	67	46
Recovered	8	14	3	1	11	15
Diagnosis not confirmed ..	-	-	-	1	-	1
On Register at 31st December	964	785	99	105	1,063	890

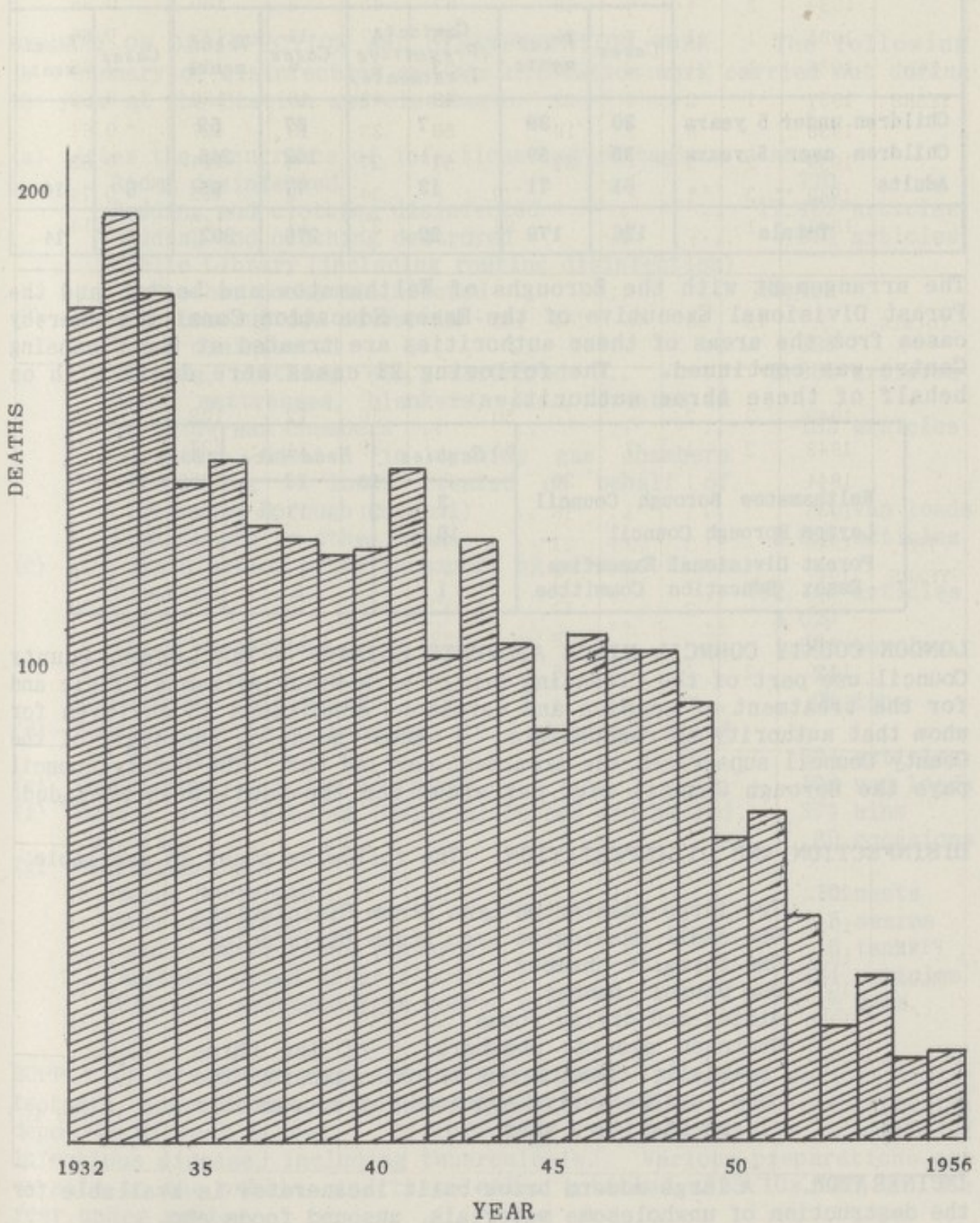
NOTIFICATION OF TUBERCULOSIS (NEW CASES) 1932-1956

	<i>Year</i>	<i>Pulmonary</i>	<i>Non-pulmonary</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Rate per 1,000 population</i>
TEN YEARS	1932	275	50	325	1.51
	1933	274	42	316	1.47
	1934	258	41	299	1.41
	1935	253	49	302	1.48
	1936	202	47	249	1.19
	1937	248	56	304	1.47
	1938	221	45	266	1.29
	1939	213	34	247	1.27
	1940	197	26	223	1.32
	1941	194	32	226	1.82
TEN YEARS	1942	244	35	279	2.12
	1943	229	28	257	1.88
	1944	237	41	278	2.05
	1945	221	29	250	1.84
	1946	232	17	249	1.49
	1947	242	23	265	1.52
	1948	249	15	264	1.52
	1949	246	21	267	1.54
	1950	210	32	242	1.41
	1951	163	20	183	1.07
FIVE YEARS	1952	167	15	182	1.06
	1953	169	15	184	1.08
	1954	133	19	152	0.90
	1955	111	18	129	0.77
	1956	114	9	123	0.74

DEATHS AND DEATH RATES FROM TUBERCULOSIS 1932-1956

	Year	0-1	1-5	5-15	15-25	25-45	45-65	65 & over	Total Deaths	Rate per 1,000 population	
TEN YEARS	1932	1	8	7	43	68	41	8	176	0.82	
	1933	2	4	7	38	81	57	7	196	0.91	
	1934	2	4	6	48	67	45	8	180	0.85	
	1935	1	1	7	26	46	47	11	139	0.66	
	1936	1	1	2	36	53	47	4	144	0.68	
	1937	1	2	4	22	48	43	10	130	0.62	
	1938	-	9	3	19	50	33	13	127	0.61	
	1939	2	3	-	32	51	27	9	124	0.63	
	1940	2	1	-	-	79	-	34	9	125	0.74
	1941	1	-	9	-	84	-	37	11	142	1.14
Totals ..		13	33	45	264	163	464	411	90	1,483	0.76 (av.)
TEN YEARS	1942	2	2	-	-	50	-	36	12	102	0.77
	1943	2	1	7	-	65	-	38	14	127	0.93
	1944	-	1	-	20	29	43	12	105	0.77	
	1945	-	1	1	16	34	21	13	86	0.61	
	1946	-	2	3	21	33	40	7	106	0.63	
	1947	-	2	3	14	35	36	13	103	0.50	
	1948	-	2	-	11	32	43	15	103	0.59	
	1949	-	-	2	8	33	32	17	92	0.53	
	1950	2	1	-	6	13	28	13	63	0.37	
	1951	-	2	1	4	23	27	12	69	0.40	
Totals ..		6	14	17	100	115	232	344	128	956	0.61 (av.)
FIVE YEARS	1952	-	-	1	3	7	20	16	47	0.27	
	1953	-	-	-	2	5	9	8	24	0.14	
	1954	-	-	-	-	5	18	12	35	0.21	
	1955	-	-	-	-	2	8	7	17	0.10	
	1956	-	-	-	-	1	10	7	18	0.11	
Totals ..		-	-	1	5	20	65	50	141	0.17 (av.)	

TUBERCULOSIS DEATHS 1932-1956



MILLFIELDS DISINFECTING STATION

At the Council's Disinfecting Station in Millfields Road, the following facilities are provided:-

SCABIES AND VERMINOUS CONDITIONS. Treatment of these conditions is carried out in the cleansing section of the Station. The following cases were dealt with:-

	Scabies			Head and body lice		Cleansing baths	
	Cases	Treatments	Contacts (Preventive Treatments)	Cases	Treatments	Cases	Treatments
Children under 5 years	30	39	7	37	52	-	-
Children over 5 years	35	69	-	162	245	-	-
Adults	61	71	13	77	95	6	14
Totals ..	126	179	20	276	392	6	14

The arrangement with the Boroughs of Walthamstow and Leyton and the Forest Divisional Executive of the Essex Education Committee whereby cases from the areas of these authorities are treated at the Cleansing Centre was continued. The following 21 cases were dealt with on behalf of these three authorities:-

	Scabies	Head lice	Body lice
Walthamstow Borough Council	3	-	1
Leyton Borough Council ..	10	-	3
Forest Divisional Executive, Essex Education Committee	1	3	-

LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL MINOR AILMENTS CLINIC. The London County Council use part of the Cleansing Centre as a Minor Ailments Clinic and for the treatment of scabies and verminous conditions in children for whom that authority is responsible; a school nurse on the staff of the County Council supervises the treatment carried out. The County Council pays the Borough Council £400 per annum for the facilities provided.

DISINFECTION AND DISINFESTATION. The following plant is available:-

Two large Washington Lyon Steam Disinfectors
 One small Washington Lyon Steam Disinfecter
 One formalin chamber
 One phenol chamber
 Airing and drying rooms
 Hydrogen cyanide chambers - of the three specially constructed brick chambers, two are sufficiently spacious to accommodate large furniture vans.

INCINERATOR. A large modern brick-built incinerator is available for the destruction of unwholesome materials, unsound foods etc.

LAUNDRY. This section deals with the laundry of incontinent persons, and certain articles of clothing following disinfection. Articles of clothing and bedding from the London County Council welfare centres and day nurseries in this Borough are also dealt with, and for this service the London County Council pays the Borough Council £870 per annum.

For the disinfection of *secondhand clothing prior to export* private firms paid a sum of £1,238 10s. 6d. In addition, from various other sources the sum of £368 13s. 0d. was received in respect of disinfection and disinfestation of rooms, furniture and other articles, and £136 19s. 10d. was received for the removal of articles from various premises and sites.

SUMMARY OF DISINFECTION AND DISINFESTATION WORK. The following is a summary of disinfection and disinfestation work carried out during the year at the Station and elsewhere:-

(a) After the occurrence of infectious and contagious disease -		
Rooms disinfected	770	
Bedding and clothing disinfected	17,482	articles
Bedding and clothing destroyed	114	articles
Public Library (including routine disinfection) and other books disinfected	15,434	
(b) For the destruction of vermin -		
Rooms disinfested	328	
Bedding, clothing, etc., destroyed	2,082	articles
Beds, mattresses, blankets, etc., treated in cyanide gas chambers	182	articles
Furniture treated in cyanide gas chambers (including 11 loads treated on behalf of Tottenham Borough Council)	71	van loads
Disinfested by other means	2,626	articles
(c) For disinfection prior to export by private firms -		
Clothing	742,153	articles
Sacks	3,020	
Straw envelopes	1,506	bundles
Mats	24	
Hatters' felt waste	9½	tons
(d) Sundry articles of bedding, etc., cleansed, dried or disinfected		221 articles
(e) Unwholesome articles destroyed		104 van loads
(f) Bombed sites cleared (material burned and buried on site)		304 bins 80 occasions
(g) Miscellaneous -		
Wasps destroyed	10	nests
Bees destroyed	5	swarms
Static water tanks (sprayed)	6	tanks
Articles dried after flooding	134	articles
Old iron salvaged from bombed site	1½	cwts.

SUPPLY OF DISINFECTANTS AND INSECTICIDES. Stocks of various disinfectants, insecticides, rat poisons, etc., are kept in the departmental depot in Hillman Street. Disinfectants are issued free to cases of infectious disease, including tuberculosis. Various preparations are on sale to the public, and these sales totalled £825 10s. 0d. in the year under review.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES

The following is a summary of the work carried out by the Public Health Inspectors, other than in relation to food premises:-

DWELLING HOUSES:

Inspections under the Public Health (London) Act, 1936:

Complaints	5,768
House to House	76
Infectious Disease	92
Verminous conditions	180

Inspections under the Housing Acts:

Demolition Orders	12
Closing Orders	40
Clearance Areas	56
Improvement Grants	5
Certificates of Disrepair	55
Revocation Certificates	102

OTHER VISITS:

Aged and infirm persons	632
Common lodging-houses	4
Drainage (General)	1,246
Drainage (Rat infestations)	330
Effluvia investigations	95
Factories	1,198
Hairdressers' and Barbers' premises	165
Noise investigations	125
Offensive Trades	22
Outworkers' premises	883
Pet shops	29
Premises discharging trade effluents	59
Premises registered for the use of filling materials	83
Shops other than food premises	179
Smoke observations	1,957
Vacant Sites and E.W.S. tanks	432
Water supplies (new buildings)	494

MISCELLANEOUS VISITS:

Appointments and Interviews	1,123
Attendances at Court	328
Builders' Notices	415
Housing Applications	217
Other visits	180

RE-INSPECTIONS (ALL FORMS) 27,951

	NOTICES SERVED		NOTICES COMPLIED WITH	
	<i>Informal</i>	<i>Formal</i>	<i>Informal</i>	<i>Formal</i>
PUBLIC HEALTH (LONDON) ACT, 1936:				
Section 34 (Drainage Bylaws) ..	97	59	8	108
Section 40 (Repair of defective drains)	-	123	-	108
Section 82 (Nuisances)	3,198	3,238	226	3,188
Section 107				
Water Closet Bylaws	70	36	20	52
Dustbin Bylaws	178	134	35	138
Section 109 (Defective sanitary fittings)	-	30	-	28
Section 122 (Verminous articles)	-	4	-	3
Section 123 (Verminous houses)	-	1	-	1
Section 137 (Effluvia nuisances)	1	-	1	-
Section 148 (Smoke nuisances) ..	13	4	9	3
FACTORIES ACT, 1937	87	-	82	-
LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL (GENERAL POWERS) ACT, 1954:				
Section 12 (Dustbins)	-	28	-	28
Section 18 (Hairdressers)	18	-	18	-
LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL (GENERAL POWERS) ACT, 1955:				
Section 27 (Defective premises)	-	1	-	1
SHOPS ACT, 1950				
Section 38 (Sanitary and other arrangements in shops)	-	2	-	2

Action as indicated was taken under the following legislation during the year.

PUBLIC HEALTH (LONDON) ACT, 1936

SECTION 34 (*Drainage Bylaws*). Plans of proposed drainage works approved by the Public Health Committee totalled 64. Informal notices were served in respect of contraventions of the bylaws at 97 premises and were followed in 59 cases by the service of formal notices. Legal proceedings were instituted in nine instances.

SECTION 40 (*Inspection of drains*). Notice of intention to examine drains was served in respect of 198 premises, and in 123 instances notices requiring the repair of defective drains were served. The Council carried out drainage work in default at the following 67 houses at a total cost of: £4,957 8s. 8d.

WORK IN DEFAULT (Sections 40 and 109)

					£	s.	d.
159 Amhurst Road	..	..	..	..	2	18	5
161 Amhurst Road	..	..	..	..	13	15	9
163 Amhurst Road	..	..	..	..	2	18	5
165 Amhurst Road	..	..	..	..	2	18	5
167 Amhurst Road	..	..	..	..	2	18	5
169 Amhurst Road	..	..	..	..	2	18	5
171 Amhurst Road	..	..	..	..	2	18	5
173 Amhurst Road	..	..	..	..	2	18	5
14 Ashenden Road	..	..	..	..	4	7	11
16 Ashenden Road	..	..	..	..	4	8	0
18 Ashenden Road	..	..	..	..	4	8	0
20 Ashenden Road	..	..	..	..	4	8	0
22 Ashenden Road	..	..	..	..	4	8	0
24 Ashenden Road	..	..	..	..	4	8	0
27 Benyon Road	..	..	..	..	48	16	3
168 Brooke Road	..	..	..	..	98	15	6
170 Brooke Road	..	..	..	..	85	12	1
172 Brooke Road	..	..	..	..	45	9	0
2 Castlewood Road	..	..	..	..	18	0	11
4 Castlewood Road	..	..	..	..	18	0	11
6 Castlewood Road	..	..	..	..	18	0	11
8 Castlewood Road	..	..	..	..	18	0	10
10 Castlewood Road	..	..	..	..	46	8	5
68 Cecilia Road	..	..	..	..	7	10	6
63 Colvestone Crescent	..	..	..	..	339	12	5
65 Colvestone Crescent	..	..	..	..	361	5	9
67 Colvestone Crescent	..	..	..	..	400	0	7
69 Colvestone Crescent	..	..	..	..	364	0	10
71 Colvestone Crescent	..	..	..	..	418	18	7
73 Colvestone Crescent	..	..	..	..	346	6	3
157 Culford Road	..	..	..	..	80	1	4
110 Dalston Lane	..	..	..	..	63	1	4
112 Dalston Lane	..	..	..	..	26	1	5
114 Dalston Lane	..	..	..	..	26	1	6
116 Dalston Lane	..	..	..	..	35	10	0
118 Dalston Lane	..	..	..	..	35	10	1
120 Dalston Lane	..	..	..	..	35	10	1
8 Fremont Street	..	..	..	..	20	17	9
14 Glaserton Street	..	..	..	..	7	15	3
16 Glaserton Street	..	..	..	..	31	0	11
18 Glaserton Street	..	..	..	..	23	5	8
227 Glyn Road	..	..	..	..	10	16	11
229 Glyn Road	..	..	..	..	10	16	11
51 Groombridge Road	..	..	..	..	16	12	7
34 Horton Road	..	..	..	..	9	7	6
11 Inver Road	..	..	..	..	18	5	0
89 Kenworthy Road	..	..	..	..	244	1	5
86 King Edward's Road	..	..	..	..	19	15	10
88 King Edward's Road	..	..	..	..	19	15	9
63 Lingwood Road	..	..	..	..	11	19	10
65 Lingwood Road	..	..	..	..	11	19	10
67 Lingwood Road	..	..	..	..	11	19	10

	£	s.	d.
69 Lingwood Road	11	19	10
26 Lynmouth Road	9	11	9
1 Mountford Road	119	9	4
3 Mountford Road	135	3	11
5 Mountford Road	133	14	10
7 Mountford Road	122	2	9
9 Mountford Road	124	5	6
11 Mountford Road	129	12	3
13 Mountford Road	85	4	4
18 Sanford Terrace	54	4	8
27 Southwold Road	94	5	7
29 Southwold Road	94	5	7
31 Southwold Road	94	5	7
33 Southwold Road	153	1	0
35 Southwold Road	130	2	8

At the request of and expense of the owners concerned, the drainage staff of the Department carried out minor works of repair to drains at 237 premises; details of these works are set out on pages 4-6 of the Appendix.

SECTION 82 (*Nuisances which may be dealt with summarily*). Alleged nuisances to the number of 5,062 including thirty noise nuisances arising from factory operations were investigated; 3,198 intimation notices and 3,238 nuisance (statutory) notices were served. Legal proceedings were instituted in 324 cases.

Work in default. In pursuance of their default powers the Council carried out the work necessary to comply with Nuisance Orders made in respect of the following 29 premises, at a total cost of £5,138 8s. 1d.

WORK IN DEFAULT (5th Schedule)

	£	s.	d.
28 Alkham Road	97	10	0
7 Batley Road	52	18	0
44 Brooke Road	16	10	0
64 Cecilia Road	332	11	1
66 Cecilia Road	166	18	6
17 Clapton Square	527	4	7
47 Colvestone Crescent	210	13	0
30 Dunlace Road	22	13	7
53 Durlston Road	25	18	0
24 Eastway	84	15	0
5 Graham Road	532	0	0
61 Graham Road	138	4	6
65 Graham Road	53	4	0
136 Graham Road	424	4	9
150 Graham Road	162	14	0
90 Greenwood Road	766	16	3
49 Hassett Road	21	15	0
33 Kenninghall Road	84	15	0
24 Lynmouth Road	41	16	0

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					£	s.	d.
				B/f.	3,763	1	3
32 Lynmouth Road	24	17	6
67 Maury Road	68	15	0
18 Montague Road	432	12	6
45 Norcott Road	..	..	..	..	79	2	2
11 Northchurch Road	..	..	..	..	29	18	5
do.	..	..	..	..	1	18	2
do.	..	..	..	..	362	14	1
35 Rectory Road	..	..	..	..	16	0	0
86 Sandringham Road	..	..	..	..	327	19	0
18 Sydner Road	..	..	..	..	31	10	0
					<u>£5,138</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>1</u>

SECTION 87 (*Removal and disposal of refuse*). The Borough Engineer and Surveyor has furnished the following information with regard to this service, which is the responsibility of his department.

	<u>Tons</u>
Amount of house refuse collected and destroyed ..	42,811
Amount of trade refuse delivered by traders direct to Homerton Wharf	612
Metal salvaged	90
Waste paper salvaged	343
Miscellaneous Salvage (Rags, bottles, etc.) ..	63
Kitchen waste sold for conversion into pig food ..	3,851

Disposal. All refuse is now taken by barge from Homerton Wharf to a controlled tip in Essex.

SECTIONS 95-103 (*Water supply*). Certificates issued in respect of suitable and sufficient water supply for new dwellings totalled 38, and related to 494 units of living accommodation. The Metropolitan Water Board was notified regarding waste of water from defective fittings, etc. at 260 premises.

SECTION 104 (*Nuisance from water-closets, etc.*). It was necessary to institute legal proceedings in one case of unlawful interference with a water closet.

SECTION 107 (*Bylaws as to sanitary conveniences, etc.*).

(a) **Water closets, etc.** Informal notices were served in respect of contraventions found at 70 premises, followed in 36 instances by the service of formal notices. Legal proceedings were instituted in one instance.

(b) **Dustbins.** Informal notices were served in respect of 178 premises at which owners had failed to maintain dustbins in a proper condition of repair. Formal notices were served in 134 instances, and it was necessary to institute legal proceedings in eight cases.

SECTION 109 (*Penalty for improperly making or altering sanitary conveniences, etc.*). Thirty notices requiring the repair of defective sanitary conveniences were served.

SECTION 113 (*Provision of public conveniences*). An additional public convenience providing accommodation for both sexes was opened at

St. John's Churchyard. The Borough Council now maintain twelve conveniences for women and twelve conveniences and nine urinals for men, and also undertake the cleansing of one privately owned urinal.

SECTION 122 (*Cleansing or destruction of filthy or verminous articles*). In four instances it was necessary to serve notices requiring the cleansing or destruction of verminous articles.

Verminous articles treated	..	..	2,686
Verminous articles destroyed	..	..	2,082

Soiled Laundry

Number of persons for whom service was provided	..	..	..	..	..	91
Collections and deliveries made	..	..	..	..	..	2,166
Number of articles cleansed	..	..	..	..	..	21,457

Under an agreement made with Stoke Newington Borough Council this service was also available for persons resident in the area of that authority.

SECTION 123 (*Cleansing of verminous houses*). At the request and, in appropriate cases, the expense of owners or occupiers, the disinfection of 328 verminous rooms in 191 houses was carried out. One notice was served.

SECTION 140 (*Restrictions on carrying on of offensive businesses*). Establishment Orders remained in operation in respect of offensive businesses carried on at the following six premises:-

<i>Fur Skin Dressers</i>	26 Bower Road
	198 Daubeney Road
	73 Digby Road
	Springfield Fur Works, Springfield Gardens.
	8 Westgate Street.
<i>Poultry Slaughterer</i>	2 Cazenove Road

No contravention of the bylaws regulating the conduct of these businesses was reported. An application to establish anew the business of gut scraper was refused.

SECTION 146 (*Bylaws with respect to certain businesses*). The business of rag and bone dealer was carried on at fourteen premises; no contraventions of the bylaws were found.

SECTION 157 (*Applications for lodging house licences*). One lodging house with sleeping accommodation for 133 men was licensed by the Council.

SECTION 167 (*Provision of baths and washhouses*). The following baths and washhouses are provided by the Council:-

<i>Public Laundry</i>	Eastway
<i>Slipper Baths</i>	Lower Clapton Road
	Wardle Street
	Gayhurst Road
	Shacklewell Lane
	Englefield Road
<i>Swimming Baths</i>	Eastway
	Lower Clapton Road (Three indoor baths)
<i>Vapour Suite</i>	Lower Clapton Road.

One open air swimming bath in London Fields is provided and maintained by the London County Council.

SECTION 234 (*Provision of Mortuaries*)

	<i>Hackney Residents</i>	<i>Non- Residents</i>	<i>Total</i>
Number of bodies received	348	253	601
(1) to await burial	4	13	17
(2) to await post-mortem examination ..	344	240	584
Cause of death certified by Coroner ..	298	219	517
Number of inquests held	46	21	67

LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL (GENERAL POWERS) ACT, 1953

SECTION 17 (*Sampling of trade effluents*). Fifty-four trade effluent samples were submitted to the Public Analyst and twelve proved to be unsatisfactory. The occupiers of the premises from which unsatisfactory samples were obtained were interviewed and advised as to the action necessary to remedy the unsatisfactory discharge.

LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL (GENERAL POWERS) ACT, 1954

SECTION 12 (*Obligation to provide dustbins*). Notices requiring the provision of additional dustbins were served in respect of 28 premises.

SECTION 18 (*Hairdressers and barbers*)

Applications for registration received to			
December 31st	persons	153	
	premises	129	
Inspections of registered premises			165

Informal notices were served in respect of 18 premises at which contraventions of the relevant Bylaws were found.

LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL (GENERAL POWERS) ACT, 1955

SECTION 27 (*Remedying of defective premises*). A notice was served in respect of premises where it was considered that unreasonable delay in remedying the defective state of the premises would be occasioned by following the procedure prescribed under the Fifth Schedule to the Public Health (London) Act, 1936, and the Council carried out the work in default.

LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL (GENERAL POWERS) ACT, 1956

SECTION 63 (*Bylaws as to artificial lighting of common staircases*). This section empowers a Borough Council to make Bylaws with respect to tenement houses and flats for the adequate artificial lighting of any common staircase in such premises. The Metropolitan Boroughs'

Standing Joint Committee are preparing a draft form of Bylaws for adoption by the constituent Councils.

LAND CHARGES ACT, 1925

Enquiries by prospective purchasers of property as to outstanding sanitary and other notices, orders or charges were dealt with in respect of 1,801 premises.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948

SECTION 50 (*Burial or cremation of the dead*)

Number of burials carried out	36
Number of such burials referred by the Hackney Group (No. 6) Hospital Management Committee ..	7
Total cost of burials	£362 10s. 6d.
Full cost reclaimed (from liable relatives, death grants, deceased persons' estates, and Hospital Management Committee)	21
Part cost recovered (from liable relatives, death grants, deceased persons' estates, and other sources)	8
Full cost of burial borne by the Borough Council ..	7

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

Complaints of infestation received	1,201
Premises found to be infested	1,093
Baits laid	42,300
Drains examined	152
Drains tested	123
Drains found to be defective	95

	<i>Business Premises</i>	<i>Dwelling Houses</i>	<i>Other Premises</i>	<i>Totals</i>
Premises infested	Rats 71 Mice 85 <hr/> 156	Rats 484 Mice 452 <hr/> 936	Rats - Mice 1 <hr/> 1	Rats 555 Mice 538 <hr/> 1,093
Premises cleared	Rats 77 Mice 87 <hr/> 164	Rats 497 Mice 473 <hr/> 970	Rats - Mice 1 <hr/> 1	Rats 574 Mice 561 <hr/> 1,135

The sum of £249 16s. 0d. was recovered from the owners of business premises treated.

SHOPS ACT, 1950

SECTION 38 (*Sanitary and other arrangements in shops*). Notices relating to failure to maintain a reasonable temperature were served in respect of two premises. Two applications for exemption from the provisions relating to sanitary accommodation were granted, making a total of 10 premises in respect of which exemption certificates were in operation.

PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951

No infringement of the conditions embodied in the licences granted by the Council was found in any of the 18 licensed pet shops.

RAG FLOCK AND OTHER FILLING MATERIALS ACT, 1951

Premises registered for the use of filling materials	42
Premises licensed for storage of rag flock ..	2
Samples of filling materials taken for analysis ..	59
Samples failing to satisfy the prescribed tests ..	2

HEATING APPLIANCES (FIREGUARDS) ACT, 1952

Visits to premises selling heating appliances ..	188
Appliances submitted to the prescribed tests ..	1,113
Appliances found to be unsatisfactory	Nil

Vacant Sites. Of the 200 vacant sites referred to in my last Report, 29 have been built on, 21 are now under the control of the Council and in use as allotments or sites for public seats, whilst eleven are used for the parking and storage of cars. Some 14 complaints relating to the condition of vacant sites were received, and regular inspections of all vacant sites were carried out by the Public Health Inspectors; the condition of 22 called for no action by the Department. As in previous years, the majority of the nuisances arose from the dumping of refuse, mattresses and all kinds of unwanted household debris; these accumulations were dealt with by burning or burying on the site, or by removal. Some sites had to be cleared frequently, and altogether deposited material was removed from 117 sites.

Static Water Tanks. Six war-time static water tanks still remained in the Borough and three required attention by the staff of the Department to prevent nuisances.

Dangerous Structures (*London Building Acts (Amendment) Act, 1939*). Structures or parts of structures to the number of 101 were referred to the District Surveyor of the London County Council for his opinion and necessary action.

Licensed Premises. Following the receipt of applications for transfer of licences, the Licensing Justices requested the Department's observations on 53 licensed premises. All these premises were inspected and reports were sent to the Justices; eight notices under the Public Health (London) Act, 1936, and nine informal notices under the Food Hygiene Regulations, 1955 were served in respect of a total of sixteen premises found to be unsatisfactory.

HOUSING

Local authorities have specific obligations under the Housing Acts with regard to the repair, closure or demolition of unfit houses, and the action taken in this Borough during the past year to fulfil these obligations is set out below:-

HOUSING ACT, 1936

Part II

(Provisions for securing the repair, maintenance and sanitary condition of houses)

SECTION 4 (*Information to be given to tenants*). In twenty-nine instances notices were sent to persons who failed to enter in their tenants' rent books the name and address of the medical officer of health and of the landlord or other person responsible for keeping the houses in all respects fit for human habitation.

SECTION 5 (*Duty of local authority to inspect their district and keep records*). With a view to action being taken under the appropriate legislation, 1,218 premises were inspected and recorded in accordance with the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 and 1932 made under this section.

SECTION 9 (*Power of local authority to require repair of insanitary house*). One notice was served under this section.

SECTION 11 (*Power of local authority to order demolition of insanitary house*). Under the provisions of this section, demolition orders were made in respect of

15 Amhurst Terrace,
2 Hillyfield Cottages.

The following three houses were demolished by the owners:-

88 Alkham Road	(Demolition Order made 14th December, 1955)
15 Amhurst Terrace	(Demolition Order made 11th July, 1956)
221 Wick Road	(Demolition Order made 9th November, 1955).

In pursuance of the powers contained in Section 10 of the *Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1953*, a closing order was made in respect of 66 Mortimer Road; in this case demolition was deemed to be inexpedient having regard to the effect thereof on adjoining houses.

One house, 134 Southgate Road, the subject of a closing order made in 1953, was voluntarily demolished by the owner.

The closing order made on the 9th March, 1955, in respect of 7 Sheep Lane was determined, the owner having carried out the works necessary to render the house fit for human habitation.

The making of demolition orders in the cases of 39 Mortimer Road and 5 Templar Road was deferred pending consideration being given to their purchase by the Council for temporary accommodation, under the *Housing Repairs and Rents Act, 1954*, Section 3 (*Power to purchase for temporary accommodation in lieu of making demolition orders*).

SECTION 12 (*Power to make a closing order as to part of a building*). Closing orders were made in respect of the following parts of premises, which were all *underground rooms*:

29 Alconbury Road	- basement front room.
8A Amhurst Park	- basement front and back (west) rooms and front and back (east) rooms.
20 Chatham Place	- basement front and back rooms.
20 Clapton Passage	- basement front and back rooms, back addition room and scullery.
11 Clapton Way	- basement front and back rooms and scullery.
87 De Beauvoir Road	- basement front, middle and back rooms.
44 Foulden Road	- basement front room.
22 Inver Road	- basement back room.
142 King Edward's Road	- basement front and back rooms.
393 Kingsland Road	- basement front and back rooms.
94 Mortimer Road	- basement front and back rooms.
57 Newick Road	- basement back room.
9A Rectory Road	- basement front and back rooms.
126 Stamford Hill	- basement front and back (north and south) rooms.
7 Sutton Place	- basement front and back rooms.

In lieu of making closing orders, *undertakings* as indicated were accepted in respect of parts of premises as follows:-

(a) *to render fit for human habitation*:-

- 132 Richmond Road - basement front and back rooms and scullery.
(Rooms subsequently made fit and undertaking cancelled).
- 31 Warneford Street - basement front and back rooms.

(b) *Not to be used for human habitation*:-

- 41 Downs Road - basement front and back (east and west) rooms.

In the case of 55 Hertford Road, the owner carried out the work necessary to render the ground floor back room and scullery, first floor front and back rooms and top floor front and back rooms fit for human habitation, and the undertaking given in 1955 was cancelled.

As a result of Closing and Demolition Orders 19 families were rehoused.

SECTION 15 (*Appeals*). One notice served under Section 9 was the subject of an appeal to the County Court. The owner withdrew the appeal on terms agreed between the parties and embodied in an order of the Court, including compliance with the Council's notice as modified (certain works having been done) and payment to the Council of the sum of 16 guineas towards the costs incurred.

Part III (Slum Clearance)

SECTION 25 (*Power to declare an area to be a clearance area*). The joint proposals of the London County Council and the Borough Council on the programme of slum clearance to be carried out in the quinquennium 1956-60, submitted to the Minister in 1955 in accordance with the

requirements of Section 1 of the Housing Repairs and Rents Act, 1954, were approved. These proposals provided for the clearance by the London County Council of 95 houses in 6 areas and by the Borough Council of 62 houses in 7 areas. Exclusive of these 157 houses, the proposals submitted included, in accordance with the directions of the Minister, a further 250 houses represented as part of the 1951/55 clearance programme, but not demolished at the time the new proposals were submitted. The following areas were represented and clearance orders were made by the Borough Council, but the Minister's confirmation had not been received at the end of the year.

Area	No. of houses	No. of families
Downham Road	14	20
Holmbrook Street	12	17

The London County Council represented an area of 31 houses (Marlow Road Area) and made a Compulsory Purchase Order in respect of this area and some 120 adjoining houses.

The following is a summary of action taken under the Housing Act, 1936, and the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1953, in respect of unfit houses.

SECTION 11 (and Sections 10 and 11 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1953)

Demolition Orders made	2
Houses demolished	4
Closing Orders made	1
Closing Orders determined	1

SECTION 12

Closing Orders made (Underground Rooms)	34
Undertaking to render premises fit for human habitation.	2
Undertaking not to use for human habitation	1
Undertaking cancelled, rooms made fit	2

SECTION 25

Areas represented	2
Number of houses therein	26

Part IV (Abatement of overcrowding)

SECTION 57 (Duty of local authority to inspect and to make reports and proposals as to overcrowding). At the end of 1955 overcrowded dwellings to the number of 772 were recorded in the department and 43 new cases were added to the register during the year under review. Overcrowding in two cases was abated by rehousing by the London County Council and in 26 instances by the Borough Council; in four instances overcrowding was abated by families finding other accommodation.

SECTION 59 (Offences in relation to overcrowding). No statutory action was taken in respect of any dwelling reported to be overcrowded.

but in all cases where overcrowding was discovered, apart from any recommendation for rehousing which was sent to the appropriate housing authority, a summary of the appropriate provisions of the Act, together with the permitted number for the dwelling, was sent to the landlord with a warning to the effect that when the present occupants were rehoused he must not permit the dwelling again to become overcrowded.

SECTION 67 (*Duty of medical officers to furnish particulars of overcrowding*). The following is a summary of the position as recorded in the department with regard to overcrowding during and at the end of the year:-

(a) (i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year	783
(ii) Number of families dwelling therein	1,237
(iii) Number of persons dwelling therein	5,090
(b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year	43
(c) (i) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	32
(ii) Number of persons concerned in such cases	137
(iii) Number of families rehoused by London County Council	2
(iv) Number of families rehoused by the Borough Council	26
(v) Number of families finding other accommodation	4
(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	Nil

Part V (Provision of housing accommodation)

Four compulsory purchase orders made by the Borough Council were confirmed in 1956. The land involved totalled 1.815 acres and the number of dwelling houses included in the orders totalled eight.

New dwellings completed by the Borough Council in 1956	328
New dwellings under construction at the end of the year	404
Number of temporary hutments and bungalows remaining in use	371
Number of families occupying requisitioned property	2,295
Number of new dwellings completed by the London County Council	157
Number of units under construction at the end of the year	439

Housing Applications

Number of applicants on the Borough Council's Housing Department's register at the end of the year	7,787
New applicants added to the register	1,098
Number of families on the Borough Council's register rehoused (including transfers to other accommodation and mutual exchanges between tenants)	694
Number of families rehoused by the London County Council	302

HOUSING ACT, 1949

SECTION 4 (*Power of local authorities to make advances for purpose of increasing housing accommodation*). In 84 instances the Council made advances to persons to enable them to acquire houses.

SECTION 20 (*Grants to persons other than local authorities for improvement of housing accommodation*). One grant was made.

SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS, 1899 to 1923

Applications for advances for the purpose of house purchase were granted by the Council in 121 instances.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947

Twenty-seven objections by the Borough Council to applications for planning permission for development involving dwelling houses being used other than as dwellings were supported by the London County Council. Of appeals dealt with by the Minister of Housing and Local Government, one was upheld and seven were dismissed.

HOUSING REPAIRS AND RENTS ACT, 1954

SECTION 11 (*Houses let in lodgings; securing fitness for occupation by number of families accommodated*). No action was taken under this section.

SECTION 12 (*Houses let in lodgings; prevention of overcrowding*). No action was taken under this section.

SECTION 26 (*Determination whether conditions fulfilled to justify increase of rent*).

(a) *Certificates of disrepair*

Number of applications received	..	..	37
" " certificates issued	..	..	34
" " applications refused	..	..	5
" " applications withdrawn	..	..	2
" " applications outstanding	..	..	Nil

(b) *Revocation of certificates of disrepair*

Number of applications received	..	..	91
" " applications granted	..	..	91
" " applications refused	..	..	13
" " applications outstanding	..	..	Nil

Since the coming into operation of the Act in August, 1954 a total of 458 Certificates of Disrepair had been issued and 266 of these Certificates had been revoked.

SECTION 27 (*Application of last foregoing section to certain increases under Rent Acts*). Two of the applications for certificates of disrepair related to "old control" premises.

SECTION 30 (*Responsibility of landlord for repairs*). Twelve of the applications for certificates of disrepair were in respect of houses where the landlord had served notice of election not to be responsible for internal decorations.

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The arrangement made in 1955 whereby summonses for the abatement of nuisances under the Public Health (London) Act, and of other summary cases with which this Council are concerned, are heard at special court sittings by the Justices of the Tower Division at the Town Hall was continued.

Public Health (London) Act, 1936 and By-laws. The effect of the procedure for securing the more speedy abatement of nuisances which was put into operation in August, 1954 was reflected in the increase in the number of summonses issued against owners of property, which rose from 256 in 1955 to 343 in the year under review. Complaints made to the Court with a view to obtaining nuisance orders were 276, as against 207 in the previous year, and there were 44 summonses for non-compliance with Magistrates' Orders as compared with 19 in 1955.

Nuisance Orders to the number of 170, including two Closing Orders, were made, and in all but two cases costs were awarded to the Council. In a further 60 cases costs were awarded where the necessary work was completed before the dates of the hearing of the summonses. The summonses against eighteen defendants were withdrawn, as the notices had been complied with and the Council's costs paid before the cases came up for hearing. Twenty of twenty-five summonses were withdrawn without costs as the work had been completed before the service of the summonses. Six summonses were "not served", in four cases the defendant had moved and in the remaining two cases service was withheld because the work had been completed. Of the three summonses, all for Nuisance Orders, which were adjourned sine die, one related to premises which were vacated before the date of hearing, in the second case ownership was in doubt, but the work was subsequently completed, and in the third case although work had been carried out time was needed to test its efficacy.

A Closing Order made by the Magistrates Court in 1954 was revoked, on the application of the owner, who had carried out the necessary work.

Three summonses for failing to comply with the requirements of nuisance notices resulted in the owners being fined and ordered to pay the Council's costs. A penalty with costs was imposed against 36 of the 44 owners who failed to comply with nuisance orders, a penalty without costs was imposed in another case, and one owner was granted an absolute discharge on payment of costs.

Proceedings under Section 104 of the Public Health (London) Act were taken against a person who, by fixing a lock to the door of a water closet, denied access thereto to other persons entitled to use it. The court imposed a fine and ordered the defendant to pay the Council's costs.

There were two appeals under Section 286 against notices served under Section 40 requiring the repair of defective combined drains. In the first case the purpose of the appeal was to seek the Magistrate's apportionment of the cost of the work. The second appeal followed from the Council's practice, in the case of defective combined drains, of serving a notice calling for the execution of the repair or reconstruction on the owners of all premises served by the drain. One of the owners of the premises concerned appealed against the notice served upon him on the grounds that the notice was invalid because the defect in the drain was not in that part which was on his premises. The appeal was allowed, but because of the principle involved the Magistrate was asked

to state a case; the Council entered an appeal, which was heard in the Queens Bench Division, and this appeal was dismissed.

Of 343 summonses taken under the Public Health (London) Act and By-laws, judgments were given in 288 cases, 46 were withdrawn, 3 adjourned sine die, and in six instances the summonses were not served.

Food and Drugs Act, 1955. Eleven summonses were issued under Section 2 of the Act; four related to a deficiency in butter fat on "battered" bread or rolls, and in each case a penalty with costs was imposed. In another case the defendant was granted an absolute discharge on payment of costs when charged with selling a bread roll containing a piece of string. The sale of weevil-infested macaroni and wafer biscuits respectively formed the subjects of two further summonses, each of which resulted in the defendant being fined and ordered to pay the Council's costs, while costs only were awarded in the case of a person who sold baking powder which was deficient in available carbon-dioxide. Two summonses, one against the wholesaler and one against the retailer, were issued in connection with the sale of a breakfast cereal which contained mouse excreta. The case against the wholesaler was dismissed without costs upon the acceptance by the Court of the defending Counsel's submission that in the light of the retailer's evidence the presumption of guilt contained in Section 111 of the Food and Drugs Act had been rebutted. The retailer was fined and ordered to pay the Council's costs. In the eleventh case the sale of meat paste deficient in meat resulted in a penalty with costs being imposed.

Two summonses issued under Section 8 of the Act against persons selling pork pies which were unfit for human consumption were successful, a penalty and costs being imposed in each case.

A total of 26 summonses for contravention of the Food Hygiene Regulations were issued. Sixteen of these related to insanitary conditions at four separate premises and a penalty with costs was imposed in respect of each summons. Three of the four summonses issued in connection with the use of tobacco while handling open food were successful; in the fourth case the defendant proved to the satisfaction of the Court that although he was the owner of the food business and was smoking in a food room in which there was open food he did not take an active part in the handling of food and so was not a "food handler" within the meaning of the Regulations, and the summons was dismissed without costs. All six summonses for allowing printed material to come into contact with open food resulted in the defendants being fined and ordered to pay the Council's costs.

Milk and Dairies Regulations 1949 to 1954. Dirty milk bottles - two summonses for failure to ensure cleanliness of vessels used for containing milk were successful, a penalty with costs being imposed.

Factories Act, 1937 - Section 7 (Sanitary conveniences). The one summons issued under this Act related to failure to keep water-closets clean and effectively lighted and resulted in the imposition of a penalty and an Order to pay the Council's costs.

The following table summarises the results of these proceedings:-

PUBLIC HEALTH (LONDON) ACT, 1936

SECTION 82 AND THE FIFTH SCHEDULE (NUISANCES)

Abatement Orders made - costs awarded	150
Abatement Orders made - no costs awarded	17
Closing Order made - costs awarded	1
Combined Abatement and Prohibition Order made - no costs awarded	1
Combined Abatement and Closing Order made - costs awarded	1
Costs awarded - work carried out before date of hearing	60
Summonses adjourned sine die	3
Summonses withdrawn on payment of costs - work carried out	18
Summonses withdrawn without costs:-	
Work completed before service of summonses	15
Change of ownership	1
Essential work completed, (premises in clearance area)	1
Difficulty in obtaining necessary fitment - work carried out	1
Defendant not the "owner"	1
Work to be incorporated in extensive schedule of works to be carried out	1
Summonses not served:-	
Work completed	2
Defendant moved away	3

Contravention of Prohibition Order

Penalty without costs	1
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Non-compliance with Nuisance Orders

Penalties and costs	36
Penalty without costs	1
Defendant granted an absolute discharge on payment of costs	1
Summons not served - defendant moved away	1
Summonses withdrawn without costs:-	
Work completed before service of summonses	5

Non-compliance with Statutory Notices

Penalties and costs	3
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SECTION 34 (DRAINAGE BY-LAWS) - CONTRAVENTIONS

Penalties and costs	7
Defendant granted an absolute discharge on payment of costs	2

SECTION 104 (NUISANCES FROM WATER CLOSETS)

Penalty and costs	1
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SECTION 107 (ASHPIT BY-LAWS) - CONTRAVENTIONS

Penalty and costs	4
Penalty without costs	1
Summonses withdrawn without costs:-	
Dustbins supplied	2
Defendant deceased	1

SECTION 107 (WATER CLOSET BY-LAWS)

Penalty and costs	1
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Full details of the above proceedings are set out on pages 7 to 21 of the Appendix.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

SECTION 2 (GENERAL PROTECTION FOR PURCHASERS OF FOOD AND DRUGS)

Penalty and costs	8
Dismissed without costs	1
No penalty, costs awarded	1
Absolute discharge on payment of costs	1

SECTION 8 (PUNISHMENT FOR SALE, ETC. OF FOOD UNFIT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION)

Penalty and costs	2
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SECTION 13 (FOOD HYGIENE REGULATIONS)

Penalty with costs	25
Dismissed without costs	1

SECTION 29 (MILK AND DAIRIES REGULATIONS)

Penalty and costs	2
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FACTORIES ACT, 1937

SECTION 7 (SANITARY CONVENIENCES)

Penalty and costs	1
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SMOKE ABATEMENT AND AIR POLLUTION

The following tables summarise the work of the department under the Public Health (London) Act, 1936 in connection with air pollution.

EFFLUVIA. SECTIONS 137 (*Nuisance arising from offensive trade*) and 147 (2) (b) (penalties for failing to use the best practicable means for preventing or counteracting any noxious or offensive effluvia or annoyance arising from a trade or business).

Complaints received	..	..	..	21
Investigations made	..	..	..	95
Nuisances found	..	..	..	1
Informal notices served	..	..	..	1
Formal notices served	..	..	..	Nil

SMOKE. SECTION 148 (*Smoke Nuisances*).

Complaints received	..	..	..	44
Observations made	..	..	..	1,957
Nuisances observed	..	..	..	12
Informal notices served	..	..	..	13
Formal notices served	..	..	..	4

ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION RECORDING

(a) *Grit, soot and other particles, and sulphur dioxide (by the lead peroxide method)*. Measurement of these constituents were made at the following three stations, and a table of the monthly findings is given on Page 22 of the Appendix.

<i>Station</i>	<i>Instruments installed</i>	<i>Maintained by:</i>
Town Hall	Deposit Gauge and) Lead Peroxide Instrument)	Hackney Borough Council
Buccleuch House	do.	Hackney Borough Council
Victoria Park	do.	London County Council

(b) *Smoke and Sulphur Dioxide (by the volumetric method)*. A table setting out the monthly average and highest daily average of the concentration of these constituents as measured at the following three stations is set out on page 23 of the Appendix.

<i>Station</i>	<i>Apparatus installed</i>	<i>Maintained by:</i>
Hillman Street Stores	Volumetric sulphur dioxide) instrument with filter) attachment)	Hackney Borough Council
Lampard Grove Depot	do.	Hackney Borough Council
Ambulance Station, Brooksby's Walk	do.	London County Council

THE CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956

This Act received the Royal Assent on the 5th July, 1956, and the various sections come into operation on days to be appointed by the Minister of Housing and Local Government. The provisions of the Act likely to affect local authorities in London are as follows:-

"Local authority" so far as London is concerned is defined in Part II of the Third Schedule to the Act as the *sanitary authority* and not the county council, provided that -

- (a) both the county council and the sanitary authorities shall be local authorities for the purposes of section twenty-five of this Act; (Powers of local authorities as to research and publicity);
- (b) if, in any special case, a sanitary authority so requests, the county council may enforce any of the provisions of this Act in lieu of the sanitary authority;
- (c) the duty of enforcing the provisions of this Act in relation to any such premises, not being premises within the Port of London, as are occupied by a sanitary authority, shall be performed by the county council;

and, for the purposes of performing their duties under this proviso, the county council may act as if they were the local authority and the county were their district.

SECTION 1 (*Prohibition of dark smoke from chimneys*) makes the emission of dark smoke from a chimney, including domestic chimneys, an offence. The emission itself is an offence, and the question of a nuisance being caused and having to be proved does not arise.

- Defences.*
- (a) Lighting up from a cold furnace;
 - (b) Some unforeseeable and unavoidable failure of the furnace or equipment;
 - (c) The use of unsuitable fuel, suitable fuel being unobtainable.

Where a defendant seeks to avail himself of the defences (a) and (c) it is also necessary for him to show that "all practicable steps had been taken to prevent or minimise the emission of dark smoke".

The provisions of this section apply not only to the chimney of a building, but also to the chimney serving the furnace of any boiler or industrial plant attached to a building or for the time being fixed to or installed on any land.

SECTION 2 (*Temporary exemptions for section one*), enacts that for a period of not more than seven years from the passing of the Act it will be a defence to prove

- (a) that the contravention was due to the nature of the building and equipment and not to failure in use or maintenance, and
- (b) that it had not been practicable to make the alterations necessary to prevent the emission of dark smoke.

On application, the local authority may at any time during the seven years issue a certificate (for one year, but renewable) stating that they are satisfied that it had not been practicable to make the required alterations. Such a certificate may be limited to particular chimneys of a building.

SECTION 3 (*Requirement that new furnaces shall be so far as practicable smokeless*) requires all new furnaces (including domestic installations with a maximum heating capacity of 55,000 or more B.Th.U's per hour) to be capable of being operated continuously without emitting smoke when burning fuel of a type for which they were designed. The installation of a new furnace *must be notified* to the local authority. Plans and specifications for a new furnace *may be submitted* to the local authority for approval.

This section does not apply to movable furnaces which are not "for the time being fixed to or installed on any land", e.g. road-making equipment and locomotive furnaces.

SECTION 4 (*Density meters, &c.*) empowers the Minister to make Regulations imposing in specified cases requirements as to the installation of apparatus to indicate and/or record smoke density, or to facilitate the observation of smoke; the adaptation of chimneys; the use and maintenance of the apparatus, and making records available to the local authority.

SECTION 5 (*Requirement that grit and dust from furnaces shall be minimised*) enacts that failure to use any practicable means there may be for minimising the emission of grit and dust from any furnace used to burn solid fuel or solid waste constitutes an offence.

SECTION 6 (*Requirement that new furnaces shall be fitted with plant to arrest grit and dust*) provides that all new furnaces burning pulverized fuel or burning one ton an hour or more of solid fuel in any other form must have grit arresting plant installed in accordance with plans and specifications submitted to and *approved by the local authority*. There is a right of appeal to the Minister against a Council's refusal to approve plans.

SECTION 7 (*Measurement of grit and dust emitted from furnaces*) empowers the Minister to make regulations covering the making and recording of measurements of grit and dust emission, including the adaptation of the chimney, providing and maintaining the necessary apparatus, and informing the local authority of the results. Different regulations may be made for different types of furnaces. These regulations will apply to furnaces burning pulverized fuel and those burning more than one ton of fuel an hour, provided that the local authority serves notice in writing to that effect.

SECTION 8 (*Information about furnaces and fuel consumed*) enables a local authority, for the purpose of performing their functions under Sections 7 and 8, to demand from an occupier such information as they may reasonably require for that purpose. Failure to give such information is an offence.

SECTION 9 (*Grit and dust from outdoor furnaces, etc.*) applies the provisions of Sections 5, 6, 7 and 8 to the furnace of any boiler or industrial plant attached to a building or for the time being fixed to or installed on any land.

SECTION 10 (*Height of chimneys*) this section because of the existing planning and Building Act powers of the London County Council does not apply to London.

SECTION 11 (*Smoke control areas*) empowers a local authority to make an order declaring the whole or any part of its district "a smoke control area". Subject to any stated exemptions and limitations, the

emission of smoke in such an area, on any day, is an offence unless the emission was caused by the burning of an authorised fuel. Any such order comes into operation on the date specified therein, which cannot, however, be earlier than six months from the date of the Minister's confirmation of the Order.

An Order made by a local authority

- (a) may make different provision for different parts of the smoke control area;
- (b) may limit the operation of this section to specified classes of building in the area;
- (c) may exempt specified buildings or classes of building or specified fireplaces or classes of fireplace in the area from the operation of this section, upon such conditions as may be specified in the order.

The Minister may make orders exempting any class of fireplace if he is satisfied that such fireplaces can be used for burning fuel other than authorised fuel "without producing smoke or any substantial quantity of smoke", and may also suspend or relax the operation of a smoke control area order, although he must (except in cases of emergency) first consult with the local authority.

SECTION 12 (*Adaptation of fireplaces in private dwellings*) enacts that if the owner or occupier of a private dwelling not being a new dwelling which is in, or will be in, a smoke control area has to incur expenditure in adapting his heating arrangements, the local authority shall repay to him at least seven-tenths of the expenditure; if they think fit they may in any case pay the whole or any further part of the remainder. This repayment is contingent on the work being done to the satisfaction of the authority, and that it is done either before the order comes into operation or is reasonably incurred as a result of a notice served by the local authority requiring it to be done.

In the case of an occupier who is not the owner of a house, and who installs equipment that can readily be removed, not more than half the amount due (*i. e. seven-twentieths of the cost*) shall be repaid until after two years from an order coming into operation. The remainder shall then be paid only if the equipment has not been removed, and it is paid to the person then occupying the dwelling.

A local authority may serve upon the owner or occupier of a private dwelling which is in a smoke control area a notice requiring the carrying out of any necessary adaptations. In default of compliance with such a notice the authority may execute the work themselves under the provisions of (*in London*) Section 286 of the Public Health (London) Act, 1936, and recover payment of three-tenths (*or less*) of the expenses incurred.

SECTION 13 (*Exchequer contributions*) empowers the Exchequer to pay two-fifths of the cost of adapting fireplaces in all houses whether privately owned or owned or controlled by the local authority. The local authority's contribution will be three-tenths in the case of privately owned houses and six-tenths in the case of their own houses.

SECTION 14 (*Interpretation of two last preceding sections*) defines work deemed to be reasonably necessary to avoid contravention of a smoke control area order as any of the following works (whether in or outside the dwelling)

- (a) adapting or converting any fireplace; or

- (b) replacing any fireplace by another fireplace or by some other means of heating or cooking; or
- (c) altering any flue or chimney which serves any fireplace; or
- (d) carrying out any operation incidental to any of the operations aforesaid,

being works which are reasonably necessary in order to make what is in all the circumstances suitable provision for heating and cooking without contraventions of the said section eleven. Expenses include the cost of fixing appliances even though they may be easily removed without damage to the fabric of the building. Appliances purchased under a hire purchase agreement will qualify for payment as if the cash price of the appliance had been paid on the date of the agreement.

SECTION 15 (*Power of local authority to make grants towards adaptations to fireplaces in churches, chapels, buildings used by charities, &c.*) gives local authorities power, under Section 11 of the Act, to make grants towards the cost of adaptations, as in the case of dwellings, to owners or occupiers of churches, chapels, other places of worship, and premises used by non-profit making organisations whose main objects are charitable or concerned with the advancement of religion, education or social welfare.

SECTION 16 (*Abatement of smoke nuisances*) enacts that smoke other than that from a domestic or industrial chimney shall, if it is a nuisance to the inhabitants of the neighbourhood, be deemed to be a nuisance which (*in London*) may be dealt with summarily under Section 282 of the Public Health (London) Act, 1936 and the Fifth Schedule thereto.

SECTION 17 (*Relation to, and amendment of, Alkali Act*) excludes from the provisions of the sections of the Act relating to dark smoke, grit and dust, smoke control areas, and smoke nuisance; "premises controlled under the Alkali Act." Enforcement of the provisions of the Clean Air Act in relation to *any part of any premises not directly concerned in processes requiring registration under the Alkali Act* is the responsibility of local authorities, who will also, subject to the Minister's consent, be able to take proceedings for offences under Sections 1, 5 and 16 of the Act in relation to premises controlled under the Alkali Acts. The Minister may make orders extending or revoking the lists of works controlled under the Alkali Acts and also transferring from control under that Act, to the local authority, the whole or a specified part of any premises.

SECTION 19 (*Railway engines*) extends the provisions of Section 1 of the Act (prohibition of dark smoke from chimneys) to railway locomotives.

SECTION 20 (*Vessels*) applies the provisions of Section 1 to vessels in specified waters.

SECTION 21 (*Exemptions for purposes of investigations and research*) empowers a local authority on application by an interested person to give exemption from the operation of various sections of the Act for the purposes of enabling investigations or research relevant to the problem of air pollution to be carried out. Exemption may be wholly or to a limited extent, for a specified period, and subject to conditions. Appeals against the local authority's decision may be made by the interested person to the Minister.

SECTION 22 (*Crown premises, etc.*) requires a local authority to report emission of smoke, grit or dust from Crown premises to the responsible

Minister who shall then make an inquiry into the circumstances and, if it is found that there is cause for complaint, employ all practicable means to prevent or minimise the emission or to abate the nuisance and prevent its recurrence.

SECTION 23 (*Clean Air Council*) requires the Minister of Housing and Local Government to appoint a Clean Air Council, for the purposes of -

- (a) keeping under review the progress made (*whether under this Act or otherwise*) in abating the pollution of the air in England and Wales; and
- (b) obtaining the advice of persons having special knowledge, experience or responsibility in regard to prevention of pollution of the air.

SECTION 24 (*Building Byelaws*) enacts that building byelaws may require the provision in new buildings of such arrangements for heating or cooking as are calculated to prevent as far as practicable the emission of smoke. (*In London such byelaws are made by the London County Council*).

SECTION 25 (*Powers of Local authorities as to research and publicity*) a local authority may

- (a) undertake, or contribute towards the cost of, investigations and research relevant to the problem of the pollution of the air;
- (b) arrange for the publication within their area of information on that problem;
- (c) arrange for the delivery of lectures and addresses, and the holding of discussions, on that problem;
- (d) arrange for the display of pictures, cinematograph films or models, or the holding of exhibitions, relating to that problem; and
- (e) prepare, or join in or contribute to the cost of the preparation of, pictures, films, models or exhibitions to be displayed or held as aforesaid.

SECTION 26 (*Unjustified disclosures of information*) makes it an offence for any person to disclose, except in certain circumstances, information relating to any manufacturing process or trade secret which has been supplied to or obtained by him for the purposes of the Act.

SECTION 27 (*Penalties*) sets out the penalties applicable to offences under the various sections of the Act.

SECTION 28 (*Power of county court to authorise works and order payments*) relates to the determination of difficulties arising between landlord and tenant and empowers a county court to authorise the tenant to carry out works notwithstanding the terms of his tenancy, and, where appropriate, to recover the whole or part of his costs from the landlord or some other person.

SECTION 29 (*Enforcement*) places upon local authorities the duty of enforcing the provisions of the Act in their districts. A local authority may institute proceedings under Section 1 (*Prohibition of dark smoke from chimneys*) in the case of any smoke which affects any part of their district notwithstanding that the smoke is emitted from a chimney outside their district.

SECTION 30 (*Duty to notify occupiers of offences*) requires an authorised officer of a local authority if he considers that an offence is being or has been committed with respect to dark smoke (*Section 1*), smoke in a smoke control area (*Section 11*) or smoke which is a nuisance (*Section 16*) "as soon as may be" to notify the occupier of the premises (*including the owner of a railway locomotive or person in charge of a vessel*). If this notification is not in writing he shall confirm it in writing within 48 hours.

SECTION 32 (*Application of Act to London*) and Part II of the Third Schedule define "local authority" for the purposes of the Act in its relation to London, and confer powers of entry. Section 16 of the Act (*Abatement of Smoke Nuisances*) is amended to provide for necessary action to be taken under the appropriate provisions of the Public Health (London) Act, 1936, and penalties for offences against that Section.

SECTION 34 (*Interpretation*) contains, *inter alia*, the following definitions: "Authorised fuel" means a fuel declared by regulations of the Minister to be an authorised fuel for the purpose of this Act.

"Chimney" includes structures and openings of any kind from or through which smoke or grit or dust may be emitted. "Fireplace" includes any furnace, grate or stove, whether open or closed.

"Heating" in relation to a dwelling includes the heating of water.

"Industrial plant" includes any still, melting pot or other plant used for any industrial or trade purposes, and also any incinerator used for or in connection with any such purposes.

"Practicable" means reasonably practicable having regard, amongst other things, to local conditions and circumstances, to the financial implications and to the current state of technical knowledge, and "practicable means" includes the provision and maintenance of plant and the proper use thereof.

"Smoke" includes soot, ash, grit and gritty particles emitted in smoke.

"Dark smoke" means smoke which, if compared in the appropriate manner with a chart of the type known at the date of the passing of this Act as the Ringelmann Chart, would appear to be as dark as or darker than shade 2 on the chart.

"Occupier" of a building means in relation to any building different parts of which are occupied by different persons, the occupier or other person in control of the part of the building in which the relevant fireplace is situated.

"New dwelling" means a dwelling which either -

- (a) was erected after the passing of this Act; or
- (b) was produced by conversion, after the passing of this Act, of other premises, with or without the addition of premises erected after the passing of this Act,

and for the purposes of this subsection, a dwelling or premises shall not be treated as erected or converted after the passing of this Act unless the erection or conversion was begun thereafter.

In considering for the purposes of this Act whether any and, if so, what works are reasonably necessary in order to make suitable provision for heating and cooking in the case of a dwelling or are reasonably necessary in order to enable a building to be used for a purpose without contravention of any of the provisions of this Act, regard shall be had

to any difficulty there may be in obtaining, otherwise than at a high price, any fuels which would have to be used but for the execution of the works.

In exercise of his powers under Section 34 of the Act, the Minister of Housing and Local Government to date has made the following Order and Regulations:

The Clean Air Act, 1956 (Appointed day) Order, 1956. The Order brought into operation on the 31st December, 1956, in England and Wales, certain provisions of the Clean Air Act, 1956, including provisions relating to smoke from furnaces (Sections 3 and 4), smoke control areas (Sections 11 - 15), the extension of the Alkali, &c. Works Regulation Act, 1906, to cover the emission of smoke, grit and dust from premises controlled or to be controlled under that Act (Section 17), colliery spoilbanks (Section 18), and the constitution of the Clean Air Council (Section 23).

The Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) Regulations, 1956. Section 11 of the Clean Air Act, 1956 makes it an offence to emit smoke from any building in a smoke control area unless it can be shown that the emission of smoke was not caused by the use of any fuel other than an authorised fuel. These Regulations, which came into operation on the 31st December, 1956, declare the following fuels to be authorised fuels for the purposes of the Act in England and Wales.

Anthracite;
Briquetted fuels carbonised in the process of manufacture;
Coke;
Electricity;
Gas;
Low temperature carbonisation fuels;
Low volatile steam coals.

Procedure for establishing Smoke Control Areas

A Memorandum issued by the Ministry of Housing and Local Government sets out in detail the procedure for establishing smoke control areas, which may be summarised as follows:-

- (i) Decision in principle on location and size of area, and types of property to be included and notification to the Minister of provisional plan.
- (ii) Detailed survey of the area on receipt of Minister's comments on the provisional plan.
- (iii) The making of the Order and submission of same for confirmation.
- (iv) After confirmation, action to bring the Order into operation, payment of local authority grants, and claiming of Exchequer contribution.

FACTORIES AND OUTWORK

Factories Act, 1937

Responsibility for enforcing the provisions of the Factories Act devolves in the main on Her Majesty's Inspector of Factories. The duties of district councils are limited to dealing with the provisions relating to cleanliness, overcrowding, temperature, drainage of floors and sanitary conveniences in the case of *non-power* factories; sanitary conveniences only in the case of *power* factories, and the provisions of the Act relating to outwork.

Of the 1,498 factories on the register at the end of the year, 1,377 were power factories and 121 non-power factories. The number of inspections made totalled 1,198 and action was necessary as follows:-

SECTION 1 (*Cleanliness*). Two notices were served under this section, both of which were complied with.

SECTION 7 (*Sanitary conveniences*). In 87 cases unsuitable or defective sanitary conveniences were discovered. Legal proceedings were taken in one case of failure to keep water closets clean and effectively lighted, and a fine of £5 with 5 guineas costs was imposed.

SECTION 54 (*Basement Bakehouses*). On the 31st December certificates of suitability granted under the provisions of this Act were in operation in respect of the following 12 basement bakehouses:-

239 Amhurst Road	167 Homerton High Street
36 Chatsworth Road	71 Lower Clapton Road
94 Chatsworth Road	200 Lower Clapton Road
72 Dalston Lane	33 Rectory Road
178 Dalston Lane	18 Upper Clapton Road
219 Glyn Road	186 Well Street

The number of inspections of these bakehouses totalled 56.

SECTION 114 (*Posting of abstract of Act and notices*). Three instances of failure to exhibit in a factory a copy of the prescribed abstract of the provisions of the Act were reported, and as required by Section 128 notifications of the contravention were sent to H.M. Inspector of Factories.

HOME WORK - OUTWORKERS. SECTION 110 (*Lists of outworkers to be kept in certain trades*). The lists received in August showed there were 118 firms in the borough employing outworkers, and the premises of 1,571 outworkers were recorded; close on 50 per cent. of these outworkers were employed by firms from outside the borough. The inspection of outworkers' premises is undertaken by the district public health inspectors, who visited 883 premises.

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

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		Occupiers prosecuted
		Inspections	Written Notices	
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	121	19	3	Nil
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	1,377	1,179	84	1
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority. (excluding out-workers' premises)	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	1,498	1,198	87	1

2. Cases in which defects were found:-

Particulars	Defects		Referred		Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	2	2	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective draining of floors (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	2	2	-	2	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	85	78	-	19	1
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Out-work)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	89	82	-	21	1

3. Outwork:-

Nature of work	Section 110			Section 111		
	No. of outworkers in August list required by Section 110 (1) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
Wearing apparel Making, etc. Cleaning and washing	1,144	-	-	-	-	-
Household linen ..	33	-	-	-	-	-
Furniture and Upholstery ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fur Pulling ..	9	-	-	-	-	-
Artificial flowers.	113	-	-	-	-	-
Paper bags ..	9	-	-	-	-	-
The making of boxes or other receptacles or parts thereof made wholly or partially of paper	300	-	-	-	-	-
Brush making ..	20	-	-	-	-	-
Carding, etc. of buttons etc. ..	42	-	-	-	-	-
Stuffed toys ..	24	-	-	-	-	-
Chocolates and sweet-meats (wrapping) ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cosaques, Christmas crackers, Christmas stockings, etc.	40	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ..	1,734	-	-	-	-	-

4. Outworkers whose names were included in lists submitted during the year:-

	Residing in the Borough	Residing outside the Borough	Total
Number of outworkers employed by firms in the Borough	757	680	1,437
Number of outworkers employed by firms outside the Borough	794	-	794
Number of outworkers employed by firms in and outside the Borough	20	-	20
TOTAL ..	1,571	680	2,251

5. Types of home work carried out by Hackney residents:-

<i>Trade</i>	<i>No. of Outworkers</i>	<i>Trade</i>	<i>No. of Outworkers</i>
Artificial Flowers ..	53	Fancy Stationery ..	4
Belts, Bags and Leather Goods	24	Fancy Goods, Small Wares, etc.	7
Blouses, Dresses, Robes, etc.	69	Feathers	1
Boots and Shoes ..	119	Fur	12
Brassieres and Corsets..	3	Hats	5
Brushes and Bristles ..	19	Hosiery and Knitted Goods	13
Button Carding and Covering	50	Household Linen Goods ..	16
Cardboard Boxes and Paper Bags, etc. ..	226	Mantles and Costumes ..	35
Children's Clothing ..	63	Millinery	13
Christmas Crackers, Stockings, Carnival Goods, etc.	39	Overalls	-
Chocolates and Sweet- meats (wrapping) ..	-	Pyjamas and Shirts ..	3
Clothing	575	Shoe Trimmings	6
Coathanger Covering ..	2	Tailoring	44
Collars	2	Ties and Neckwear ..	3
Dolls and Toys	86	Trimmings	51
Dressing Gowns ..	7	Umbrellas	2
		Miscellaneous	19
		TOTAL	1,571

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD AND FOOD PREMISES

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

The *Food and Drugs Act, 1955* which came into operation on January 1st, 1956, is an Act to consolidate the *Food and Drugs Act, 1938*, the *Food and Drugs (Milk, Dairies and Artificial Cream) Act, 1950*, and the *Food and Drugs Amendment Act, 1954*.

This Act clarifies the complicated previous legislation, and also introduces certain important changes in the law relating to food and drugs. *The Food Hygiene Regulations, 1955*, with a few exceptions, also came into operation on the 1st January, 1956 and replace the provisions of *Section 13 of the 1938 Act*. These Regulations specify requirements in regard to the hygienic handling of food, and the construction and maintenance of premises, stalls and vehicles and other places where food is handled. They unquestionably give wide powers to local authorities in their endeavours to secure higher standards of hygiene in the food and catering industries, with the aim of reducing the incidence of food borne disease.

Food Complaints. Some 26 complaints were received from residents who considered food which they had been sold was unfit for human consumption by reason of it containing foreign bodies, etc. All these complaints were fully investigated, and the vendors were asked to submit written explanations. In nine instances warning letters were sent to the vendors. In ten cases legal proceedings were taken, five under *Section 2*, one under *Section 6 (1)* and *The Labelling of Food Order, 1953*, two under *Section 8*, and two under the *Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949-54*. In the remaining seven cases no action was considered necessary.

Details of 1,524 food premises in the Borough where the following food trades are carried on are listed in departmental records:-

Aerated water manufacture	2
Bakehouses	33
Bakehouses (Basement)	13
Bakers' shops (Sales only)	32
Bakers (Sundries manufacture)	1
Beer bottlers	3
Beer and Wines "Off" sales at grocers' shops	15
Butchers	127
Cake decoration manufacture	1
Canned soup manufacture	1
Cheese manufacture	1
Confectionery (Sweetshops)	369
Concentrated food manufacture	1
Fish curing	20
Fish (Wet)	33
Fish (Fried)	25
Fish (Wet and Fried)	1
Fruit drink manufacture	1
Greengrocery	142
Grocery and provisions	393

C/f. 1,214

				B/f.	1,214
Ice-cream manufacture	..	..	..	..	12
Ice-cream - retail sales	..	..	..	..	381
Jam manufacture	..	..	..	..	1
Jellied eels and pies - manufacture and sale					5
Milk distributor	..	..	..	..	223
Non-brewed condiment and vinegar manufacture					2
Public houses	..	..	..	..	180
Off licences	..	..	..	..	63
Pickle manufacture	..	..	..	..	2
Restaurants and cafes	..	..	..	..	209
Sugar grinding	..	..	..	..	1
Sweets manufacture	..	..	..	..	10
Wholesale sweet storage	..	..	..	..	1
					<u>2,304</u>

STREET TRADING IN FOODSTUFFS. For the purpose of regulating street trading, the majority of street traders are licensed by the Borough Council under *Section 21* of the *London County Council (General Powers) Act, 1947*, to operate from approved pitches. This department deals only with the application of food legislation in connection with stalls selling foodstuffs. All such stalls are frequently visited, and the storage accommodation is also inspected at regular intervals. The position in regard to licensed street traders engaged in the sale of food commodities at 31st December, 1956, is as follows:-

Foodstuffs sold	Place of Trading									Total number of stalls
	Ridley Road	Chatsworth Road	Well Street	Kingsland Road	Broadway	Lauriston Road	Garnham Street	Bradbury Street	Other sites (10)	
Fruit and vegetables	56	35	17	7	22	1	2	2	7	149
Fish (Wet, dry and shell)	10	5	6	1	5	1	1	1	1	31
Meat and Poultry ..	8	1	2	-	4	-	-	-	-	15
Grocery and provisions	3	4	3	1	2	-	-	-	-	13
Sweets and ice-cream	2	3	-	-	2	1	-	-	1	9
Soft drinks ..	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	3
Cakes and biscuits	2	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	4
Refreshments (Coffee stalls)	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	3	5
Apple Fritters ..	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Eggs	1	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	4
Totals ..	83	50	29	13	37	4	3	3	12	234

SECTION 2 (*General protection for purchasers of food and drugs*). This section provides that a person selling to the prejudice of the purchaser any food or drug which is not of the nature, or not of the substance, or not of the quality demanded by the purchaser, shall be guilty of an offence. In eleven cases legal proceedings were taken under this section with the results indicated.

	<i>Fines</i>			<i>Costs</i>		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Selling baking powder not of the quality demanded in that it was deficient in Carbon Dioxide.	No penalty			1	0	0
Selling chicken and ham paste not of the quality demanded in that it was deficient in meat.	5	0	0	3	3	0
Selling buttered bread not of the nature or quality demanded in that the fat spread on the bread was deficient in butter fat.	2	0	0	3	3	0
Selling buttered bread not of the nature or quality demanded in that the fat spread on the bread was deficient in butter fat.	5	0	0	3	3	0
Selling buttered bread not of the nature or quality demanded in that the fat spread on the bread was deficient in butter fat.	3	0	0	3	3	0
Selling buttered rolls not of the nature or quality demanded in that the fat on the rolls was deficient in butter fat.	2	0	0	3	3	0
Selling wafer biscuits not of the quality demanded in that they were infested with insect larvae.	2	0	0	1	0	0
Selling macaroni not of the quality demanded in that it was infested with weevil.	10	0	0	7	7	0
Selling a bread roll not of the quality demanded in that it contained a piece of string.	No penalty (absolute discharge)			2	2	0
Selling a packet of "Rice Crispies" not of the quality demanded in that they contained mouse excreta.	20	0	0	3	3	0
Selling a bread roll not of the quality demanded in that it contained mouse excreta.	20	0	0	5	5	0

SECTION 4 (*Regulations as to composition of food, etc.*) The following Regulations were made:-

(a) *The Food Standards (Butter and Margarine) Regulations, 1955.* These Regulations prescribe that butter shall not contain more than 16 per cent of water; that margarine shall not contain more than 16 per cent of water, and that its fat content shall not contain more than 10 per cent of fat derived from milk.

(b) *The Mineral Oil in Food (Amendment) Regulations, 1955.* These Regulations provide that the prohibition in the *Mineral Oil in Food Order, 1949*, as amended, shall not apply in relation to chewing compounds which contain not more than 12.5 parts by weight of microcrystalline wax per 100 parts by weight of chewing compound and otherwise contain no mineral oil.

(c) *The Flour (Composition) Regulations, 1956.* These Regulations prescribe compositional requirements as respects certain nutrients in all flour, and as respects creta praeeparata in all flour other than flour containing the whole of the products derived from the milling of wheat.

(d) *The Food Standards (Tomato Ketchup) (Amendment) Regulations, 1956.* These Regulations provide for a limit of 20 parts of copper per million parts of tomato ketchup, catsup, sauce or relish as the case may be.

(e) *The Food Standards (Curry Powder) (Amendment) Regulations, 1956.* These Regulations raise the limit of lead which may be present in curry powder from 10 parts per million to 20 parts per million.

SECTION 6 (*False labelling or advertisement of food or drugs*)

(1) A person who gives with any food or drug sold by him, or displays with any food or drug exposed by him for sale, a label, whether attached to or printed on the wrapper or container or not, which -

- (a) falsely describes the food or drug, or
- (b) is calculated to mislead as to its nature, substance or quality,

is guilty of an offence unless he proves that he did not know, and could not with reasonable diligence have ascertained, that the label was of such a character as aforesaid.

(2) A person who publishes, or is a party to the publication of, an advertisement (not being such a label so given or displayed by him as aforesaid) which -

- (a) falsely describes any food or drug, or
- (b) is calculated to mislead as to the nature, substance or quality of any food or drug,

shall be guilty of an offence.

Legal proceedings under this section, and the *Labelling of Food Order, 1953*, were taken in the following case, which was heard in 1957:-

	Fine			Costs		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Selling pineapple cores calculated to mislead as to quality, nature and substance.	10	0	0	10	10	0
Selling a tin of pineapple cores not bearing a label describing contents.	10	0	0	-	-	-
Selling a tin of pineapple cores not bearing name and address of packer or labeller.	10	0	0	-	-	-

SECTION 7 (*Regulations as to labelling and description of food*). Under this section the Ministers may make regulations for imposing requirements as to, and otherwise regulating, the labelling, marking or advertising of food intended for sale for human consumption, and the description which may be applied to such food. *The Labelling of Food (Amendment) Regulations, 1955* relate to the labelling, marking and advertising of margarine and margarine-cheese.

SECTION 8 (*Punishment for sale, etc. of food unfit for human consumption*). This section provides that any person who sells or offers or exposes for sale or has in his possession for the purpose of sale any food intended for, but unfit for, human consumption, shall be guilty of an offence. Legal proceedings were taken under this section in two cases:-

	<i>Fines</i>			<i>Costs</i>		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Selling pork pies unfit for human consumption in that they were in a mouldy condition.	5	0	0	10	10	0
Selling a meat pie which was unfit for human consumption, being in a decomposed condition.	2	0	0	3	3	0

SECTION 9 (*Examination and seizure of suspected food*). An authorised officer of a council may at all reasonable times examine any food intended for human consumption which has been sold, or is offered or exposed for sale, or is in possession of, or has been deposited with or consigned to, any person for the purpose of sale, or of preparation for sale, and, if it appears to him to be unfit for human consumption, may seize it and remove it in order to have it dealt with by a justice of the peace.

No food was formally seized under this section. The following foodstuffs were voluntarily surrendered and destroyed:-

	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Cwts.</i>	<i>Qrs.</i>	<i>Lbs.</i>	<i>Oz.</i>
Bacon	-	-	-	9	-
Bread, cakes and pastries ..	-	2	2	16	15
Butter, lard and margarine ..	-	2	2	17	-
Cereals	-	-	1	21	4
Cheese	-	-	3	8	13
Eggs and dried egg powder ..	-	1	-	-	-
Fish	-	3	-	12	12
Fruit and vegetables	4	3	-	12	13
Jam and marmalade	-	5	1	16	4
Meat (tinned), poultry and game	1	11	1	6	6
Meat (carcase), poultry and game	1	7	1	11	2
Milk (evaporated and condensed)	-	2	2	27	13
Pickles and sauces	-	1	3	7	11
Tea and coffee	-	-	-	2	14
Miscellaneous	-	3	3	2	8
	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>

DISPOSAL OF UNSOUND FOOD. Small quantities of carcase meat were disposed of in the incinerator at the Council's Disinfecting Station, whilst larger amounts were, after staining, sent to firms for manufacturing purposes. Tins of unsound food were, after puncturing at both ends, taken to the Council's wharf for shipment by barge to a controlled tip.

SECTION 13 (*Regulations as to Food Hygiene*). This section provides that the Ministers may make such regulations as appear to them to be expedient for securing the observance of sanitary and cleanly conditions and practices in connection with the sale of food for human consumption; or the importation, preparation, transport, storage, packaging, wrapping, exposure for sale, service or delivery of food intended for sale or sold for human consumption; or otherwise for the protection of the public health in connection with the matters aforesaid.

In accordance with the *Food Hygiene Regulations* made under this section, the following notices were served:-

Regulation 5 (<i>Food business not to be carried on at unsanitary premises, etc.</i>)					
Dirty condition of premises	..	..	..	..	89
Dirty condition of yard	..	..	..	..	3
Absence of dustbins	..	..	..	..	10
Regulation 6 (<i>Cleanliness of equipment, etc.</i>)					
Dirty condition of articles	..	..	..	..	4
Dirty condition of apparatus	..	..	..	..	14
Dirty condition of utensils	..	..	..	..	3
Regulation 8 (<i>Food to be protected from risk of contamination</i>)					
Failure to protect food from contamination	..	..	..	..	26
Food placed lower than 18" from ground	..	..	..	..	1
Regulation 9 (<i>Personal cleanliness</i>)					
Failure to observe cleanliness of clothing, etc.	..	..	..	..	4
Smoking whilst handling open food	..	..	..	..	14
Regulation 10 (<i>Carrying of food and wrapping etc. of open food</i>)					
Wrapping open food direct into newspaper	..	..	..	..	2
Regulation 12 (<i>Soil drainage systems</i>)					
Untrapped inlet to drain in food room	..	..	..	..	1
Regulation 14 (<i>Sanitary conveniences</i>)					
Failure to keep sanitary conveniences clean	..	..	..	..	21
Sanitary conveniences so placed as to allow offensive odours to penetrate into food room	..	..	..	..	1
Absence of proper lighting and ventilation to sanitary conveniences	..	..	..	..	3
Sanitary convenience communicating with room used for handling open food	..	..	..	..	2
Failure to display notice "Now wash your hands"	..	..	..	..	31
Regulation 16 (<i>Wash hand basins to be provided</i>)					
Failure to provide wash hand basins	..	..	..	..	88
Absence of hot and cold water	..	..	..	..	65
Absence of cold water (no open food)	..	..	..	..	1
Absence of soap, detergents, nail brushes, towels	..	..	..	..	22
Failure to keep wash basins clean	..	..	..	..	2

Regulation 17 (<i>First-aid materials to be provided</i>)					
No provision of first-aid equipment .. .. .	..	..	..	..	24
Regulation 18 (<i>Accommodation for clothing, etc.</i>)					
No provision of accommodation for clothing .. .. .	..	..	..	..	9
Regulation 19 (<i>Facilities for washing food and equipment</i>)					
No provision of sinks for washing food and equipment ..	..	..	..	..	15
No provision of hot and cold water .. .. .	..	..	..	..	38
No provision of cold water (no open food) .. .. .	..	..	..	..	4
Regulation 21 (<i>Ventilation of food rooms</i>)					
Failure to maintain suitable and sufficient ventilation ..	..	..	..	..	5
Regulation 23 (<i>Cleanliness and repair, etc. of food rooms</i>)					
Failure to keep room clean and free from vermin .. ..	..	..	..	..	1
Failure to keep room in good state of repair .. .. .	..	..	..	..	54
Regulation 24 (<i>Accumulation of refuse, etc.</i>)					
Failure to keep room free from accumulation of refuse ..	..	..	..	..	31
Regulation 25 (<i>Temperature at which certain foods to be kept</i>)					
Failure to keep certain foods at appropriate temperatures ..	..	..	..	..	2
Regulation 27 (<i>Covering of certain stalls, and receptacles for waste</i>)					
Lack of or inadequate covering of stalls .. .. .	..	..	..	..	2
Lack of or inadequate provision of covered receptacles for waste, etc. .. .. .	..	..	..	..	2
Regulation 28 (<i>Supply of water for stalls</i>)					
Lack of supply of hot water for stalls .. .. .	..	..	..	..	6

Notices served under the *Food Hygiene Regulations* related to defects at the following 250 premises:-

Bakers	26
Butchers	32
Cafes and Restaurants	67
Canteens	13
Confectioners	18
Fishmongers	11
Greengrocers	13
Grocers and Provisions merchants ..	29
Public Houses	21
Stalls	20

Legal proceedings under the Food Hygiene Regulations. Legal proceedings were taken with the following results, in respect of contraventions at-

	Fines			Costs		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
(1) <i>Four food premises</i>						
(a) Tray, tray rack and other equipment in basement passage not kept clean	10	0)			
Floor of basement bakehouse not kept in repair	10	0)			
Wall plaster of basement bakehouse not kept clean	10	0)			
Various equipment in basement bakehouse not kept clean	10	0)			

	<i>Fines</i>			<i>Costs</i>		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Dirty walls, ceiling and floor in basement bakehouse	10	0	)	3	3	0
Dough mixing machine and other equipment not kept clean	10	0)			
Ceiling of basement flour store not kept in repair	10	0)			
Refuse on floor of basement flour store	10	0)			
Proving oven in basement boiler house not kept clean	10	0)			
(b) Wash hand basin not kept clean ..	10	0	0	1	0	0
Dirty floor and windows in store room	10	0	0	1	0	0
Dirty floor and woodwork in shop ..	10	0	0	1	0	0
Refuse deposited in food room ..	10	0	0	1	0	0
(c) Dirty walls and ceiling in first floor front room	2	0	0	1	0	0
Dirty walls and ceiling in second floor front room	2	0	0	1	0	0
Dirty walls and ceiling in second floor back room	2	0	0	1	0	0
(d) Allowed assistant to use tobacco when engaged in handling food	10	0	0	1	0	0
Used tobacco in food room in which there was open food				Dismissed without costs. Defendant pleaded successfully that he was not engaged in "handling food" within the meaning of the Regulations.		
Used tobacco while engaged in handling open food	5	0	0	1	0	0
(2) <i>Seven stalls</i>						
(a) Allowed printed material to come into contact with cut chicken	5	0	0	1	0	0
(b) Allowed printed material to come into contact with mackerel	5	0	0	1	0	0
(c) Allowed printed material to come into contact with cut fresh haddock ..	5	0	0	1	0	0
(d) Allowed printed material to come into contact with whiting	5	0	0	1	0	0
(e) Allowed printed material to come into contact with cut chicken	5	0	0	1	0	0
(f) Allowed printed material to come into contact with a chicken	2	0	0	1	0	0
(g) Allowed assistant to use tobacco when engaged in handling a chicken ..	2	0	0	1	0	0

SECTION 15 (*By-laws as to handling and sale of food*). By-laws with respect to handling, wrapping, etc. of food, and the sale of food in the open air made by the London County Council in 1952 are still in operation. The matter contained in these Regulations is, however, fully covered by the Food Hygiene Regulations, and all legal proceedings were taken under the Regulations.

SECTION 16 (*Registration of premises - manufacture and sale of ice-cream and of sausages, etc.*). This section provides that no premises shall be used for the sale, or the manufacture for the purpose of sale, of ice-cream, or the storage of ice-cream intended for sale, or the preparation or manufacture of sausages or potted, pressed, pickled, or preserved food intended for sale unless they are registered under this section for that purpose by the local authority.

(a) ICE CREAM. Twenty new applications for the sale of ice-cream were approved, and at the end of the year the premises of 381 retailers, and 12 manufacturers were registered. A total of 66 samples of ice-cream were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory Service for bacteriological examination (Methylene Blue Test) and were reported on as follows:-

Grade 1	-	27
Grade 2	-	24
Grade 3	-	6
Grade 4	-	9

Samples in Grades 3 and 4 are regarded as unsatisfactory, more especially when they continue to fall into these grades. In such cases repeat samples were taken, and detailed investigations were carried out at all stages of manufacture and handling with a view to the location of faulty methods at one or more stages of treatment.

The Food Standards (Ice Cream) Order, 1953. This Order provides for the food content of ice-cream to be not less than 5 per cent. fat, 10 per cent. sugar, and 7½ per cent. milk solids other than fat. The nine formal and 22 informal samples taken all complied with the requirements of the Order.

(b) PREPARATION OR MANUFACTURE OF SAUSAGES OR POTTED, PRESSED, PICKLED OR PRESERVED FOOD INTENDED FOR SALE. Following cessation of business, three premises were removed from the register. Two new premises were registered, one for the preparation and manufacture of sausages, and the other for the cooking of hams. At the end of the year, the following 145 premises were registered:-

Preservation of meat and manufacture of sausages	119
Fish curing	20
Manufacture of meat pies and jellied eels	5
Manufacture of canned soups	1
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	145
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SECTION 23 (*Prevention of spread of disease by ice-cream*). Every manufacturer of, or dealer in, ice-cream shall, upon the occurrence of certain diseases among the persons living or working in or about the premises on which the ice-cream is manufactured, stored or sold, forthwith give notice thereof to the Medical Officer of Health. If the Medical Officer of Health has reasonable ground for suspecting that any

ice-cream or substance intended for use in the manufacture of ice-cream is likely to cause any disease communicable to human beings, he may give notice to the person in charge thereof that, until further notice, the ice-cream or substance in question, is not to be used for human consumption. No action was taken under this section during the year.

SECTION 24 (*Sale of horseflesh*). No person shall sell, or offer or expose for sale, or have in his possession for the purpose of sale, any horseflesh for human consumption elsewhere than in premises, or in a stall, vehicle or place, over or on which a notice in legible letters stating that horseflesh is sold there is displayed in a conspicuous position. No person shall supply horseflesh for human consumption to a purchaser who has not asked to be supplied with horseflesh.

SECTION 26 (*Cases of food poisoning to be notified*). This section provides that a registered medical practitioner on becoming aware or suspecting that a patient whom he is attending is suffering from food poisoning, shall forthwith notify same to the Medical Officer of Health of the district. During the year 38 cases were notified, and in all but six of these, the diagnosis was subsequently confirmed -

- (a) Outbreaks due to identified agents. Of the five small outbreaks three involved two members of a family, and two involved three members, making a total of twelve cases. Salmonella Typhimurium was the responsible organism in two of the outbreaks and the other three were caused respectively by Staphylococcus Aureus, Salmonella Thompson and Salmonella Enteriditis.
- (b) No outbreaks of undiscovered causes were reported.
- (c) Single cases. In eighteen individual cases the causative organism was identified.
- (d) There were two individual cases where the causative organism was not isolated.

Details of the positive bacteriological findings and age groups of the 30 persons involved are as follows:-

	All ages	Under 1 year	1 - 2 years	2 - 3 years	3 - 4 years	4 - 5 years	5 - 10 years	10 - 15 years	15 - 20 years	20 - 35 years	35 - 45 years	45 - 65 years
Salmonella Typhimurium ..	20	2	.	2	.	1	5	1	1	6	1	1
Salmonella Newport ..	2	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
Salmonella Thompson ..	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	1	.
Salmonella Enteriditis ..	3	.	1	.	.	.	1	.	.	1	.	.
Salmonella Derby ..	1	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
Staphylococcus Aureus ..	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2	.
Totals ..	30	3	1	2	-	1	7	1	2	8	4	1

In one of the small outbreaks involving two members of a family (husband and wife), pressed beef was suspected as the source of infection. Part of the original purchase and a sample of the consignment both produced a growth of staphylococcus aureus. The organism was not isolated from faecal specimens of the affected couple but the description

and duration of their symptoms corresponded in every way with those associated with infection by staphylococcus aureus.

In another small outbreak, also involving husband and wife, the onset of symptoms followed a meal taken at a hotel on the coast where they had been staying. Both these persons were found to be suffering from salmonella typhimurium infection; on passing this information to the Medical Officer of Health of the coastal resort in question, it was found that there had been a small outbreak of food poisoning at the hotel due to salmonella typhimurium.

In October information was received that some eight schoolchildren were taken ill with symptoms of sickness and abdominal pain occurring some 12 to 18 hours after partaking of a school meal. Bacteriological examination of the food in question and of specimens from the children concerned, yielded negative results. These eight cases were not notified as food poisoning or suspected food poisoning.

SECTION 27 (*Inspection and control of infected food*). If the Medical Officer of Health of a district has reasonable ground for suspecting that any food of which he, or any other officer of the local authority of the district, has procured a sample under the provisions of this Act is likely to cause food poisoning, he may give notice to the person in charge of the food that, until his investigations are completed, the food, or any specified portion thereof, is not to be used for human consumption, and either is not to be removed, or is not to be removed except to some place specified in the notice. No action was taken under this section.

SECTION 29 (*Milk and Dairies Regulations*)

(a) MILK AND DAIRIES REGULATIONS, 1949-54. These Regulations require local authorities to keep a register of persons carrying on the trade of *milk distributor* and of all *dairy premises* other than dairy farms in their district and make special provisions relating to the production, treatment, handling and storage of milk. At the end of the year, entries in the register were as follows:-

Distributors of Milk:-

(i) From dairy premises outside the Borough	..	..	33
(ii) From dairy premises in the Borough	..	..	26
(iii) From premises in the Borough, other than dairies	..	..	197
		Total	256

Dairy Premises:- 26

Legal action was taken against one distributor for two offences on separate occasions under Regulation 26:-

<i>Offence</i>	<i>Fines</i>			<i>Costs</i>		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Failure to ensure cleanliness of vessel used for containing milk	2	0	0	2	2	0
Failure to ensure cleanliness of vessel used for containing milk	10	0	0	2	2	0

(b) MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATION) (RAW MILK) REGULATIONS, 1949-1954. Under these Regulations, the following licences were issued by the Borough Council:-

Dealer's Licence - Tuberculin Tested Milk	.. ..	39
Dealer's Supplementary Licence - Tuberculin Tested Milk		22

Thirteen samples of raw milk were submitted for biological examination for tubercle bacilli and all gave negative results.

(c) MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATION) (PASTEURISED AND STERILISED MILK) REGULATIONS, 1949-1953. Under these Regulations, the following licences were issued by the Borough Council:-

Steriliser's Licence	.. ..	1
Dealer's Licence -		
Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised) Milk	..	43
Pasteurised Milk	.. ..	145
Sterilised Milk	.. ..	221
Dealer's Supplementary Licence -		
Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised) Milk	..	22
Pasteurised Milk	.. ..	29
Sterilised Milk	.. ..	31

"Pasteurised" milk is required to comply with the *Phosphatase Test* for adequate heat treatment, and with the *Methylene Blue Test* for bacterial cleanliness. "Sterilised" milk is required to comply with the *prescribed turbidity test*.

The following samples were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory Service:-

Pasteurised Milk	..	Phosphatase Test	443
		Methylene Blue Test	443
Tuberculin Tested	..	Phosphatase Test	102
(Pasteurised) Milk		Methylene Blue Test	102
Sterilised Milk	..	Turbidity Test	51

One sample of Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised) milk and five samples of Pasteurised milk failed to comply with the requirements of the *Methylene Blue test*, but the test was void in each case owing to the atmospheric shade temperature on the day of sampling exceeding 65° F.

(d) THE MILK AND DAIRIES (CHANNEL ISLANDS AND SOUTH DEVON MILK) REGULATIONS, 1956 which came into operation on July 1st, require that all milk for human consumption sold as Channel Islands, Jersey, Guernsey or South Devon milk, shall contain not less than four per centum by weight of milk fat.

(e) THE SALE OF MILK REGULATIONS, 1939. These Regulations require milk to contain not less than 3% milk fat, and 8.5% milk solids other than milk fat. A total of 200 samples, 55 being formal and 145 informal, were submitted to the Public Analyst; only one sample failed to reach the required standard, and in this case it was 20% deficient in milk fat. A repeat sample from the same source was found to be satisfactory. The average content of samples taken was 3.5% milk fat and 8.80% milk solids other than milk fat.

SECTION 47 (*Misuse of designation "cream" in relation to cream substitutes*). This section provides that no person shall sell, or offer or expose for sale, for human consumption any substance which resembles cream in appearance, but is not cream, or any article of food containing

such a substance, under a description or designation which includes the word "cream". No offences under this section were discovered. ("Cream" means that part of milk rich in fat which has been separated by skimming or otherwise).

SECTION 91 (*Powers of sampling*) and SECTION 92 (*Right to have samples analysed*). An authorised officer of a Council is empowered to procure samples for analysis or for bacteriological or other examination; if he considers such samples should be analysed, he shall submit them for analysis by the Public Analyst for the area in which the samples are procured. A total of 705 samples, 403 *formal* and 302 *informal* were submitted to the Public Analyst and reported on as follows:-

				<i>Genuine</i>	<i>Adulterated</i>
(a)	Formal				
	Milk	..	..	54	1
	Other foods	..	..	339	9
(b)	Informal				
	Milk	..	..	145	-
	Other foods	..	..	148	9

A detailed statement of all foods analysed is given on pages 24 and 25 of the Appendix.

ADULTERATION. The following are details of the 19 adulterated samples:-

FORMAL	<i>Nature and extent of adulteration</i>	<i>Action taken</i>
Milk	20% deficient in fat.	Further sample taken - satisfactory.
Chicken and Ham Paste	5.5% deficient in meat.	Further sample taken
Baking Powder	12.5% deficient in available Carbon Di-oxide.	Legal proceedings instituted.
Chicken and Ham Paste	12.7% deficient in meat.	Legal proceedings instituted.
Buttered Rolls ..	Fat contained 44% fat other than butter fat.	Legal proceedings instituted.
Bread and Butter ..	Fat contained 94% fat other than butter fat.	Legal proceedings instituted.
Bread and Butter ..	Fat contained 95% fat other than butter fat.	Legal proceedings instituted.
Bread and Butter ..	Fat contained 46% fat other than butter fat.	Legal proceedings instituted.
Vegetarian Table Jelly	Inappropriately designated on label.	Manufacturer warned.
Beef Sausages	Contained only 47% meat.	No legal standard.

INFORMAL	Nature and extent of adulteration	Action taken
Baking Powder	13.8% deficient in available Carbon Di-oxide.	Formal sample taken (see above).
Cream Cheese	9.7% deficient in milk fat.	No legal standard.
Bread and Butter ..	Fat contained 94% fat other than butter fat.	Formal sample taken (see above).
Bread and Butter ..	Fat contained 96% fat other than butter fat.	Formal sample taken - satisfactory.
Bread and Butter ..	Fat contained 95% fat other than butter fat.	Formal sample taken (see above).
Bread and Butter ..	Fat contained 58% fat other than butter fat.	Formal sample taken (see above).
Beef Sausages	Contained an excess of 70 p.p.m. Sulphur Di-oxide and only 47% meat.	Formal sample taken - satisfactory.
Cream Tomato Soup ..	Contained only 1% fat and did not comply with code of practice for cream soups.	Formal sample taken - satisfactory.
Beef Sausages	Contained only 44% meat.	Formal sample taken (see above).

PHARMACY AND POISONS ACT, 1933 SECTION 18. (*Prohibitions and Regulations with respect to sale of poisons*) enacts that except in the case of an authorised seller of poisons selling from premises duly registered under Part I of the Act, no person shall sell any poison included in Part II of the Poisons List, unless his name is entered in a local authority's list of sellers of such poisons. The names of 147 persons and the addresses of their business premises were entered in the authority's register for the sale of Part II Poisons at the end of the year. The main business of these sellers was:-

Grocer	105
Hardware Store	26
Drug Store	7
Hairdresser	2
Disinfectant Manufacturer	1
Disinfectant Merchant	2
Mill Furnisher	1
Soap Manufacturer	1
Seed Merchant	1
Turpentine Bottlers	1

PHARMACY AND MEDICINES ACT, 1941. The provisions of this Act which a local authority has power to enforce, relate to the prohibition of the publication of advertisements concerning certain diseases, to the prohibition of the publication of any advertisement relating to abortion, and to the disclosure of certain information as to the composition of medicines.

The following is a Summary of the work carried out under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955: -

Inspections

Registered Food Premises	..	..	..	..	2,462
Other Food Premises	..	..	..	..	1,727
Stalls	..	..	..	..	762
Markets	..	..	..	..	1,288
Food	..	..	..	..	415
Dairies and Milk Distributors' Premises	..	..	..	..	547

Investigations

Food complaints	..	..	..	..	26
Food Poisoning cases	..	..	..	..	32

Sampling

Formal samples	..	..	..	..	403
Graded Milks	..	..	..	..	609
Ice Cream (for bacteriological examination)	66
Informal samples	302

Notices Served

All types of Food Premises	250
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DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD TRADES IN PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTION DISTRICTS - 1956

	District														Totals
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
Aerated Water Manufacture	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2
Bakehouses	1	3	-	4	-	1	4	1	2	4	1	4	5	3	33
Bakehouses (basement)	-	-	1	2	1	3	-	1	2	1	1	-	1	-	13
Bakers' Shops (Sales only)	2	4	2	3	3	-	6	3	2	2	-	4	1	-	32
Bakers' Sundries Manufacture	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Beer Bottlers	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	3
Beer and Wines ("Off" sales at Grocers' shops)	1	2	1	1	2	1	-	1	1	2	-	2	1	-	15
Butchers)	2	7	3	8	7	4	12	13	8	4	3	5	7	5	* 88
Butchers)	7	4	2	6	3	1	6	1	3	-	1	1	4	-	39
Cake Decoration Manufacture	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Canned Soup Manufacture	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	* 1
Cheese Manufacture	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Confectionery (Sweet shops)	17	22	18	22	22	26	39	46	38	24	17	24	28	26	369
Concentrated Food Manufacture	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Fish Curing	1	1	-	2	2	2	3	2	2	-	-	3	1	1	* 20
Fish (Wet)	2	4	2	4	2	2	7	3	2	-	-	4	1	-	33
Fish (Fried)	-	-	1	-	3	1	2	3	5	1	-	4	2	3	25
Fish (Wet and Fried)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Fruit Drink Manufacture	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Greengrocery	8	15	8	15	7	12	15	11	10	1	9	11	13	7	142
Grocery and Provisions)	13	30	12	28	22	23	45	36	35	24	13	32	29	20	362
Grocery and Provisions)	1	1	1	4	2	2	4	3	3	1	-	4	1	4	* 31
Ice-cream - Manufacture and Sale	26	28	15	25	24	30	38	42	32	23	21	35	23	31	*393
Jam Manufacture	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Jellied Eels and Pies - Manufacture and Sale..	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	* 5
Milk Distributor	3	11	9	13	14	16	22	28	21	16	11	17	19	23	223
Non-brewed Condiment and Vinegar Manufacture..	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
Pickle Manufacture	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	2
Public Houses and Off-Licences	6	10	9	15	14	11	26	32	16	20	23	26	18	17	243
Restaurants and Cafes	14	11	9	7	11	13	29	24	11	19	8	27	10	16	209
Sugar Grinding	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Sweet Manufacture	-	-	1	-	1	-	2	-	1	-	2	-	3	-	10
Wholesale Sweet Storage	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1

* Registered Food Premises.

WELFARE OF AGED PERSONS

In accordance with the policy of the Borough Council that all possible help should be afforded to aged persons in the many difficulties which they encounter, various members of the staff of the department devoted much time to the welfare of the aged. Information as to the difficulties and problems of elderly people is received in the department from many sources, and every possible effort is made to help the persons concerned. I am pleased to report that once again we were able to deal with the more difficult cases without recourse to the statutory powers for compulsory removal which are available to local authorities under the National Assistance Acts.

Persons known to the department at 31st		
December, 1955	158	
New cases during 1956	110	
Persons on register at 31st December, 1956	202	
Total visits to aged persons	632	
Action taken:-		
Admitted to Homes	18 persons	
Admitted to Hospital	48 "	
Home Help Service arranged	23 "	
Cleansing Baths arranged	52 "	

Under SECTION 31 (*Contributions to old people's organisations*) of the National Assistance Act, 1948, the Council made grants to the following organisations:-

(a) *Hackney Association for the Welfare of Old People.* The Council made a grant of £850 to this Association, the activities of which included the following:-

<i>Case work.</i> ..	484 new cases were visited.
<i>Chiropody.</i> ..	254 treatments were given to 134 housebound old people in the borough.
<i>Clubs.</i> ..	20 Clubs are affiliated to the Association, the membership of old people amounting to over 7,000. Club Leaders serve on the Committee of the Association.
<i>Holidays.</i> ..	Holidays for approximately 270 old people were arranged by the Association, the average cost to the pensioner being £1, plus the cost of fares.
<i>Meals-on-Wheels.</i>	An average of 200 meals per week was provided at a cost of only 10d. per meal to the old person, the remainder of the cost being borne by the Association and the London County Council.

(b) *Invalid Meals for London.* The Council made a grant of £300 to this organisation. Invalid meals and special diets were provided at a reduced price of 10d. to Old Age Pensioners. In the last eight months of the year a total of 3,404 meals was provided for an average of 28 Hackney old people per month.

(c) *Hackney Association for Workshops for the Elderly.* This voluntary organisation, to which the Council made a grant of £400, opened Hackney's first Workshop for the Elderly in the Spring, at the premises of Pedro Street Settlement in Rushmore Road. A number of old people work daily shifts of two-hours under the supervision of an organiser. By the end of the year there were forty-eight members and all had shown steady improvement in health and morale since starting to work there. Work has been supplied by various firms in the area. A local firm very generously gave the services of one of their staff to train some of the workers in simple tailoring; in addition to tailoring, the type of work undertaken includes small assembly, packing, and folding of advertisement matter. A standard flat rate of 1s. 6d. per hour is paid to the members, and it is envisaged that in the near future there will be sufficient applicants to make up a third shift. The following principles have been adopted in selecting members of the Workshops:-

- (i) all those who work in the Workshops should be in need of the help that the Workshops can give;
- (ii) they should be resident in the borough of Hackney;
- (iii) they should be above retirement age.

Under the provisions of SECTION 43 of the *London County Council (General Powers) Act, 1953 (Power of sanitary authorities to cleanse aged and enfeebled persons in their own homes or elsewhere)* some 40 persons were given a total of 308 baths at the Millfields Cleansing Centre; transport to and from the Centre was provided by the department. In addition some 28 persons were given a total of 300 baths in their own homes.

HEALTH EDUCATION

A continuous programme of health education was again carried on throughout the year. In response to a circular letter to various organisations, and to advertisements in the local press, offering speakers and film shows, the following talks and film shows were given:-

Talks

"The Health Services" (4)
 "Clean Food"
 "Food Hygiene"
 "Welfare of Old People"
 "Your Child's Health"

Film Shows

Smog - "Guilty Chimneys" (4)
 "Another Case of Food
 Poisoning" (2)
 "A Fly About the House"
 "Keep It Clean"

Exhibits on various topics dealing with health and hygiene were displayed in the two cabinets situated in the vestibule of the Hillman Street entrance of the Town Hall. These displays were renewed at approximately monthly intervals, and the topics covered included the following:-

Accidents in the Home	Home Safety
Care of the Eyes and Teeth	Housing and Slum Clearance
Care of the Feet	Infectious Diseases
Clean Air	Immunisation and Vaccination
Food Hygiene	Tuberculosis (Mass Radiography)

Leaflets and bookmarkers on a variety of health subjects were distributed over the counter of the Public Health Department, and also from Hillman Street Stores. We were fortunate in having the full co-operation of the Borough Librarian and his staff in the distribution of health education material.

Close co-operation was maintained with the Divisional Medical Officer of the London County Council, and whenever practicable the topics dealt with in this department were co-ordinated with those dealt with by the Local Health Authority for the Division. Our thanks are once again due to the Central Council for Health Education who helped in every possible way in the provision of display material, and also to the officers of the North Thames Gas Board who provided films, equipment and operators whenever requested.

CONFERENCES

(a) *The Annual Congress of the Royal Society of Health* was held in Blackpool in April, and the Council was represented by the then Chairman of the Public Health Committee (Councillor L. Sherman) and the Medical Officer of Health.

(b) At the *National Smoke Abatement Society's Conference*, held at Southport in October, the Council's representatives were Councillor Mrs. C. Gooch, J.P., and the Medical Officer of Health.

(c) *The Public Health Inspectors' Association Conference* was held at Bournemouth in September, and Councillor Mrs. V. M. Masters represented the Council.

(d) A one-day conference on *"Health Education in Mental Health"*, under the auspices of the Central Council for Health Education, was held in London in January and was attended by the Medical Officer of Health.

(e) The Central Council for Health Education Seminar dealing with *"Public Relations and the Health Department"*, held in London from February 28th to the 2nd March, was attended by the Deputy Medical Officer of Health.

(f) An afternoon *Food Hygiene Conference*, under the auspices of the Royal Society of Health, was held in London in March and the Medical Officer of Health represented the Council.

(g) A two-day conference on *"Domestic Heating"*, arranged by the Institute of Fuel, and held in London, was attended by the Chief Public Health Inspector.

(h) An afternoon conference on *"West Indian Migrants in London"*, organised by the London Council of Social Service, was attended by the Deputy Medical Officer of Health.

SERVICES PROVIDED BY OTHER AUTHORITIES AND VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 1946

PART II (*Hospital and Specialist Services*). The North-East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board is the authority responsible for the provision of hospital and specialist services in this area; the day-to-day administration of the hospitals is in the hands of two local Management Committees:-

The Hackney Group (No. 6) Hospital Management Committee is responsible for the following four hospitals:-

	<i>Bed complement</i>	<i>Beds open</i>
Hackney Hospital, E. 9. (General and chronic sick and maternity)	1,022	841
Eastern Hospital, E. 9. (Infectious disease - including pulmonary tuberculosis; and dermatology)	621	246
German Hospital, E. 8. (General and maternity)	218	157
Mothers' Hospital, E. 5. (Maternity)	110	110

This Committee also administers the Hackney Physical Treatment Centre at Dalston Lane, E. 8, and it co-operates with the County Council in the provision of Ophthalmic Clinics for School Children at 13, Goulton Road, E. 5, and 29, Cadogan Terrace, E. 9.

Central Group (No. 5) Hospital Management Committee. The Metropolitan Hospital, with a complement of 146 general medical and surgical beds, is the only hospital of this Group in the borough. This hospital also provides a *Chest Clinic* for the diagnosis and treatment of tuberculosis, as well as a *Venereal Diseases Treatment Centre*.

PART III (*Health services provided by Local Health Authorities*). The *London County Council*, as the local health authority, provides the following services:-

SECTION 22 (*Care of mothers and young children*). The six maternity and child welfare centres are situated at:-

- 29, Cadogan Terrace, E. 9.
- 28, Elsdale Street, E. 9.
- 28, Lower Clapton Road, E. 5.
- 136, Richmond Road, E. 8.
- 186, Upper Clapton Road, E. 5.
- West Hackney Church Hall,
Evering Road, N. 16.

Infant welfare consultations are held at all centres and ante-natal and post-natal sessions at the Elsdale Street, Lower Clapton Road, Richmond Road and Upper Clapton Road Centres. *Dental treatment* for expectant and nursing mothers and pre-school children is provided at Lower Clapton Road and Richmond Road. Physiotherapy and artificial sunlight are available at the Elsdale Street and Richmond Road centres, and there is also a *foot clinic* at the latter centre where two whole-time chiropodists are employed. At the Richmond Road Centre a weekly *Family Planning Session* is held.

The following are details of the number of sessions held and the attendances at these Centres:-

	No. of Sessions	Attendances
Ante-Natal and Post-Natal Clinics	208	3,547
Infant Welfare	967	36,086
Special Toddlers	199	1,574
Educational Classes	318	3,896
Physiotherapy	74	2,101
Breast Feeding	50	103
Chiropody	1,223	8,851
Family Planning	49	721

All the welfare centres in the borough serve as distribution points for national welfare foods, that is, National Dried Milk, Orange Juice, Cod Liver Oil and Vitamins A and D. In addition, by arrangement with the Women's Voluntary Services, these foods are also distributed at the Kingsmead Branch Library, Marsh Hill, E.9.

Day Nurseries. Details of the six day nurseries in the borough are as follows:-

	Approved Accommodation		
	0-2 years	2-5 years	Total
Clifton Lodge, 96, Dalston Lane, E.8.	16	34	50
Fernbank, 1a, Fountayne Road, N.16.	15	35	50
Fernhurst, 37, Upper Clapton Road, E.5.	20	30	50
Hillside, 135a, Holmleigh Road, N.16.	11	59	70
St. John's, Hackney Churchyard, E.8.	25	26	51
Wetherell, Wetherell Road, E.9. (Fernhurst was closed in April 1957)	12	48	60

The Family Planning Association holds a weekly clinic at 28, Lower Clapton Road, E.5. and twenty-two persons were referred to this clinic on health grounds.

SECTION 25 (*Home Nursing*). The home nursing service in this area is provided by the Hackney District Nursing Association, on an agency basis for the County Council. This Association is affiliated to the Queen's Institute of District Nursing.

Total number of patients nursed	3,702
Total number of visits paid	112,186
Average number of nursing staff	29

The number of patients visited was 1,160 more than the previous year, but the total number of visits was less.

SECTION 26 (*Vaccination and Immunisation*)

(a) *Immunisation against Diphtheria and Whooping Cough*

	Immunised	Boosted
Number of children protected against whooping cough	14	105
Number of children protected against diphtheria	503	3,544
Number of children protected with a combined whooping cough and diphtheria prophylactic	1,713	631

(b) *B.C.G. Vaccination**School children - 13 years*

Number of such children on rolls of Hackney schools	2,177
Number for whom parental consent for vaccination was received	1,474
Number Mantoux tested	1,246
Number of positive reactors	187
Number of positive reactors who were subsequently X-rayed ..	184
Number of negative reactors, all of whom were subsequently vaccinated	1,059

Child contacts by Chest Physicians

Number vaccinated	169
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(c) *Poliomyelitis Vaccination*

Number of children given a complete course of injections ..	646
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(d) *Small-pox Vaccination*

	<i>0 - 15 years</i>	<i>Over 15 years</i>	<i>Total</i>
Primary vaccination	1,230	70	1,300
Re-vaccination ..	16	57	73
Totals ..	1,246	127	1,373

SECTION 27 (*Ambulance Service*). The two ambulance stations in the borough are sited at Homerton Grove, E. 9. and Paragon Road, E. 9.

SECTION 28 (*Prevention of illness, care and after-care*). The Borough Council has three representatives on the Hackney and Bethnal Green Tuberculosis Care Committee, and three representatives on the Hackney and Stoke Newington Tuberculosis Care Committee; the Medical Officer of Health is also a member of both these Committees. The part played by these after-care organisations continues to be of paramount importance in the campaign against tuberculosis.

SECTION 29 (*Domestic help*). This essential service, which is complementary to the various medical services, is of inestimable value in many cases of acute and chronic illness. The cases dealt with during the year were as follows:-

Maternity	46
Tuberculosis	81
Chronic sick and aged persons ..	2,184
General	496

Other services provided by the County Council. In its capacity as local health authority, the County Council also provides *health visiting* (SECTION 24) and *domiciliary midwifery* (SECTION 23) services. As local education authority, the County Council is responsible for the provision of a comprehensive school health service which includes facilities for the treatment of minor ailments in school children at the following centres:-

- 29, Cadogan Terrace, E. 9.
 13, Goulton Road, E. 5.
 136, Richmond Road, E. 8.
 186, Upper Clapton Road, E. 5.
 Cleansing Centre, Millfields Road, E. 5.

Other treatment facilities for school children include dental, nutrition, ophthalmic, ear, nose and throat and physiotherapy clinics.

PART IV (*General medical and dental services, pharmaceutical services and supplementary ophthalmic services*). The London Executive Council is the authority responsible for the purpose of exercising functions with respect to the provision of services under this part of the National Health Service Act.

VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS

References to the activities of the *Hackney Association for the Welfare of Old People*, the *Hackney District Nursing Association* and the two *Tuberculosis Care Committees* are made elsewhere in the Report.

(a) ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPICE, Mare Street, is a home for persons suffering from chronic and incurable diseases and is administered by a community of Catholic Nuns.

(b) WOMEN'S VOLUNTARY SERVICES. The activities of the Hackney centre of this organisation include a tea trolley service at the German Hospital and a trolley library service at the Hackney Hospital; visits to patients in hospital, assistance to old age pensioners, distribution of welfare foods, escort journeys, arrangements for seaside holidays for children and old age pensioners, and the collection and distribution of clothing for needy families. A considerable amount of clothing was also collected for Hungarian refugees.

(c) ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE. The membership of the No. 5 (Hackney) Division remained constant. Divisional Superintendent A. Booth was admitted to the Venerable Order of St. John in the grade of Serving Brother. This signal honour was fully merited by this Officer after his many years of untiring endeavour on behalf of the Brigade. The No. 176 (Hackney) Nursing Division formed in 1955 continues to prosper, and the members now cover duties alongside the Ambulance Division as and when required; they have also enrolled in the National Hospital Service Reserve. The following is a summary of the duties carried out by the two Divisions:-

	<i>Duties</i>	<i>Hours</i>	<i>Total cases treated</i>	<i>Hospital cases</i>
Hackney Marshes ..	257	893	292	76
Regal Cinema ..	229	814	6	-
Pavilion Cinema ..	95	336	2	-
Clapton Stadium ..	100	300	17	2
Hare and Hounds ..	44	132	13	2
Victoria Park Lido	3	12	3	-
London Fields Lido	7	28	2	-
Miscellaneous ..	36	166	54	1
Totals	771	2,681	389	81

(d) BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY. The Division continued to be of service to the borough in duties at cinemas, theatres, public meetings, sports meetings, as well as duties at the local hospitals, including trolley shops; also in the training of National Hospital Service Reserve personnel. The Division consists of three Women's and one Men's Detachments, one Cadet Unit and one Link. First Aid and Home Nursing classes were held during the year.

(e) THE HACKNEY, SHOREDITCH AND STOKE NEWINGTON DIABETIC CLUB. This organisation has now completed its second year, and has a membership of some 106 persons. The Club, which is affiliated to the British Diabetic Association, functions as a social as well as an educational body. The programme of activities throughout the year included medical talks, film shows, whist drives, a visit to a convalescent home, and a "Quiz" evening. The individual diabetic has much to gain from membership of this body.

(f) HACKNEY AND STOKE NEWINGTON DEANERY MORAL WELFARE ASSOCIATION. The following is an extract from the Annual Report of this Association for the year ended 31st March, 1956:- "Once again we have to report a year which has been full of effort on the part of our worker, Mrs. Bradford. New cases to the number of 118 have been dealt with of which 98 were of single girls. Of the total cases 56 were between the ages of 16 and 21 and 44 between the ages of 22 to 30. Each case requires a good deal of personal consideration and above all the establishing of the right relationship that will make it possible for the most effective results to be achieved. Twenty-eight girls went into Mother and Baby Homes, and of these eight returned home with their babies, seven of the babies were adopted, and seven went into residential nurseries or to foster mothers".

(g) BRITISH HOME FOR DEAF AND DUMB WOMEN, 26, Clapton Common, E. 5. The objects of this institution are:- (i) to train deaf women and girls so as to enable them, if possible, to earn their own living and (ii) to provide a home for destitute deaf women who, from age or infirmity, are unable to support themselves. Some 26 deaf and dumb persons were resident in the home in the year 1955-1956.

(h) INVALID MEALS FOR LONDON. In March a new kitchen and restaurant were opened by Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Gloucester at 159, Lower Clapton Road, E. 5. Hot meals, specially planned and cooked, are supplied by the Association to persons suffering from various diseases, patients recently discharged from hospital, and people who are not quite fit enough to look after themselves. The patients also include nursing and expectant mothers and elderly invalids. The service is available on application by doctors, almoners, medical officers of health and state registered nurses. Meals are served in the restaurant, or taken to the homes of those unable to attend on five days a week by vans fitted with heated food containers. All cases pay for their meals but specially reduced prices are arranged for retirement pensioners, non-contributory old age pensioners and those in receipt of National Assistance. The service is much appreciated, especially by home-bound patients who look forward to the regular visits of the helpers.

APPENDIX

CAUSES OF DEATH IN AGE GROUPS OF HACKNEY RESIDENTS

Causes of Death	Sex	All ages	Under 1 year	1-4	5-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	65-74	75-
Tuberculosis, respiratory	M	16	-	-	-	-	1	8	4	3
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
Tuberculosis, other forms	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Syphilitic disease ..	M	6	-	-	-	-	1	4	1	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal Infection..	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis ..	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other infective and parasitic diseases	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	4	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	-
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	M	35	-	-	-	-	1	16	11	7
	F	21	-	-	-	-	-	2	8	11
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	M	76	-	-	-	-	3	42	25	6
	F	8	-	-	-	-	2	2	4	-
Malignant neoplasm, breast	M	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-
	F	40	-	-	-	-	5	17	8	10
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	16	-	-	-	-	4	8	1	3
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms ..	M	83	1	-	-	1	5	26	29	21
	F	99	-	-	1	-	4	35	30	29
Leukaemia, aleukaemia ..	M	6	-	-	2	-	-	3	-	1
	F	5	-	-	1	-	1	-	2	1
Diabetes	M	7	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	-
	F	9	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	5
Vascular lesions of nervous system	M	62	-	-	-	-	2	22	20	18
	F	124	-	-	-	-	1	14	41	68
Coronary disease, angina	M	184	-	-	-	-	5	78	55	46
	F	131	-	-	-	-	-	19	52	60

CAUSES OF DEATH (Contd.)

Causes of Death	Sex	All ages	Under 1 year	1-4	5-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	65-74	75-
Hypertension with heart disease	M	13	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	10
	F	34	-	-	-	-	-	2	11	21
Other heart disease ..	M	94	-	-	-	-	3	13	23	55
	F	145	-	-	-	-	6	19	27	93
Other circulatory disease	M	36	-	-	-	-	3	9	7	17
	F	42	-	-	-	-	1	4	11	26
Influenza	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Pneumonia	M	39	1	-	-	1	3	6	7	21
	F	45	4	-	-	-	1	3	13	24
Bronchitis	M	112	-	-	-	-	1	31	34	46
	F	66	1	-	-	-	-	6	13	46
Other diseases of respiratory system ..	M	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	2
	F	5	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	1
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	M	14	-	-	-	-	1	3	5	5
	F	10	-	-	-	-	-	1	5	4
Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
	F	5	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	3
Nephritis and nephrosis..	M	10	-	-	-	1	2	4	3	-
	F	8	-	-	-	-	1	3	3	1
Hyperplasia of Prostate	M	15	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	10
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Congenital malformations	M	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	5	3	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Other defined and ill-defined diseases ..	M	58	18	-	1	2	4	10	14	9
	F	67	11	-	-	-	3	16	14	23
Motor vehicle accidents	M	7	-	-	-	2	3	1	-	1
	F	8	-	-	1	-	-	2	2	3
All other accidents ..	M	17	1	-	3	-	3	4	1	5
	F	19	1	-	-	-	1	4	5	8
Suicide	M	11	-	-	-	-	3	4	2	2
	F	8	-	-	-	-	2	3	2	1
Homicide (Infanticide) ..	M	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total all causes ..	M	917	24	1	6	7	45	295	254	285
	F	928	20	-	5	-	36	167	258	442

**BIRTHS AND DEATHS IN HACKNEY, THE COUNTY OF LONDON,
AND ENGLAND AND WALES - 1932-1956**

	Year	LIVE BIRTHS			DEATHS		
		<i>Births and Birth Rates Hackney</i>	<i>Birth Rate County of London</i>	<i>Birth Rate England and Wales</i>	<i>Deaths and Death Rates Hackney</i>	<i>Death Rate County of London</i>	<i>Death Rate England and Wales</i>
TEN YEARS	1932	3,114 14.5	14.3	15.3	2,473 11.5	12.3	12.0
	1933	3,004 14.0	13.2	14.4	2,474 11.5	12.2	12.3
	1934	3,013 14.2	13.2	14.8	2,481 11.7	11.9	11.8
	1935	2,959 14.0	13.3	14.7	2,234 10.6	11.4	11.7
	1936	3,018 14.4	13.6	14.8	2,514 12.0	12.5	12.1
	1937	2,858 13.8	13.3	14.9	2,307 11.1	12.3	12.4
	1938	2,745 13.4	13.4	15.1	2,200 10.7	11.4	11.6
	1939	2,732 13.1	12.31	15.0	2,223 11.3	11.9	12.1
	1940	2,565 15.2	13.7	14.6	2,788 16.5	17.8	14.3
	1941	1,802 13.7	8.9	14.2	1,940 15.6	16.3	12.9
TEN YEARS	1942	2,387 18.1	14.0	15.8	1,731 13.1	13.9	11.6
	1943	2,605 19.1	15.8	16.5	1,901 13.9	15.0	12.1
	1944	2,583 19.0	15.0	17.6	1,946 14.3	15.7	11.6
	1945	2,506 17.8	15.7	16.1	1,878 13.3	13.8	11.4
	1946	3,430 20.5	21.5	19.1	1,981 11.8	12.7	11.5
	1947	3,686 21.16	22.7	20.5	2,114 12.1	12.8	12.0
	1948	2,996 17.32	20.1	17.9	1,809 10.46	11.6	10.8
	1949	2,710 15.66	18.5	16.7	1,959 11.32	12.2	11.7
	1950	2,574 14.96	17.8	15.8	1,900 11.04	11.8	11.6
	1951	2,550 14.93	17.8	15.5	2,132 12.48	13.1	12.5
FIVE YEARS	1952	2,528 14.78	17.6	15.53	1,974 11.54	12.6	11.3
	1953	2,452 14.46	17.5	15.5	1,729 10.19	12.5	11.4
	1954	2,394 14.20	15.24	15.20	1,715 10.17	10.68	11.3
	1955	2,329 13.93	15.1	15.0	1,743 10.42	11.5	11.7
	1956	2,470 14.90	-	15.7	1,845 11.13	-	11.7

**DRAINAGE WORKS CARRIED OUT BY THE STAFF OF THE
DEPARTMENT AT OWNERS' REQUEST AND EXPENSE**

PRIVATE OWNERS:

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
55 Ainsworth Road ..	1	2	1	72-74 Colvestone Crescent.	16		2
55 Ainsworth Road ..	2	5	11	86-88 Colvestone Crescent.	15		0
52 Alvington Crescent ..		15	8	33 Coopersale Road ..	1	16	6
55 Alvington Crescent ..		15	0	16 Cotesbach Road ..		18	0
65 Amhurst Park ..		15	0	53-55 Craven Walk ..		15	0
65-67 Amhurst Park ..	2	15	4	8-13 Daintry Street ..	2	5	4
83-89 Amhurst Park ..	1	3	9	35 Darenth Road ..		16	1
50 Amhurst Road ..		15	0	94-100 Darenth Road ..		15	0
81 Amhurst Road ..	2	10	6	94 Darenth Road ..	1	3	0
111 Amhurst Road ..	1	15	2	7 Daubeney Road ..		16	7
124 Amhurst Road ..	1	6	7	134 De Beauvoir Road ..		15	0
Amhurst Garage, Amhurst Road	2	1	8	139 De Beauvoir Road ..		16	1
12 Anton Street ..	1	5	7	24 Downs Court ..	1	9	7
125 Balls Pond Road ..		15	0	113 Downs Road ..		16	2
19 Bartrip Street ..	1	13	8	21 Downs Park Road ..	1	6	7
10 Bayston Road ..		16	6	40 Dunlace Road ..	16	5	10
82 Bayston Road ..	1	7	11	51 Dunsmure Road ..		15	0
18 Belsham Street ..	1	12	0	2 Durlston Road ..		15	0
20 Belsham Street ..	1	18	10	18 Durley Road ..		15	0
138 Bethune Road ..	4	14	9	Eastway (John Dunster & Son, Ltd.)	2	10	9
142 Bethune Road ..		16	3	59 Eastway	2	2	2
9 Blanchard Place ..		16	7	59 Eastway	2	13	3
28 Bower Road ..	18	14	11	82 Eleanor Road ..		16	2
28a Bower Road ..	17	13	2	101-103 Elderfield Road ..		15	0
16 Bradbury Street ..		16	1	11 Farleigh Road ..	5	19	5
9 Braydon Road ..		15	0	16 Farleigh Road ..		15	0
42 Brooke Road ..	20	8	3	21-23 Felstead Street ..	1	1	10
122-132 Brooke Road ..	8	1	3	49 Filey Avenue ..	1	8	3
7 Buckingham Road ..	1	1	4	32 Fletching Road ..	1	1	3
94 Buckingham Road ..		16	4	35 Fletching Road ..		15	0
4-15 Cadogan Terrace ..	4	6	9	35 Fletching Road ..		15	0
32-34 Casimir Road ..		15	0	49-55 Fletching Road ..	1	5	5
36 Casimir Road ..		15	0	23-25 Forburg Road ..		16	6
64 Castlewood Road ..		15	0	49-51 Forburg Road ..		15	0
64 Castlewood Road ..		16	2	97 Forburg Road ..	1	3	1
87-89 Cazenove Road ..	1	3	10	37 Fortescue Avenue ..	1	2	2
89 Cazenove Road ..	1	2	4	12-20 Foulden Road ..	5	4	10
8-10 Cazenove Place ..	1	8	6	2 Fremont Street ..		17	0
9 Cedra Court ..		16	2	65-67 Geldeston Road ..	1	14	5
9 Cedra Court ..		16	7	124 Geldeston Road ..		16	2
18 Cedra Court ..		16	2	1 Gilda Crescent ..		15	0
35-49 Chapman Road ..	1	2	2	14-16 Glaserton Road ..		15	0
98 Chapman Road ..	1	2	2	40 Glenarm Road ..	16	15	2
63 Chardmore Road ..	2	1	2	78-80 Glenarm Road ..		13	3
26-32 Chatsworth Road ..	14	4	0	122-128 Glyn Road ..	1	6	5
52 Chatsworth Road ..		15	0	3 Goulton Road ..	4	12	1
182 Chatsworth Road ..	1	7	1	5 Graham Road ..	11	4	3
12a Chevet Street ..	9	14	3	54 Graham Road ..	14	2	1
4 Churchill Walk ..		17	0	20a Gransden Avenue ..	1	4	3
65 Clapton Common ..	3	11	9	15 Gunton Road ..	1	2	8
145 Clapton Common ..		17	0	7-11 Hassett Road ..	1	7	11
1-3 Clevedon Street ..		15	0	4 Holmbury View ..	1	16	11
44 Clifden Road ..		16	2	158 Holmleigh Road ..		15	0
73 Clifden Road ..	1	15	7	147 Homerton High Street..		15	0
2 Colvestone Crescent ..	1	11	11	147 Homerton High Street..		15	0
12 Colvestone Crescent ..	6	9	7	147 Homerton High Street..		15	0

PRIVATE OWNERS (Contd.)

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
28 Jenner Road	17	7		145 Mount Pleasant Lane..	15	0	
42 Jessam Avenue	15	0		22 Nightingale Road	15	0	
37 John Campbell Road ..	1	2	5	56 Norcott Road	16	10	
33 Kenninghall Road	15	0		11 Northfield Road	16	2	
4 King Edward's Road ..	1	18	2	112-118 Northwold Road ..	1	2	5
8 King Edward's Road ..	15	0		139 Northwold Road	16	2	
4-6 King Edward's Road ..	16	3		79 Osbaldeston Road	18	10	
67 Kingsland High Street.	15	0		41a Osborne Road	10	15	9
70 Kingsland High Street.	1	0	10	19-23 Pedro Street	2	3	6
70 Kingsland High Street.	15	9		40 Pembury Grove	15	0	
134 Kingsland High Street	1	1	1	45 Portland Avenue	1	6	6
449-451 Kingsland Road ..	45	8	5	39-41 Powerscroft Road ..	1	4	6
38 and 38a Kyverdale Road	1	12	7	302 Queensbridge Road ..	15	0	
176 Kyverdale Road	16	6		302 Queensbridge Road ..	15	0	
16 Lampard Grove	18	10		307-311 Queensbridge Road	2	6	1
Landfield Street				451 Queensbridge Road			
(Adhesives Ltd.)	2	17	8	(Cul-de-sac adjacent to)	24	14	9
97 Lansdowne Drive	1	0	10	29 Queensdown Road	16	1	
24 Leabourne Road	17	9		29 Queensdown Road	1	5	6
26 Leabourne Road	1	12	7	29 Queensdown Road	16	2	
56 Leabourne Road	17	9		58-60 Rendlesham Road ..	15	0	
43 Lea Bridge Road	1	4	4	Regent Court Mansions,			
64 Lea Bridge Road	1	15	7	Amhurst Park	15	2	
80 Lea Bridge Road	15	0		21 Richmond Road	15	0	
106 Lea Bridge Road	16	1		26-36 Richmond Road and			
3 Leweston Place	3	14	1	52-54 Mayfield Road	1	7	8
9 Leweston Place	16	7		121 Richmond Road	3	12	6
51 Leswin Road	2	13	0	204 Ridley Road	15	0	
28 Lingwood Road	16	2		Ritson Road - German			
28 Lingwood Road	17	0		Lutheran Church	15	0	
42 Lingwood Road	19	9		2 Rivaz Place	1	0	11
59 Lingwood Road	15	0		39-45 Roding Road	33	7	4
10 Linscott Road	15	16	8	43 Roding Road	1	18	5
61-63 Lower Clapton Road.	17	17	9	72 Rushmore Road	11	0	2
165 Lower Clapton Road ..	1	7	11	44 St. Mark's Rise	16	3	
189 Lower Clapton Road ..	16	7		154 Sandringham Road ..	16	2	
47-49 Mabley Street	2	12	4	174 Sandringham Road ..	1	3	1
49 Mabley Street	1	13	1	Shepherds Lane and			
3 Mallard Street	15	0		Deuragon Arms	2	2	1
3-5 Mallard Street	15	0		97a Shrubland Road	16	7	
68 Mapledene Road	15	0		37-47 Sigdon Road	32	19	7
210 Mare Street	1	2	7	140 Southgate Road	15	0	
311 Mare Street	15	0		57c Southwold Road	1	5	7
311 Mare Street	1	2	1	150 Stamford Hill	3	6	5
337 Mare Street	1	8	1	150 Stamford Hill	17	0	
363 Mare Street	2	2	6	150 Stamford Hill	17	5	
4 Market Parade,				174 Stamford Hill	16	2	
Oldhill Street	15	0		18 Stamford Road	5	10	6
4-5 Market Parade	15	0		16 Stoke Newington High			
24 Marsh Hill	16	6		Street	2	6	0
28 Martello Street	1	1	5	26 Stoke Newington Road..	2	2	9
1-3 Midhurst Street	10	17	4	5-9 Thistlewaite Road ..	1	11	7
130 Mildenhall Road	15	0		20 Thistlewaite Road ..	15	0	
36-40 Montague Road	16	8		20-32 Thistlewaite Road..	16	4	4
64 Montague Road	7	1	11	7 Thornby Road	15	0	
75 Mortimer Road	1	5	4	7 Thornby Road	25	16	9
110 Mortimer Road	15	0		13 Thornby Road	16	1	
2-12 Mountford Road	1	13	5	138-140 Tottenham Road ..	23	12	5
43 Mount Pleasant Lane ..	16	1		25 Trehurst Street	1	1	3
67 Mount Pleasant Lane ..	3	15	7	58 Trehurst Street	1	1	5

PRIVATE OWNERS (Contd.)

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
14 Triangle Road ..	3	15	3	186-188 Well Street ..	1	1	1
186 Victoria Park Road ..	20	16	0	8 Westgate Street ..	2	1	5
7 Wallis Road ..		15	0	7 West Hackney Almshouses.		15	0
Warwick Court ..	30	3	8	420 Wick Road ..	1	1	0
16-28 Warwick Grove ..		16	7	429/431 Wick Road ..	7	19	1
21-27 Warwick Grove ..	1	3	7	42 Wilton Way ..		15	0
42a, b, c, Well Street ..		15	0	70-72 Wilton Way ..		15	0
165 Well Street ..	2	4	8				
				Total	765	9	7

HOUSING DEPARTMENT:

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
10 Anton Street ..	1	2	11	226 Mare Street ..	11	5	
1-17 Avenue House, Cazenove Road ..	2	2	6	28 Montague Road ..	9	6	
43 Braydon Road ..		14	10	71 Parkholme Road ..	9	6	
15 Chatham Place ..		10	0	29 Powerscroft Road ..	7	16	9
115 Chatsworth Road ..	2	5	2	14 Prince Edward Road ..	19	2	
19 Felstead Street ..		7	4	280 Richmond Road ..	1	6	11
12 Foulden Road ..	1	8	0	280 Richmond Road ..	9	6	
82 Glenarm Road ..		6	8	5-9A Sewdley Street ..	10	0	
158 Graham Road ..	12	9	2	33-37 Tottenham Road ..	2	6	1
36 Kyverdale Road ..	2	10	0	11 Tudor Mansions ..	1	5	2
161 Mandeville Street ..		19	2	16 Ufton Road ..	13	7	11
210 Mare Street ..	1	2	8	25 Warwick Grove ..	7	10	
				222 Wick Road ..	14	5	2
				Total	70	3	4

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

PUBLIC HEALTH (LONDON) ACT, 1936

Address	Complaint or Offence	Result	Fine			Costs		
			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Section 34 (Drainage Byelaws) (Contraventions)</i>			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
128, Amhurst Road	Improper construction of sink waste pipe.	Absolute discharge granted on payment of costs	-			10	0	
128, Amhurst Road	Execution of drainage work without serving notice of intention to do so on sanitary authority.	Absolute discharge granted on payment of costs	-			10	0	
34, Braydon Road	Defective wash-basin waste pipe.	Fine and costs imposed ..	2	0	0	1	0	0
26, Cecilia Road	Execution of drainage work without depositing plans with sanitary authority.	Fine and costs imposed ..	1	0	0	1	0	0
26, Cecilia Road	Execution of drainage work without depositing plans with sanitary authority.	Fine and costs imposed ..	1	0	0	1	0	0
65, Darville Road	Execution of drainage work without serving notice of intention to do so on sanitary authority.	Fine and costs imposed ..	1	0	0	1	0	0
65, Darville Road	Execution of drainage work without depositing plans with sanitary authority.	Fine and costs imposed ..	1	0	0	1	0	0
65, Darville Road	Improper construction of bath and basin waste pipes.	Fine and costs imposed ..	1	0	0	1	0	0
54, Malvern Road	Defective rainwater pipe and waste pipes.	Fine and costs imposed ..	1	0	0	1	0	0
<i>Section 82 and the Fifth Schedule (Nuisances)</i>								
Flat F.34, Ainsworth Road	General insanitary conditions.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed				1	0	0
38, Ainsworth Road	Defective water-closet seat; decayed and defective window sash.	Abatement Order - 7 days ..				1	0	0
55, Ainsworth Road	Penetration of rainwater through front bay.	Abatement Order - 7 days ..				1	0	0
26, Alkham Road	Defective brickwork and iron cover to rodding arm.	Abatement Order - 7 days ..				1	0	0
28, Alkham Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 7 days ..				1	0	0
53, Alkham Road	Defective rainwater pipe.	Abatement Order - 21 days ..				1	0	0
56, Alvington Crescent	General insanitary conditions.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed				1	0	0
72, Amhurst Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days ..				1	0	0

Legal Proceedings - contd.

Address	Complaint or Offence	Result	Costs		
			£	s.	d.
299, Amhurst Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
304, Amhurst Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
317, Amhurst Road	General insanitary conditions.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed	1	1	0
317, Amhurst Road	Defective matchboard ceiling.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
90, Balcorne Street	Broken sashcords.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed	1	0	0
92, Balcorne Street	Defective and dangerous stoves.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed	1	0	0
92, Balcorne Street	Insecure and dangerous ceiling plaster.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed	1	0	0
128, Ballance Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
149, Balls Pond Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
43, Barnabas Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
7, Batley Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 7 days	1	0	0
27, Bayston Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
51, Benyon Road	General insanitary conditions.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed	1	0	0
3, Berkshire Road	Defective flashing to roof.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
30, Berkshire Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
40, Berkshire Road	Damp walls; perished plaster.	Summons not served, defendant having changed his address. Work since completed	-	-	-
80, Blurton Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
10, Bradbury Street	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1	0	0
15, Bradbury Street	Dirty condition of first floor rooms and landing.	Abatement Order - 7 days	1	0	0
24, Braydon Road	Defective flue causing smoke nuisance.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
24, Braydon Road	Defective branch drain allowing rat infestation.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
24, Braydon Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
31, Braydon Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 7 days	1	0	0
31, Braydon Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	2	2	0
34, Braydon Road	Rotted door frames in scullery and water closet.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0

Legal Proceedings - contd.

Address	Complaint or Offence	Result	Costs		
			£	s.	d.
53, Braydon Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
27, Brett Road	Damp walls.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
52, Broadway, London Fields	Damp wall.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
44, Brooke Road	Defective and leaky eaves gutters.	Abatement Order - 7 days. No costs awarded	-	-	-
45, Brooke Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 7 days	1	0	0
45, Brooke Road	Defective wooden floor.	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed before service of summons ..	-	-	-
70, Buckingham Road	Roof leaking; ceiling defective.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1	0	0
78, Buckingham Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
98, Buckingham Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
29, Cazenove Mansions	Damp walls.	Summons not served, defendant Co. having changed their address. Work since completed ..	-	-	-
15, Cazenove Road	Damp wall and floor.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
17, Cazenove Road	General insanitary conditions.	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed before service of summons ..	-	-	-
65, Cazenove Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
65, Cazenove Road	Defective eaves gutter.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
103, Cazenove Road	Defective eaves gutter.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
118, Cazenove Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
5, Cecilia Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 42 days	1	0	0
37, Cecilia Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 7 days. No costs awarded	-	-	-
48, Cecilia Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
64, Cecilia Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 7 days	1	0	0
76, Cecilia Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
40, Cedra Court	Defective roof.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
8, Churchill Walk	Damp and dirty walls and ceiling. Defective stair treads.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
43, Clapton Common	Damp flank wall; absence of eaves gutter.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0

Legal Proceedings - contd.

Address	Complaint or Offence	Result	Costs
			£ s. d.
55, Clapton Common	Damp rear wall; defective fanlight.	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed before service of summons ..	-
59, Clapton Common	Defective gutter; defective woodwork to window frame.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
17, Clapton Square	Defective brickwork; missing gutter.	Abatement Order - 7 days	1 0 0
13, Clapton Way	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1 0 0
Clevedon House	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded.	1 0 0
7, Clevedon House	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1 0 0
10, Clevedon House	Defective roof, gutter and yard gully.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
39, Clifden Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
143, Clifden Road	Damp and dirty walls and ceiling.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1 0 0
47, Colvestone Crescent	General insanitary conditions	Abatement Order - 14 days	1 0 0
2, Cottrill Road	Defective roof; damp ceiling.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1 0 0
4, Cottrill Road	Defective gutter; damp walls.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1 0 0
8, Cottrill Road	Defective roof; damp walls and ceiling.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1 0 0
26, Cranwich Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
86, Cricketfield Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1 0 0
77, Culford Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1 0 0
109, Culford Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1 0 0
1, Daley Street	Defective water service pipe; defective glazing.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed ..	1 0 0
3, Darenth Road	Defective wallplaster.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1 0 0
8, Darenth Road	Defective main roof; defective water waste preventer.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
53, Darnley Road	Main roof leaky; rainwater pipe/hopper head obstructed.	Abatement Order - 14 days. No costs awarded	-
141, Daubeney Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
2, De Beauvoir Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed by new owner. Withdrawn without costs	-
17, De Beauvoir Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 42 days	1 0 0
19, De Beauvoir Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 42 days	1 0 0
23, De Beauvoir Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 42 days	1 0 0

Legal Proceedings - contd.

Address	Complaint or Offence	Result	Costs
			£ s. d.
51, De Beauvoir Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days. No costs awarded	-
120, De Beauvoir Road	General insanitary conditions.	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed before service of summons ..	-
4, De Beauvoir Square	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1 0 0
4, De Beauvoir Square	Animals kept so as to be a nuisance.	Abatement Order - forthwith, and Order prohibiting recurrence. No costs awarded	-
30, Detmold Road	Defective flooring.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1 0 0
98, Downham Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1 0 0
15, Downs Park Road	Damp walls and ceiling.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1 0 0
40, Downs Park Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 42 days	1 0 0
40, Downs Park Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 7 days	1 0 0
42, Downs Park Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1 0 0
13, Dunlace Road	General insanitary conditions.	Adjourned sine die, premises having become vacant ..	-
23, Dunlace Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1 0 0
24, Dunlace Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
24, Dunlace Road	Damp and dirty ceiling.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1 0 0
30, Dunlace Road	Defective and leaky roofs.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1 0 0
44, Durlston Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
53, Durlston Road	Defective valley gutter; defective fireplace.	Abatement Order - 21 days	2 0 0
62, Durlston Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
87, Durlston Road	Defective main roof and eaves gutter.	Abatement Order - 21 days. No costs awarded	-
16, Durrington Road	General insanitary conditions.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed	1 0 0
24, Eastway	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 7 days. No costs awarded	-
37, Elderfield Road	Defective and leaky roof; damp ceiling.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
37, Elmcroft Street	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 7 days. No costs awarded	-
58, Englefield Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1 0 0

Legal Proceedings - contd.

Address	Complaint or Offence	Result	Costs
58, Englefield Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	£ s. d. 2 0 0
71, Englefield Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1 0 0
Enville Court, Cazenove Road	Absence of trap door to roof; defective covering to roof.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
18, Evering Road	Defective roofs; defective gutter and rainwater pipe.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1 0 0
22, Evering Road	Defective rainwater gutter.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
95, Evering Road	Damp walls and ceiling; defective wallplaster.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed	1 0 0
121, Evering Road	Defective fireplace; perished wallplaster.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed	1 0 0
261, Evering Road	Damp flank wall.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1 0 0
64, Farleigh Road	Defective flooring; defective wall and ceiling plaster.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
77, Farleigh Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
47, Felstead Street	General insanitary conditions.	Withdrawn without costs. Essential work completed. (Premises in clearance area) ..	-
12, Ferncliff Road	General insanitary conditions.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed	1 0 0
22, Ferncliff Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1 0 0
23, Ferncliff Road	Damp, dirty and defective walls and ceiling.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed	1 0 0
76, Filey Avenue	Damp ceiling.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1 0 0
5, Forburg Road	Defective eaves gutter.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1 0 0
23, Forburg Road	Defective eaves gutter; absence of proper water supply to flushing cistern.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
68, Forburg Road	Defective ceilingplaster.	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed before service of summons ..	-
91, Forburg Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1 0 0
93, Forburg Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1 0 0
104, Forburg Road	Damp wallplaster; improperly discharging waste pipe.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1 0 0
34, Foulden Road	Defective window sash; damp walls.	Abatement Order - 21 days	2 2 0

Legal Proceedings - contd.

Address	Complaint or Offence	Result	Costs		
			£	s.	d.
73, Foulden Road	General insanitary conditions.	Closing Order on basement rooms. Abatement Order - 21 days on remainder of nuisance	1	0	0
75, Foulden Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
19, Gainsborough Square	Defective main roof.	Work completed. Costs awarded	2	2	0
2, Garnham Street	General insanitary conditions.	Summons not served. Work completed ..	-	-	-
43, Geldeston Road	Defective main roof.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
43, Geldeston Road	Defective valley gutter.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
43, Geldeston Road	Defective rainwater pipe; damp wallplaster.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
65, Glenarm Road	Damp, dirty and defective ceilings.	Summons not served. Work subsequently completed	-	-	-
193, Glyn Road	Damp external wall.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
275, Glyn Road	Defective waste pipe; burst water supply pipe.	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed before service of summons ..	-	-	-
24, Graham Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
26, Graham Road	Defective roof.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
28, Graham Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
28, Graham Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1	0	0
61, Graham Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 7 days. No costs awarded	-	-	-
65, Graham Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 7 days. No costs awarded	-	-	-
97, Graham Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	2	2	0
97, Graham Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
123, Graham Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
136, Graham Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	2	0	0
136, Graham Road	Defective wall and ceiling plaster; broken glazing.	Abatement Order - 7 days	1	0	0
150, Graham Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
90, Greenwood Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 7 days	1	0	0
8, Hadley Court Cazenove Road	Damp walls.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
2, Handley Road	Absence of sufficient water supply.	Work completed. Costs awarded	2	2	0

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Address	Complaint or Offence	Result	Costs		
			£	s.	d.
2, Handley Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1	0	0
3, Handley Road	Damp walls; Defective wallplaster.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1	0	0
6, Handley Road	Defective and dangerous window sash.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
6, Handley Road	Defective forecourt paving; french doors not weatherproof.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1	0	0
6, Handley Road	Window sill joint leaky; defective wallplaster.	Abatement Order - 7 days	1	0	0
7, Handley Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
9, Handley Road	Leaky roof.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1	0	0
9, Handley Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1	0	0
45, Hassett Road	Defective window sashes and sashcords.	Abatement Order - 7 days. No costs awarded	-	-	-
51, Hassett Road	Leaky roof.	Abatement Order - 7 days	10	0	0
3, Heatherley Street	Defective soil vent pipe.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1	0	0
29, Hertford Road	General insanitary conditions.	Closing Order on house	1	0	0
14, Heyworth Road	Defective glazing to sash.	Abatement Order - 7 days	1	0	0
24, Holcroft Road	Leaky roof.	Abatement Order - 7 days	1	0	0
30, Holcroft Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
24, Homerton Row	Damp walls.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
39, Ickburgh Road	General insanitary conditions.	Summons not served, defendant having changed his address. Notices re-served	-	-	-
33, Kenninghall Road	Defective glazing; defective wallplaster; dirty walls and ceiling.	Abatement Order - 7 days. No costs awarded	-	-	-
21, Kingshold Road	Leaky roof; broken sashcords; defective sink surround.	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed before service of summons	-	-	-
427, Kingsland Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
429, Kingsland Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
154, Kyverdale Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
25, Lampard Grove	Defective main roof and eaves gutter.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
22, Lauriston Road	Weak, defective, decayed and part collapsed flooring.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
74, Lauriston Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0

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Address	Complaint or Offence	Result	Costs		
			£	s.	d.
88, Lauriston Road	General insanitary conditions.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed	1	0	0
92, Lauriston Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
37, Lesbia Road	Defective roof and rain-water pipes; damp walls.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
34, Leswin Road	Defective roof; dry rot in flooring.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
22, Lingwood Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
43, Lockhurst Street	Damp walls.	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed before service of summons ..	-	-	-
31, Lockner Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
29, London Lane	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 14 days	3	0	0
29, London Lane	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
24, Lynmouth Road	Defective brickwork and chimney pot.	Abatement Order - 7 days. No costs awarded	-	-	-
32, Lynmouth Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
75, Malvern Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
167, Mandeville Street	Defective roof; inadequate water closet facilities.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed	1	1	0
81, Mapledene Road	Defective roof.	Work completed. Costs awarded	2	2	0
422, Mare Street	Defective roof.	Work completed. Costs awarded	10	0	0
12a, Margaret House Margaret Road	Dirty and defective walls and ceilings; defective sashcords.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
13, Marsh Hill	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
19, Marsh Hill	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
47, Maury Road	Damp wall; defective wallplaster.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
53, Maury Road	Defective rainwater pipe and gutter; defective water waste preventer.	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed before service of summons ..	-	-	-
67, Maury Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
54, Montague Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1	0	0
66, Montague Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
12, Mortimer Road	Damp penetration.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1	0	0
3, Mundford Road	Defective eaves gutter.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0

Legal Proceedings - contd.

Address	Complaint or Offence	Result	Costs		
			£	s.	d.
31, Mundford Road	Defective wallplaster and seat in water closet.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
33, Mundford Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
6, Nightingale Road	Leaky main roof; defective and damp wallplaster.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
45, Norcott Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 7 days	1	0	0
36, Northchurch Road	General insanitary conditions.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed	1	0	0
59, Northwold Road	Defective rainwater pipe.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
59, Northwold Road	Defective main roof.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
59, Northwold Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
81, Oriel Road	Leaky roofs and eaves gutter; broken sash-cords.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
1, Osbaldeston Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
8, Osbaldeston Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 7 days	1	0	0
20, Osbaldeston Road	Defective water supply pipe; Defective wall and ceiling plaster.	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed before service of summons ..	-	-	-
20, Osbaldeston Road	Defective main roof and eaves gutter.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
30, Osbaldeston Road	Defective pointing causing dampness.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
74, Osbaldeston Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
81b, Osbaldeston Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days. No costs awarded	-	-	-
91, Osbaldeston Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
106, Osbaldeston Road	Defective waste pipe and water waste preventer.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
106, Osbaldeston Road	Defective roof; defective water waste preventer.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
114, Osbaldeston Road	Defective wallplaster; defective waste pipe.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
125, Osbaldeston Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days. No costs awarded	-	-	-
125, Osbaldeston Road	Defective eaves gutter.	Abatement Order - 7 days. No costs awarded	-	-	-
134, Osbaldeston Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
148, Osbaldeston Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
151, Osbaldeston Road	Damp wallplaster.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0

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Address	Complaint or Offence	Result	Costs		
			£	s.	d.
41, Osborne Road	Defective roof; defective plaster and paper to ceiling.	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed before service of summons ..			-
78, Overbury Street	Defective roof and eaves gutter; cowl to flue missing.	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed before service of summons ..			-
58, Parkholme Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
37, Pedro Street	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
39, Pedro Street	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
41, Pedro Street	Defective brickwork and rendering to manhole; defective flooring.	Abatement Order - 7 days	1	0	0
4, Penda Road	Defective main roof; defective sashcords.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1	0	0
47, Penda Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
54, Percy Terrace	Leaky roof.	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed before service of summons ..			-
19, Ramsgate Street	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
24, Ramsgate Street	General insanitary conditions.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed	1	0	0
103, Ravensdale Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
3, Rectory Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
5, Rectory Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
57, Reighton Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0
100, Reighton Road	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1	0	0
132, Roding Road	Defective yard paving.	Withdrawn without costs. Work to be incorporated in extensive repairs to be carried out soon			-
231, Rushmore Road	Defective yard water closet.	Withdrawn without costs. Delay in carrying out work caused by necessary fitment being temporarily unobtainable. Work completed			-
32, St. Mark's Rise	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1	0	0
34, St. Mark's Rise	Accumulation of rubbish.	Abatement Order - 7 days. No costs awarded			-
36, Sandringham Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1	0	0

Legal Proceedings - contd.

Address	Complaint or Offence	Result	Costs
			£ s. d.
38, Sandringham Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 35 days	1 0 0
144, Sandringham Road	Defective wallplaster.	Abatement Order - 7 days	1 0 0
23, Sanford Lane	General insanitary conditions.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
42, Southborough Road	Leaky roof; damp walls.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1 0 0
16, Southgate Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1 0 0
188, Southgate Road	General insanitary conditions.	Adjourned sine die. Ownership in doubt. Work subsequently completed	-
18, Speldhurst Road	Partly fallen and insecure soffit plaster.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
19, Speldhurst Road	Leaky roof.	Abatement Order - 7 days	1 0 0
36, Spurstowe Road	Defective eaves gutters; defective stone paving.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
4, Stannard Road	General insanitary conditions.	Withdrawn without costs. Defendant not "Owner" within the meaning of the Act	-
34, Stoke Newington Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1 0 0
18, Sydner Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 7 days. No costs awarded	-
21, Theydon Road	Insecure and springing flooring.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1 0 0
27, Theydon Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1 0 0
13, Thornby Road	General insanitary conditions.	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed before service of summons	-
97, Tottenham Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 21 days	1 0 0
16, Tresham Avenue	Damp walls; defective wallplaster.	Adjourned sine die. Work carried out to be kept under observation	-
4, Welbury Street	Defective sashes; damp walls and ceilings.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
23, Welbury Street	Defective water closet pan.	Withdrawn on payment of costs. Work completed	1 0 0
25, Welbury Street	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 28 days	1 0 0
9, Wick Road	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 14 days	1 0 0
137, Wick Road	Ill-fitting door; damp wall.	Work completed. Costs awarded	1 0 0
199, Wick Road	General insanitary conditions.	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed before service of summons	-

Legal Proceedings - contd.

Address	Complaint or Offence	Result	Fine	Costs
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
3, Windus Walk	General insanitary conditions.	Abatement Order - 7 days ..	-	1 0 0
3, Windus Walk	Bulged flank wall.	Abatement Order - 7 days ..	-	1 0 0
49, Windus Road	Defective eaves gutter.	Work completed. Costs awarded	-	1 0 0
<i>Non-compliance with Magistrates' Orders</i>				
303, Amhurst Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	5 0 0	1 0 0
149, Balls Pond Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	5 0 0	1 0 0
3, Berkshire Road	-	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed be- fore service of summons ..	-	-
130, Bethune Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	10 0 0	2 0 0
10, Bradbury Street	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	10 0 0	1 0 0
34, Braydon Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	5 0 0	1 0 0
45, Brooke Road	-	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed be- fore service of summons ..	-	-
43, Clapton Common	-	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed be- fore service of summons ..	-	-
7, Clevedon House	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	15 0 0	1 0 0
108, De Beauvoir Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	10 0 0	1 0 0
4, De Beauvoir Square	-	Absolute dis- charge granted. No costs awarded	-	-
30, Detmold Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	2 0 0	1 0 0
15, Downs Park Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	5 0 0	1 0 0
30, Dunlace Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	1 0 0	1 0 0
91, Forburg Road	-	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed be- fore service of summons ..	-	-
93, Forburg Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	20 0 0	1 0 0
104, Forburg Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	10 0 0	1 0 0
19, Gainsborough Square	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	5 0 0	2 2 0

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Address	Complaint or Offence	Result	Fine			Costs		
			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
20, Gainsborough Square	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	30	0	0	3	3	0
24, Graham Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	10	0	0	2	2	0
26, Graham Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	5	0	0	1	0	0
26, Graham Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	5	0	0	1	0	0
28, Graham Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	10	0	0	2	2	0
107, Graham Road	-	Fine imposed. No costs awarded	5	0	0	-	-	-
9, Handley Road	-	Withdrawn without costs. Work completed before service of summons ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
28, Holcroft Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	15	0	0	1	0	0
33, Holly Street	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	5	0	0	1	0	0
24, Homerton Row	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	10	0	0	1	0	0
87, Kyverdale Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	1	0	0	1	0	0
42a, Lauriston Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	5	0	0	2	2	0
31, Lockner Road	-	Summons not served Defendant could not be traced	-	-	-	-	-	-
29, London Lane	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	3	0	0	2	0	0
29, London Lane	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	10	0	0	1	0	0
29, London Lane	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	25	0	0	2	2	0
5, Marcon Place	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	5	0	0	1	0	0
12, Mortimer Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	15	0	0	2	2	0
81, Oriel Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	5	0	0	1	0	0
151, Osbaldeston Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	5	0	-	10	0	-
36, Sandringham Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	10	0	0	1	0	0
6, Theydon Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	10	0	0	1	0	0
21, Theydon Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	10	0	0	1	0	0
29, Theydon Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	15	0	0	2	2	0
4, Trowbridge Place	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	5	0	0	2	2	0
23, Welbury Street	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	5	0	0	1	0	0

Legal Proceedings - contd.

Address	Complaint or Offence	Result	Fine			Costs		
			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Non-compliance with Statutory Notices</i>								
15, Bradbury Street	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	5	0	0	1	0	0
15, Downs Park Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	1	0	0	1	0	0
54, Montague Road	-	Fine and costs imposed ..	10	0	0	1	0	0
<i>Contravention of Prohibition Order</i>								
4, De Beauvoir Square	-	Fine imposed. No costs awarded	1	0	0	-	-	-
<i>Section 104 (Nuisance from Water-closets)</i>								
374, Kingsland Road	Wilful interference with water closet.	Fine and costs imposed ..	1	0	0	2	2	0
<i>Section 107 (Ashpit Byelaws)</i>								
301, Amhurst Road	Defective dustbin.	Fine and costs imposed ..	3	0	0	1	0	0
45, Brooke Road	Defective dustbin.	Withdrawn without costs. Dustbin supplied before service of summons ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
1-56, Cedra Court	Defective dustbin.	Fine and costs imposed ..	3	0	0	2	0	0
4, Cottrill Road	Defective dustbin.	Fine and costs imposed ..	5	0	0	1	0	0
139, Daubeney Road	Defective dustbin.	Defendant deceased. Summons not proceeded with	-	-	-	-	-	-
50, Filey Avenue	Defective dustbin.	Fine and costs imposed ..	5	0	0	1	0	0
24, Mallard Street	Defective dustbin.	Summons not served. Dustbin provided	-	-	-	-	-	-
98, Osbaldeston Road	Defective dustbin.	Fine imposed. No costs awarded	1	0	0	-	-	-
37, Pedro Street	Defective dustbin.	Fine and costs imposed ..	2	0	0	1	0	0
<i>Section 107 (Water-closet Byelaws)</i>								
33, Alkham Road	Failure to maintain water-closet in proper working order.	Fine and costs imposed ..	1	0	0	1	0	0
2, Gainsborough Square	Failure to maintain water-closet in proper working order.	Fine and costs imposed ..	5	0	0	1	0	0

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143, Victoria Park Road	Failure to keep water-closets clean and effectively lighted.	Fine and costs imposed ..	5	0	0	5	5	0
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AIR POLLUTION

Table I: Monthly Deposit Recorded by the Deposit Gauge, and Sulphur Dioxide by the Lead-Peroxide Method, at Atmospheric Pollution Recording Stations

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<i>Town Hall</i>												
* Rain	77	3	19	26	11	64	121	105	59	49	8	59
/ Insoluble Deposit	9.5	2.6	14.8	13.4	4.7	8.2	11.0	9.7	10.6	7.3	4.7	15.2
/ Soluble Deposit	6.9	2.8	8.0	6.9	3.1	6.0	7.1	8.7	8.0	6.8	4.5	12.1
ø Sulphur Dioxide (etc.) ..	6.0	5.0	3.8	3.6	1.9	1.7	1.8	1.8	2.5	3.5	4.3	6.2
<i>Buccleuch House</i>												
* Rain	70	5	22	23	11	57	97	125	57	45	8	59
/ Insoluble Deposit	8.2	4.0	11.4	10.1	3.1	7.6	7.9	11.1	6.8	5.0	4.6	10.9
/ Soluble Deposit	6.9	2.9	6.7	5.2	2.9	5.2	5.7	9.5	6.9	5.3	4.7	10.3
ø Sulphur Dioxide (etc.) ..	4.3	3.0	2.5	2.0	1.2	1.1	0.9	1.0	1.3	2.4	3.2	3.7
<i>Victoria Park</i>												
* Rain	82	7	-	30	20	59	107	45	68	50	11	54
/ Insoluble Deposit	11.0	9.7	-	13.4	14.6	8.1	9.1	7.5	9.7	10.7	7.5	11.7
/ Soluble Deposit	8.0	6.9	-	5.0	6.3	4.1	5.2	1.6	7.1	3.9	4.3	4.4
ø Sulphur Dioxide (etc.) ..	3.6	2.3	2.7	1.8	1.1	0.9	0.8	0.6	1.2	2.0	2.3	3.2

* Rainfall in millimetres per month.

/ Insoluble deposits and soluble deposits are expressed as rate of deposition in tons per square mile per month.

ø The amounts of sulphur dioxide are expressed as "milligrams of sulphur trioxide fixed per day per 100 square centimetres of Batch "A" standard lead peroxide."

AIR POLLUTION

Table II: Concentration of smoke, and Sulphur Dioxide by the Volumetric Method

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<i>Brooksby's Walk, Ambulance Station</i>												
<i>Smoke</i>												
Monthly Average	82	-	52	39	13	12	10	12	16	47	65	66
Highest Daily Average ..	37	-	94	77	24	15	17	21	28	139	158	122
<i>Sulphur Dioxide</i>												
Monthly Average	15	-	9	9	4	3	3	3	3	8	11	13
Highest Daily Average ..	55	-	20	20	8	5	5	5	8	19	24	31
<i>Hillman Street</i>												
<i>Smoke</i>												
Monthly Average	106	61	53	47	28	23	28	33	39	60	75	69
Highest Daily Average ..	402	160	88	108	53	39	53	53	66	134	145	145
<i>Sulphur Dioxide</i>												
Monthly Average	15	13	10	9	5	4	4	4	6	8	10	8
Highest Daily Average ..	68	42	20	21	10	7	8	6	15	18	21	34
<i>Lampard Grove</i>												
<i>Smoke</i>												
Monthly Average	100	52	51	37	21	18	20	26	31	61	59	69
Highest Daily Average ..	319	116	86	79	36	43	37	48	60	148	145	165
<i>Sulphur Dioxide</i>												
Monthly Average	13	10	9	7	4	3	3	3	4	7	9	9
Highest Daily Average ..	54	22	23	17	9	5	7	5	11	16	20	30

Figures for Smoke are expressed in "milligrams per 100 cubic metres", for Sulphur Dioxide in "parts per 100 million parts of air".

FOOD SAMPLES - SUMMARY OF ANALYSES

Description of Article	Formal samples		Informal samples	
	Number taken	Number adulterated	Number taken	Number adulterated
Ale	-	-	2	-
Aspirin	-	-	1	-
Baking Powder	2	1	4	1
Baked Farfols	1	-	-	-
Bev	1	-	-	-
Bisto	2	-	-	-
Bourn-Vita	-	-	1	-
Bread and Butter	6	3	11	4
British Sherry	2	-	-	-
Butter	54	-	7	-
Buttered Rolls	1	1	1	-
Cake Mixture	6	-	2	-
Cherries in Syrup	-	-	1	-
Chico	1	-	1	-
Chocolate Pudding	1	-	-	-
Cider and Apple Vinegar	3	-	-	-
Cocoa	4	-	5	-
Coffee and Chicory Extract	7	-	8	-
Coffee and Chicory	1	-	-	-
Coffee	1	-	1	-
Cooking Fat	5	-	-	-
Cornflour	-	-	1	-
Corned Beef	3	-	-	-
Cream	-	-	1	-
Cream Cheese	-	-	1	1
Cream Tomato Soup	-	-	1	1
Curry Powder	1	-	-	-
Dripping	1	-	-	-
Easy Mix	-	-	1	-
Fish Paste	7	-	3	-
Flavourings	-	-	3	-
Flour (Batter)	2	-	-	-
Flour (Bun)	1	-	-	-
Flour (Raising)	6	-	2	-
Gin	6	-	-	-
Ginger Wine	1	-	-	-
Glace Cherries	-	-	2	-
Goldwasser	1	-	-	-
Gooseberries (Tinned)	1	-	-	-
Ground Almonds	1	-	-	-
Ground Ginger	2	-	-	-
Ground Nutmeg	2	-	-	-
Ground Nut Oil	1	-	-	-
Ice-cream	9	-	22	-
Ice Lollies	-	-	9	-
Instant Icing	-	-	1	-
Jam	13	-	8	-
Jelly (Table)	15	-	6	-
Lard	3	-	1	-
Lemon Curd	1	-	-	-
Lentils	1	-	-	-
Luncheon Meat (Pork)	-	-	1	-
Margarine	16	-	4	-
Marmalade	4	-	-	-
C/f.	196	5	112	7

FOOD SAMPLES (Contd.)

Description of Article	Formal samples		Informal samples	
	Number taken	Number adulterated	Number taken	Number adulterated
B/f.	196	5	112	7
Matzo Meal	1	-	-	-
Meat Paste	7	2	2	-
Milk	42	1	145	-
Milk Drink	-	-	1	-
Milk (Evaporated)	1	-	-	-
Milk Lolly	-	-	1	-
Milk (Sterilised)	13	-	-	-
Milk (Condensed)	1	-	1	-
Mincemeat	1	-	1	-
Minced Meat	4	-	7	-
Mixed Dried Peel	1	-	-	-
Mixed Fruit	1	-	1	-
Mixed Spice	3	-	2	-
Moussec	1	-	-	-
Mustard	2	-	2	-
Mustard Sauce	1	-	-	-
Nescafe	1	-	-	-
Non-Brewed Condiment	8	-	4	-
Nut Oil	1	-	-	-
Oranges	-	-	1	-
Orange Drink	1	-	-	-
Pepper	16	-	3	-
Porage Oats	-	-	1	-
Processed Peas	-	-	1	-
Pudding Mixture	2	-	1	-
Raising Powder	1	-	-	-
Red Currant Jelly	-	-	1	-
Rhubarb (Tinned)	3	-	-	-
Rice	1	-	-	-
Rich Ruby Wine	1	-	-	-
Rum	1	-	-	-
Salad Cream	1	-	-	-
Sandwich Spread	3	-	-	-
Sauce	9	-	1	-
Sausages (Beef)	20	1	3	2
Sausages (Pork)	7	-	1	-
Semolina	1	-	-	-
Soup Powder	1	-	1	-
Sponge Mixture	3	-	3	-
Strawberry Conserve	1	-	-	-
Stuffing	2	-	-	-
Suet	3	-	-	-
Sweets	3	-	-	-
Tea	4	-	1	-
Tomato Juice	1	-	-	-
Tomato Piquante	1	-	-	-
Tomato Puree	-	-	1	-
Vegetarian Table Jelly	1	1	-	-
Vesop	1	-	-	-
Vichy Water	-	-	1	-
Vinegar	5	-	1	-
Vinegar (Malt)	3	-	-	-
Whisky	22	-	-	-
Yogurt	-	-	2	-
Totals	403	10	302	9

