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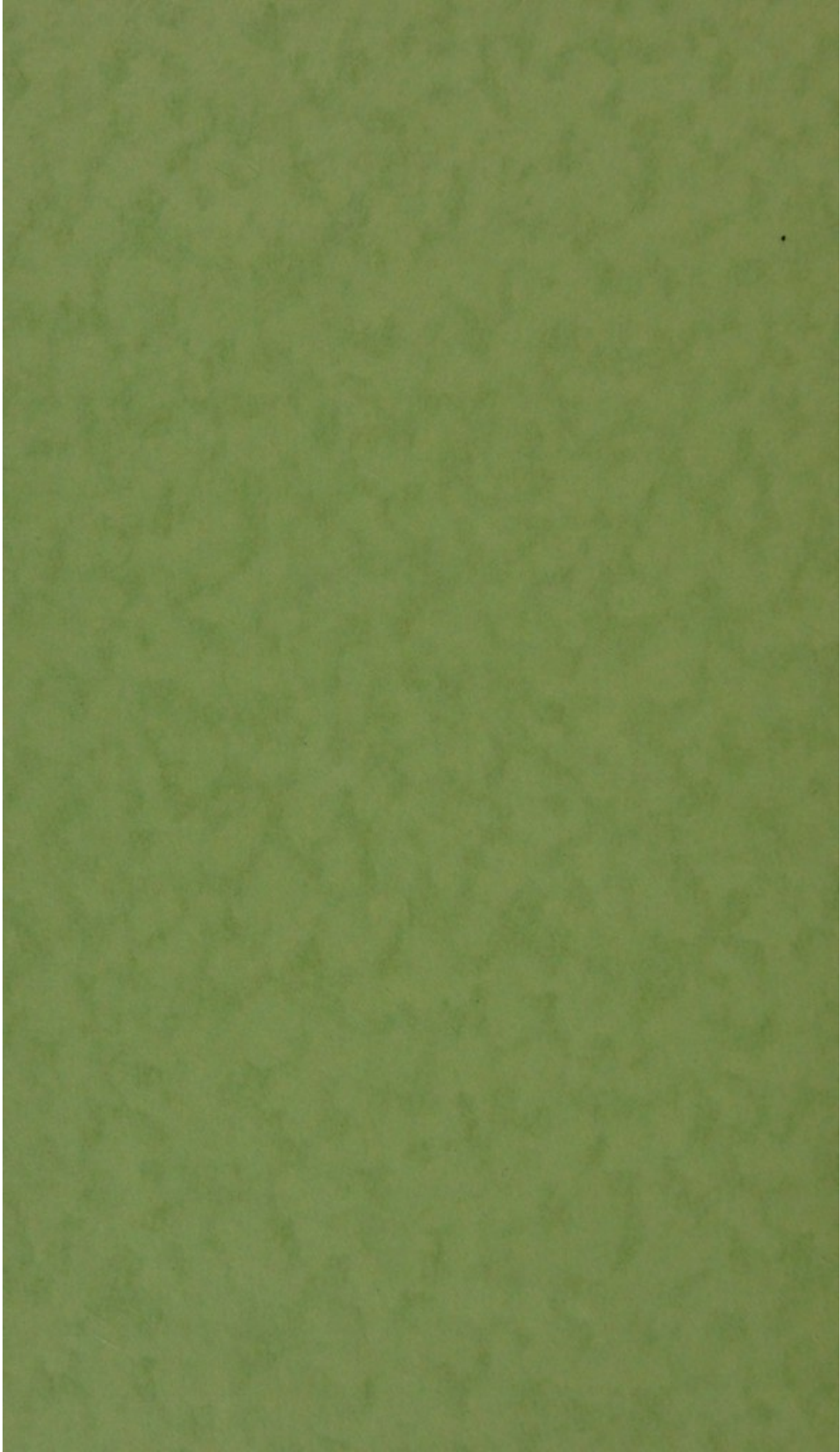


*The Health
of
Adwick-le-Street*

1958

Health Department,
Council Offices,
Village Street,
Adwick-le-Street,
Nr. Doncaster.

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Medical Officer of Health
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Public Health Inspector



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URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF ADWICK-LE-STREET

Public Health Department,
Council Offices,
Adwick-le-Street,
August, 1959.

To the Chairman and Members of the Adwick-le-Street
Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting my Annual Report on the health of the inhabitants and the work of the Health Department for the year 1958.

As in previous years, I have included a shortened report on the personal health services carried out in the district under my supervision on behalf of the West Riding County Council and added explanatory comments.

The vital statistics show little change from 1957.

1. The population was very slightly increased during the year.
2. The birth rate showed a slight increase over 1957.
3. No women died due to childbirth.
4. The number of deaths was slightly reduced.
5. The number of infants dying under 1 year was increased.

The infectious diseases notifications were again reduced due to fewer cases of Measles, although Measles accounted for most of the infectious diseases notified.

It is now possible to reduce the number of injections, by using a combined vaccine, to which a child is subject in being protected against Whooping Cough and Diphtheria. Protection against Poliomyelitis, after a slow start, is now widely accepted and this year the age limit has gone up to 26 years. When one considers the possible consequence of paralytic poliomyelitis, a paralysis which is permanent, one wonders why the acceptance of this protection is not 100%.

Details of the Warden Scheme in the Carcroft Area can be found in the report and it is hoped that approval will be obtained for the extension of this scheme for the Woodlands area.

Consideration has been given to the erection of a recreation room at Carcroft for the use of aged people.

There is a serious shortage of beds for the aged chronic sick in this area and the Regional Hospital Board are aware of the position. Whilst a percentage of old people must have this hospital provision the majority wish to stay in their own homes and the provision of bungalows by the Council, the care by Home Nurses, Home Helps and the advice from Health Visitors all make old age more comfortable.

I would like to express my appreciation to Mr. Senior, the Public Health Inspector, and the Staff of the Health Department for their valued help and co-operation, and also to all members, professional and clerical, of the staff of the Divisional Office.

In conclusion, Mr. Chairman, may I thank you and all members of the Council for your help and courteous reception throughout the year.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

J. FERGUSON,

Medical Officer of Health.

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

1.—PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS:

- (a) **Medical Officer of Health:**
JOHN FERGUSON, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.
- (b) **Public Health Inspector:**
W. SENIOR, M.A.P.H.I.
- (c) **Clerk:**
J. LIVERSIDGE (Mrs.)

2.—DIVISIONAL HEALTH OFFICE:

- (a) **Divisional Medical Officer of Health:**
JOHN FERGUSON, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.
- (b) **Assistant Divisional Medical Officer of Health:**
Dr. A. KROPACZ, L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S.
- (c) **Paediatrician:**
Dr. C. C. HARVEY, B.Sc., M.D., B.S., F.R.C.S., M.R.C.P.
- (d) **Ante-Natal Medical Officer:**
Dr. D. CHAPMAN
- (e) **Health Visitors:**
Miss E. BIRCUMSHAW (Tel. Doncaster 49236).
Miss O. STONE (Tel. Doncaster 65862).
Miss P. CRAWLEY (Tuberculosis Visitor)
Tel. Barnby Dun 279.
Miss E STEVENSON
Miss F. CROMPTON (Tel. Doncaster 65728)
- (f) **School Nurse:**
Mrs. M. AGAR
- (g) **Midwives:**
Mrs. R. HUNTER (Relief), (Tel. Doncaster 49790).
Mrs. L. STONE (Relief), (Tel. Conisbrough 3240).
Mrs. S. EDWARDS (Tel. Adwick-le-Street 2156).
Mrs. J. GOODINSON (Tel. Adwick-le-Street 2191).
Mrs. H. le VANN (Tel. Adwick-le-Street 2244).
Mrs. M. WATTS (Tel. Adwick-le-Street 3387).

(h) **Home Nurses:**

Miss M. BOOLEY (Relief), (Tel. Doncaster 2481).

Miss W. MARSH (Tel. Adwick-le-Street 2117).

Mrs. WORRELL (Tel. Adwick-le-Street 2141).

(i) **Mental Health Social Worker:**

Mrs. J. JACKSON

(j) **Speech Therapist:**

Miss A. FITTON

(k) **Senior Clerk:**

Mr. C. W. VALLANCE

(l) **Clerical Staff:**

Mr. E. KING

Mrs. B. HENSON (Resigned)

Mrs. R. ROWLAND (Resigned)

Mr. M. ALLEN

Mrs. M. BRODERICK (Resigned)

Mrs. M. GEE

Mrs. J. HOLMES (Resigned)

Miss J. FROST

Mrs. B. BATKIN

Miss P. J. JOLLY.

(m) **Occupation Centre:**

Miss A. E. THORPE — Supervisor.

Mr. A. DILKES — Handicraft Instructor.

Mrs. M. GASCOIGNE — Teacher.

Mrs. B. BROWN — Teacher.

Miss S. M. LEAM — Teacher.

Miss J. A. TRICKETT — Teacher.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Area (in acres)	3,605
Registrar General's estimate of Resident Population mid-year 1957	18,550
Number of inhabited houses at end of 1958	5,335
Rateable Value at 1st April, 1958	£130,714
Nett Product represented by a penny rate at 1st April, 1958	£497

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS

(Corrected for Inward and Outward Returns)

Births:

LIVE BIRTHS (Registered)	1958	1957
Total Number	335	331
Birth Rate per 1,000 population	18.1	17.9
Birth Rate per 1,000 population (Corrected) ...	17.5	17.3
Birth Rate for England and Wales	16.4	16.1
Percentage illegitimate live births per total live births	2.98	4.53

	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	171	154	325
Illegitimate	6	4	10
Total	177	158	335

STILL BIRTHS	1958	1957
Total Number	10	5
Rate per 1,000 Total Live and Still Births ...	29.0	14.9
Rate for England and Wales	21.6	22.4

	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	4	4	8
Illegitimate	2	—	2
Total	6	4	10

TOTAL LIVE AND STILLBIRTHS	1958	1957
Total Births (Live and Still)	345	336
Rate per 1,000 population	18.59	18.14

	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	175	158	333
Illegitimate	8	4	12
Total	183	162	345

Infantile Mortality

The Infantile Mortality Rate is the number of deaths of infants under one year of age per 1,000 registered births.

	1958	1957
Number of Deaths	12	6
Death Rate of all infants per 1,000 live births	35.8	18.1
Death Rate of legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live birth	36.92	18.0
Death Rate of illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births	—	—
Death Rate for England and Wales	22.5	23.0

Of the 12 deaths which took place of children under one year of age, 4 were males and 8 females.

An investigation of these deaths showed that the main causes were:—

Prematurity	6	Heart Disease	2
Haemolytic Disease of the newborn	2	Gastroenteritis	1
		Congenital Conditions	1

The age groups at which death occurred were:—

0 - 24 hrs.	1 - 7 days	1 - 4 week	1 - 12 months
7	2	-	3

Neo-Natal Mortality

The Neo-Natal Mortality Rate is the number of deaths of infants under four weeks of age per 1,000 registered births.

	1958	1957
Number of Deaths	9	4
Death Rate of all infants per 1,000 live births	26.9	12.1
Death Rate for England and Wales	16.2	16.5

Maternal Deaths

	1958	1957
Maternal Deaths (including abortion)	—	—

Deaths

	1958	1957
Total Number	175	181
Death Rate per 1,000 population (crude)	9.4	9.8
Death Rate per 1,000 population (corrected)	13.4	13.9
Death Rate for England and Wales	11.7	11.5

	Males	Females	Total
Deaths	96	79	175

Deaths from Road Accidents and Other Violent Causes

There were three fatal road accidents in the area, one suicide and one other accident.

COMPARATIVE TABLES

Year	Population	Birth Rate	Death Rate	Infantile Mortality Rate
1915	10,431	39.00	12.60	147.40
1920	11,797	30.90	9.90	67.70
1930	19,230	25.70	11.00	60.40
1935	19,650	19.60	12.90	80.70
1936	19,680	18.30	13.90	72.20
1937	19,330	15.70	13.60	58.20
1938	19,170	18.90	14.70	74.10
1939	19,050	19.52	13.46	72.58
1940	18,050	18.94	13.06	40.81
1941	18,120	19.75	(crude) 9.27	77.12
1942	17,890	19.67	(crude) 8.66	53.97
1943	17,670	20.71	(crude) 10.01	71.03
1944	17,700	25.00	(crude) 8.89	49.43
1945	18,060	21.87	(crude) 11.68	96.20
1946	19,120	21.86	(crude) 9.05	35.88
1947	19,100	26.60	(crude) 10.00	71.00
1948	18,880	24.00	(crude) 8.6	53.00
1949	18,080	19.2	(crude) 9.83	65.6
1950	18,950	18.2	13.2	54.4
1951	18,640	19.12	12.12	28.7
1952	18,620	17.0	12.63	47.46
1953	18,760	20.0	13.8	27.3
1954	18,690	17.9	12.8	46.1
1955	18,470	18.5	12.6	41.9
1956	18,550	15.5	14.3	30.1
1957	18,530	17.3	13.9	18.1
1958	18,550	17.5	13.4	35.8

From 1949 the Death Rate Figures are Corrected.

Comments on Vital Statistics

POPULATION AND BIRTH RATE

The Registrar General's figures continue to show a small increase in the population, from 18,530 to 18,550.

The Birth Rate shows a very slight increase compared with 1957 but is still in excess of the birth rate for the country as a whole.

There were 12 illegitimate births compared with 20 in 1957. The Moral Welfare Committee of the Archdeaconry of Doncaster and Rotherham continues to be most helpful in these cases and arranges, with financial assistance from the West Riding County Council, accommodation for unmarried mothers in their Church Homes when requested.

Premature Births

A table is appended showing details of the premature infants born in the area.

Birth Weight	Total Born				No. who died under 28 days		No. who survived 28 days
	Dead		Alive		At Home	At Hospital	
	At Home	At Hospital	At Home	At Hospital			
Under 3 lbs.	—	1	1	2	1	—	2
3 - 4 lbs.	—	2	2	3	1	3	1
4 - 5½ lbs.	—	3	5	13	1	—	17
Total	—	6	8	18	3	3	20

Death Rate

The Infantile Mortality rate shows an increase from 18.1 in 1957 to 35.8 in 1958 per 1,000 live births. The tables show that nine deaths occurred in the first week of life.

The number of deaths fell by 6 to 175 giving a crude death rate of 9.4. There were 24 deaths from Cancer during the year compared with 31 in 1957, and of these 2 males and 1 female died of Cancer of the Lung. Heart diseases and associated diseases continue to be the commonest cause of death, there being 65 such cases in 1958 compared with 62 in 1957. There was only 1 death from Tuberculosis, a pointer to the tremendous advances in the treatment and prevention of this disease.

There were no deaths associated with pregnancy or childbirth.

COMPARABILITY FACTORS

Births — 0.97

Deaths — 1.42

COMPARATIVE VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1958

The following table shows an interesting comparison between the authority's vital statistics and those of the W.R.C.C. Urban Authorities, the West Riding as a whole, and England and Wales as a whole.

Based on the Registrar General's figures.

Crude Rate	Adwick-le-Street Urban District	Aggregate West Riding Urban Districts	West Riding Admin County	England and Wales
LIVE BIRTHS	18.1	16.3	16.7	16.4
DEATH RATE (All Causes)	9.4	12.8	11.9	11.7
Infective & Parasitic Diseases excluding Tuberculosis but including Syphilis & other V.D.	0.05	0.04	0.05	*
Tuberculosis:-				
Respiratory	0.05	0.09	0.09	0.09
Other Forms	—	0.01	0.01	0.01
All Forms	0.05	0.09	0.09	0.10
Cancer	1.29	2.11	1.97	2.12
Vascular Lesions of the Nervous System	1.51	2.13	1.93	*
Heart & Circulatory Diseases	3.77	5.0	4.51	*
Respiratory Diseases	1.19	1.40	1.33	*
Maternal Mortality ...	—	0.41	0.43	0.43
Infantile Mortality ...	35.8	23.2	24.4	22.5
Neo-Natal Mortality ...	26.9	16.2	16.9	16.2
Stillbirths	29.00	23.00	22.8	21.6

*Figures not available.

Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live and Still Births.

Stillbirth Rate per 1,000 Live and Still Births.

Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births.

Neo-Natal Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births.

Social Conditions

The chief occupation of the inhabitants of the district is coal mining, with tradesmen and shopkeepers who cater for their needs.

SECTION B.

SERVICES PROVIDED BY LOCAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

1. CHILD WELFARE SERVICE AND HEALTH VISITING SERVICE

(a) Clinics

The attendance at these clinics is as follows:

Presbyterian Chapel, Owston Road, Carcroft
Thursday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Woodside Chapel, Woodlands, near Doncaster
Thursday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

No. of Attendances during year:	Carcroft	Woodlands	Total
(a) Children under 1 year	3128	3703	6831
(b) Children 1 - 5 years	2098	1474	3572

No. who attended for the first time during year:	Carcroft	Woodlands	Total
(a) Under 1 year	145	151	296
(b) Children 1 - 5 years	183	299	482
Total No. of Sessions	96	96	

Average attendance per session:	Carcroft	Woodlands	Total
(a) Under 1 year	32.58	38.57	71.15
(b) Children 1 - 5 years	21.85	15.35	37.20

(b) Home Visits

No. of first visits to:	Carcroft	Woodlands	Total
(a) Under 1 year	418
(b) Expectant Mothers	49

Subsequent Visits to:

(1) Children under 1 year ... ..	...	...	1227
(2) Children 1 - 2 years ... ..	...	...	717
(3) Children 2 - 5 years ... ..	...	...	1317
(4) Expectant Mothers ... ..	...	...	37
(5) T.B. Households ... ..	...	...	1328
(6) All other visits ... ..	...	...	1442

DISTRIBUTION OF WELFARE FOODS

The Distribution of Welfare Foods (National Dried Milk, Orange Juice, Cod Liver Oil, Vitamin A and D Tablets) is now well established and details of the time and places of sales are as follows:

Divisional Health Office

During Office Hours Weekdays 9 a.m. to 5.20 p.m.

Carcroft Child Welfare Clinic Thursdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Woodlands Child Welfare Clinic Thursday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

YEAR 1958

Centre	National Dried Milk		Orange Juice		Cod Liver Oil	Vitamin A & D Tablets
	Sold	Free	Sold	Free		
Carcroft C.W.C.	534	6	2540	13	327	192
Woodlands C.W.C.	616	2	3971	2	414	260
Divisional Health Office	1994	89	1775	22	306	261
Adwick Total	3144	97	7286	37	1047	713
Bentley C.W.C.	2254	15	5851	28	940	489
Total for Division	5398	112	13,137	65	1987	1202

2. MATERNITY SERVICE

The Ante-Natal Clinics continued to be well attended, and Relaxation Classes are held in conjunction with all clinics.

(a) Ante-Natal Clinics

Carcroft Alternate Mondays 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Woodlands Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

	Carcroft	Woodlands	Total
Total No. of attendances:			
(a) Ante-Natal	248	959	1207
(b) Post-Natal	7	54	61
No. of individual women who attended:			
(a) Post-Natal	53	129	182
(b) Post Natal	7	55	62
No. of sessions	24	96	120
Average attendance per session:			
(a) Ante-Natal	10.33%	9.99%	
(b) Post Natal	0.29%	0.56%	

(b) Midwives

There is a full complement of midwives in the area, and appended is a table of the domiciliary midwifery and visits carried out during the year:

Domiciliary Cases				
Doctor not Booked		Doctor Booked		Total
Doctor present at delivery	Doctor not present at delivery	Doctor present at delivery (either booked Doctor or another)	Doctor not present at delivery	
—	95	23	94	212

No. of Ante-Natal visits 2187
No. of Post Natal visits 4140

During the year there were 99 requests to doctors for medical aid by the midwives throughout the Divisional Area.

Pregnancy 40
Labour 47
Lying-in 6
The Child 6

(c) Gas and Air Analgesia

No. of cases in which gas and air was administered by midwives in domiciliary practice during the year ... 161
1—When doctor was not present at delivery 149
2—When doctor was present at delivery 12
No. of cases in which Pethedine was administered by midwives in domiciliary practice during the year ... 83
1—When doctor was not present at delivery 79
2—When doctor was present at delivery 4

(d) Maternity Home Accommodation

The increased allocation of social bookings agreed to by the Consultants in June was helpful, although not all requests for such bookings could be met out of the increased allocation from 7 per month to 12 per month. Unfortunately, due to shortage of midwifery staff at the hospital this allocation was reduced in May of this year to 8 per month. The number of hospital confinements in this area compares very unfavourably with the north of the country.

Cases admitted to:

Hamilton Annexe	115
Hamilton Lodge	16
Jessops Hospital, Sheffield	1
Fairfield Nursing Home	7
Fulford Maternity Home, York	1
Nether Edge Hospital, Sheffield	1
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3. HOME NURSING

The Home Nursing Service was fully staffed during the year, and is now adequate for all demands on this service. The nurses work under the direction of the general practitioners, and the tables show an increasing use of this service. Increasingly home nursing is required for the aged chronic sick, and this not only requires skilled nursing, but also taxes the physical strength of the nurses.

District Nursing (Adwick-le-Street) 1958

Type of Case	No. of Cases attended by Home Nurses	No. of Visits made by Home Nurses
1. Medical	251	7484
2. Surgical	89	1619
3. Tuberculosis	13	1064
4. Maternal Complications ...	9	58
Total	362	10,225

4. HOME HELPS

This division has been allocated the equivalent of 20 full-time Home Helps, plus the equivalent of 2.5 full time Home Helps from the central pool. During the year 66 part-time Home Helps were employed, and the accompanying table shows the work done. This service and the other health services, e.g. Home Nursing, results in many an aged sick person remaining in their own homes as they so earnestly desire to do.

Type of Case	No. of Cases		Hours Employed	
	1958	1957	1958	1957
Maternity	6	8	522	448
Tuberculosis	—	1	—	—
Chronic Sick:-				
65 and over ...	131	112	22770½	20729½
Under 65	10	9	2079	1581
Others	13	14	2740	3263½
Total	160	144	28,111½	26,022

5. SPECIAL CLINICS (Divisional Figures)

Special Clinics are held for all children suffering from orthopaedic defects, defects of the ear, throat and nose, and defective vision. Appended is a list of such clinics held during the year.

(a) **Ear, Nose and Throat**—Mr. Petty

No. of Clinics held at Doncaster Royal Infirmary	...	11
No. of children referred to E.N.T. Specialist	... ..	168
Operations required	... ..	131
Treatment required	... ..	20
No action	... ..	35
Did not attend	... ..	43

(b) **Refraction (Eye Examinations)**—Mr. Mehta.

Clinic held at Wood Street, Doncaster.

No. of Sessions	... ..	38
No. of children invited	... ..	526
No. of children attending	... ..	326
No. of new cases in 1958	... ..	122
No. of children re-examined	... ..	204
Total No. of attendances	... ..	354
Glasses prescribed	... ..	189
Treatment advised	... ..	36
Referred for Operative Treatment	... ..	11
Referred for re-examination	... ..	318
No. for whom no action was taken	... ..	126

(c) **Orthopaedic**—Mr. Maitland Smith

Clinics held bi-monthly at 20 Christ Church Road, Doncaster.

No. of Sessions	9
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	Pre-School Children	School Children
No. of individual patients seen by consultant, including those continuing attendance from previous year	10	7
No. of above—		
(a) Referred for operative treatment as short- stay cases only	1	1
(b) Recommended long-stay hospital school ...	—	—
(c) Recommended treatment by orthopaedic nurse of physiotherapist		
(i) at treatment centres	1	—
(ii) domiciliary	6	3
Total number of attendances at consultant clinic	18	11

(d) **Paediatric**—Dr. C. C. Harvey

Clinics held monthly at the Pavilion, Bentley.

Dr. C. C. Harvey attends a clinic once a month. Cases are referred to him both by general practitioners and Assistant County Medical Officers. In addition, Dr. Harvey's services are available by appointment for a home visit.

No. of sessions	9
	School Pre-School Children Children
No. of individual patients seen	36 24
(a) New cases	9 11
(b) Cases attending from previous year ...	27 13
Total No. of attendances at clinics	41 34

Summary of type of defect for which referred:—

	School Children	Pre-School Children
Asthma	2	—
Heart Conditions	8	2
Rheumatism	1	—
Bronchitis and Lung Condition	4	1
Enuresis	3	—
Hiatus Hernia	1	—
Mental Retardation	1	4
Epilepsy	2	1
Emotional Insecurity	1	1
Migrane	5	—
Convulsions	—	5
Obesity	2	—
Speech Retardation	1	—
Miscellaneous	3	11
	—	—
Total	36	24
	—	—

(e) **Sun Ray Clinic**

The Sun Ray Clinic continues to be held at the Pavilion three times a week for the whole of the Division.

No. of Sessions	37
No. of Children treated	29
No. of attendances	308

6. **WELFARE OF THE AGED**

(a) **Chiropody Service**

The Old People's Welfare Committee, thanks to money raising efforts by two members, have been enabled to start a chiropody service at Carcroft for the benefit of the Skellow, Carcroft and Adwick aged persons. This service is free of cost and is by appointment at the Carcroft Child Welfare Clinic. The Clinic is held three times a month.

The chiropody scheme for the Woodlands Area continues with money subscribed by the Community Association.

This service was started on September 20th, 1954, and is held three times monthly at the Health Centre, Woodlands, by appointment and any aged person can make use of this service free of cost.

Details of clinics held and attendances made for the year 1958 were:—

No. of Clinics held	37
No. of Persons attended	127
No. of Treatments given	298

(b) Wardens Scheme

One warden was appointed to the bungalows and flats in the Carcroft/Skellow area to look after the needs of the aged. The warden has approximately 32 homes to visit each day and reports are submitted to the Health Department of anything required to improve the well being or comfort of these old people. The warden has a list of duties and conditions and the basis of the scheme is to give the advice and assistance which can be expected of any good neighbour. In an emergency the warden can seek medical advice and has a telephone installed in her home. A simple card index system is kept for each person, showing next of kin, religion and any special notes.

Consideration has been given to the erection of a Recreation Room at Carcroft for the use of the aged people.

A scheme for the appointment of two wardens for the Woodlands area has been submitted to the West Riding County Council for approval.

7. SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE

A summary of the work of the School Health Service is appended.

DENTAL FIGURES

(Commencement of Scheme December, 1957)

No. of Children Inspected	...	...	...	...	2283
No. of Children found to require Treatment	...	...	...	...	1617
No. of Children offered treatment	...	...	...	...	1605
No. of Children treated	...	...	...	...	1345
No. of attendances	...	...	...	...	2528
No. of extractions—Temporary	...	...	...	...	1453
Permanent	...	...	...	...	721
No. administered General Anaesthetic	...	...	...	...	477
No. of Fillings—Temporary	...	...	...	...	30
Permanent	...	...	...	...	1803
No. of other operations—Temporary	...	...	...	...	37
Permanent	...	...	...	...	581

School Health

Medical Inspection of Pupils attending maintained Primary and Secondary Schools in the Division.

Periodic Medical Inspection

Entrants	...	...	...	...	...	...	493
7 to 8 year Group	...	...	...	...	...	...	378
Last year Primary	...	...	...	...	...	...	319
First year Secondary	...	...	...	...	...	...	790
Last year Secondary	...	...	...	...	...	...	616
Total							2596

Other Inspections

Special Inspections	...	...	...	...	...	...	43
Re-inspections	...	...	...	...	...	...	327
Total							370

Physical Condition of Pupils Inspected

Age Groups	No of Pupils Inspected	Satisfactory		Unsatisfactory	
		No.	% of Col. 2	No.	% of Col. 2
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Entrants	493	487	98.78	6	1.22
7 to 8 year Group	378	378	100	—	—
Last year Primary	319	317	99.37	2	0.63
First year Secondary	790	786	99.49	4	0.51
Last year Secondary	616	613	99.51	3	0.49
Total	2,596	2,581	99.42	15	0.58

Minor Ailments

Minor ailments are treated by the School Nurses at School Clinics. The following table gives details of treatments in the Division during 1958:—

Minor Ailment	No. Treated
Skin	
Ringworm	—
Scabies	—
Impetigo	14
Other Skin Diseases	264
Eye Diseases	
External and other, but excluding squint, and errors of refraction	36
Ear Defects	20
Miscellaneous	
Minor injuries, bruises, sores, chilblains, etc	1,035
Total Defects	1,369
Total attendances at Clinics	1,302

Eye Examinations

The eyes of children are tested by the School Nurse, and those whose vision is worse than 6/9 Snellin in one eye are referred for further examination by the Ophthalmologist at Wood Street, Doncaster.

ROUTINE MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

The following table shows the type of defects discovered at Routine Medical Examinations during the year:—

DEFECTS TABLE — 1958

Defect	Recomm'd for Treatm't	Recomm'd for Obs'vat'n	Total
Skin	—	10	10
Eyes			
(a) Vision	63	4	67
(b) Squint	—	3	3
Ears			
(a) Hearing	1	—	1
(b) Otitis Media	6	1	7
(c) Other	—	—	—
Nose and Throat	38	19	57
Speech	5	—	5
Lymphatic Glands	3	—	3
Heart	1	—	1
Lungs	1	2	3
Developmental			
(a) Hernia	—	2	2
(b) Other	3	2	5
Orthopaedic			
(a) Posture	1	2	3
(b) Feet	—	1	1
(c) Other	4	4	8
Nervous System			
(a) Epilepsy	1	—	1
(b) Other	—	—	—
Psychological			
(a) Stability	—	—	—
Others	1	—	1
Total	128	50	178

Cleanliness Inspections

During the year routine cleanliness inspections were carried out at every school in the Division by the School Nurses, and a total of 19,269 inspections and re-inspections were made. 622 pupils were found to be infested, but in the majority of cases, infestation was light. Treatment and advice is given by School Nurses; no Statutory Notices were issued during the year.

SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS

School Children

In accordance with the requirements of the Education Act, 1944, and Children and Young Persons Act, a number of children were referred by the Education Department which necessitated special examination. During the year 327 such children were seen, with the following recommendations:—

1. Recommended for Speech Therapy Training	2
2. Admission to Special School for Delicate Pupils	1
3. To continue attendance at present school	17
4. Referred to Ear, Nose & Throat Clinic	7
5. Referred for Ultra Violet Light treatment	3
6. Certificates of freedom from infection before returning to special school after holidays	49
7. Completion of forms C.Y.P. 9 for Youth Employment Officer (Medical information for employment purposes)	40
8. Referred to Child Guidance Clinic	3
9. Supervision after leaving school	3
10. Recommended not for supervision after leaving school—educationally sub-normal	8
11. Referred to Eye Clinic	4
12. Recommended likely to prove ineducable	10
13. Examination of Children before School Summer Camp	47
14. Incapable of receiving education at school Section 57 (3)	4
15. Other for observation, etc.	47
16. Children in County Council Homes	82
	327

Prevention of Tuberculosis

Testing of all entrants to school with Tuberculin Jelly continued as a routine measure.

The B.C.G. scheme also continued and protection was offered to all aged 13 years of age who showed by previous testing that they had not developed an immunity.

Tuberculin Jelly Testing of School Entrants

No. School Entrants Jelly Tested	387
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8. MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE

The Mental Health teacher resigned in June 1958 and the very successful group training classes had, unfortunately, to cease. The new occupation centre was completed, however, at the end of December and was opened at the beginning of this year. There is accommodation for 70 children and young adults and the West Riding County Council has erected an excellent building with every facility for these handicapped persons. A capable and enthusiastic staff of 5, with Miss Thorpe a supervisor of wide experience, has been appointed.

The Mental Health Social Worker resigned during the year and we were fortunate to obtain a successor without undue delay. The opening of the occupation centre reduced the work of visiting the mental defectives in their homes and has allowed more time for care and after care of the mentally sick.

Appended are tables showing the categories of mentally defective persons in the Division.

MENTAL DEFICIENCY STATISTICS — 1958

(Divisional Figure)

	Males	F'm'les	Total
1. No. of Defectives under supervision at home	41	41	82
(a) Statutory Supervision	27	35	62
(b) Voluntary Supervision	10	6	16
(c) On licence from Institutions	4	—	4
Total under Supervision	41	41	82
2. (a) No. defectives in gainful employment ...	17	3	20
(b) No. attending Occupation Centre ...	4	3	7
(c) No. receiving Home Teaching	—	—	—
(d) No. receiving Group Training	—	—	—
(e) No. occupied at home	20	35	55
Total	41	41	82

Analysis of Cases treated during the year

	Boys	Girls
Stammering	7	3
Defects of Articulation (a) Dyslalia	14	4
(b) Sigmatism	1	-
(c) Dysarthria	-	1
Defective Speech due to Educational sub-normality	1	1
Retarded Speech Development	-	1
Other Defects	-	1
	—	—
Total Cases treated ...	23	11
	—	—

Analysis of Cases discharged during the year

Speech Normal	3	3
Speech Improved	2	1
Non co-operation	-	1
Left school	-	1
	—	—
Total Discharged Cases ...	5	6
	—	—

10. AMBULANCE FACILITIES

This scheme is still operating satisfactorily. There is a free ambulance and sitting car 24-hour service for everyone. The vehicles are stationed at Yarborough Terrace, Bentley, and are available on request from doctors and nurses, or from the general public in an emergency.

11. SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS

Throughout the year special examinations are carried out for the Council of all staff (officials and workmen) who commence work for the Council. Medical examinations and consultations are also held with members of the staff who have prolonged absence with sickness.

Similar examinations are carried out for the West Riding County Council, and also of intending teachers prior to admission to college.

No. examined for Adwick-le-Street U.D.C.	18
School Canteen Workers	52
Teachers entering Training College	15
Temporary Teachers	27

12. TELEPHONE NUMBERS.

Adwick-le-Street Public Health Department	Adwick-le-Street 2234
Divisional Health Office	Adwick-le-Street 2176
Ambulance Depot, Yarborough Terrace	Doncaster 49468
Ambulance Depot, Doncaster	Doncaster 53173

13. CLINICS & TREATMENT CENTRES

Appended is a list of clinics and treatment centres:

Clinic	Situation	Times of Opening
Maternity & Child Welfare	Woodside Chapel, Woodlands	Thursday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
..	Presbyterian Church, Carcroft	Thursday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Ante Natal	Woodside Chapel, Woodlands	Tuesday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
..	Presbyterian Church, Carcroft	Alternate Mondays, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Venereal Diseases	Doncaster Royal Infirmary	MEN Tues: 5-30 p.m.-7.30 p.m. Friday, 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. WOMEN & CHILDREN Monday: 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. Friday: 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Diphtheria Immunisation Whooping Cough Immunisation Poliomyelitis Immunisation	Child Welfare Clinics and Schools	By appointment
Vaccination	Child Welfare Centres	By appointment
School Clinics	Presbyterian Church, Carcroft. Adwick Park School Hostels Woodlands School Highfields School	Friday 9 - 12 a.m. Wednesday, 9-12 a.m. Wednesday, 2-3 p.m. Tuesday, 2-4 p.m. Wednesday, 10-12 a.m.
Orthopaedic	Christ Church Road, Doncaster	By appointment
Ear, Nose and Throat	Doncaster Royal Infirmary	By appointment
Refraction	Wood Street Clinic	By appointment

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

1. **Water.**

This District has representatives on the Don Valley Water Board.

2. **Rivers and Streams.**

The Mill Stream and the Ea Beck flow through the area.

3. **Drainage and Sewerage.**

The effluent from the sewage works continues to be classified as satisfactory. With the erection of the new Council Houses, the capacity of the existing sewage works is now reaching its maximum.

4. **Scavenging.**

This is carried out by the Council's Surveyor. Refuse is tipped on land adjoining the Sewage Works, the Ea Beck at Bentley Moor Lane and Crossfield Lane.

5. **Rainfall and Temperature.**

Your Surveyor, W. S. Ellis, Esq., has kindly supplied me with a copy of the recording of rainfall and temperature throughout the year.

Month	RAINFALL		TEMPERATURE			
	Year	Year	Min.	Deg.	Max.	Deg.
	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957
January	4" snow 3.16	.98	8	28	56	60
February	17" snow 4.10	1.88	22	23	60	56
March	4" snow 1.77	1.13	20	28	60	66
April ... ..	.30	.19	26	30	70	66
May	2.19	.98	35	32	78	75
June	3.52	.88	40	40	80	92
July	5.48	3.87	41	45	88	86
August	2.87	3.81	40	42	84	83
September	1.67	3.48	39	40	81	78
October	1.63	1.23	32	33	70	66
November ... ..	.86	2.21	26	26	59	56
December	2.91	1.15	23	18	56	59

The wettest day of the year was Wednesday, 2nd July, with a rainfall of 1.19 inches, the hottest day was the 10th July, with a temperature of 88°F, and the coldest day was the 21st January, with a temperature of 8°F.

6. Offensive Trades.

Fish Frying — There are 15 shops in this area and 26 inspections were made.

Knackers Yard — None in the area.

Common Lodging Houses — None in the area.

7. Schools.

There are seven primary school departments, two secondary modern schools, and one grammar school. In addition, the R.C. school is an all-department school.

No schools were closed during the year.

There are five school canteens in the area.

HOUSING

Nineteen houses were built in this district during 1958. The number of houses in the various wards are:—

Skellow	972
Carcroft	1118
Adwick	1012
Woodlands East	533
Woodlands	1238
Highfields	462
	—
	5335
	—

Section F

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

During the year 73 cases of infectious diseases were notified compared with 237 cases in 1957. Measles (60), Scarlet Fever (10), Erysipelas (1), and Puerperal Pyrexia (2), accounted for most of the diseases.

No case of Poliomyelitis was notified.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Desease	Totals	Adwick	Highfields	Woodlands	Woodlands East	Carcroft	Skellow
Scarlet Fever	10	1	—	4	—	4	1
Measles	60	2	1	46	—	6	5
Erysipelas	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Puerperal Pyrexia	2	—	—	1	—	1	—
Totals	73	3	1	51	—	11	7

Diphtheria Immunisation.

Immunisation clinics were held throughout the year at schools and Child Welfare Clinics.

	Age under 5 years	Age 5 years and over but under 15	Total
No. of children (including temporary residents) who completed the full course of immunisation in the authority's area between the 1st January and 31st December, 1958	277	8	285
No. of children who recieved a Booster injection	13	25	38

Immunisation in Relation to Child Population

Age at 31.12.58	Under 1 year	1 - 4 years	5 - 9 years	10-15 yrs	Total
Number Immunised	56	864	1297	1599	3816
Estimated Child Population 1958	1,600		3,600		5,200
Perc'nt'ge Immun'sd	57%		80%		

POLIOMYELITIS VACCINATION

(ADWICK-LE-STREET and BENTLEY-with-ARKSEY)

Position at April 30th, 1959.

	No of Registrations received	No. who have received three injections	No. who have received two injections	No. who have received one injection	No. who have not yet had vaccinat'n
Children born 1943 to 1959	7,156	2,261	6,343	540	273
Young Persons born 1933 to 1947	871	39	178	615	78
Expectant Mothers	203	1	139	33	31
Medical Practitioners and families ...	15	—	15	—	—
Ambulance Staff and families ...	23	13	22	1	—
Total Registrations	8,268	2,314	6,697	1,189	382

Whooping Cough.

Many more mothers are now taking advantage of the protection offered to their children against this most unpleasant disease, and the beneficial results are seen by fewer notifications of this condition.

Whooping Cough Immunisation

	Under 1 1958	1 to 4 1957 -1954	5 to 9 1953 - 1949	Total
Immunised 1958	56	178	—	234
Already Immunised	—	693	512	1205
Total	56	871	512	1439

Vaccination.

Vaccination is carried out at all the clinics, but the numbers accepting this protection against Smallpox are very small.

Smallpox Vaccination

	Under 1 year	1 year	2 - 4 years	5 - 14 years	15 yrs & over	Total
No. Vaccinated	161	1	3	3	—	168
No. Revaccinated	15	—	—	—	—	15
Total ...	176	1	3	3	—	183

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFICATIONS (Corrected)

Per 1,000 Estimated Population.

Infectious Disease	Adwick-le- Street Urban District	West Riding Admin. County	England and Wales
Scarlet Fever	0.53	1.20	0.86
Measles	3.23	3.76	5.57
Whooping Cough	—	0.75	0.74
Diphtheria	—	0.00	0.00
Meningococcal Infection	—	0.03	0.02
Acute Poliomyelitis (including Polioencephalitis)			
Paralytic	—	0.06	0.03
Non-paralytic	—	0.03	0.01
Dysentery	—	1.54	0.84
Typhoid Fever	—	—	0.00
Paratyphoid Fever	—	0.00	0.00
Erysipelas	0.05	0.56	0.49

**DISTRIBUTION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES
IN AGE GROUPS**

	Under 1 year	1 year	2 years	3 "	4 "	5 "	10 "	15 "	20 "	35 "	45 "	65 .. and over	Total	Hospital	Confirmed	Deaths
Scarlet Fever ...	—	—	1	2	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	10	—
Measles ...	2	6	6	6	8	32	—	—	—	—	—	—	60	—	60	—
Erysipelas ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	—
Puerperal Pyrexia ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	2	1	2	—
TOTALS ...	2	6	7	8	10	37	—	—	2	—	1	—	73	1	73	—

Tuberculosis.

No action was taken under the Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations 1925, or under Section 172 of the Public Health Act, 1936.

There was one death attributed to Tuberculosis during the year.

The number of cases in the Tuberculosis Register at the 31st December, 1958, compared with the previous year, was:

	1958		1957	
	M	F	M	F
Respiratory ...	68	59	85	79
Other Forms ...	27	9	34	16

There have been no cases of wilful neglect or refusal to notify. The medical practitioners in the area are prompt in their notification of Tuberculosis.

Care and After Care of Tuberculosis.

A special committee for this purpose has been established for some years. The committee consists of lay members and representatives of the Medical Officer of Health in Doncaster and district. Financial assistance is given to the committee by the West Riding County Council and the Doncaster County Borough.

It has been possible to help many cases with clothing, bedding, etc. This Committee carries out most useful work, and the advice of the special Health Visitors for Tuberculosis is always available.

The Tuberculosis Health Visitor continues to prove a most valuable link between the Consultant at the Chest Clinic and the Medical Officer of Health. Background reports are submitted to each officer, and this home visiting enables the Chest Physician to be assured that his advice is being carried out.

The County Council also provide free milk up to two pints per day to cases recommended by the Tuberculosis Officer.

**TUBERCULOSIS
NEW CASES AND MORALITY, 1958
WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES, 1957**

AGE GROUP	NEW CASES						DEATHS							
	Respiratory			Other Forms			Respiratory			Other Forms				
	M	F	F	M	M	F	M	F	F	M	M	F		
	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957
0 - 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1 - 5	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5 - 15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15 - 25	—	2	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25 - 35	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35 - 45	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
45 - 55	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
55 - 65	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
65 & over	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Total	8	3	3	5	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—

Mass Radiography.

During December the South Yorkshire Mass Radiography Unit visited the district and carried out a survey.

The findings are given below.

	1958		
	Males	Females	Total
Total Radiographed	2,387	1,021	3,408
Passed on Miniature film	2,211	970	3,181
Failed to attend repeat miniature	6	14	20
Recalled for large film.	157	35	192
Failed to attend for large film	5	3	8
Passed on large film	65	24	89
Recalled for medical interview after large film	87	8	95
Recalled for medical interview without large film	13	2	15
Failed to attend for medical interview	1	—	1
Referred to Chest Clinic	52	5	57
Referred to Own Doctor	46	5	51
No action cases after interview	1	—	1

Included in the 1958 figures are 218 school children of 14 years and over who attended in parties from school, of these all were passed as clear with the exceptions of one boy who is already attending the chest clinic with Bronchiectasis, and 20 children whose films were unreadable for technical reasons. We were not able to re-film these children as they were on holiday in Germany.

As a result of the survey the following diseases and abnormalities were discovered. (Carcroft Figure).

Diseases and Abnormalities	No. of Cases
Total Radiographed	957
Tuberculosis	
Active	1
Inactive	12
Other Diseases and Abnormalities	
1 Abnormalities of the Bony Thorax and Soft Tissues - congenital	6
2 Bacterial and virus infections of the lungs	3
3 Bronchiectasis	3
4 Pulmonary fibrosis - non-tuberculous	3
5 Pneumoconiosis	20
6 Spontaneous pneumothrax	1
7 Pleural thickening or calcification - non-tuberculous ...	3
8 Acquired abnormalities of heart and vessels	1
9 Miscellaneous	1
10 Pneumoconiosis with tuberculosis - Already certified cases included in 5 above	4

CAUSE OF DEATH — 1958

	M	F
All causes	96	79
1. Tuberculosis — Respiratory	1	—
2. Tuberculosis — Other	—	—
3. syphilitic disease	1	—
4. Diphtheria	—	—
5. Whooping Cough	—	—
6. Meningococcal Infections	—	—
7. Acute Poliomyelitis	—	—
8. Measles	—	—
9. Other infective and parasitic disease	—	1
10. Malignant neoplasm — stomach	6	1
11. Malignant neoplasm — lung, bronchus	2	1
12. Malignant neoplasm — breast	—	3
13. Malignant neoplasm — uterus	—	—
14. Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	6	5
15. Leukaemia, aleukaemia	—	—
16. Diabetes	—	—
17. Vascular lesions of nervous system	10	18
18. Coronary disease angina	24	12
19. Hypertension with heart disease	1	2
20. Other heart disease	14	12
21. Other circulatory disease	2	3
22. Influenza	—	—
23. Pneumonia	—	3
24. Bronchitis	10	3
25. Other diseases of respiratory system	5	1
26. Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	—	1
27. Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	1	—
28. Nephritis and Nephrosis	—	1
29. Hyperplasia of prostate	2	—
30. Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	—	—
31. Congenital malformations	—	3
32. Other defined and ill-defined diseases	6	8
33. Motor vehicles accidents	2	1
34. All other accidents	1	1
35. Suicide	1	—
36. Homicide and operations of war	1	—

CANCER DEATHS

Sex	Age	LOCATION OF DISEASE											
		Liver	Stomach	Ovary	Tongue	Bowel	Breast	Lung	Prostate	Sigmoid Colon	Abdomen	Carcinomatosis	Bladder
F	33							1					
F	40					1							
M	49		1										
M	54									1			
M	60		1										
M	61							2					
F	64	1					1						
M	64												1
F	65										1	1	
M	65	1											
F	66	1											
M	66		1										
M	68		1										
M	70		1										
F	73			1									
F	76	1											
M	76		1										
F	77						1						
M	79								1				
M	80				1								
M	81				1								
Total		4	6	1	2	1	2	3	1	1	1	1	1

INSPECTIONS for the purpose of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises (1)	M/c line No. (2)	Number on Register (3)	Number of		
			Inspections (4)	Written notices (5)	Occupiers prosecuted (6)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	1	1	1	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	2	26	21	—	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	3	—	—	—	—
TOTAL		27	22	—	—

Cases in which defects were found, None—Outwork, Nil.

J. FERGUSON,

Medical Officer of Health.

URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF ADWICK-LE-STREET ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

W. SENIOR, M.A.P.H.I.

FOR THE YEAR 1958

To the Chairman and Members of the Urban District Council of
Adwic-le-Street.

Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting my annual report for 1958.

I have set out in the following pages details of the inspections made in the District and notices served, both informal and formal, under the provisions of the several Acts of Parliament and Regulations which empower Local Authorities to carry out their duties. Details of work carried out upon notices served are also recorded.

HOUSING.

Slum Clearance.

Of the 8 Clearance Orders made in 1957 six have been confirmed. Of the 6 confirmed Orders no objections were made in 5 cases and in the sixth case, the East View (Carcroft) No. 2 Clearance Order, 1957, objections were withdrawn in respect of 4 houses and the appeal heard in respect of two houses. The Order was subsequently confirmed. As regards the remaining 2 Clearance Areas objections were made by the Owners in both cases, namely Doncaster Lane (Woodlands-Woodlands East) Clearance Order, 1957, and the Village Street (Adwick-le-Street) Clearance Order, 1957. An Inquiry was held on the 2nd October 1958, at which the owners submitted schemes for reconditioning the houses in each area. The schemes were subsequently accepted by the Ministry, the owners being given the opportunity to carry out the repairs. Consequently these two Orders were not confirmed.

Details of each Clearance Order are set out below.

1. Malt Kiln Cottages (Old Skellow) Clearance Order, 1957—Confirmed.
3 houses.
2. Chestnut Avenue (Carcroft) Clearance Order, 1957—Confirmed.
2 houses.
3. Skellow Road (Carcroft) Clearance Order, 1957 No. 1—Confirmed
7 houses.

4. Old Skellow Clearance Order, 1957—Confirmed. 2 houses.
5. Skellow Road (Carcroft) Clearance Order, 1957 No. 2—Confirmed. 2 houses.
6. Doncaster Lane (Woodlands East) Clearance Order, 1957 — Not confirmed. 2 houses.
7. Village Street (Adwick-le-Street) Clearance Order, 1957 — Not confirmed.
8. East View (Carcroft) No. 2, Clearance Order, 1957 — Confirmed. 6 houses.

Considerable housing repair work has been carried out under both the provisions of the Housing Act, 1957 and the Public Health Act, 1936, but there is a difficulty in getting work of this nature completed owing to the amount of new building construction now in operation.

Rent Act, 1957.

During the year twenty-five applications for Certificates of Disrepair were received. Owners have been notified in each case of the Council's intention to issue a Certificate of Disrepair and in 24 cases owners agreed to carry out the work within the time allowed. A Certificate of Disrepair was issued in the remaining case.

For the first time it has been necessary to go to Court and obtain a warrant to enter a dwellinghouse.

TENTS, VANS, SHEDS and SIMILAR STRUCTURES.

We still get the occasional caravan dweller on the outskirts of the district. They seem to occupy themselves hawking and dealing. Generally speaking we manage to keep the district fairly clear of this kind of dwelling.

AIR RAID SHELTERS.

During the year a number of these structures have been demolished, with the permission of the Home Office, because of their dangerous condition. Unfortunately many remain and have become a serious nuisance to the occupiers of the houses on whose premises they are built. It would be in the interests of public health if they could all be demolished.

FLOODING.

During the year flooding has been experienced at Highfields, Adwick, Woodlands and Carcroft after abnormal rainfall.

SKELLOW PADDLING POOL.

It was found necessary to close the paddling pool at Skellow because of contamination.

FIRE ESCAPE.

The District Council is responsible under the Factory Act, 1937 for certifying that factories are provided with means of escape in case of fire. In connection with this work the Home Office advises District Councils to seek the opinion of the County Fire Officer. This advice has been accepted and the County Fire Officer called in to inspect all premises. In each case the occupiers are made aware of his recommendations and requested to comply with them. In addition to factories, Local Authorities also have responsibilities under Sections 59 and 60 of the Public Health Act, 1936 to ensure that certain public and other buildings are provided with exits and entrances and that certain high buildings have proper means of escape from fire. These requirements have taken up a certain amount of time. Many buildings have had to be surveyed and the attention of the owners and occupiers called to the foregoing provisions.

I am pleased to be able to report that on the whole the work has proceeded satisfactorily.

FOOD HYGIENE REGULATIONS.

It is again pleasing to be able to report that progress has been made in this field in regard to the installation of equipment essential in this class of work. Details of the improvements effected are set out later in the report.

FOOD SUPPLY.

One retailer of food (fish) for human consumption has been removed from the register. He was found, on several occasions after removal from the register, to be hawking food, for which he was prosecuted and convicted.

In addition a prosecution was taken out against a food hawker for the storage of food on unregistered premises. A fine was imposed in this case.

RODENT CONTROL.

This work has been carried out very satisfactorily in the district since 1946. A change of personnel took place during the year and some time elapsed before we were able to find a successor. It was interesting to note the rapid build up of the rodent population in a comparatively short space of time.

RETURNS OF INSPECTIONS

Inspection of dwellinghouses	296
Suitability for tenancy in other districts	12
Slum Clearance	121
Investigations of infectious disease and food poisoning	22
Investigation of complaints	76
Dwellinghouses regarding dirty and infested condition	15
Overcrowding	1
Tents, Vans, Sheds and similar structures	23
Caravan sites	9
Schools	23
Factories	22
Shops re Shops Act	16
Licensed premises and clubs	41
Dairies	30
Fried Fish Shops	26
Food preparing premises	37
Shops — meat and other food	117
Drains	142
Visits to steam raising plants	—
Cafes, Canteens and Kitchens	16
Premises re Rodents	43
Premises re swine, fowl and other animals	50
Air-raid shelters	64
Sewers	8
Milk Delivery Vehicles	52
Streams and watercourses	6
Cesspool	2
Miscellaneous visits	22
Premises with regard to water supply	51
Markets	23
Meat Stalls	45
Fish Stalls	20
Stalls of other food	185
Collieries and colliery spoilbanks	8
Railways' smoke	7
Smoke — visit to Plant etc.	12
Refuse tips	22
Premises re offensive accumulations	3
Flooding complaints	15
Shops re food hygiene regulations	43
Food vehicles	40
Re-inspections	561
Premises dis-infested	20
No. of milk samples taken for chemical analysis	18
No. of milk samples taken for examination for B. tuberculosis	220

No. of pasteurised milk samples taken for methylene blue and phosphotase test	...	...	...	...	...	36
No. of T.T. (Pasteurised) milk samples taken for methylene blue and phosphotase test	...	...	...	...	...	24
No. of water samples taken for bacteriological examination	...	...	...	...	...	51
No. of ice cream samples taken for methylene blue test	...	...	...	...	...	72
No. of informal notices outstanding 31st December 1957	...	...	...	...	...	79
No. of informal notices served during 1958	...	...	...	...	...	195
						—
				Total	...	274
						—
No. of informal notices complied with during 1958	...	...	...	...	...	177
						—
No. of informal notices outstanding 31st December, 1958	...	...	...	...	...	97
						—
No. of formal notices outstanding 31st December, 1957	...	...	...	...	...	8
No. of formal notices served during 1958	...	...	...	...	...	23
						—
				Total	...	31
						—
No. of formal notices complied with during 1958	...	...	...	...	...	14
						—
No. of formal notices outstanding 31st December, 1958	...	...	...	...	...	17
						—

DWELLINGHOUSES

Living Rooms.

New Window fasteners provided	...	...	...	...	...	1
Old Windows reglazed	...	...	...	...	...	1
Window frames repaired	...	...	...	...	...	2
Window cords renewed	...	...	...	...	...	3
Dampness in walls prevented	...	...	...	...	...	12
Plaster of walls repaired	...	...	...	...	...	5
Plaster of ceilings repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1
Dampness of ceilings prevented	...	...	...	...	...	3
Floors repaired	...	...	...	...	...	11
Sub-floor ventilation provided	...	...	...	...	...	3
Doors repaired	...	...	...	...	...	4
New fireplaces provided	...	...	...	...	...	4
Old fireplaces repaired	...	...	...	...	...	10
New cooking ranges provided	...	...	...	...	...	11
Leaking hot water cylinder repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1
Weatherboard and threshold provided	...	...	...	...	...	3

Sleeping Rooms.

Window frames repaired	...	...	...	...	...	7
Windows reglazed	...	...	...	...	...	1
New window fasteners provided	...	...	...	...	...	6
Window cords renewed	...	...	...	...	...	10
Dampness in walls prevented	...	...	...	...	...	15
Plaster of walls repaired	...	...	...	...	...	10
Dampness of ceiling prevented	...	...	...	...	...	12
Plaster of ceiling repaired	...	...	...	...	...	16
Floors repaired	...	...	...	...	...	4
Doors repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1

Staircase Lobby.

Plaster of walls repaired	...	...	...	...	...	2
Defective floor repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1

Staircases.

Plaster of walls repaired	...	...	...	...	...	2
Plaster of ceilings repaired	...	...	...	...	...	3
Ceiling rendered free from dampness	...	...	...	...	...	2
Old steps repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1
Defective treads and risers renewed	...	...	...	...	...	2
All missing balusters restored	...	...	...	...	...	1
Guard rails repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1
Hand rails provided or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	4

Sculleries or Wash Kitchens.

Windows reglazed	...	...	...	...	...	1
Window cords renewed	...	...	...	...	...	4
Dampness prevented in walls	...	...	...	...	...	2
Plaster of walls repaired	...	...	...	...	...	2
Plaster of ceiling repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1
New sinks provided	...	...	...	...	...	12
Waste pipes trapped	...	...	...	...	...	1
Waste pipes renewed	...	...	...	...	...	3
Waste pipes repaired	...	...	...	...	...	3
Water service restored to sink	...	...	...	...	...	1
Coppers repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1
Coppers removed	...	...	...	...	...	1
Floors repaired	...	...	...	...	...	7
Doors repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1
Defective entrance step repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1

Food Stores.

Walls rendered free from dampness	...	...	...	...	...	4
Plaster of walls repaired	...	...	...	...	...	3
Plaster of ceilings repaired	...	...	...	...	...	2
Windows reglazed	...	...	...	...	...	1
Windows repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1
Floor repaired	2
Ventilated	1

Passages.

Defective wood floor repaired	2
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Bathrooms.

Dampness in walls prevented	2
Defective sash cords repaired	1
Defective plaster of ceiling repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1
New wash basins provided	...	...	...	...	...	1

Attics.

Walls and ceilings rendered free from dampness	...	...	...	...	...	2
Staircase repaired	...	...	...	...	...	2

External.

Roofs repaired	...	...	...	...	...	26
Yards repaired	...	...	...	...	...	7
Brickwork of yard gate lintel repaired	...	...	...	...	...	5
Yard gates repaired	...	...	...	...	...	3
Eaves gutters provided	...	...	...	...	...	12
Eaves gutters cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	18
Eaves gutters repaired	...	...	...	...	...	13
Fall pipes provided	...	...	...	...	...	8
Fall pipes repaired	...	...	...	...	...	71
Fall pipes disconnected from drains	...	...	...	...	...	1
Valley guttering renewed	...	...	...	...	...	5
Walls repointed	...	...	...	...	...	31
Chimney stacks repointed	...	...	...	...	...	14
Chimney stacks repaired	...	...	...	...	...	2
Chimney pots provided	...	...	...	...	...	4
Flaunchings remade	...	...	...	...	...	14
Defective brickwork restored	...	...	...	...	...	9
Lead dressings remade	...	...	...	...	...	13
Steps repaired	...	...	...	...	...	2

General.

Defective cold water storage tank	...	...	...	...	1
New cold water tap provided	...	...	...	...	3
Ball valve cold water storage tank provided	...	...	...	...	1
Boundary walls repaired	...	...	...	...	2

Outbuildings.

Coal Stores.

Verge fillets remade	...	...	...	...	...	1
Roofs repaired	...	...	...	...	...	5
Lead flashings remade	...	...	...	...	...	1
Walls repointed	...	...	...	...	...	2
Doors repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1

Water Closets.

Roofs repaired	...	...	...	...	...	8
Walls repaired	...	...	...	...	...	10
Walls rendered free from dampness	...	...	...	...	...	2
Ceiling plaster repaired	...	...	...	...	...	4
Window frame repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1
Floors repaired	...	...	...	...	...	2
Doors repaired	...	...	...	...	...	3
Flushing cisterns repaired	...	...	...	...	...	10
New cisterns fixed	...	...	...	...	...	1
Cisterns repaired	...	...	...	...	...	2
Seats provided	...	...	...	...	...	5
New pedestals provided	...	...	...	...	...	11
Joint between flush pipe and pedestal repaired	...	...	...	...	...	5
Joint between pedestal and drain repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1
Water supply pipe repaired	...	...	...	...	...	22
Water pipes repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1

Fire Prevention.

Heat detector heads provided	...	...	...	...	4
Passages to be kept free	...	...	...	...	1
Metal container provided for combustible material	...	...	...	...	1
Licences exhibited outside in Pursuance of the Public Health Act	...	...	...	...	3
Door mats replaced in well	...	...	...	...	1
Exit signs provided with independent electricity supply	...	...	...	...	8
No smoking notices displayed in bedrooms	...	...	...	...	1
Door at foot of stairs provided with hook so it may be kept open when public are on the premises	...	...	...	...	1
Gas supply checked	...	...	...	...	1
Electricity supply checked	...	...	...	...	1
Alarm bell installed	...	...	...	...	1

Drains.

Surface water drains cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Reconstructed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Ventilation pipes cleansed and cage fixed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Inspection chambers built	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Inspection chambers repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Inspection chamber cover provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
Drains relayed from intercepting chamber to sewer	2

Accumulation of rubbish.

Removed	2
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Vermin.

Bugs	4
Ants	6
Cockroaches	4
Silverfish	6

FOOD HYGIENE REGULATIONS, 1955.

(Shops, schools and clubs)

Wash hand basins provided with hot and cold water laid on	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23
Sinks for washing food and equipment, with hot and cold water laid on	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Hot water to existing sink provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Hot water to existing wash hand basin	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Gas geysers provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Electric water heaters provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Immersion heaters provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
First aid equipment provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Clothes storage cupboards provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Nail brushes, soap, clean cloths and towels provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23
Legible notices asking users of conveniences to wash their hands after use	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Walls rendered free from dampness	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Fly infestation	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Food rooms cleansed and redecorated	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
Dirty equipment cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Unsatisfactory conditions of yard	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
New pedestals provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Flush pipes repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Flushing cisterns repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Artificial lighting improved in food preparing rooms	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Electric heating installed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Bins provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Ventilation provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Obstructed gullies cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3

INSPECTION OF FOOD SUPPLY

The following articles of food have been destroyed :

UN SOUND FOOD, 1958 :

JAMS

Plum	2 jars	Apricot	4 jars
Raspberry	2 jars	Marmalade	3 jars
Blackcurrant	9 jars	Strawberry	10 jars

TINNED FRUIT

Plums	4 tins	Pears	11 tins
Apricots	4 tins	Oranges	7 tins
Peaches	11 tins	Fruit Salad	3 tins
Pineapple	25 tins	Grapes	1 tin
Cherries	2 tins		

TINNED VEGETABLES, SOUPS, Etc.

Tomatoes	255 tins	Carrots	3 tins
Tomato Juice	1 tin	Vegetable Soup	3 tins
Peas	10 tins	Chicken Soup	1 tin
Tomato Soup	2 tins	Chutney	1 jar
Beans (stringless)	1 tin	Beetroot	1 jar
Baked Beans	11 tins		

TINNED FISH

Salmon	11 tins	Silds	1 tin
Pilchards	1 tin	Tuna Fish	1 tin
Crab	6 tins		

TINNED MEAT, Etc.

Corned Beef	11 tins	Stewed Steak	8 tins
Luncheon Meat	7 tins	Danish Pork	1 tin
Tinned Sausages	1 tin	Steak and Gravy	3 tins
Minced Chicken	1 jar	Minced Beef Loaf	2 tins

LOOSE MEAT

Bacon	128 lb. 11 oz.	Tongue	21 $\frac{3}{4}$ lb.
Cooked Ham	73 $\frac{3}{4}$ lb.	Luncheon Meat	24 lb.
Sausage	16 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb.	Corned Beef	28 lb.
Veal	9 lb.		

FATS

Cheese	94½ lb.	Cheese	1 pkt.
Margarine	1½ lb.	Butter	1½ lb.

BISCUITS

Cream Crackers	10 pkts.	Chocolate Biscuits	2 pkts.
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SUNDRIES

Cream	1 tin	Tinned Rice	2 tins
Milk	15 tins	Custard Powder	2 tins
Coffee	1 bottle	Sauce	8 bottles
Sponge Mixtures	1 pkt.	Bournvita	1 tin
Nescafe	1 tin	Tea	¼ lb.
Cereals	5 pkts.	Lassie	2 tins
Chocolate Rolls	4	Sugar	2 lb.
Jam Rolls	29	Flour	3 lb.
Cake	10 lb.	Coconut	½ lb.
Iced Fondants	1 pkt.		

VEGETABLES

Tomtaoes	18 lb.
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Details of meat found to be diseased and unfit for human consumption, and destroyed:—

1 Pig carcase and organs.

FOOD & DRUGS ACT, 1955.

By the Sale of Milk Regulations, milk has to contain not less than 3 per cent fat, and not less than 8.5 per cent solids other than fat.

It is also an offence to add either colouring matter or preservatives to milk.

During the year under review 18 milk samples have been taken for chemical analysis; all were found to be genuine.

ICE-CREAM (Heat Treatment, etc.) REGULATIONS, 1947 - 1952

The regulations broadly require that, subject to certain qualifications, the ingredients of ice-cream shall be heat-treated after being mixed, and that the mixture shall then be cooled until the freezing process has begun. After freezing, the ice-cream must not be sold unless it has been kept at a temperature of not more than 28°F, or if its temperature has risen above 28°F, unless it has again been heat treated and then kept at not more than 28°F after being frozen.

In the circular accompanying the regulations it is stated that as yet no test has been devised the reliability of which is sufficiently established to justify its use as a statutory test, non-compliance with which would constitute an offence. However, attention is being drawn to a form of methylene blue test, and it is suggested that if out of the four grades recommended ice-cream consistently fails to reach Grades 1 and 2, it would be reasonable to regard this as indicating defects of manufacture or of handling which calls for further investigation.

Of the 72 ice-cream samples taken:—

58 or 80.56% samples were in Grade 1 — Satisfactory.

7 or 9.72% samples were in Grade 2 — Satisfactory.

3 or 4.16% samples were in Grade 3 — Unsatisfactory.

4 or 5.56% samples were in Grade 4 — Unsatisfactory.

WATER SUPPLY.

During the year 51 samples of water have been obtained and submitted for bacteriological examination. 41 were satisfactory and 10 were unsatisfactory.

The attention of the suppliers, the Don Valley Water Board, was called to certain unsatisfactory water supplies which were immediately investigated by them. It was found that a defective water storage tank was the cause of contamination and the necessary repair work was carried out. Further samples were taken after the work was completed when the water was found to be clear of contamination.

The Districts affected were Woodlands East and Highfields.

**PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949.
REPORT FOR 12 MONTHS ENDED 31st MARCH, 1959.**

	TYPE OF PROPERTY				
	(1) Local Authority Dwelling Houses including	(2) Council Houses All other (inc. Business	(3) Premises), Totals of Cols.	(4) (1) (2) and (3)	(5) Agricultural
I—Number of properties in Local Authority's District (Notes 1 and 2).	22	5335	202	5559	18
II—Number of properties inspected as a result of:					
(a) Notification	1	22	3	26	1
(b) Survey under the Act	21	3848	148	4017	14
(c) Otherwise (e.g. when visited primarily for some other purpose	—	—	—	—	—
III—Total inspections carried out—including re-inspections	69	3870	151	4090	15
(To be completed only if figures are readily available) .					
IV—Number of properties inspected (in Sec II) which were found to be infested by:					
(a) Rates—Major	1	—	—	1	—
Minor	19	38	15	72	9
(b) Mice—Major	—	—	—	—	—
Minor	—	4	18	22	—
V—Number of infested properties (in Sec IV) treated by the L.A. (Figures should NOT exceed those given at Sect. IV)	20	42	33	95	9
VI—Total Treatments carried out — including re-treatments (to be completed only if figures are readily available).	41	43	48	132	9
VII—Number of Notices served under Sect. IV of the Act:					
(a) Treatment	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Structural Work ... (i.e., proofing)	—	—	—	—	—
VIII—Number of cases in which default action was taken following the issue of a notice under Sect. 4 of the Act	—	—	—	—	—

Number of "Block Control" Schemes carried out.

All treatments carried out on the Block Control Scheme



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