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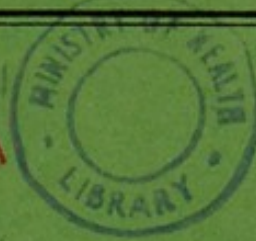


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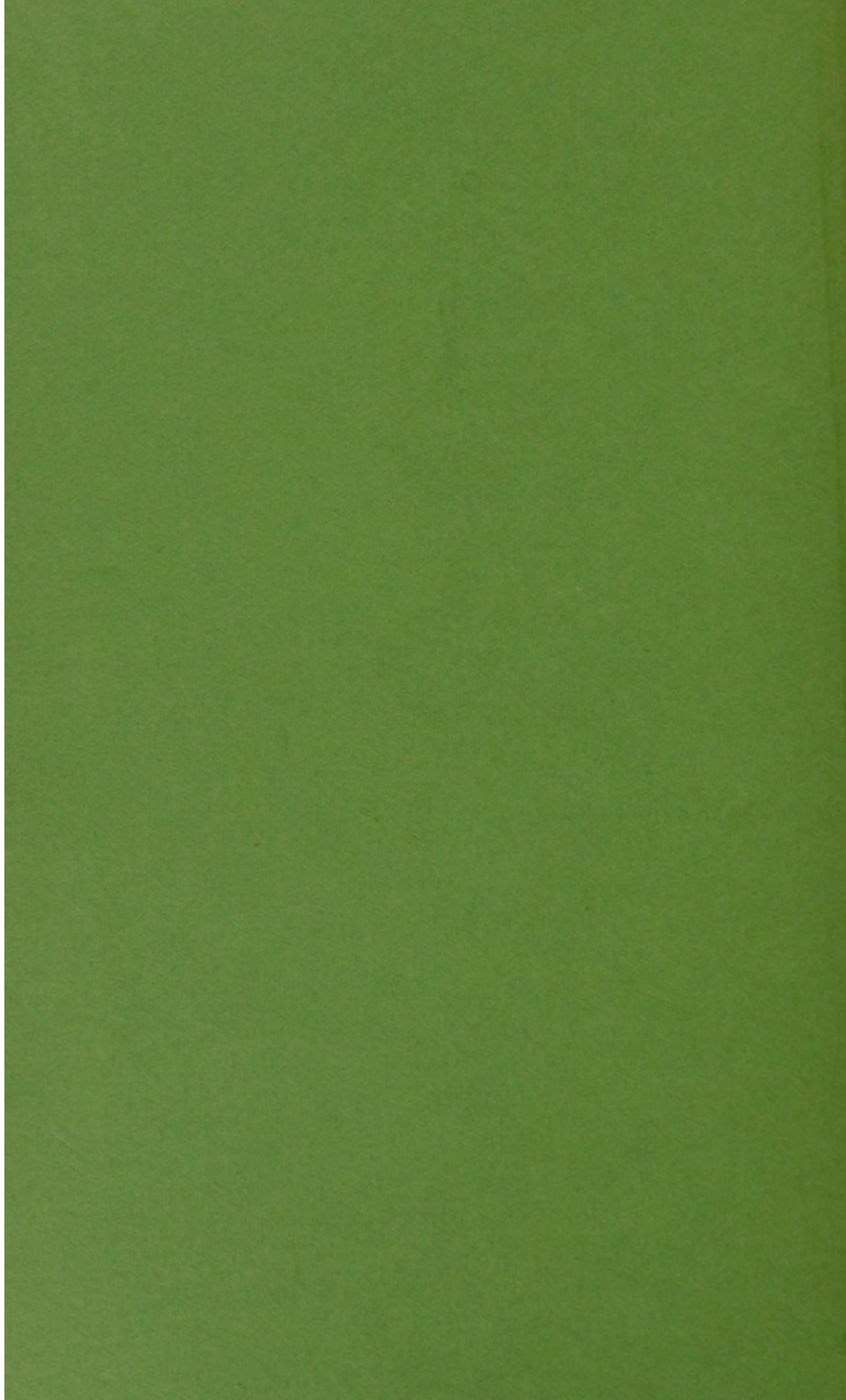


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COMMITTEE CONCERNED WITH THE WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT, 1963

HEALTH COMMITTEE

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(*ex officio Member of the Committee*)

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STAFF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT AT 31st DECEMBER, 1963

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Divisional School Medical Officer:

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J. CRAIG LINDSAY, T.D., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

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Meat and Food Inspector:

Shops Act Inspector:

W. E. ROBERTS, M.A.P.H.I.

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THE MAYOR, ALDERMEN AND COUNCILLORS OF THE BOROUGH OF ALDERSHOT



MR. MAYOR, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I wish to present this Annual Report on the health of the Borough for the year 1963 for your consideration and acceptance. It is prepared along the lines suggested in the draft lay-out issued by the Ministry of Health, to whom it requires to be submitted.

Underlying the statistics as to population, the incidence of disease and the accounts of the various aspects of public health work lies a wealth of information for future reference. They represent a permanent record of every day life at the present time, the extent of its problems and the measure of success in combating them.

The traditional role of the Public Health Department is to search for and cope with any factor affecting the public health. In these terms 1963 was a successful year. We did have our alarms and excursions, but these were few when we take into consideration the crowded nature of our town and of these islands. Indeed, we can only remark on the comparative freedom from infectious disease which we enjoy in these modern times and in this connection one cannot resist quoting from the last report of the Chief Medical Officer of the Ministry of Health for 1962. In this he says, "Special credit should be accorded to the Medical Officers of Health and their staffs for the admirably effective control work." Such vigilance is particularly necessary in these times of rapid travel in which all levels of society indulge and the constant ebb and flow of people to and from the Continent makes our protective work more essential than ever. The arrival of smallpox contacts in the area, with all the problems that follow, is always a danger signal and speedy follow-up at any time of the day or night is essential. Typhoid outbreaks that we had thought were a thing of the past in this country, are raising fresh problems and our recent experience was valuable in improving on our technique and streamlining our procedures which involve not only home visiting but examination of suspected cases followed by complicated laboratory procedures which require the closest liaison with the workers there. Our vaccination and immunisation programme received special emphasis during the year and in spite of the fact that we have a floating element in our population and an artificial boundary with our neighbours, we were able to improve our percentages.

Tuberculosis continues to be well controlled although it will be seen from the report that 19 new cases were notified during the year. There is still much to be done in this field.

The incidence of venereal disease in the town is always difficult to arrive at because our clinics cater for a very wide area and it is thought to be the usual procedure for those affected to seek treatment outside their area of residence. Aldershot, therefore, cannot accept the responsibility in the increasing numbers that attend the clinics in the town which were provided for by our foresight and have been accommodated by the hospital authorities in central and easily accessible premises.

Reference must be made to the figure given by the Registrar General as to the population of this Borough for 1963. It is realised that with an estimated figure like this there may be a margin of error and it is our opinion that this present figure is an underestimate. This is to be regretted because so much depends on the population figure and many calculations and estimations are based on it. We are told that in 1962 the population of England and Wales increased by 281,000, but it does not appear that many of them reside in or are attributed to Aldershot. Again we are credited with 932 births in the Borough, whereas last year (1962) there were 798. Of this record high number (the highest ever), very few of them appear to have remained in the town, while the number of domestic houses and flats shows an increase this year from that of last year by some 300. It is suggested that this artificially low population figure is one of the hardships which Aldershot must accept when it has the misfortune to have such artificial boundaries. Let us hope the Local Government Boundary Commission will take a close look at these facts.

Again, I wish to pay a sincere tribute to the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee on behalf of the staff of the Public Health Department for the happy relationship which exists between the official and the elected and for the great interest shown in our work.

I am,

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

J. CRAIG LINDSAY,

Medical Officer of Health.

ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1963

VITAL STATISTICS

Estimated population for mid-year 1963 (including non-civilian)	...	...	...	...	...	32,800
Comparability Factor—Births	...	...	...	...	...	0.92
Deaths	...	...	...	...	...	1.36

LIVE BIRTHS					Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	...	...	...	...	468	413	881
Illegitimate	...	...	...	...	24	27	51
				Total	492	440	932

Birth rate per 1,000 population (live births)	
(standardised)	26.06
Birth rate per 1,000 population (live births) (crude)	28.33
(National Rate per 1,000 population 18.2)	

STILL BIRTHS					Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	...	...	...	...	9	4	13
Illegitimate	...	...	...	...	1	1	2
				Total	10	5	15

Still birth rate per 1,000 total (live and still births)	16.9
(National Rate per 1,000 total 17.3)	

	Male	Female	Total
TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS	502	445	947

DEATHS				Male	Female	Total
Deaths from all causes	...	...	...	173	156	329
Death rate per 1,000 population (crude)	...	...	...			10.0
Death rate per 1,000 population (standardised)	...	...	...			13.6
National rate per 1,000 population	...	...	...			12.2
Deaths of Infants under one year of age				Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	...	...	...	10	12	22
Illegitimate	...	...	...	1	—	1
			Total	11	12	23

Death Rate of Infants under one year

All infants per 1,000 Live Births	...	...	24.7
(National Rate 20.9)			
Legitimate Infants per 1,000 Legitimate Live Births	...	...	29.0
Illegitimate Infants per 1,000 Illegitimate Live Births	...	...	19.6
Deaths of Infants under four weeks	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Total</i>
Legitimate	4	8	12
Illegitimate	—	—	—
Total	4	8	12

Death Rate of Infants under four weeks per 1,000

Live Births (National Rate 14.2)	...	...	12.9
Deaths of infants under one week	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Total</i>
Legitimate	4	8	12
Illegitimate	—	—	—
Total	4	8	12

Death Rate of Infants under one week per 1,000

Live Births	...	...	12.9
Still Births and Deaths under one week combined per 1,000 Live and Still Births	...	...	28.5
Illegitimate Live Births percentage of total Live Births	...	...	5.5%
Maternal Deaths	...	...	Nil
Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live and Still Births	...	...	Nil

Number of domestic houses and flats at 31.3.64	...	7,756
Number of commercial premises	...	920
Number of licensed premises (excluding Off-Licences)	...	53
Other premises	...	229
Total Rateable Value (31st March, 1964)	...	£1,359,041
Acreage: Civil—1,431. S. Camp—2,745. Total—4,176.		

CLASSIFICATION OF CAUSE OF DEATH ACCORDING TO DISEASE

<i>Cause of Death</i>					<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Total</i>
1.	Tuberculosis, respiratory	...	...	...	3	1	4
2.	Tuberculosis, other	...	...	...	—	—	—
3.	Syphilitic disease	...	...	...	—	—	—
4.	Diphtheria	...	...	...	—	—	—
5.	Whooping Cough	...	...	...	—	—	—
6.	Meningococcal infections	...	...	...	—	—	—
7.	Acute poliomyelitis	...	...	...	—	—	—
8.	Measles	...	...	...	—	—	—
9.	Other infective and parasitic diseases				—	1	1
10.	Malignant neoplasm, stomach	...			4	3	7
11.	Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus				14	2	16
12.	Malignant neoplasm, breast	...			—	3	3
13.	Malignant neoplasm, uterus	...			—	1	1
14.	Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	...	...	...	14	8	22
15.	Leukæmia, aleukæmia	...	...	...	—	—	—
16.	Diabetes	...	...	...	—	1	1
17.	Vascular lesions of nervous system				16	18	34
18.	Coronary disease, angina	...	...		25	26	51
19.	Hypertension with heart disease	...			4	4	8
20.	Other heart disease	...	...	...	18	24	42
21.	Other circulatory disease	...	...		6	12	18
22.	Influenza	...	...	...	1	1	2
23.	Pneumonia	...	...	...	11	9	20
24.	Bronchitis	...	...	...	21	8	29
25.	Other diseases of respiratory system				3	3	6
26.	Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	...			7	1	8
27.	Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhœa	...			—	—	—
28.	Nephritis and nephrosis	...	...		3	—	3
29.	Hyperplasia of prostate	...	...		4	—	4
30.	Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	...			—	—	—
31.	Congenital malformations	...	...		2	1	3
32.	Other defined and ill-defined diseases				9	22	31
33.	Motor vehicle accidents	...	...		2	2	4
34.	All other accidents	...	...		5	4	9
35.	Suicide	...	...	...	1	—	1
36.	Homicide and operations of war	...			—	1	1
Totals					173	156	329

INCIDENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE

	1960	1961	1962	1963
Measles	8	515	42	268
Whooping Cough	8	4	3	2
Scarlet Fever	23	1	2	3
Malaria (Camp)	—	—	—	—
Dysentery	14	3	—	38
Meningococcal Infection	—	—	—	—
Puerperal Pyrexia	8	14	7	6
Pneumonia	—	1	—	—
Diphtheria	—	—	—	—
Paratyphoid Fever	—	—	—	—
Acute encephalitis—Infective	—	—	—	—
Post-infectious	—	—	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis—Paralytic	—	—	—	—
Non-paralytic	—	—	—	—
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	—	2	—	—
Food Poisoning	1	—	—	—
Erysipelas	1	—	1	—
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	18	12	10	18
Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis	2	—	1	1

HOSPITAL SERVICES

CIVIL:

Aldershot Hospital:

General	...	...	...	29 beds
Maternity	...	...	...	24 beds
Children	...	...	...	13 beds

Outpatients' Department includes Surgical (including plastic and oral surgery), Medical, Gynæcological, Ante-natal, E.N.T., Pediatric, Ophthalmic, Dental, Special Treatment (V.D.), Psychiatric and Pathological facilities.

Northfield Hospital (admits military personnel):

Acute Medical ward	...	14 beds (6 male, 8 female)
Infectious Diseases	...	24 beds
Chronic Sick Ward	...	16 beds (female)

Chest Clinic.

Laundry and Disinfecting Station.

MILITARY (admits civilian personnel):

Cambridge Hospital	...	350 beds
Louise Margaret Hospital		66 beds

TUBERCULOSIS

The table immediately below gives details of the number of cases of tuberculosis notified to the Department during the year and the figures for the preceding four years for comparative purposes.

				<i>Pulmonary</i>		<i>Non-pulmonary</i>	
				<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>
1959	...	...	...	12	3	—	—
1960	...	...	...	8	10	2	—
1961	...	...	...	9	3	—	—
1962	...	...	...	7	3	—	1
1963	...	...	...	10	8	—	1

It will be seen that the number of cases notified is higher than those for the past two years.

As mentioned in an earlier Report the number of cases within the Borough are slightly increased by notifications received in respect of Military personnel.

Details relating to the Chest Clinic located at Northfield Hospital, Aldershot, are shown under "Treatment Centres and Clinics" (page 15).

A small Mass Radiography Unit continues to make a weekly visit to Aldershot on Mondays from 11.15 a.m. to 12.15 p.m. It is located in the Station Approach, Aldershot, where it is easily accessible for the general public. During the year 3,396 people visited this Unit. Whilst not essential, a note from the family doctor requesting X-ray is desirable.

The following table gives full details of the work of the Unit in Aldershot during the year under review:

	Number Examined			Significant Pulmonary Tuberculosis		Primary Lung Cancer	
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Males	Females
Referred by General Practitioner	633	496	1,129	5	1	6	—
General Public (includes arrangements made for personnel to visit from factories, etc.)	1,172	1,095	2,267	4	—	—	—
			3,396				

IMMUNIZATION AND VACCINATION PROCEDURES

Diphtheria/Whooping Cough/Tetanus Immunization.

Although the present level of immunization in the Borough is still not entirely satisfactory, figures for 1963 show an all round improvement on the previous year. Clinics to give "Booster" doses to children starting school were held at Infant Schools and as a result the figures for these age groups were more than double the number for the previous year.

Posters emphasising the importance of immunization were exhibited in the Borough and leaflets distributed at the Welfare Centres.

IMMUNIZATION SCHEME

The following statistics show the work done during 1963.

Age at date of final primary injection (as regards col. 2) or of booster injection (as regards col. 3) (1)	Number of children who completed a full course of primary immunization during the year 1963. (2)	Number of children who received a secondary (booster) injection during the year 1963. (3)
Diphtheria Immunization alone		
Under 1	—	—
1 to 4	1	1
5 to 14	3	24
Total	4	25
Triple Immunization (Diphtheria/Whooping Cough/Tetanus)		
Under 1	224	—
1 to 4	356	80
5 to 14	5	98
Total	585	178
Combined Diphtheria/Tetanus Immunization		
Under 1	1	—
1 to 4	4	10
5 to 14	4	262
Total	9	272

Poliomyelitis Vaccination.

The change over from the general use of Salk to oral vaccine was completed during 1963 and as a result only a small number of treatments were given by injection.

The use of oral vaccine is much easier and simplifies the holding of clinics, general administration and the storage and distribution of vaccine.

The success of this work is shown by the fact that for the fourth year running there were no cases of Acute Anterior Poliomyelitis notified to the Department from this area.

The following table gives the statistical position:

1963

Total number of record cards received for completed treatments—3 doses	...	832
Total number of record cards received for completed treatments—4th doses—(boosters)		318

Since the commencement of the Poliomyelitis Vaccination Scheme completed third doses/injections		17,612
and completed booster doses/injections	...	3,081

Smallpox Vaccination.

Earlier advice regarding the age at which smallpox vaccination should be carried out was changed during the year and the Ministry now consider it wise to avoid vaccination in the first few weeks of life but recommend that it should be undertaken at some convenient time during the first two years, preferably during the second year. As a result of this recommendation statistical comparisons are difficult but the following table shows the work carried out during the year.

**Number of vaccinations (smallpox) record cards received by the
County Medical Officer during 1963.**

	MONTHS				YEARS				Total
	0-3	3-6	6-9	9-12	1 yr.	2-4	5-14	15+	
Primary Vaccinations	21	14	17	29	82	32	17	42	254
Re-Vaccinations						27	85	178	290

General Practitioners	...	...	...	264
A.C.M.O's	...	...	...	3
Army Doctors	...	...	...	277
Total Vaccinations	...	...	...	544

MORTUARY

The following figures, for the year under review, show that the highest number of cases in any one year, and 16 more than the previous year, were sent into the Mortuary.

Total number of subjects admitted to Mortuary	...	146
Cases admitted from the Borough of Aldershot	...	48
Cases admitted from outside the Borough	...	94
Number of Post Mortems held	...	142
Cases admitted no Post Mortems held	...	4

Aldershot continues to supply an up to date and centrally situated Mortuary with a trained attendant as one of the services, inter alia, which it also provides for its surrounding neighbours. It is, of course, difficult to provide a Mortuary Attendant at all times, particularly during holiday periods. Fortunately it is possible to call upon Farnham Hospital for assistance if the Mortuary Attendant is not available. Continual increase in the number of cases dealt with in the Mortuary provides a valuable contribution by the Borough to modern pathological investigations and is a service which is appreciated not only by the unfortunate relatives and others who have to be called there but also by the skilled personnel who have to carry out this difficult and arduous work. The Mortuary is provided at no cost to the surrounding Authorities of Farnborough, Fleet and Hartley Wintney who do not provide such facilities.

TREATMENT CENTRES AND CLINICS

<i>Description</i>	<i>Purpose</i>	<i>Where held</i>	<i>Times</i>	<i>By whom held</i>
Child Welfare Centres	Child Welfare	Manor Park House	Mondays, 2 p.m. Wednesday, 10-12 noon and at 2 p.m. Thursdays, 2 p.m.	Hampshire County Council
Ante-Natal Clinics	Examination and supervision of expectant mothers	St. Augustine's Church Hall		Hampshire County Council
	Protection of children against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus, and also polio myelitis vaccination	Stanhope Lines Wesley Hall Queen's Road	Mondays, 2 p.m. Fridays, 2 p.m.	Hampshire County Council Hampshire County Council
Immunisation Clinic		Manor Park House	Thursdays, 2 p.m. (Dr. Page)	Hampshire County Council
School Health Clinic	Treatment of minor ailments and medical inspections	School Clinic	1st Wednesday in month, 2-3.30 p.m.	Hampshire County Council (Aldershot Borough Council acting as agent)
Dental Clinic	Dental treatment of children	School Clinic	*	Hampshire County Council (Local Education Authority)
Ophthalmic Clinic	Examination of ophthalmic cases and prescription of spectacles	School Clinic	Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays mornings	Hampshire County Council
Audiology Clinic	Investigation of hearing defects	Aldershot Hospital	Every Thursday after- noon—by appointment only	Regional Hospital Board
Audiometric Clinic	Hearing testing of school children	School Clinic	2nd and 4th Friday mornings in month—by appointment only	Part Hampshire County Council Part South West Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board
Remedial Exercises	Treatment of orthopaedic cases	School Clinic	1st Thursday in month at 9.30 a.m.—by appointment only. *Every Tuesday after- noon.	Hampshire County Council (Local Education Authority) Regional Hospital Board

* Normally by appointment

TREATMENT CENTRES AND CLINICS—continued

<i>Description</i>	<i>Purpose</i>	<i>Where held</i>	<i>Times</i>	<i>By whom held</i>
Child Guidance Clinic	Child Guidance	Manor Park House	Wednesday morning and all day Friday—by appointment only	Hampshire County Council
Speech Therapy Clinic	Correction of speech defects	School Clinic	Tuesday and Friday afternoons. All day Wednesday —by appointment only	Hampshire County Council
Chest Clinic	Examination of suspected cases of tuberculosis	Northfield Hospital	*Clinic:— Mondays, 9.15 a.m. Tuesdays, 1.30 p.m. Thursdays, 9.15 a.m. Thursdays, 3 p.m. New Patients:— Mondays, 11 a.m. Emergencies:— Thursdays, 11.30 a.m. Monthly:— By appointment only	Regional Hospital Board
Bronchitic Clinic	B.C.G. Vaccination	Northfield Hospital	*2nd Monday in month—2 p.m.	Regional Hospital Board
Special Clinic	Treatment of cases of bronchitis	Northfield Hospital	Males:— Wednesdays, 5–7 p.m. Females:— Mondays, 10 a.m.–12.30 p.m.	Regional Hospital Board
Family Planning Clinic	Treatment of venereal disease	Aldershot General Hospital	Wednesdays, 2–4 p.m. 2nd and 4th Fridays in month all day. 1st, 3rd and 5th Fridays in month—2 p.m.	Regional Hospital Board
	Birth Control	Manor Park House		Women's Voluntary Organisation

* Normally by appointment

SANITARY CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

(1) Water Supply.

The following information which was kindly supplied by the Chief Engineer, Mid-Wessex Water Company, Frimley Green, is set out in accordance with the Ministry of Health Circular 1/64.

- (a) Water is supplied by the Mid-Wessex Water Company and is obtained from wells at Boxall's Lane and Lasham. An adequate supply for all purposes without restrictions was maintained throughout the year.
- (b) Samples of water were taken regularly and frequently by the Company before and after treatment at the works, and in supply. They were examined chemically and bacteriologically by their resident Chemists and Bacteriologists and in addition samples were submitted to an independent specialist for report at regular intervals. The reports during the year on all samples of treated water at the works and in supply have shown a consistently high standard of organic and bacterial purity. Precautionary chlorination treatment is applied continuously at all sources.
- (c) The water distributed in part of the Aldershot area is a normal chalk and lower greensand blended water, the remaining part being supplied by base-exchange softened chalk water, neither of which has any plumbo-solvent action.
- (d) No action was necessary, so far as the Company was concerned, to deal with any form of contamination.
- (e) (i) There are 8,048 connections in the Borough of Aldershot, supplying an estimated civilian population of about 33,000.
(ii) We believe there are no premises supplied by standpipe.

(2) Hardness of Water, 1963.

Regular analyses have been carried out in order to chart the total hardness of water in the Borough. The following results have been obtained:

<i>Parts per million</i>			
			<i>1963</i>
			<i>1962</i>
January	...	218	152 and 166
February	...	175	216
March	...	—	200
April	...	228 and 188	203
May	...	—	166
June	...	230	228
July	...	192	220
August	...	252	184

September	...	208	234
October	...	132	216
November	...	162	206
December	...	—	250

(3) Aldershot Swimming Pool.

Samples were taken from the Aldershot Swimming Pool regularly during the summer months and all proved to be satisfactory.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

The Borough Surveyor kindly gave the following report on drainage and sewerage:—

“The first two stages of the Reconstruction of the Sewage Works have now been completed and the new Works are working satisfactorily.

“The Pumping Station which had been in use in Ash Road for a number of years is now superceded and the pumping and generation of electricity, in part by using sludge gas, now takes place in a pleasing modern building incorporated with the reconstruction scheme.

“To avoid flooding of the sewers in the south-west corner of the Borough, the design is proceeding for the provision of a relief sewer in the Blackwater Valley, which will also drain the proposed housing site at Tice’s Meadow.”

NOTE.—Disposal is entirely by the water course system and no cesspools exist in the Borough.

HOUSING

Housing, etc., completed during 1963.

			Council		Private Enterprise	
			Houses	Flats	Houses	Flats
January	...	...	—	—	32	—
February	...	...	—	—	—	—
March	...	...	—	12	5	—
April	...	...	4	12	18	—
May	...	...	14	—	4	—
June	...	...	16	—	16	7
July	...	...	12	—	5	—
August	...	...	14	—	—	10
September	...	...	8	—	37	12
October	...	...	12	—	11	14
November	...	...	10	—	30	—
December	...	...	6	—	3	—
TOTALS	...	...	96	24	161	43

ANALYSIS OF APPLICATIONS FOR HOUSING ACCOMMODATION

CIVILIAN CASES	FAMILY GROUP														
	S.	M.C.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	11	A.C.	W.	TOTAL
In Rooms in Borough Working in Borough	43	95	74	47	15	8	2	2	1	—	—	—	11	35	333
In Rooms in Borough Working outside Borough	7	64	47	25	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	155
In Rooms outside Borough Working in Borough	4	23	8	10	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	48
In Rooms outside Borough Working outside Borough	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Tenant in Borough Working in Borough	13	57	39	41	17	7	4	1	1	—	—	—	33	41	254
Tenant in Borough Working outside Borough	3	18	9	7	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	45
Tenant outside Borough Working in Borough	2	14	6	8	1	3	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	38
Tenant outside Borough Working outside Borough	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	5
Living in Military Quarters	—	5	3	13	4	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	29
Husband and wife living apart due to housing position	—	2	3	5	3	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	15
Royal Navy	—	1	8	6	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	17
Caravans	—	11	20	9	3	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	45
TOTAL	72	291	217	171	60	24	9	5	3	—	1	—	48	84	985
SERVICE CASES	—	28	64	85	62	14	16	6	5	—	1	1	—	—	282

Code: S.—Single. M.C.—Married Couples. A.C.—Aged Couples. W.—Widows/Widowers.

SUMMARY OF HOUSING APPLICATIONS

YEAR		FAMILY GROUP														
		S.	M.C.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	11	A.C.	W.	TOTAL
CIVILIAN	1944/1956	1	12	2	3	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	28
	1957	4	4	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	9	32
	1958	2	6	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	7	22
	1959	4	12	4	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	6	37
	1960	7	18	8	2	3	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	52
	1961	6	34	19	22	10	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	6	13	113
	1962	11	67	74	61	8	7	2	1	1	—	—	—	7	14	253
	1963	27	104	86	63	20	10	5	4	2	—	—	—	8	16	343
1964	10	34	23	15	10	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	4	5	105	
TOTAL		72	291	217	171	60	24	9	5	3	—	1	—	48	84	985
DEFERRED CASES: TOTAL		5	11	47	36	9	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	4	116
SERVICE CASES	1944/1956	—	1	5	12	3	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	23
	1957	—	1	3	2	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	8
	1958	—	—	—	5	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	7
	1959	—	—	3	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7
	1960	—	1	3	4	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10
	1961	—	2	6	8	6	2	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	27
	1962	—	3	10	10	14	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	43
	1963	—	17	23	34	27	7	8	4	1	—	—	1	—	—	122
1964	—	3	11	7	9	1	1	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	35	
TOTAL		—	28	64	85	62	14	16	6	5	—	1	1	—	—	282

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SECTION PREPARED BY THE CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR



INTRODUCTION

I have pleasure in presenting this section of the Annual Report on the Statutory Duties and responsibilities assigned to the Public Health Inspectors' section of the Health Department.

Whether people are at home, at work, or are being entertained, the health inspectors' duties contribute in no small measure to the comfort and well being of the general public.

Action has been commenced in respect of houses in multiple occupation and the problem appears to be greater than first anticipated. It is hoped that a little better living conditions will be secured for those people forced to reside in this type of house until such times as sufficient housing for all is available.

Slum Clearance has continued but difficulties have arisen with rehousing, especially those small families requiring one bedroomed accommodation.

The Kill at the Army Abattoir has been steady and the one hundred per cent. inspection maintained, as in previous years. Food sampling has also received the appropriate degree of priority.

I wish to thank Dr. J. Craig Lindsay for his help and advice, the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee for their continued interest and support, and my inspectors and office staff for their loyal service throughout the year.

W. E. ROBERTS,

Chief Public Health Inspector.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

Regular inspection of the area was maintained and the following is a summary of the visits made during the year.

HOUSING ACTS	168
PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS	788
Drainage and Drain Testing	364
Verminous Premises (all types)	132
Water Supply and Sampling	15
Infectious Diseases	246
Vacant Lands and Dumps	32
Watercourses and Ditches, etc.	55
Public Conveniences	12
Tents, Caravans and Sheds	27
Keeping of Animals	2
SHOPS ACT	79
FACTORY ACT	84
PET ANIMALS ACT	18
Slaughterhouse	153
Rats and Mice	1847
Works in Progress	139
RENT ACT	4
NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT	7
Interviews with Owners, etc.	224
Council Houses prior to vacation and prospective Tenants for	
Council Houses	610
Houses let-in-lodgings	111
Certificates of Disrepair	7
Chicken Factory	50
Smoke Nuisances	8
Noise Abatement	2
Mortgage Investigations (Overcrowding)	109

Nuisances and Other Matters Dealt with.

Defective cisterns, pipes and taps	11
Choked and defective drains	364
Rooms treated for vermin	66
Wasps Nests	27

Noise Nuisance.

Noise is increasing. There is more traffic, more buildings going up, more broadcast entertainment, all of which are contributory factors.

A considerable amount of money was spent by one firm in reducing vibration from engine rooms, to the immense satisfaction of property owners nearby.

We find managements usually co-operative in their willingness to adopt measures to reduce noise, although sometimes considerable expense may be incurred.

Drainage.

The drains in connection with six houses were found to be defective and subject to partial reconstruction in each instance.

Housing.

Three Clearance Areas comprising twenty-four houses and six Individual Unfit dwellings were dealt with during the year. Our rate of rehousing has been hampered by the shortage of one-bedroomed accommodation.

The demand for houses in this area is still as great as ever and at the end of March there were still 1166 families on the Council's waiting list.

The following is a summary of progress made towards the provision of new houses.

1. Permanent houses and flats provided by the Council during the year 120
2. Houses erected by private enterprise during the year ... 204

The majority of Improvement Grants were still given to owner/occupied houses. I would like to see more positive approaches made to owners and the drawing up of specimen plans and costings based on standard houses, which would materially help them, in providing the fundamental facilities which every house should have provided.

Complaints of housing defects are dealt with by means of informal action. Much time is taken up by interviewing Owners and on revisits. Some difficulty is experienced in obtaining builders to carry out this repair work.

Housing Repairs

Roofs repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	56
Eavesgutters repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	32
Rain water pipes repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Wall and ceiling plaster repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37
Floors repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
Skirting Boards repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Fireplaces repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Ranges repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Windows repaired and made to open	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37
Windowsills repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Doors repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Doorsteps repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Stairs retreaded	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Damp walls	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25
New Air Bricks provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
W.C. repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Waste Pipes renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Yard Paving repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Brickwork repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Drain Inspection Chamber Covers repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Cement rendering repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Broken drains repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

Skylights repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Surface water drainage repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Concrete floors repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Provision of food storage facilities	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Provision of Light in W.C. Accommodation	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Defective chimney flues	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Defective Geysers	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Accumulations of Rubbish	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Pollution of Canal	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

Rent Act, 1957.

Certificates of Disrepair.

Two applications for Certificates of Disrepair were received, in one instance Form K was received after service of Form J and in the other case Form L was issued. Two applications were received from Landlords on Form O and Form P was issued in each instance.

Full use of the Act is still not being made by tenants, who are, in most instances, afraid of possible repercussions from the landlord and they also find difficulty in specifying repairs and carrying out the necessary procedure required by the Act.

Land Charges Register.

A total of 747 searches were made to the Department; this is an increase of 135 on the previous year.

Houses Let in Multiple Occupation.

Houses which are found to be in multiple occupation and can be proved to have been converted in the last 4 years, are forwarded for action by the Town Planning Department. In the case of other houses so found the owners are being compelled to provide the standards laid down by the Health Committee, and the Fire Authority are consulted on the question of fire escape. In this district with full employment, housing accommodation is at a premium and there is no difficulty in letting. Most rooms are let furnished or part furnished and in some instances rents charged are, in my opinion, somewhat exorbitant for the accommodation provided.

Common Lodging House.

There is no registered Common Lodging House in the Borough.

Moveable Dwellings.

Due to the built-up nature of the district, there are no Caravan Sites other than two provided for Military Personnel under direct control of the Army.

Caravans attached to Circuses and Pleasure Fairs visiting the town are subjected to frequent visits.

Two applications for stationing a caravan were received and approved.

Shops Act, 1950.

The vexed questions of Sunday Trading and Mobile Shops still persist. The number of the latter is very much on the increase and shopkeepers are bitter in their complaints of the unfair trading advantages.

Plans for new shops or conversions are seen by the Health Department and observations passed before approval.

The Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963, legislation which was long overdue, has, after a difficult passage through Parliament, now received the Royal Assent and will come into force early in the New Year.

Rodent and Insect Control.

One operator is employed for rodent control work and the service provided is appreciated by the public.

Details of the work carried out during the year are summarised as follows:—

Number of Properties Inspected	...	...	...	656
Number of Properties found to be infested	...	...	...	177
Number of Dwelling Houses treated	...	...	...	174
Number of Business and Agricultural premises treated	...	...	...	3
Total number of visits, inspections, prebaiting and baiting	...	...	...	1687

Total Quantity of Material Used.

5 cwt. Coarse Oatmeal.	50 lbs. Castor Sugar.
5 cwt. Cut Wheat.	30 lbs. Lard.
1½ cwt. Stale Bread.	10 gallons Linseed Oil.
2,000 Polythene Bags.	

Total Quantity of Poison Used.

140 lbs. Warfarin.	1½ lbs. Zinc Phosphide
112 lbs. Cymag.	1 lb. Paranitrophenol.

A charge is made for business premises, but a free service is provided for private dwellings. We have a few annual contracts, although the majority of the traders prefer to be charged for the work as and when disinfestation is necessary.

All Council owned properties are subjected to regular routine inspections.

The Council continued membership of the North Hants Rodent Control Committee and the meetings are held quarterly in the various districts. Technical information is obtained and many problems are discussed at these meetings which serve a very helpful purpose.

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949.

No formal action was taken under the Act. Thirty-four informal notices were served.

Rodent Treatment of Sewers.

The practice of extending treatment to inspection chambers in adjoining properties was continued during the two half yearly maintenance treatments. The sewers of the Borough are now comparatively free from rats.

Pests.

The department is called upon to give advice and deal with a variety of pests.

Twenty-seven Wasps Nests were destroyed.

Disinfestation of Premises.

All families allocated Council accommodation are visited and an inspection made of furniture and bedding for evidence of vermin. Any infestation is dealt with prior to removal. The treatment consists of spraying with liquid insecticide containing DDT and the removal of bedding to Northfield Hospital for steam disinfestation.

It is pleasing to note that with the rise in the standard of housing and use of various insecticides, very few infestations are now being discovered. The Disinfector Station at Northfield Hospital will shortly be out of commission and this will mean seeking assistance from the Regional Hospital Board at Farnham as and when required.

The disinfestation of verminous premises and articles carried out during the year by the Health Department were:

Houses inspected for vermin	...	...	...	610
Houses found to be verminous	...	...	...	34
Rooms sprayed for vermin	...	...	...	66

Disinfections.

There were no disinfections carried out during the year.

Smoke Abatement.

This district is not highly industrial and the main source of pollution is the domestic chimney. Householders are encouraged to install grates capable of burning authorized fuels.

Section 3 of the Clean Air Act enables the Corporation to require that all furnaces shall be smokeless as far as practicable.

Pet Animals Act, 1951.

Three licences were issued and these premises are kept under constant supervision. An improvement in the siting of cages was

carried out at one shop and the owner was also warned by the Council regarding the sale of alleged unweaned puppies.

Slaughter of Animals Act, 1958.

There was only one Slaughterman licensed by the Corporation. The reduction has been due to the closing and demolition of the one private slaughterhouse which existed in the Borough.

SUPERVISION OF FOOD SUPPLIES

Inspection of Meat.

The Meat Inspection Regulations came into force on 1st October, 1963. These Regulations made meat inspection obligatory for all local authorities and allowed a charge to be made for the service provided. In addition a strict code of inspection is laid down and carcasses passed as fit must be stamped with the individual stamp of the inspector concerned.

The coming into force of these Regulations made no material change to the position in Aldershot since this service has always been given top priority and a hundred per cent. meat inspection has been achieved for many years.

This service is provided at the Military Slaughterhouse which is used for training Army Personnel in all branches of butchery, for training graders for the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and part training students.

The majority of the condemned meat consists of livers affected by the liver fluke and these are not destroyed but separated and used for pharmaceutical purposes or for the feeding of mink. All other condemned meat is stained before it leaves the slaughterhouse for processing into fertiliser.

**TABLE SHOWING ANIMALS INSPECTED AND MEAT
CONDEMNED AT SLAUGHTERHOUSES**

	Cattle Excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number Killed	1221	145	—	1797	—
Number Inspected	1221	145	—	1797	—
All Diseases except T.B. and Cysticeri					
Whole Carcases Condemned	—	1	—	—	—
Parts	525	81	—	109	—
Percentage	43%	56.6%	—	6.1%	—
T.B. Only	—	—	—	—	—
Cysticercosis					
Carcases and Parts	7	1	—	—	—
Carcases and Parts treated by Refrigeration	2	—	—	—	—
Generalised and totally condemned	—	—	—	—	—

		<i>Lbs.</i>	<i>or Tons</i>	<i>Cwts.</i>	<i>Qtrs.</i>	<i>Lbs</i>
Total Carcase Meat Condemned ...	...	543	or —	4	3	11
Total Offal Condemned ...	...	8369	or 3	14	2	25
TOTAL		8912	or 3	19	2	8

INSPECTION OF OTHER FOOD

The following quantities of other food were condemned after inspection at Food Shops and Food Preparing Premises.

(a) Meat and Meat Products.

444 lbs. Beef.	2½ lbs. Bacon.
19 lbs. Meat Pies.	66 lbs. Veal.
124 lbs. Lamb.	10 lbs. P'gs Head.
12½ lbs. Sausages.	27½ lbs. Pigs Hearts.
131 lbs. Ox Kidney.	

(b) Fish.

28 lbs. Codling.	14 lbs. Haddock.
32 Fishcakes (5 lb.).	

(c) Groceries and Fruit, etc.

1907 lbs Vegetables.	15 gallons Frying Oil.
640 lbs. Fruit.	4 cwts. Sugar.
350 lbs. Flour.	224 lbs. Malt.
30 lbs. Prunes	

(d) **Canned Goods, etc.**

576½ lbs. Tinned Meat (109 tins).
403½ lbs. Tinned Fruit and Vegetables (243 tins).

73 lbs. Tinned Milk (57 tins).
246 lbs. Tinned Fruit Juice (41 tins).
358 tins Miscellaneous Foodstuffs.

	Lbs.	or Tons	Cwts.	Qtrs.	Lbs.
Total of other food condemned ...	8967	or	4	—	7

These foods were collected and disposed of at the controlled tip under supervision.

TOTAL OF ALL FOOD, INCLUDING DISEASED MEAT, ETC., CONDEMNED DURING THE YEAR.

Lbs.	or Tons	Cwts.	Qtrs.	Lbs.
17,879	or	7	19	2 15

Ice Cream.

Nearly every food shop now sells pre-packed ice cream, with the result that there was an increase of 7 in the number of premises registered.

A number of vehicles frequent the Borough from outside districts and these are subjected to inspection.

Milk Supply.

Two hundred and twenty-eight samples of milk, including school milk, were submitted for examination. Twelve failed the Methylene Blue Test.

Except for a small quantity which is treated and bottled at a local dairy, all milk is brought into the Borough pre-packed.

The following Licences have been issued under the Milk (Special Designation) Regulations, 1960:

Dealer's "Pasteurised" Licence ...	1
Dealer's "Tuberculin Tested" Licence ...	1
Dealer's "Prepacked Milk" Licence ...	68

The dirty condition of returned milk bottles is presenting a great problem to dairymen. It would appear that the bottles returned from Building Sites are some of the worst. Also many returned by householders have been used for every conceivable purpose. On return to the dairy these bottles usually have to be destroyed as cleansing, either by hand or mechanical means, is out of the question.

FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1960

The policy of education of food handlers by the Inspectors on their visits to various food premises still continues and the co-operation of the general public is sought by asking that they shop at premises where the highest standards prevail.

A change in the eating habits of the public has resulted in a further Chinese and an Indian Restaurant being opened.

The majority of shops are now fitted with refrigerators of various types and one has to continually emphasise the necessity of strict stock rotation.

Number and Type of Food Trades and Premises in the District.

Dairies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Ice Cream Manufacturers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Bakers' Confectionery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
Butchers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	21
Butchers registered for Manufacture of Sausages, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
Chicken Factory	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Fishmongers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Fish Fryers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Grocers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	86
Confectioners	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	38
Public Houses and Hotels	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	43
Off Licences	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
Restaurants	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34
Greengrocers and Fruiterers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19
Clubs, Places of Entertainment	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
Wholesalers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Factory Canteens	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
School Kitchens	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Hospitals, Nurseries, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5

The co-operation of the food trade generally enables infringements of the Regulations to be dealt with on an informal basis.

Food Complaints.

A number of complaints were received from members of the public concerning purchases of foodstuffs. All of these complaints require thorough investigation and interviews with vendors. Manufacturers are very concerned about these complaints and endeavour to find the cause and prevent any recurrence.

It appears that many persons now prefer to make complaints to this Department rather than approach the vendor direct.

Legal proceedings were taken in the following cases.

1. Mouldy Steak and Kidney Pie—Firm fined £5 with £5 5s. costs.
2. Loaf of Bread containing piece of Material—Firm fined £5 5s. with £5 5s. costs.
3. Dirty Bottle of Milk—Firm fined £30 with £10 10s. costs.

In all other instances the Special Committee dealing with these cases felt that stern warnings were a sufficient deterrent.

Bakehouses.

Eight Bakehouses still remain in the Borough which are not of modern construction and design. A considerable amount of bread, both wrapped and unwrapped, is brought in from outside areas.

Visits to Food Premises.

Slaughterhouse Visits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	153
Butchers' Shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	65
Fishmongers and Poulterers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
Greengrocers and Fruiterers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	77
Grocers and Other Shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	80
Fried Fish Shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
Dairies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Ice Cream Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Restaurants	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	216
Food Stalls	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24
Other Food Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
Vehicles and Stalls	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28
Inspection of Unsound Food	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	81

Food and Drugs Act, 1955.

Once again Mr. D. D. Moir, M.Sc., F.R.I.C., our Public Analyst, gave much help and guidance which was greatly appreciated. During the year one hundred and nine samples were taken for analysis and reported on as follows:—

Formal

Milk—All types	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
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Informal

Pork Sausages	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Beef Sausages	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Meat Pies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
Tinned Meats	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Patent Medicines	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28
Sweets	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Fresh Cream Cakes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22

Butter Mints—Butter Mints deficient in butterfat. Matter rectified on representation to manufacturers and on further sampling.

Children's Balsam—Excess of ingredients declared on label. Labels altered.

Cough and Co'd Mixture—Misleading label. Steps taken by manufacturers to alter label.

Milk—Antibiotic Tests on two samples of milk showed them to contain Penicillin 0.07 international units per millilitre. Farmers notified of results. Further samples proved negative.

Children's Tonic—Misleading label. Manufacturer warned.

Child's Cherry Cough Linctus—Alterations made to labelling.

Milk Bread—Manufacturers warned regarding name.

Outworkers.

There were three outworkers notified, a reduction of two on the previous year. Visits were made to ensure that the work was carried out under satisfactory conditions.

Factories Act, 1937.

There are 140 factories on the register and the following is a list of trades carried on therein:

Battery Manufacturers	Bakers
Beer Fining	Briar Pipe Makers
Boot Repairers	Coffin Maker
Cardboard Cartons	Concrete Products
Cycle Repairers	Dressmaker
Dairy	Electric Blanket Makers
Electrical Engineering.	Light Engineering
Firewood Merchants	French Polisher
Glass Cutter	Hatter
Joinery and Timber Products	Knitwear
Laundries	Laundrettes
Mineral Water Manufacturer	Medal Maker
Motor Repairs	Musical Instrument Maker
Manufacturing Chemist	Plumbers
Opticians	Polo Stick Manufacturers
Printing	Marine Store
Photographers	Radio and T.V. Repairers
Sausage Makers	Sculptor (Monumental)
Slaughterhouse	Sewing Machine Repairs
Sign Makers	Saddlers
Tailors	Typewriter Repairers
Tent Makers	Upholsterers
Weighing Machine Repairers	Waste Food By-products

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

The following details are shown:—

1—INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written notices (4)	Occupiers prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	6	5	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	134	72	2	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	5	7	1	—
TOTAL	145	84	3	—

2—Cases in which DEFECTS were found.

(If defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more "cases".)

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	To H.M. Insp. (4)	Referred By H.M. Insp. (5)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1) ..	—	—	—	—	—
Overcrowding (S.2) ..	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	—	—	—	—	—

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred To H.M. Insp. (4)	By H.M. Insp. (5)	
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective	4	4	—	4	—
(c) Not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork) ..	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	4	4		4	—

PART VIII OF THE ACT

OUTWORK (Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of Work (1)	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 133 (1) (c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4)	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5)	Notices served (6)	Prosecutions (7)
Wearing apparel—						
Making, etc.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cleaning and Washing ..	3	—	—	—	—	—
Household linen ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lace, lace curtains and nets	—	—	—	—	—	—
Curtains and furniture hangings ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Furniture and upholstery ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Electro-plate ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
File making ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Brass and brass articles ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fur pulling ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Iron and Steel cables and chains ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Iron and Steel anchors and grapnels ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cart gear ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Locks, latches and keys ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Umbrellas, etc.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Artificial flowers ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nets, other than wire nets ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tents	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sacks	—	—	—	—	—	—
Racquet and tennis balls	—	—	—	—	—	—

OUTWORK (Sections 133 and 134)—continued

Nature of work (1)	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 133 (1) (c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4)	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5)	Notices served (6)	Prosecutions (7)
Paper bags ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
The making of boxes or other receptacles or parts thereof made wholly or partially of paper	—	—	—	—	—	—
Brush making	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pea picking ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Feather sorting	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carding, etc. of buttons, etc.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Stuffed toys ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Basket making	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chocolates and sweetmeats	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cosques, Christmas stockings, etc.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Textile weaving	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lampshades ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL ..	3	—	—	—	—	—



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