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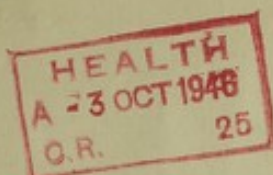
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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH


FOR THE YEAR

1945



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THE MAYOR, ALDERMEN AND COUNCILLORS
OF THE BOROUGH OF
ALDERSHOT.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my first post-war Annual Report on the Health and Sanitary conditions of the Borough for the year 1945.

It has been decided to retain the war-time lay-out of the report and to issue it in type script form in the interest of economy, and having regard to the difficulties of printing etc.

I resumed my duties on the 12th September 1945, so that the first period of the year under review, Dr. Routley was still Acting Medical Officer of Health for the Borough, a position which he had held since the outbreak of war.

The Report cannot set out in full all problems which meet us to-day in these difficult post-war times, some of which must be accepted as insoluble until conditions return to normal. I refer mainly to the low standards of housing which must be expected, with the resultant overcrowding of the population, which is undoubtedly the major feature affecting the health of the people to-day. Counteracting this we have the excellent standards of nutrition which exists amongst all classes, due no doubt to our continuance of existing war-time feeding arrangements and rationing in regard to the issue of the basic and protective foods. The issue of Vitamin Supplements has undoubtedly played an important part although the figures in the report show that greater use could be made of their free or part-free issue by the mothers on behalf of themselves and their young children.

I ask the Committee to accept this Report in this abridged form, and to express my thanks for their warm welcome on my return from War Service, and their continued confidence which they have placed in me and my staff.

I am,

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

J. CRAIG LINDSAY

Medical Officer of Health.

1. The first part of the report is a general statement of the purpose and scope of the study.

2. The second part is a description of the methods used in the study.

3. The third part is a description of the results of the study.

4. The fourth part is a discussion of the results and their implications for practice and research.

5. The fifth part is a conclusion and a list of references.

6. The sixth part is an appendix containing the raw data and the calculations used in the study.

7. The seventh part is a list of tables and figures.

8. The eighth part is a list of abbreviations and a glossary of terms.

9. The ninth part is a list of acknowledgments.

10. The tenth part is a list of footnotes.

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HEALTH COMMITTEE AT DECEMBER 31st 1945.

His Worship the Mayor (Alderman J.W. White, J.P.)

CHAIRMAN

Councillor G. Roberts

Aldermen

Mrs. E. C. Garratt.

C. J. Porter

CouncillorsMrs. N. P. Bennett Snell, S. N. Christmas, W. G. Eddy, F. A. Ricketts,
Miss M. E. Kemp, A. J. Sims, F. Stay, Lt. Colonel H. D. Tanner, O. B. E.

Colonel C. D. K. Seaver.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE

His Worship the Mayor (Alderman J.W. White, J.P.)

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Councillor Mrs. N. P. Bennett Snell

Aldermen

W. M. R. Davis M. B. E., Mrs. E. C. Garratt, C. J. Porter.

Councillors

T. H. Day, W. G. Eddy, Mrs. C. Howells B. Sc., Miss M. E. Kemp, H. T. Reeves

Colonel C. D. K. Seaver.

Co-opted MembersThe Mayoress (Mrs. E. Middleton), Miss E. P. Hughes, Mesdames M. Clement,
E. Stacey.OFFICERS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Medical Officer of Health:- J. Craig Lindsay, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Chief Sanitary Inspector, Meat F. Whitehead, Cert. R.S.I.
and Food Inspector, and Hackney R.S.I. Meat and Food Certificate.
Carriage Inspector; and Shops
Act Inspector.Additional Sanitary Inspectors W. E. Roberts, Cert. R.S.I.,
R.S.I. Meat and Food Certificate.
(Mr. Roberts returned D. P. Broad, Cert. R.S.I.
from War Service on R.S.I. Meat and Food Certificate,
December 3rd 1945) R.S.I. Tropical Hygiene.Health Visitors - Infant Life Protection VisitorsMrs. M. R. Rowden, S.R.N., S.C.M., R.S.I.
Miss J. O. Roberts, S.R.N., S.C.M., R.S.I.Domiciliary Midwives - Nurse K. Jinks, S.R.M.
Nurse S. D. Rogers, S.R.N.
Nurse L. Kernick, S.C.M. G.A.
Nurse M. Dunn, S.R.M., S.R.N., R.S.C.N., G.A.Medical Superintendent,
Isolation Hospital.

J. Craig Lindsay, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Matron, Isolation Hospital
Clerical AssistantsMrs. A. McDougall Steven, S.R.N., S.C.M.
Miss I. Smerdon, Miss G. Lodge, R.F.N.

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ANNUAL REPORT

For the Year ended December 31st 1945.

VITAL STATISTICS

Estimated population for mid-year 1945... .. 23,290
(Excluding Military personnel)

The following are submitted by courtesy of the Local Food Executive Officer:-

Total population of Aldershot as at December 1945.....25,281

Number of children in age-group 0 - 5 years..... 2,386

Number of children in age-group 5 -18 years..... 5,244

Number of available houses..... 5,777

Number of houses with shops..... 361

Number of Licensed Premises..... 79

Rateable value (December 1945).....£.277,884

Acreege - Civil 1,432: South Camp - 2,746 Total.... 4,178

LIVE BIRTHS

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	205	183	388
Illegitimate	<u>54</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>105</u>
Total excluding South Camp)	<u>259</u>	<u>234</u>	<u>493</u>

STILLBIRTHS

Legitimate	4	6	10
Illegitimate	2	1	<u>3</u>
			<u>13</u>

Birth Rate per 1,000 of the population 21
(Comparability factor not available for 1945)

DEATHS (Excluding South Camp)

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Deaths	142	155	297
Death Rate			12.5
Infantile Deaths.....			24
Infantile Death Rate per 1,000 Live Births.....			48

Principal Causes of Death

Heart Disease	81	Nephritis	7
Cancer	48	Road Accidents and	
Cerebral Lesions	29	other Violent Causes	6
Bronchitis	19	Suicide	1
Pneumonia	13	Syphilitic Diseases	1
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	10	Diabetes	2
Non Pulmonary Tuberculosis	1	Maternal Causes	4
Other Respiratory		Diphtheria	3
Diseases	4	All other causes	26
Other Circulatory			
Diseases	7		
Premature Births	5		

LABORATORY FACILITIES

Pathological and Bacteriological Examinations are carried out at the County Laboratory, The Castle, Winchester, and the Public Health Laboratory at the Royal Hampshire County Hospital, Winchester. Owing to the distance, however, (some 30 miles) urgent examinations may be delayed.

These urgent examinations, by courtesy of the Military Authorities can be carried out at the Leisham Laboratory, Cambridge Hospital. The ideal arrangement would be to have a readily available laboratory service for General Practitioners where they can visit the laboratory personally and discuss their problems. This would undoubtedly be a great step forward in the Diagnostic facilities in this neighbourhood. In the re-organization which has been promised for the future, it is to be hoped that this defect will be remedied.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES

For Accident and Sickness

1 2-stretcher Ambulance stationed at Ambulance Depot, Laburnum Road.

For Infectious Diseases

Cases of this nature are transported by arrangement with the Farnborough Urban District Council. The ideal arrangement would be to have Ambulance Facilities based on the Isolation Hospital itself, and this provision has not yet been given up as impracticable. Advantage will be taken of an appropriate moment to raise the question again when it is hoped to have the agreement of the constituent authorities to the Isolation Hospital Scheme without whose co-operation the proposition would be uneconomic.

NURSING IN THE HOME.

The Aldershot Borough Council have continued their grant of £.150 per annum to the Aldershot District Nursing Association, and the Borough Council have representation on the Management Committee. The shortage of Hospital beds and the lack of staff have undoubtedly thrown an additional strain on the facilities for nursing in the home, and there is no doubt that this provision could be increased with advantage. No further steps can be taken in this matter, however, pending future developments in the area.

HOSPITALS PROVIDED OR SUBSIDISED BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY OR OTHERWISE

GENERAL

Aldershot General Hospital (50 Beds) (Voluntary)
Cambridge Hospital (Military only)
EMERGENCY cases are being sent to the Royal Surrey County Hospital, Guildford, and to the County Hospital, Farnham, Surrey, when beds are available.

MATERNITY

Maternity Unit - attached General Hospital (14 Beds)
(Provided by the Aldershot Borough Council)
Louise Margaret Hospital (Military only)

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Aldershot Civil Isolation Hospital (48 beds)
Military Isolation Hospital (Military only)

TABLE 1.

TREATMENT CENTRES AND CLINICS

<u>Description</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Where held</u>	<u>Times</u>	<u>By whom held</u>
<u>Child Welfare Centres.</u>	Child Welfare	Manor Park House	Mondays 2 p.m. Fridays 2 p.m.	Aldershot Borough Council.
<u>Ante Natal Clinics.</u>	Examination and supervision of Expectant Mothers.	Manor Park House.	Thursdays 2 p.m. (Dr. Page) 1st. & 3rd. Tuesday in month (Dr. Dobbin).	Aldershot Borough Council.
<u>Diphtheria Immunization</u>	Protection of children against Diphtheria.	Manor Park House.	1st. Wednesday in month 2 p.m. (Dr. Page)	Aldershot Borough Council.
<u>Minor Ailment Clinic.</u>	Treatment of Minor Ailments.	School Clinic	Every morning at 9.30a.m.	Hampshire County Council (Local Education Authority).
<u>Dental Clinic</u>	Dental Treatment School Clinic (Schoolchildren).		Morning and afternoon sessions - weekdays.	Hampshire County Council (Local Education Authority).
<u>M. & C. W. Dental</u>	Treatment of Expectant and Nursing mothers and children under 5 yrs.	"	Every Tuesday at 2 p.m. (Gas session fortnightly)	Aldershot Borough Council.
<u>Ophthalmic Clinic</u>	Examination of School Clinic. ophthalmic cases and prescription of spectacles.		Sessions fixed as necessary (Children under 5 years seen by arrangement).	Hampshire County Council (Local Education Authority).
<u>Orthopaedic Clinic (Surgeon's Clinic)</u>	Examination and supervision of muscle, joint defects	St. Mark's Church Rooms, Fernborough.	1st. Tuesday in each month	Hampshire County Council (Local Education Authority).
<u>Remedial Exercises Clinic</u>	Treatment of orthopaedic cases.	St. Mark's Church Rooms Fernborough.	Every Wednesday (Morning and afternoon sessions).	Hampshire County Council (Local Education Authority).
<u>Scabies and Cleansing Centre.</u>	Treatment of Scabies and other Vermineous conditions.	Cleansing Centre, Laburnum Road.	Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9 - 12.	Aldershot Borough Council.

TABLE 1 (Continued).

<u>Description.</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Whereheld</u>	<u>Times</u>	<u>By whom held</u>
<u>Tuberculosis Dispensary</u>	Examination of definite and suspected cases of Tuberculosis.	Manor Park House.	Tuesdays and Saturdays 10-12.	Hampshire County Council.
<u>Venereal Disease Clinic.</u>	Treatment of Venereal Disease.	Manor Park House.	Males Mondays 5 - 7 Females Wednesdays morning and afternoon sessions.	Hampshire County Council.
<u>Women's Welfare Clinic</u>	Birth Control	"Cranford" 16, Northbrook Rd. Aldershot (Miss Hughes)	1st. and 2nd. Tuesdays in month at 2 p.m.	Women's Welfare Association.

TREATMENT CENTRES AND CLINICS

See Table I.

The great shortage of general and special hospital beds is gradually becoming more widely known and appreciated in this area and we look forward to an early decision on hospital facilities available for the Borough as visualised under the proposed National Health Service Bill. In this connection, the Ministry of Health's review of the Hospital Services in this area has been read with interest, while the work and publications issued by the Nuffield Provincial Hospital Trust - Surrey Hospital District Council, have also been noted. Copies are available for the use of those interested.

Many differences of opinion must exist locally, i.e., in the surrounding areas, as to the proposed siting of the additional Hospital facilities, which by general consent, are urgently required for the town. Whether it shall be extension of existing Institutions or the building of a new Institution altogether, is a matter for future decision. Naturally, speaking from the point of view of Aldershot Borough, and possibly Farnborough and Fleet as well, the site chosen should be one which is readily available to these three areas, as ample and accessible provision already exists for the adjacent areas of Guildford Rural District and *Farnham etc.*

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE SERVICES

Ante-Natal Clinic Statistics

Number of mothers who attended Clinic during 1945	...	362
Number of attendances	...	1,567
Average attendance per session	...	21

Number of cases attended by Midwives during the year (including cases in the Maternity Unit)

As Midwives	...	...	...	...	...	...	426
As Maternity Nurses	...	...	...	...	...	...	56
Total number of Births	...	...	...	...	...	...	482

Midwives practising in Aldershot During the year 1945

Nurse S.D. Rogers, 69 North Lane, Aldershot
Nurse M. Dunn, Avondale Road, Aldershot.
Nurse L. Kernick, 48 Sandford Road, Aldershot
Nurse K. Jinks, 58 St. George's Road, Aldershot.

Ante-Natal Clinic

This Clinic continues its work at the Manor Park House in weekly sessions every Thursday at 2 p.m., the work being carried out by Dr. Clifford Page, Lindum House, Eggars Hill, Aldershot. Additional Clinics are also held on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at the Manor Park House, with Dr. Dobbin, Fraynes Croft, Fleet, in attendance.

INSTITUTIONAL ACCOMMODATION FOR MATERNITY CASES

The Maternity Unit carried out a full year's work to the extent of 300 patients during 1945.

The Staff of the Maternity Unit is as follows:-

Medical Director	...	...	Colonel E. Lawton Moss, C.M.G., F.R.C.O.G.
Medical Officers	...	...	Drs. Page, Dobbin and Tipler
Anaesthetists	...	...	Drs. Tipler and Reynolds
Sister in Charge	...	...	Miss E. E. Garrett.

In common with other similar institutions, the provision of adequate nursing and domestic staff gives rise to some anxiety. In fact, at times there has existed some doubt as to whether it would be possible to carry on the essential work. At the same time we are faced with an increased demand for the admission of the "booked" cases. It has been necessary, therefore, to attempt to correlate the numbers being confined in hospital to those confined at home. Every mother who applies for booking is asked if she will consider confinement at home. If she is agreeable one of the Domiciliary Midwives is asked to visit and discuss the details involved in such a procedure. In this way, vital bed space is conserved for the anticipated abnormal or emergency cases.

Even with these precautions, it was, on occasion necessary to send mothers elsewhere for confinements as the records show, i.e., 13 were sent to Winchfield Public Assistance Institution, 2 to Farnham County Hospital and 1 to St. Paul's Hill, Winchester.

MATERNITY UNIT

The record of work done during the year is as follows:-

Origin of case.	No. of cases	No. of days maintenance	Average duration of stay
CIVIL BOROUGH	191	2,602	13
COUNTY COUNCIL	35	530	15
PRIVATE WARD	70	1,060	15
CIVIL OUTSIDE BOROUGH	4	44	14

The following further classification shows the type of work undertaken:-

Origin of case	Total	Normal	Abnormal	<u>Result child</u>		<u>Result Mother</u>	
				Dis.	Died.	Dis.	Died.
CIVIL BOROUGH	190	168	22	(Twins 1) 179	(1 mis) 10	(1 undel) 188	2
COUNTY COUNCIL	35	11	24	33	2	35	-
PRIVATE WARD	72	55	17 (Twins) 2	71	3	71	1
CIVIL OUTSIDE BOROUGH	3	1	2	2	-	3 (1 dis, not del)	-

DOMICILIARY MIDWIFERY SERVICE

This service continues to be under the administration of the Aldershot Borough Council as Welfare Authority by arrangement with the Hampshire County Council who function as Local Supervising Authority. The record of work of the midwives has already been shown, and it is interesting to note that (dealing with mothers from the Borough only) 179 cases were dealt with in the home, whereas 190 cases were dealt with in the Maternity Unit.

In common with the tendency noted throughout the country mothers to-day are tending towards institutional confinement, but, by close co-ordination of the work of the Maternity Unit and the Domiciliary Midwifery Service, it is possible to direct the cases where they can best and most efficiently be dealt with having regard to the available Midwifery staff.

Institutional Accommodation for Infectious Puerperal Cases.

This type of case, which used to cause great administrative difficulty before the war, both as regards the danger to the life of the mother herself and the risk of infecting others, has been greatly reduced in number and severity. It was a matter of particular difficulty to the smaller Welfare Authority. Modern advances in Medicine has given us treatment by sulphonamides whereby, these cases in the main, clear up rapidly. The safety of administration of these drugs causes them to be used by the General Practitioners very widely and even as a preventative measure and thus one more administrative 'headache' has been solved. Five cases of Puerperal Pyrexia were notified during 1945 and only one required removal to Hospital - in this case to the Royal Hampshire County Hospital, Winchester. This Hospital together with the Royal Berkshire County Hospital, Reading, are available when desired subject of course, always, "to a bed being available".

INFANT LIFE PROTECTION

Number of Foster Mothers registered	...	...	12
Number of Foster Children in the Town	...	...	20

The problem in Aldershot to-day is that there is a great shortage of foster-mothers. Many enquiries are received in the Health Department from mothers who wish to hand their children over to foster-mothers. The reasons for these mothers so acting, are varied and a great many are undoubtedly activated by motives which deserve little if any encouragement. Post war conditions, present economic stress and laxity in moral values which are, unfortunately, only too apparent in this area. Much time and effort is spent by the Health Visitors in this work which requires great tact and patience as in not a few instances the visits are resented and information is difficult to obtain.

DENTAL TREATMENT

No. of Mothers treated	...	...	...	...	78
Number of children under 5 years treated	...	...	...	...	22
Number of general anaesthetics given	...	...	...	...	83
Number of dentures supplied	...	...	...	...	22

Mr. E.V. O'Hara, L.D.S., carried out the dental work under a part-time appointment.

HEALTH VISITING - STATISTICS

Number of visits paid during the year by the Health Visitors:-

	<u>First Visits</u>	<u>Total Visits</u>
To Expectant Mothers	165	165
To children under 1 year	438	1,379
To children 1 - 5 years	-	<u>2,237</u>
		<u>3,781</u>

CHILD WELFARE STATISTICS

Total number of children under 5 years of age who first attended at the Centres during the year and who, on the date of their first attendance were:-

Under 1 year of age	...	...	...	...	349
Over 1 year of age	...	...	...	...	218

Total number of children under 5 years of age who attended at the Centre during the year and who, at the end of the year were:-

Under 1 year of age	...	...	...	...	325
Over 1 year of age	...	...	...	...	218

PREMATURE BABIES

No special facilities exist for the care of premature infants and of illegitimate children but such a statement does not do justice to the work done in this area for such cases. The Aldershot Borough Council acting as Welfare Authority in such a small and compact area keeps a close eye on such matters, and where such cases exist, which require special care, efforts are made either by providing special nursing care from the Health Visiting staff or via Domiciliary midwives. Appliances such as Hot Water Bottles, blankets (electric if necessary) special foods and equipment etc., are available from voluntary sources while the case remains under the close supervision of the Health Department. Illegitimate children particularly are kept under review and in a garrison town of this nature, the incidence of such cases is relatively high. The sickness and mortality rates however amongst these special children give rise to no particular anxiety.

FINANCE

The following interesting financial statistics are incorporated by courtesy of the Borough Treasurer:-

Year	Welfare Service	Midwifery Service	Maternity Unit	Total Aldershot Service	County Rate Refund
	£	£	£	£	£
1936/37	1,018	-	1,238	2,456	1,205
1937/38	1,391	63	1,320	2,774	1,222
1938/39	1,401	50	797	2,248	1,294
1939/40	1,282	Gr. 24	1,497	2,755	1,514
1940/41	1,179	80	1,601	2,860	1,289
1941/42	1,544	97	1,774	3,415	1,329
1942/43	1,427	1	1,838	3,266	1,413
1943/44	1,460	24	2,160	3,644	1,671
1944/45	1,567	Cr. 118	2,001	3,450	2,384
1945/46	1,418	27	1,922	3,367	

INCIDENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Infectious Diseases notified during 1945 (Excluding South Camp)

Measles	569	Dysentery	6
Scarlet Fever	45	Puerperal Pyrexia	5
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	34	Ophthalmia	
Non Pulmonary Tuberculosis	4	Neonatorum	1
Diphtheria	22	Pneumonia	1
Whooping Cough	9	A.P.M.	1
Erysipelas	6	Paratyphoid	

CIVIL ISOLATION HOSPITAL

The record of work for 1945 is as shown on Table II.

Unfortunately owing to a sudden demand for beds which coincided with the loss of nursing staff, the admission, care and maintenance of the advanced cases of Tuberculosis on behalf of the Hampshire County Council could not be continued and the arrangement was terminated. It will be generally agreed that the priority for available beds must apply to cases of Infectious Diseases especially in view of our commitments to the outside authorities. The Hospital serves a total population of 82,513, and while the number of beds is given as 48, the capacity of any hospital is governed by the availability of nursing staff. This applies more particularly to Isolation Hospital work where cross infection invariably follows attempts to work with a much reduced number of assistant nurses.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

The water supply of this area was fully described in my reports for the year 1935 and later supplemented in that for 1938, and such details as are contained therein can be forwarded on request to those interested.

The quality as far as chemical constituents are concerned, has remained unchanged. During the War, chlorination of the supply at source was instituted and has remained in force. During the year, the water supply has remained satisfactory in quality and quantity if one excepts the degree of hardness - Temporary 22.0° - Permanent 6.9° - Total 28.9°. Such a degree of hardness is higher than the average and the position is being kept under review.

Routine Bacteriological Tests were carried out both by the Mid Southern Utility Company and the Health Department and with one exception no trace of B.Coli or B.Welchii were found, the exception showed a presumptive coliform count per 100 ccs of 2.

No evidence of plumbosolvent action or contamination by lead was recorded while as regards organic contamination, the analyses were consistently good.

The Mid Southern Utility Company have, as usual, kindly supplied much of the above information and they also state that the number of premises supplied in December 1945 within the Aldershot Borough, excluding supplies by meter and bulk supply to W.D. premises is 5,704. No house supplies from stand pipes exist while it is interesting to note that the estimated civil population within the Borough now recorded with the Mid Southern Utility Company is 28,520.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNIZATION

The following statistics show work done during 1945.

Children who were immunized while under 1 year	...	29
Children who were immunized while between 1 - 5 years	...	286
Children who were immunized while between 5 - 9 years	...	78
Children who were immunized while between 9 - 14 years	...	6
		<u>399</u>

Number of 'Refresher' doses given during 1945

Children 4 years of age	...	...	...	...	17
Children between 5 - 9 years	...	...	...	...	268
Children between 9 - 14 years	...	...	...	...	214
					<u>499</u>

It appears that, as far as the initial immunization of the under fives goes, i.e. 9 - 12 months, the position is almost satisfactory, but where there is room for further improvement lies in the follow-up and administration of a refresher dose. Efforts towards the end of the year lay in stepping up the number of school children receiving refresher injections. Such a procedure received some stimulus in the fact that the age incidence of diphtheria in this Borough is definitely increasing indicating the need for a higher degree of immunity amongst the older children.

An intensive propaganda campaign has been initiated during 1946. Slides have been shown in cinemas, pictorial advertisements have appeared in the newspapers, and stick-on bills have been displayed. There is no doubt that this operation is bearing fruit and the response amongst the parents, even those who objected in the first place, has been favourable. The position in this Borough is not yet considered satisfactory at the present time and it is hoped to record an improvement in the numbers of children immunized during 1946.

SCABIES ORDER 1941

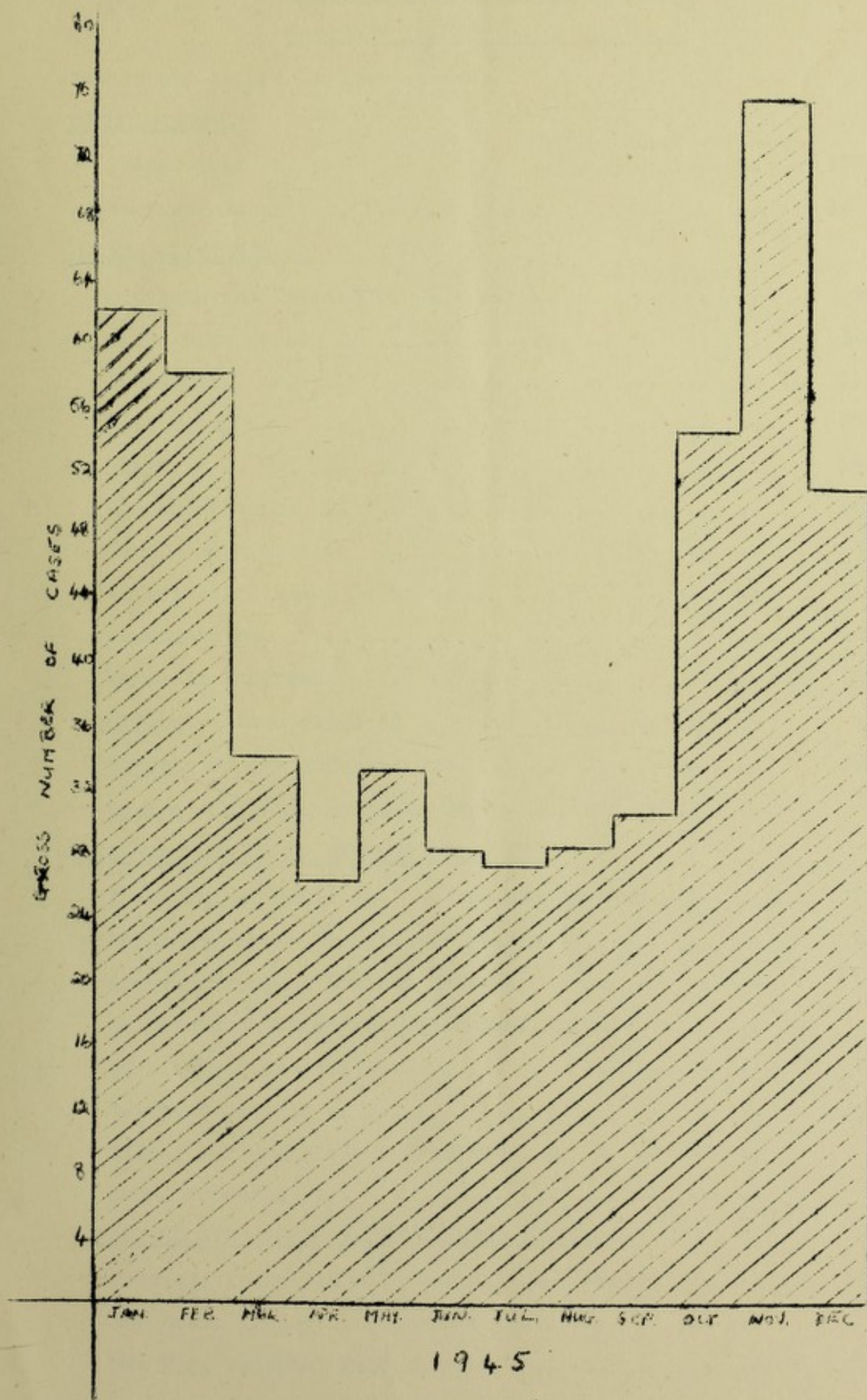
The attached Table III shows the work done at the Cleansing Centre, F.A.P., Manor Park, Aldershot during 1945, and incidentally, the incidence of cases of Scabies under treatment, arising amongst the Civil population.

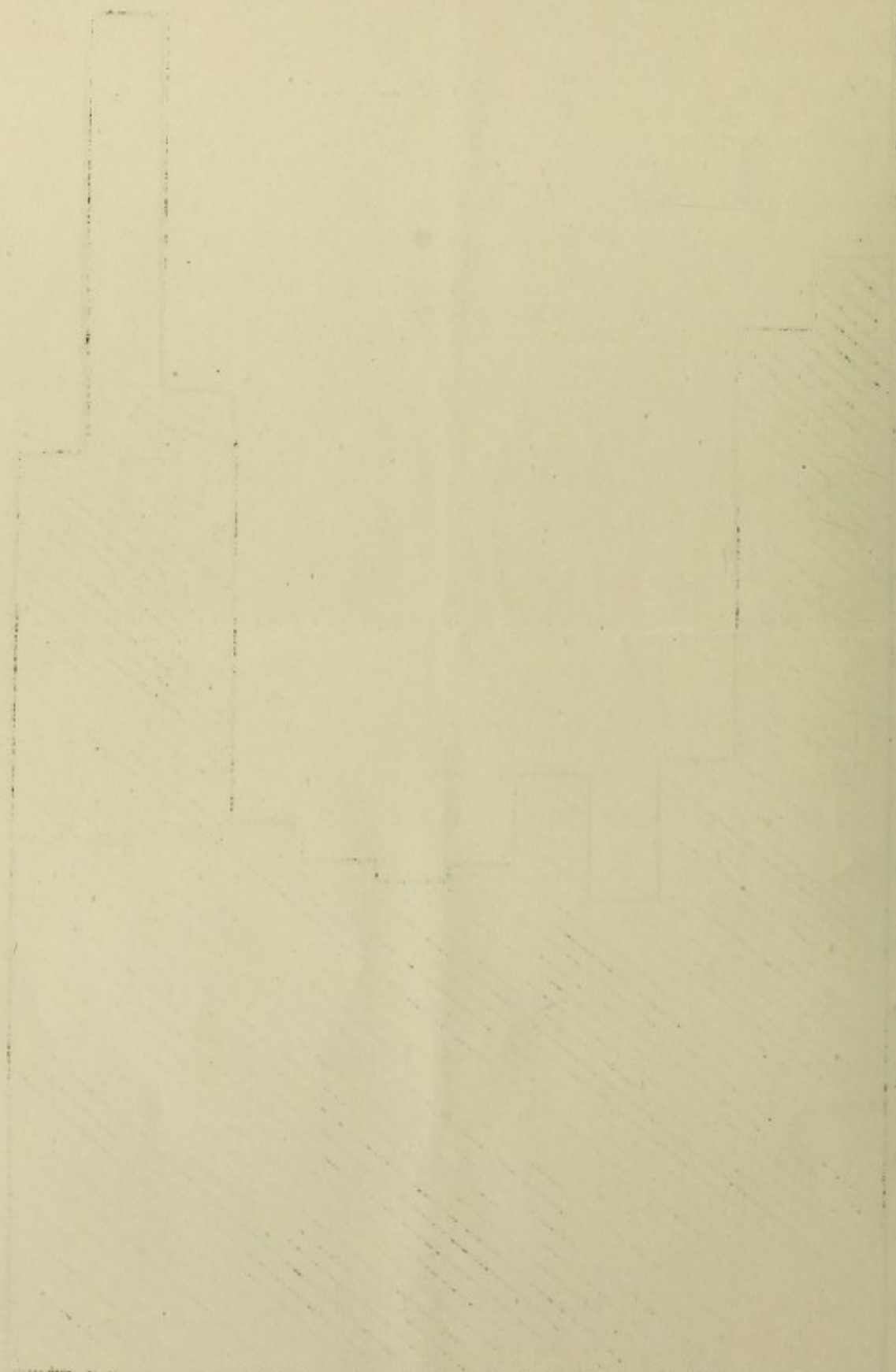
The peak of cases in November caused some anxiety and the Aldershot Borough Council decided to implement the Scabies Order 1941 to the fullest extent possible. Thus, new cases are always visited by a member of the Sanitary Inspector's Staff, while contacts are seen at the Cleansing Centre and treated if necessary. A satisfactory decrease in incidence followed these measures but it is obvious that they must be maintained if this disease, so easily cured, is to be finally eliminated. The Aldershot Borough Council have undertaken to treat on behalf of the Farnborough and Fleet Urban District Councils, cases occurring in either of these areas. Developments are now towards bringing the verminous cases within the purview of the Scabies Order, and as the Medical Officer of Health also acts as School Medical Officer for Aldershot on behalf of the Hampshire County Council as Local Education Authority, the information gained in Schools, proves useful in dealing with the problem of vermin in the home.

TABLE NO. II.

FINAL TOTAL	198
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TABLE 111.
INCIDENCE OF SCABIES IN ALDERSHOT
DURING 1945.





B O R O U G H O F A L D E R S H O T

SANITARY INSPECTORS REPORT 1945

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

Number and Nature of Inspections:-

DWELLINGHOUSES

Inspections	1370
Re-inspections	1987

NUMBER OF VISITS TO

Cowsheds and Dairies	92
Fried Fish Shops	128
Bakehouses	113
Food Premises	506
Shops	183
Slaughterhouses	803
Verminous Houses	78
Infectious Disease Cases	110
Overcrowding	3
Works in Progress	385
Offensive Accumulations	17
Reports of Rat Infestations	660
Drains subjected to Smoke Test - No. of houses ..	4

NUISANCES AND OTHER MATTERS DEALT WITH

Foul drains, W.C's etc; opened and cleared	116
Defective Water Closets and Drains	52
Accumulations of Noxious Matters	17
Nuisances arising from keeping of Animals	4
Verminous houses	78
Dustbins renewed	346
Filthy and Unwholesome Premises	9
Smoke Nuisance	1

PRINCIPLE STRUCTURAL IMPROVEMENTS CARRIED OUT

Premises installed with new drainage system	6
New Drain Inspection Chambers provided	6
New W.C. Pedestal Pans fitted	16

Yards paved or repaired	4
Water closets put in order	40
New Sinks fitted	3
Sink Wastepipes repaired or renewed	2
New Soil and Ventilating Shafts	3
Water supply re-installed	4
New gully traps provided	2
New Food Stores provided	6
New Cooking Facilities provided	2

HOUSES IMPROVED

Roofs repaired	69
Eaves Guttering repaired	22
Wall and Ceiling Plaster renewed	83
Scullery Floors reformed	2
Other Floors reformed	62
Firegrates renewed or repaired	4
Windows repaired and made to open	66
Doors repaired	18
Stairs retreaded	1
Damp walls remedied	46
Walls and Ceilings cleansed (Rooms)	100
Cooking ranges repaired	30
Washing Coppers repaired	8
Chimneys repaired or renewed	2

NUMBER OF NOTICES SERVED DURING THE YEAR

Informal	609
Statutory Public Health Act 1936, Section 39	2
" " " " " " 75	52
" " " " " " 83	2
" " " " " " 93	26
" Housing Act 1936, Section 66(2)	1
" Rats and Mice Destruction Act 1919, Section 5. 1	

ADMINISTRATION OF THE ACTS AND BYELAWS RELATING TO
HOUSING

Unhealthy Areas

(1) Clearance Areas	NIL
(2) Improvement Areas	NIL

Number of Houses Owned by the Local Authority

(1) Under the Housing Act, 1930.	110
(2) Other Powers	540

Number of Houses Erected during the year

(1) By Local Authority.. .. .	NIL
(2) By other bodies or persons.. .. .	NIL

HOUSING STATISTICS

(1) Inspection of Dwellinghouses during the year

1. (a) Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts.	751
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose..	3357
2. (a) Number of dwellinghouses (included under sub-head 1 above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925	NIL
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose..	NIL
3. Number of dwellinghouses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.. .. .	NIL
4. Number of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	751

(2) Remedy of Defects during the year without service of Formal Notices

Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers:-	668
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(3) Action under Statutory Powers during the year

(a) Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936:-	
(1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	NIL
(2) Number of dwellinghouses which were rendered fit after service of formal Notice:-	
(a) By owners.. .. .	NIL
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners	NIL
(b) Proceedings under Public Health Acts:-	
(1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	26

- (2) Number of dwellinghouses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:-
- | | |
|---|-----|
| (a) By owner.. .. . | 26 |
| (b) By Local Authority in default of owners | NIL |
- (c) Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936:-
- | | |
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| (1) Number of dwellinghouses in which of which demolition orders were made.. .. | NIL |
| (2) Number of dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance of demolition orders | NIL |
- (d) Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936
- | | |
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| (1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were made | NIL |
| (2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were determined, the tenant or room having been rendered fit. | NIL |

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

There is only one slaughterhouse within the Borough viz:-

Government Controlled Slaughterhouse - Rear of:-
128, Ash Rd.

SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS ACT 1933

This enactment came into operation on the 1st January 1934, and provides for the humane and scientific slaughter of animals for human food, the licensing of slaughtermen and for purposes connected therewith. By resolution of the Council the requirements with regard to humane slaughter apply to all animals slaughtered for food.

Number of licences granted during the year to slaughter or stun animals	8
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MEAT AND OTHER FOODS INSPECTION

Particulars of diseased and unsound food condemned and disposed of during the year.

TUBERCULOSIS

BOVINES

22 Carcases complete with offal
133 Heads and tongues
230 Lungs
51 Livers
20 Hearts
112 Mesenteries
13 Spleens
18 Thick Skirts
5 Forequarters
10 Tripes
4 Caul fats
1 Melt
57 lb Buttock

PIGS

1 Head

CALVES

1 Carcase complete with offal
4 Heads
2 Lungs
4 Plucks

OTHER DISEASESBOVINES

7 Carcases complete with offal
202 Livers
16 Lungs
1 Flank and Round
49 Udders
3 Forequarters
3 Hindquarters
2 Legs
9 Hearts
4 Tripes
2 Spleens
2 Kidneys
174 lb Top Piece

PIGS

5 Carcases complete with offal
6 Livers
1 Lung
45 Mesenteries
2 Hindquarters
825 lb Trimmings
112 " Feet

SHEEP

2 Carcases complete with offal
14 Lungs
102 Livers
1 Pluck
2 Heads
1 Mesentery
1 Forequarter

CALVES

2 Carcases complete with offal
1 Pluck
2 Sides
2 Livers

UNSOUND FOODSTUFFS

3252 tins Foodstuffs (Miscellaneous)
3048 " Milk
132 jars Mixed Pickles
266 " Foodstuffs (Miscellaneous)
48 bottles Sauce
17 " Coffee
5 " Vinegar
111 pkts Foodstuffs (Miscellaneous)
200 cubes Beefin
437 " Marmite
8568 lb Potatoes
5208 " Carrots
6608 " Onions
5152 " Parsnips
6720 " Swedes
32 " Peas
7 " Parsley

314	lb	Prunes
3613	"	Oranges
544	"	Lemons
111 $\frac{1}{2}$	"	Currants
280	"	Dates
407	"	Raisins
21	"	Grapefruit
223	"	Sultanas
3907	"	Mixed Cereals
4	"	Tea
374	"	Sugar
31	"	Cheese
23	"	Butter
30 $\frac{1}{2}$	"	Margarine
7	"	Cocoa
566	"	Chocolate
136	"	Boiled Sweets
25	"	Mustard
62	"	Sausages
95	"	Sausage Meat
171	"	Bacon
44 $\frac{3}{4}$	"	Ham
40	"	Meat Pies
698	"	Corned Beef
795	"	Fresh Fish
296	"	Fish Cakes
1169	"	Biscuits
88	"	Flour
4561		Eggs

NUMBER OF CARCASES

CLASS	SLAUGHTERED	INSPECTED
Cattle	1834	1834
Calves	1707	1707
Sheep	2410	2410
Pigs	173	173

SUMMARY WEIGHT OF CONDEMNED FOOD

BEEF	Tuberculosis	23987	lb
	Other Causes	9203	"
PIGS	Tuberculosis	13	"
	Other Causes	2023	"
SHEEP	Tuberculosis	--	"
	Other Causes	530	"
CALVES	Tuberculosis	207	"
	Other Causes	243	"
TOTALS	Tuberculosis	24207	"
	Other Causes	11999	"

or

16 tons, 3 cwt, 3 qts, 1 st, 12 lb.

Unsound Foodstuffs 26 ton, 1 cwt, 1 st, 10 lb

Grand Total 42 ton, 5 cwt, 2 qts, 8 lb

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD - MILK SUPPLY.

Licensed Dealers "Pasteurised" Milk	..	..	..	..	..	1
Licensed Dealers "Tuberculin Tested" Milk	..	..	..	..	1	
Registered Purveyors	..	..	..	..	..	47
Registered Cowkeepers	..	..	..	..	..	1

During the year 71 samples of "Pasteurised" milk were obtained and submitted for examination.

66 Satisfactory

5 Unsatisfactory.

65 samples of "Heat Treated" milk were taken and submitted for examination of which 19 were unsatisfactory, the remainder passing the prescribed test.

