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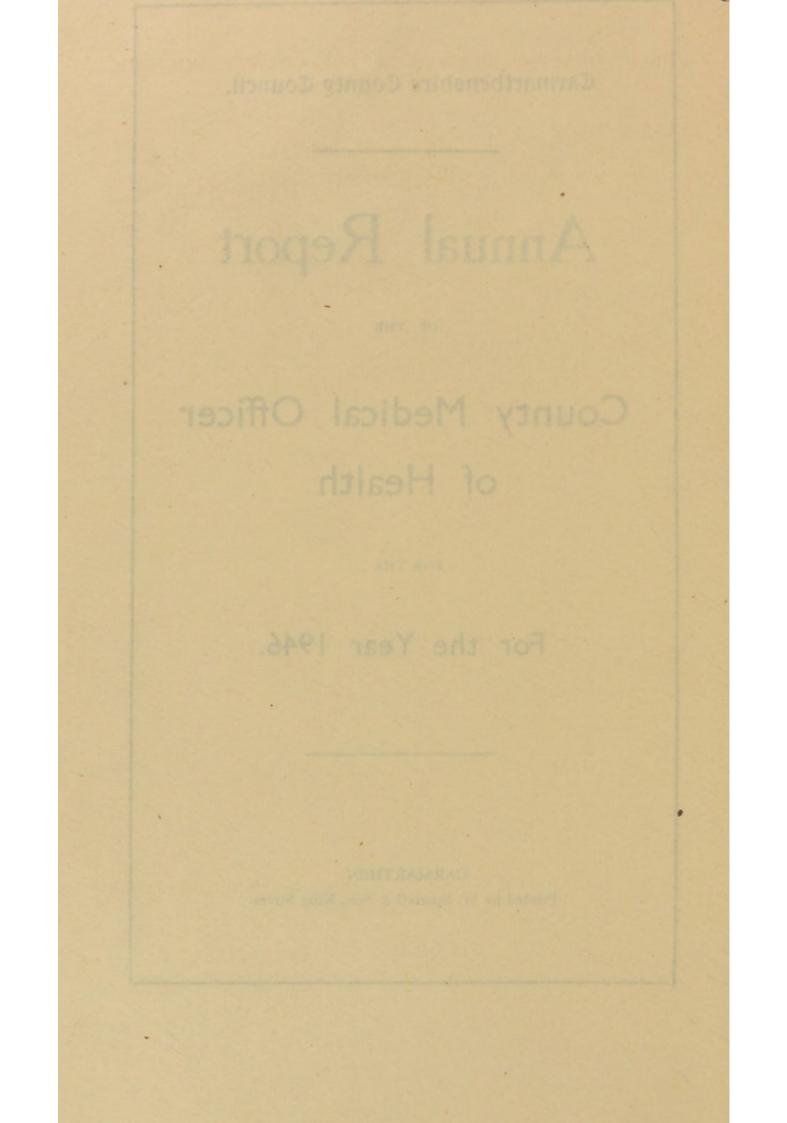
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PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

FULL TIME :

County Medical Officer of Health, R. Evans, M.D., B.Sc., School Medical Officer and D.P.H. Physician-Superintendent of the County Isolation Hospitals.

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Assistant Medical Officers

Gladys M. Herbert, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.

- E. T. Davies-Humphreys, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.
- E. H. Beynon Hopkins, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

G. Ungoed Griffiths, L.D.S., R.C.S.

Senior Dental Officer Assistant Dental Officers

Supervisor of Midwives and Superintendent Health Visitor

Health Visitors ...

- T. E. Mathias, L.R.C.P.S., L.D.S., R.C.S.
- O. Capper Jenkins, L.D.S., R.C.S. (Left August, 1946).
- W. U. Auerbach, M.D. (Berlin) (Temporary).
- F. G. Day (Temporary).
- J. R. Jones (Temporary) (Ceased duties 31/3/46).

Miss Eunice Jones, S.R.N., S.C.M.

Mrs. R. A. Roberts, S.R.N., S.C.M.
Miss A. Howells, S.R.N., S.C.M.
Mrs. H. E. James, S.R.N., S.C.M.
Mrs. F. M. Williams, S.R.N., S.C.M.
Miss M. Jones, S.R.N., S.C.M.
Miss M. E. E. Davies, S.R.N., S.C.M.
Mrs. E. G. Davies, S.R.N., S.C.M.,
and 37 District Nurse-Midwives (Part-time).

Miss E. R. Buckley, C.S.M.M.G.

Orthopaedic Sister—Senior

Orthopaedic Sister-Assistant ... Vacant.

Dental Attendants

Home Teachers and Visitors under the Blind Persons Acts.

County Isolation Hospitals— Matron Assistant Matron ... Miss M. R. Williams. Miss Mair Aubrey. Mrs. E. Valentine (Appointed 1/7/46) Mrs. A. B. Lewis

Mrs. M. A. Lewis. Miss S. M. Tidmarsh. Mrs. W. Davies.

... Miss B. E. Coward, S.R.N., R.F.N. ... Miss S. E. Thomas, S.R.N., R.F.N.

PART TIME.

Orthopaedic Surgeon A. O. Parker, M.D., C.M.
Obstetrician J. R. E. James, M.B., F.R.C.S. (E.).
Ophthalmic Surgeons J. J. Healy, M.B., Ch.B.
E. K. Roy Thomas, M.B., F.R.C.S.
(E.).
Ear, Nose and Throat Surgeons T. I. Williams, F.R.C.S. (E).
C. P. Robinson, M.Ch., F.R.C.S. (E).
J. Crowther, F.R.C.S. (E).
Pathologist N. A. F. Young, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S.
. (04-02/18-midwb · L.R.C.P.
County Analyst H. J. Evans, B.Sc., F.I.C., F.C.S.
Inspectors under Food and Drugs Act :
Chief Inspector D. R. Watkins.
Assistant Inspector E. D. Roberts.
Medical Officers under the Poor District Medical Officers 25
Law Acts. Medical Officers of Institutions 4
A.O.S. M.S.S. amelilia M.M. Public Vaccinators 23
M.D.Z. M.S.Z. appol M. al Vaccination Officers 14

OTHERS.

Bacteriologists under the Medical	M. T. Parker, M.B., B.Ch.
Research Council	I. Kennedy, M.B., B.Ch.
Clinical Tuberculosis Officers under	J. T. Jones, B.Sc., M.B., Ch.B.
	J. Kenyon Davies, M.R.C.S.,
Association.	L.R.C.P.

The year 1946 was a period of adjustment and consolidation following the difficulties of the War Years and the end of 1946 saw the return of the permanent members of the clerical staff who had served with H.M. Forces.

An important administrative step was taken at the end of 1946 in the fusion of the staffs of the Public Health and School Medical Sections into one properly co-ordinated Health Department, and this step made easier for the Department the subsequent hard ground work necessary in the preparation of Schemes under the National Health Service Act, 1946.

In the year under review, the birth-rate per 1,000 of the estimated population was 16.7, an increase of 0.8 on the previous year but 2.4 lower than that for England and Wales for 1946. Illegitimate births, which in 1945 were 1 in 13 births dropped in 1946 to 1 in every 22 births, an indication of a return to pre-war levels and the restoration of a more normal home life.

The death-rate for the year 1946 per 1,000 estimated population was 13.5 as compared with 11.5 for England and Wales. The mortality rate in infants under 1 year of age per 1,000 live births was 50.7 as compared with 46.9 for the previous year and 43.0 for England and Wales.

The maternal mortality rate per 1,000 live births was 3.5 as compared with 3.7 for the previous year and as against 1.43 for England and Wales, but of the ten maternal deaths in the County only one was due to infection and of the nine due to other causes, two were due to associated causes and no death was registered as due to abortion. Although the figure for the County continues to show slow improvement, there is still room for better ante-natal care in spite of the hard core of unavoidable maternal deaths in this series.

The death rate of cancer remains at 1.8 per thousand population as it was during the Years 1943, 1944, and 1945; a figure nearly three times that due to all forms of tuberculosis. The diagnostic centres envisaged in the County by the South Wales and Monmouthshire Joint Cancer Committee, and the availability through that Joint Committee, of the most modern forms of treatment, will it is hoped bring about a reduction in the number of deaths due to this disease.

New cases of pulmonary tuberculosis notified during the Year again shew a slight decrease per thousand of the population, the case rate being 1.3 as against 1.5 for 1945, the case-rate for non-pulmonary tuberculosis also dropping from 0.42 in 1945 to 0.33 in 1946.

New cases of venereal disease treated at Swansea General Hospital Centre numbered 76 Syphilis, 2 Soft Sore, and 72 Gonorrhoea as compared with 37 Syphilis and 56 Gonorrhoea in 1945. This apparent increase in the incidence of venereal disease is undoubtedly accounted for by the return to the County of service cases already under treatment. Late in the year arrangements were completed for the opening of a venereal diseases clinic at Llanelly General Hospital. Again in 1946 we were fortunate in not experiencing any shortage of staff at the Hospitals and Institutions in the County, so that the County Isolation Hospital was able to come to the immediate assistance of Cardiganshire during the typhoid epidemic of 1946. It is also worthy of note that 1946 is the first year during which no death was recorded as a result of diphtheria in the County.

I would also record my appreciation of the loyal co-operation of all members of the professional and clerical staff during my first year as County Medical Officer of Health.

1st March, 1948.

R. EVANS, County Medical Officer of Health.

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STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY.

Area: 588,472 acres.

Population-Census 1931: 179,100.

Estimated by Registrar General for 1946: 165,070.

Product of a penny rate for general purposes: £2,196.

Rateable value for general purposes: £575,632.

BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

Live Births :

Legitimate	bird (Male. 1395	1367	Females. 1243	internal	Total. 2638
Illegitimate		53		69	····	122
Total	10.121	1448		1312	g	2760

Birth rate per 1,000 of estimated population : 16.7.

Stillbirths :

Male,	Female.	Total.
40	 54	 94

Rate per 1,000 (Live and Still) Births: 32.9.

Deaths :

Male.	Female.	Total.
1182	 1049	 2231

Death rate per 1,000 of estimated population: 13.5.

Deaths from Puerperal Causes :

		Deaths	ate per 1 ve & St		England and Wales.
Puerperal Sepsis Other Causes	···· ···	1 9	 $0.35 \\ 3.1$	·	$\begin{array}{c} 0.31\\ 1.06 \end{array}$
Total		10	 3.45		1.37

Death rate of Infants under 1 year of age.

All Infants per	1,000 live births	 	 50.7
Legitimate per	1,000 live births	 	 48.5
	1,000 live births	 	 2.1

Deaths from Other Causes :

	Cancer (all a				 307
Deaths from	Measles (all	ages)			 Nil.
Deaths from	Diarrhoea (u	nder 2	years)		 9
Deaths from	Whooping Co	ough		town B	 5
Deaths from	Diphtheria				 Nil.

The following table gives a comparison of the number of deaths and death rates during the past five years:—

		T	Urban.]	Rural.		Admin.	County.	. 1	Rate for
Year.	D	eaths.	Crude D.R.	I	Deaths.	Crude D.R.	De	aths. Cr	ude D.R. E	ng. (& Wales
1942		875	12.1		1231	12.2		2106	12.2		11.6
1943		883	12.8		1242	12.8		2125	12.8		12.1
1944		864	12.7		1259	13.0		2123	12.9		11.6
1945		905	13.4		1177	12.3		2082	12.7		11.4
1946		923	13,4		1308	13.6		2231	13.5		11.5

The maternal mortality rate per 1,000 births was 3.5 compared with 1.43 for England and Wales.

The following table shews the number of live births registered and the birth rates during the past five years:—

	Urb	Ru	ral.	Admin. County. England & Wales						
Year.	No. Reg.	Rate.	N	o. Reg.	Rate.		No. Reg			
1942	1081	15.05		1645	16.3		2726	15.8	T.aday	15.8
1943	1097	15.9		1545	15.9		2642	15.9		16.5
	1194	17.6		1730	17.8		2924	17.7		17.6
	992	14.7		1605	16.8		2597	15.9		16.1
1946	1145	16.7		1615	16.8		2760	16.7		19.1

Beath rate of Infants under i year of age.

The following table gives the causes of death in 1946 at specified ages :----

		1944	81	(8)	21	21		
Cause of Death.	- 110	All Ages.	Under 1 year.	1 and under 5 years.	5 and under 15 years.	15 and under 45 years.	45 and under 65 years.	65 and over.
		1100		- 1053				
All Causes—Males Females		1182 1049	94 46	15 13	15 8	113 104	341 249	604 629
Total	08	2231	140	28	23	217	590	1233
1. Typhoid and Paratyph	oid	10		1-242	-t-Ser-	122	noiso in	A description
Fevers 2. Cerebro-Spinal Fever 3. Scarlet Fever	ē	3	0	2	ï	181		100 Mar 1
4. Whooping Cough 5. Diphtheria		-	4	1				
6. Tuberculosis of Respirate	ory	101		1		10		11
7. Other forms of Tuberculo	osis	101 18	1	1	$\frac{2}{4}$	49 10	38 1	11
8. Syphilitic Diseases 9. Influenza		100 100 200				1	17	2 9
0. Measles					0.000	-	10.28	
2. Ac. encaph 3. Cancer of buc. cav. a		2	IA36	10%	1STO	PROVIS	2	IV:BO
oesoph. (m.), uterus (f.) 4. Cancer of Stomach a		31			/	2	18	11
Duodenum 5. Cancer of Breast		00				93	36 8	40 15
6. Cancer of all other sites		165			2	9	68	86
7. Diabetes 8. Intracranial vascular lesi	ions	26 270		Printing	10590 Shero	33	7 66	16 201
9. Heart Disease		553			1	23	113	416
20. Other Diseases of Circula System	tory	50	5. 8400	specia	lagingo	2	rd 70	44
21. Bronchitis 22. Pneumonia		127 80	4 23	1 6	2	76	38 14	77 29
23. Other Respiratory Disea		75	1	00	sistis	9	32	33
24. Ulcer of Stomach or Du denum		19				2	12	5
25. Diarrhoea (under 2 year 26. Appendicitis		96	8	0.10		2	2	
27. Other Digestive Diseases		46	1	1		4	15	25
28. Nephritis 29. Puerperal and Post-Abort		. 79) CN	A TT	3	10	24	42
Sepsis 30. Other Maternal Causes		0				1 9	ffory	while/
31. Premature Birth		41	41					
 Congenital Malformation Birth Injury, Infant Dis. 			43	od 1	Buisi	2	1	24
33. Suicide 34. Road traffic Accidents		10			2	55	13 5	73
35. Other Violent Causes 36. All Other Causes		44	3 10	2 8	3 2	12 29	11 50	13 146
Total		. 2231	140	28	23	217	590	1233

WHOLE COUNTY.

The chief causes of death during 1946 and the rates per 1,000 population compared with previous years were:—

Cause of Death	1942		1943		1944		1945		1946 .	
Cause of Death	No.	Rate.	No.	Rate.	No.	Rate.	No.	Rate.	No.	Rate.
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Heart Disease	453	2.6	476	2.8	461	2.8	486	2.9	553	3.3
Cancer	277	1.6	299	1.8	302	1.8	305	1.8	307	1.8
Tuberculosis (all forms).	140	0.81	126	0.75	133	0.80	113	0,69	119	0.72
VascularLesions of Brain	225	1.3	242	1.4	254	1.5	258	1.5	270	1.6
Pneumonia	75	0.4	96	0.5	74	0.45	69	0.42	80	0.48
Bronchitis	119	0.6	139	0.8	119	0.7	115	0.7	127	0.76

Deaths from the above causes constitute about 65% of the total deaths.

The senile mortality, *i.e.* the number of deaths of persons over 65 years was 1,233 or more than 50% of the total deaths in 1946.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA.

Laboratory.

The Emergency Public Health Laboratory and E.M.S. Pathological Laboratory continue to provide the bacteriological and pathological facilities in the County.

No. of bacteriological specimens examined in 1946 ... 17,500 No. of pathological specimens examined in 1946 ... 6,057

Ambulance facilities, Domiciliary Nursing, Hospitals.

There has been no alteration in these services.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE.

Midwifery Services.

As Local Supervising Authority for the whole of the Administrative County, notifications were received by the County Council from 133 midwives of their intention to practise in the area.

Midwives Act, 1936.

Full particulars of the Council's Scheme and agreement with the Carmarthenshire Nursing Association appeared in the report for 1937. Section 6 of the Act has been applied to the area.

Role.	As Midwife.	As Maternity Nurse.	Total.
County Council Midwives	294	. 153	447
District Nurse Midwives	770	204	974
Institution Midwives	366	45	411
Private Midwives	59	19	78
Grand Total	1489	421	1910

Maternity Cases attended by Midwives during 1946.

Inspection of Midwives, etc.

The work of the Inspector of Midwives is summarised in the following Table, which records the number of visits of inspection made to midwives and health visitors, and the number of special visits of investigation of Puerperal Pyrexia, Maternal Deaths, etc.:—

	Midwives employ					tions-	142
(b)	County Council	and Indep	endent	Midv	vives	and the last	
(c)	Health Visitors	and School	Nurses	3.6.1/1	1110	TINKE	8
(d)	Nursing Homes						2

Visits of investigation of-

Puerperal Pyrexia			the light	terri maler	4 m. 14	2
Ophthalmia Neonat	orum					10
Maternal Deaths				matessad	A sa-ald	2
						blin us de si
		Total	Visits			166

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	Noti-	Tr	eated.	Vision	. 2044		billi-Lipny	Under Treat- ment at
Year	fied.	At Home	In Hospital.	unimp- aired.	Vision impaired.	Vision lost.	Deaths.	end of year.
1942 1943	10 8	4 3	6 5	10 8			and the second	Boly
1944	5	3	22	8 5			0	
1945 1946	43	$\begin{vmatrix} 2\\ 2 \end{vmatrix}$	2	4 3				

The cases notified are shewn in the following table:---

PUERPERAL PYREXIA-1946.

Notifications.	- Treated in Hosp	oital.	Treated at Home.
10	 3	marin /	7

In no case was a second opinion requested.

INSTITUTIONAL PROVISION FOR MOTHERS.

		No. of Beds.		Patient Admitte		Live Births.
Beds available at Carmarthen Infirmary		24		905		809
Beds available at Penlan Institution		10	1	327	19	
Beds available at Amman Valley Hospital		11		216		213
Beds available at Bryntirion		2		3		3 .
Beds available at Abercennen Beds available at Llanelly Borough Maternity	····	1		1		1
Home		12		213		177
Beds available at Nursing Homes		6		53		50.
Totals		66		1718		1253

Except at the Nursing Homes, the Llanelly Borough Maternity Home, and eight beds at the Carmarthen County Infirmary, the County Council accept responsibility for maintenance charges of the above beds, the patients being required to contribute according to their means.

MATERNAL MORTALITY.

The causes of death due to pregnancy or childbirth are given by the Registrar-General as follows:—

Puerperal Sepsis Other Puerperal				1 9
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				10

nia di mania il final	Puerperal Infections	Abortion	Abortion with Sepsis.	Other Causes.	Total.
Maternity and Child Welfare area	1			8	9
Llanelly Borough					
Carmarthen Borough			and "Stemesing	1	1
Whole County	1		Viemen	9	10
Rate per 1,000 live and still-births	0.35	0.00	0.00	3.1	3.5
Rate for England and Wales	0.18	0.06	0.13	1.06	1.43

The causes of death under others in the above table were:—Postpartum haemorrhage, 1; Obstetric shock due to Precipitate labour, 1; Acute hepatitis, 1; Ruptured Uterus, 1; Ruptured ectopic gestation, 1; Pulmonary Embolism, 2.

Two patients died as a result of an associated cause, viz.:-Lobar Pneumonia, 1; and Hypernephroma, 1.

Year.	faterna Deaths	No. of Births.		Rate per 1,000 total births.	Rate for England and Wales.
1942	 9	 2726	ć	3.1	 2.01
1943	 5	 2642		1.8	 2.29
1944	 12	 2924		3.9	 1.93
1945	 10	 2597		3.7	 1.79
1946	 10	 2760		3.5	 1.43

The cases of women who died in or immediately following childbirth were investigated and confidential reports sent to the Chief Medical Officer of the Welsh Board of Health.

I wish to record my appreciation of the co-operation of the medical practitioners in reporting voluntarily all such cases and enabling the desired confidential reports to be completed.

NOTIFICATION OF BIRTHS.

The County Council is the Maternity and Child Welfare Authority for the whole of the Administrative County with the exception of Llanelly Borough and Carmarthen Borough.

During the year, 1,998 (live and still) births were notified in the County Maternity and Child Welfare area.

Infant Mortality Rate.

The number of deaths of infants under 1 year in 1946 is shown in the following Table:—

Classification.	М.	F.	Total.	
Legitimate	 88	46	134	
Illegitimate	 6		6	
Total	 94	46	140	edmid R noi

This gives an infant mortality rate of 50.7 in 1946, compared with a rate of 43.0 for England and Wales.

The chief causes of deaths of infants under 1 year old were:-

I	-	Urban.	Rural.	Total.
Premature Birth		10 .	31	41
Congenital Malformations, Birth Injuries, Infant Diseases		13	34	47
Pneumoria		. 11	12	23

Still Births.

A still-birth is defined as the birth of a child after the twenty-eighth week of pregnancy, which, after complete expulsion, did not breathe or show any signs of life. There were 94 still-births (40 males and 54 females) registered in the County in 1946, giving a rate of 32.9 per 1,000 total births.

HEALTH VISITING.

The County is mainly covered by the 37 District Nurse-Midwives, there being 7 whole-time health visitors.

The following is a brief summary of the Health Visitors' work during the past five years.

	Infants	under 1 year.	Children	
Year.	lst visits.	Total visits.	1—5 years.	Grand Total.
1942	1805	15203	21431	38439
1943	1963	16603	18361	36927
1944	2112	17312	18466	37890
1945	1848	16308	19009	45267
1946	1873	14870	17979	34722

INFANT WELFARE CENTRES.

Twenty-six Infant Welfare Centres are provided and maintained by the County Council and I should like to place on record my appreciation of the great help given by local volunteers.

Grants were also made to two Centres outside the County in respect of attendances made by mothers and children from this County.

FIRST TIME during the year:-	Total number of children who attended Centres for the FIRST TIME during the year:	Pie priv
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Under I year of age		···· 31.0280	 	1396
Between 1 and 5 years	of age		 ····	240
of children under 5 years o bring the year and who at				
Under 1 year of age			 	1350

Over 1 year of age	Q	distant in	1.000	aleicana)	1230

ANTE-NATAL AND POST-NATAL CLINICS.

Ante-natal and Post-natal work is carried out at Carmarthen Infirmary, Amman Valley Hospital and at the Ammanford Clinic.

The only Ante-natal and Post-natal Clinic maintained by the County Council is at Ammanford.

During 1946, 119 expectant mothers were examined and 33 post-natal examinations were made at the Clinic, total attendances amounting to 1,257.

ANCILLARY SERVICES.

Medical Aid.—Midwives must call in a doctor in all cases of illness of the patient or child, or owing to any abnormality occurring during pregnancy, labour or lying-in. The County Council pay the doctor's fee, but the cost is recovered according to the circumstances of the patient.

Home Helps .- This Scheme has not yet been implemented.

Tonsils and Adenoids.—Arrangements are made for Ear, Nose and Throat Specialists to carry out this type of operation on cases referred by Medical Officers of Maternity and Child Welfare Centres. Parents are required to contribute according to their means.

The following shows the work carried out under the various medical treatment schemes adopted by the Maternity and Child Welfare Committee:—

Ear, Nose and Throat Scheme.

Number of children examined by Surgeons ... 3 Number of children received in-patient Hospital treatment for enlarged tonsils and adenoids ... 4

Ophthalmic Scheme.

Number of children examined		27
Number of children for whom glasses were provi	ded:-	-
By the Committee		9
By private arrangements made by parents		3

Birth Control.—Arrangements are now available for cases to be seen at Llanelly with the consent of the County Medical Officer of Health.

Dental Scheme for necessitous Expectant and Nursing Mothers.—This Scheme has not yet been adopted.

CHILD LIFE PROTECTION.

The administration of Sections 206-220 of the Public Health Act, 1936, remains as outlined in previous reports. All the routine visiting is done by the Health Visitors with supervisory visits made by members of the medical staff and the Superintendent Health Visitor.

No child was removed to a "place of safety" and it was not found necessary to resort to legal proceedings under any parts of the Act.

The following figures indicate the position at the beginning and end of the year 1946.

1.-Foster Parents.

No.	on	Register	on	the	lst]	anuary, 1946	 5
						December, 1946	 5

2.—Foster Children.

No.	on Register on the 1st January, 1946	5
No.	removed from Register during the year	Nil.
No.	of new registrations	Nil.
	on Register on the 31st December, 1946	5

In no cases were foster mothers guaranteed payment by the Welfare Authority.

AD OPTION OF CHILDREN (REGULATION) ACT, 1939.

Enquiries were made in sixteen cases during the year as to the suitability of persons to adopt children.

The number of Infant Protection Officers in the County number nine. Of these seven are Health Visitors and come into contact with cases in the course of their routine duties. In addition, there are two male Visitors.

National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

The services of Mr. J. Murray and Mr. A. E. H. Jones, local Inspectors of the Society, have been frequently called upon, and they have become an almost essential part of the public health services. Their services are invaluable and are greatly appreciated.

MENTAL DEFECTIVES.

		Pantglas Hall.	Other Institutions.
Number of cases in Institutions the 31st December, 1946	on 	48	6
Number admitted during the year		4	2
Classification: Idiots Imbeciles Feebleminded	···· ···	3 7 38	·2 4

NURSING HOMES REGISTRATION (PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936.)

No. of applications for reg	istration	during	1946			Nil.
No. of applications refused						
No. of registrations cancell	ed					Nil.
Total number of Homes 1	registered	on the	31st	Dece	ember,	
1946						
Number of beds pro	ovided :	- duns				
Maternity					1	
Others						

ORTHOPAEDIC TREATMENT SCHEME.

This scheme has continued along the lines set out in previous reports. Co-operation with the authorities of the Prince of Wales Hospital, Cardiff, has been well maintained but conditions have not allowed for early admission of patients.

1.—Ascertainment.—573 new cases were added to the register during the year, consisting of 383 Education, 178 Maternity and Child Welfare, 2 Public Health and 10 others.

2.—Clinics held by the Orthopaedic Surgeon.—Six Clinics were held during the year, two at Llanelly, two at Carmarthen and two at Ammanford. 189 patients were examined, of which 134 were Education, 44 Maternity and Child Welfare, 10 Public Health and 1 other.

3.—Hospital Treatment.—22 individual cases received hospital treatment.

4.—Orthopaedic Sisters.—Only one Orthopaedic Sister was available to follow up cases and give active treatment at Clinics, etc., during the year.

5.—Cases on the Register.—At the end of 1946 there were 1,456 cases on the current Register:—

Education	 	 1101
Maternity and Child Welfare	 	 310
Public Health	 	 17
Others	 	 28

6.—Cases discontinued.—455 cases have been discharged from the che me during the year:—

Education					 010
Maternity and C	hild W	elfare			 126
Public Health	0		See.	····	 3
Others					 11

							M. & C.W.	Public Health
Paralysis:								
Infantile							2	5
Spastic							6	1
Obstetrical Other						•••		
Other			and				an instantion	a so redance
Congenital Deformities			0.1.00				135	2
Infective Conditions of	Bones	and	Joints					4
Non-infective conditions	of B	ones a	and Joint	ts:			Distance of the	
Rickets							11	
Other								3
Station Decimal D.C.							140 .	ercinenza land
Static or Postural Defe	cts						148 *	1
Traumatic Deformities							2	1
Departmentingelit							Silaga and	in he widow
Multiple Defects								
Miscellaneous							5	ig to relation
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An analysis of the Maternity and Child Welfare and Public Health cases at the end of the year, according to diagnosis, is as follows:— The following Table gives a summary of the work carried out by the Orthopaedic Sister during the year 1946:—

and a second s		
	M. & C. W.	Public Health.
Number of individual cases under Scheme on 1st January	379	14
Number of new cases during the year	178	2
Number of cases transferred to		4
Number of individual cases dealt with during year	557	20
Number of cases transferred from	121	
Number of cases withdrawn from Scheme before the end of	i burnere	Interive Long
year	126	3
Number of children under the Scheme on the 31st December	310	17
Total number of attendances made at Clinics	1367	37
Number of manipulations by Sisters	1245	23
Number of plasters applied by Sisters	71	1
Number of plasters reinforced by Sisters	16	
Number of plaster casts taken by Sisters		
Number of individual children received remedial exercises by Sisters	2	310
Number of individual cases massaged by Sisters		
Number of home visits by Sisters	126	34
Number of cases examined by Visiting Orthopaedic Surgeon	44	10
Number of cases recommended in-patient Hospital treatment by Surgeon	2	
Number of cases admitted to Hospital for in-patient treat-		
ment: For the first time Re-admitted for further treatment	5 1	2

Plastic Surgery.

Arrangements have been made for cases requiring plastic surgery to be treated by Professor T. Pomfret Kilner, F.R.C.S., at the Lord Mayor Treloar Hospital, Alton, Hampshire.

Number of children admitted for plastic surgery in 1946:-

Maternity	and (Child W	elfare	 	 3
Education				 	 Nil.

COUNTY ISOLATION HOSPITALS.

The Tumble and Penygroes County Isolation Hospitals serve the whole County of Carmarthenshire, and their normal accommodation is 68 patients. Admissions are restricted as far as possible to a list of diseases already circulated to all General Practitioners, Institutions, and Health Offices in the County, but the first consideration is that of service to the community.

Number of patient-days in respect of both Hospitals for	
the year 1946	16,943
Number of patients admitted to both Hospitals during	
the year 1946	521
the year 1946	
the year 1946	24*
Number of patients who died in both Hospitals during	
the year 1946 from confirmed acute infectious	
diseases	4*
Average daily bed occupancy in respect of both Hospitals	
for the year 1946	46
* 7 of the above 24 patients who died were cases of	

Meningitis. 2 of the 4 deaths due to Acute Communicable diseases were Typhoid Fever cases resulting from the Aberystwyth epidemic.

The 521 patients admitted were found to be suffering from the following diseases:— No. of Patients

•			NO. OI Fatten
	Nature of Case.		admitted.
	Scarlet Fever	ALL	167
	Diphtheria	i knoge-gad	35
	Diphtheria Carriers	oping Coug	36
	Measles		1 1 1 7
	Sonne Dysentery		8
	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1	5
	Infectious Mononucleosis		1
	Erycipelas	n1	13
	Typhoid Fever	Stin Man	26
	Paratyphoid "B" Fever	dine and the	7
	Brucellosis		2
	Mumps		7
	Lobar Pneumonia	The former	5
	Whooping Cough	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	26
	Anterior Poliomyelitis	in the second	2 -
	Vincent's Angina		and 10
	Puerperal Fever		12
	Cerebro-spinal Fever	Land Section	2
	Chicken pox		7
	Acute Pemphigus		2
	Salmonella Enteritis		8181 5
	Acute Chorio-lymphocytic M	eningitis	4101 4
	Pneumococcal Meningitis		alet 5
	Acute Vulvo-vaginitis		
	Chorea Rheumatica		5
	Acute Rheumatic Fever	main Tolare	10
	Others	and stands	110
		marked In th	, bout miles a
	that the expections we de	Total	521

The cases classified as "Others" in the above table were of diverse clinical conditions which were fully designated in the monthly Hospital reports.

Disease Groups.	Admissions.	Deaths.	% Deaths of Disease Groups.	% Deaths of Total Admissions.
Confirmed Acute Infectious Diseases	411	- 4	0.9	0.77
Tuberculous Meningitis	9	7	All died, 2 at home after discharge.	1.34
Other Diseases	101	13	12.9	2,49
Total Other Diseases	110	20	18.2	.3.83
Grand Total	521	24		4.6

The following table summarises the Hospital Admissions and Deaths during the year:----

Deaths due to Acute Infectious Diseases were:--

2 cases of Typhoid Fever.

1 case of Cerebro-spinal Fever.

1 case of Whooping Cough.

Deaths due to Other Diseases were:-

7 cases of Tuberculous Meningitis.

13 cases of various non-infectious diseases.

The four deaths from Acute Infectious Diseases give a death rate of 0.9% for all communicable diseases, which include cases admitted to the Hospital from Aberystwyth; the comparable figure for 1945 was 1.2%.

Diphtheria.—Of 81 cases notified as diphtheria and admitted to Hospital during the year, 35 cases were confirmed as diphtheria. It is my privilege to report that 1946 is the first year in which no death took place from diphtheria at the Hospitals.

The deaths from diphtheria at the Hospital for the last four years were as follows:----

Year.			N	o. of deatl	hs.
1943	 			3	
1944	 -	no <u>li</u> , o	in moria	3	
1945	 		nin in in	1	
1946	 		8	Nil.	

Tuberculous Meningitis.—Tuberculous Meningitis continued during 1946 to be the largest single cause of deaths at the Hospitals. Nine cases were admitted, all of whom died; two of them at home after discharge. It is sincerely hoped that the expectations we hold in Streptomycin for curing this disease will materialise, but the prevention of Tuberculosis is still the ideal to be aimed at and, in spite of adverse factors, no effort is spared by the County in attempting control of this disease. Typhoid Fever.—26 cases of this disease were admitted during 1946, all with 2 exceptions being the result of the Aberystwyth epidemic.

The urgent need for hospital beds during this epidemic meant that 20 cases were admitted in a few days from Aberystwyth, and a severe strain was placed on the nursing and other staff.

I would like also to record my appreciation of the co-operation of the Nursing Staff in the laborious work called for as a result of the research work carried out at the Hospital on the treatment of Typhoid Fever by Penicillin and Sulphonamide drugs. This work was carried out in conjunction with Dr. Parker of the Bacteriological Laboratory, Carmarthen, at the request of the Medical Research Council.

Salmonella Enteritis.—An outbreak of Salmonella Enteritis occurred during the quarter ended 31st December, 1946, at Ammanford. It was explosive in character resulting in approximately 300 cases in a few days, and was caused by the contamination of cold meats by a butcher's assistant who became a carrier probably after eating contaminated fruit. I have to thank the Emergency Bacteriological Laboratory, Carmarthen, for rapidly isolating the source of infection, which helped to bring the epidemic quickly to an end. No deaths were reported from this disease during the epidemic.

Staff.—We have been particularly fortunate again in having had no nursing or domestic staff difficulties to contend with during the year and I would like to place on record my appreciation of the good work performed by all members of the Hospitals staffs.

The following table gives particulars of notifications of infectious diseases received for the whole of the Administrative County and the number of deaths for certain diseases.

				No	o. of D	eaths
			No. of cases	2	as given	by
Disease.			notified.	R	leg. Gei	neral.
Diphtheria	<i>.</i>		65		-	
Scarlet Fever			270			
Puerperal Pyrexia			25		1	
Measles			165		CORPORE V	
Whooping Cough			233		5	
*Ophthalmia Neonat	orum		6		A 2011	
Dysentery			17			
Enteric Fever			11		1	
Pneumonia			116	B	80	
Tuberculosis (Pulmo	nary)		229		101	
Tuberculosis (Non-I	ulmon	ary)	56		18	
Cerebro-spinal Feve	r		11		3	
Polio-encephalitis			an porteor			
Anterior Poliomyelit	is		2			
Encephalitis Lethar			2		2	
Small Pox		·	281 1984		- 1	
oman 10A						

* Includes cases notified outside the Maternity and Child Welfare area.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

The number of children under 5 years immunised in 1946 by the County Council as Maternity and Child Welfare Authority was 1,595, and the total number of immunised infants under five is 4,397, i.e., 48% of this population, a figure which although a safeguard must be improved.

SMALL POX.

No cases of the above disease were reported during the year and there are no facilities within the County for treating this disease. Arrangements are made with the County Borough of Swansea in the event of cases occurring in Carmarthenshire for their admission to Swansea Small Pox Hospital.

CANCER.

The death rates per 1,000 population during the last five years have been :--

Year.	No	o. of Deaths.	Rate per 1,000 population.			
1942		277	to moder	1.6		
1943		299		1.8		
1944		302		1.8		
1945	Transie Ball	305		1.8		
1946		307	····	1.8		

A classification of the causes of death from Cancer during 1946 is as follows:---

Site of Cancer.		All Ages.			Age Periods.					
		F.	Т.	0-	1-	5-	15-	45-	65-	
Mouth and Gullet Uterus	11	 20	11— 20—		····		2	18	11	
Stomach and Duodenum	48	37	85				9	36	40	
Breast		26	26				3	8	15	
All other sites	93	72	165			2	9	68	86	
Totals	152	155	307			2	23	130	152	

				ns registere			Grand
Males		10-74	2 .	12	66	72	152
Females	4		— .	11	64	80	155
Total			2 .	23	130	15,2	307

The treatment of Cancer is now the responsibility of the South Wales and Monmouthshire Joint Cancer Committee, who are increasing the facilities available in South Wales and Monmouthshire.

The following Table gives the number of deaths in the County for the last five years due to Heart Disease, Cancer, and Tuberculosis:—

Year.	Heart Disease.	Cancer,	All Forms.
1942	453	277	140
1943	476	299	126
1944	461	302	133
1945	486	305	113
1946	553	307	119

VENEREAL DISEASES.

Carmarthenshire cases are treated at the Venereal Disease Clinic, Swansea General Hospital.

272 new patients from the County attended during the year as follows1

					N	on-V.D. and	other	
Syphilis.	Soft	Sore.	Go	norrhoe	a.	Conditions.		Total.
76		2		72		122		272

Total attendances of patients during the year: 2,665.

In-Patient Treatment :

Total number	of patients	admitted	 	 56
Aggregate nun	nber of in-p	patient days	 	 339

Year,	Co	uired a ngenital yphilis.	nd	Soft Sore.	Gonorrhoea.		Undiagnosed and Non-V.D.	
	M.	F.	Т.	М.	М.	F.	Т.	Т.
1942	31	34	65		32	13	45	31
1943	31	26	57		24	11	35	66
1944	38	25	63		27	8	35	90
1945	14	23	37	Dat	38	18	56	69
1946	39	37	76	2	62	10	72	122

VENERAL INCOME.

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In-Patient Treatment ;

Loral mumber of patients admitted

The following Table summarises the work of the Clinic during 1946:-

transfer and in	and Old Ca	CAC			1946	
INCW I	and Old Ga	ses.		M.	F.	Т.
(1) Cases under t	reatment or o	observat	ion	Suphilue		
on January				97	74	171
(2) Returned def	faulters)	- 7	2	2
(3) New cases do time and suf			rst	15	ey in als with fire	
(a) Syphilis:				33	27	60
	secondary			1 3	4 3	5 6
	latent later stages			0		
	congenital			2	3	5
(b) Soft sore				2		2
(c) Gonorrh	oca			62	10	72
(d) Non-Ven	ereal or und	liagnose	ed	86	36	122
(4) New cases other Centre		treated	at 	108	8	116
	Totals			394	167	561
Attendances as (Out-patients	and in		- Andrew	ter deserve	Transa y
(a) Seen by N		cer		1578	808	2386
(b) For intern				240	39	279
	Fotal attend	ances		1818	847	2665
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" IN-PATIENT	S."				alt on	dic.
In-patients adm during year	itted for trea	atment		33	23	56
					A second se	

		19	46	maker was
	Syphilis.	Soft Sore.	Gonorr- hoea.	Not V.D. etc.
III III III				
Cases under treat- ment, etc., on January 1st	95		47	29
Cases dealt with for first time, includ- ing new cases, returned defaul- ters and transfers			in the second se	
in	110	4	147	129
Total	205	4	194	158
10 72	28			Trono?
Discharged cured				
after completion of treatment	8		55	95
Ceased to attend	891		712.	
before completion of treatment	43		27	
Ceased to attend after completion of treatment but			and the second	
before final tests of cure	3		17	(
Fransferred out to other Centres, In-			Contraction (Contraction	
stitutions, etc	2		í	3
Cases remaining under treatment,		1		
etc., on 31st December	149	4	94	60
TOTAL	205	4	194	158

The following Table shows the results of treatment of County cases at the Swansea Hospital Clinic in 1946:---

The cost charged to the County Council for treatment at the Centre in 1946 was $\pounds 1,512$ 3s. 0d., as compared with $\pounds 1,048$ 14s. 1d. in 1945.

The amount paid as travelling expenses to and from the Swansea Treatment Centre for necessitous cases was $\pounds 27$ 6s. 11d. in 1946, as compared with $\pounds 45$ 6s. 10d. in 1945.

Defence Regulations-Regulation 33B.

The number of contacts notified under Defence Regulation 33B was 10, including one for whom two or more Forms I were received. Six were traced and four untraced.

Tracing contacts is sometimes impossible or difficult owing to incorrect addresses, which are sometimes completely fictitious.

The medical staff have also contacted and advised many ex-servicemen reported on Service forms as having been under treatment or observation for V.D.

TUBERCULOSIS.

No change has been made in the scheme of treatment. Two Tuberculosis Officers cover the County and each has the help of a Clinic Nurse.

The Tuberculosis Physicians of Pembrokeshire and Swansea also attend Carmarthenshire cases along the borders of the County.

Incidence-Comparative Statement.

The number of new cases reported by formal notification or otherwise and the case rates per 1,000 population during the past five years are as follows:—

Year.	No.	of Pulmonary cases.	Case	rate.	No. of No. pulmonary	Case rate
1942		171		0.9	 64	 .37
1943		225		1.3	 56	 .33
1944		290		1.7	 66	 .40
1945		257		1.5	 69	 .42
1946		229		1.3	 56	 .33

The mortality figures for the same five years are as follows:---

Year.	Deaths from Pulmonary T.B	Death Rate per 1,000 population.	Deaths from Non- Pulmonary T.B.	Death Rate per 1,000 population.
1942	 114	 .66	 26	 .15
1943	 103	 .62	 23	 .13
1944	 112	 .68	 21	 .12
1945	 89	 .54	 24	 .14
1946	 101	 .61	 18	 .10

The following	Table shows the age	distribution of all	new cases notified
during 1946:			

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						1946.		
	Age Periods.				onary.	Non-Pul	monary.	Total.
	Pe	eriods	sund	М.	F.	M.	F.	i otal.
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5—	-15			5	8	10	9	32
15—	-25			22	41	6	13	82
25—	-35			33	27	ai pan	8	69
35—	-45			18	10		1	29
45—	-55		27.0	19	8	yurinens ciine a	2	29
55—	-65		•	15	10			25
65 +	good con			7	3		1	11
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Т	OTA	4L		120	109	19	37	a follows:
	RAN OT A		V(1)	229	ráte.	5	6	285
			1				171	

The mortality figures for the same five years are as follows:

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e o Mars	Badiog	Deaths from	Tuberculo	sis.	
		19	46.	1	_
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1-5	1	30	2 .4	1	
515		2	3	1	
15-45	21	28	2	8	
4565	24	14	1	x5	
65 +	10	1		1	ing-up
Total	56	45	6	12	
Grand Total	ISIS ATI	01	sáu	18	-

The following Table shows the deaths from Tuberculosis classified into the various age groups for the year 1946:—

Examinations and Dispensary Records.

During the year 2,046 new cases, including 76 contacts, were examined. Of these 178 were diagnosed as definitely tuberculous. 962 patients (725 pulmonary and 237 non-pulmonary) were on the Dispensary registers on the 31st December, 1946.

In the year under review, 1,955 cases were written off, 46 as recovered, 1,784 as non-tuberculous, 94 dead and 31 removed from the County or otherwise lost sight of.

	1	Grand	Lotal.	928	25	3		76	67	34		46	94	26	5	ntr :
	-			6												
	-	Children.	F.	68	-		I	2	1	9		6	61	-	-	
	· · ·	Chil	M.	78	1	:		4	1	2	des	1	1			
	Total.	lts.	F.	332	13	1	-	34	30	19	-	18	39	16	3	
		Adults.	M.	429	10	5		31	37	5		18	52	6	1	
1946	ry.	Children.	F.	42	1	:	82	:	:	9	1	3		I	1	
16	Non-Pulmonary.	Chil	M.	45	:	:	A.C.	:	4	2		I	20:		:	
	Von-Pu	lts.	F.	77	1		-	:	0	19	ling	4		2	.:	
		Adults.	M.	57	:	:	-	:	:	5		3	3	:	:	
		Children.	F.	47	:	:		7	1	:	Intol	4	5	1	:	
	nary.	Child	M.	33	1	:		4	1	:		1	1	1	:	
	Pulmonary.	s.	F.	255	12	1	Reco	34	30	iqe	G hos	14	39	14	3	Z
	nsz kq [Adults.	M.	372	10	2	ilefinit	31	37		12,046 re dia	15	49	6		0
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		DIAGNOSIS.		A. Number of definite cases of Tuberculosis on the Dispensary Register at the beginning of the year	Transfers from other Authorities Lost sight of cases returned during the	year	B. Number of New Cases diagnosed Tuberculous during the year:	1. Class TB. Minus	2. Class TB. Plus	3. Non-Pulmonary	C. Number of cases included in A and B written off the Dispensary Register during the year as:	1. Recovered	2. Dead (all causes)	3. Removed to other Areas	4. For other reasons	D. Number of definite cases of Tuberculosis on the Dispensary Register at the end

TUBERCULOSIS.

TABLE SHOWING THE WORK OF THE DISPENSARIES.

Mass Radiography.

Mass Radiography of school children has been carried out with the help of the Education Committee and the following findings from sections of the school population are submitted:—

				Male.		Female.	Total.
Persons X-Rayed				1037		1005	 2042
Pulmonary Tuberculosis				the same is		2	 2
Observation cases				6	·)	4	 10
Non-tuberculous Clinical chest	entiti	es of tl	he	9		4	13
Total abnormalities				15		10	 25

Mass Radiography Findings.

Residential Treatment.

169 patients were admitted to Sanatoria during the year, 147 were discharged and 12 died, leaving 119 in hospital on the 31st December, 1946.

TUBERCULOSIS AFTER-CARE SCHEME.

During the year 171 certificates were received from the Tuberculosis Officers recommending patients for allowances under the Ministry of Health Memorandum 266/T. Of these, 65 applications were referred to the Director of Social Welfare for assessment of which 61 were granted and were in payment during the year. Four applicants were found to be ineligible for allowances after assessment. The total cost was $\pounds 6,778$ 1s. 9d. for the twelve months ended 31st March, 1947.

Similarly, 78 applications for assistance were received under the County Council's Tuberculosis After-Care Scheme. Of this number 61 were granted and were in payment during the year. Fourteen applicants were found to be ineligible for financial assistance and three withdrew their application. The cost was £2,829 5s. 7d. for the twelve months ended 31st March, 1947.

The following is a brief summary of the work of the Health Visitors during the year:—

1st Visits.	Pulmonary.	Non-Pulmonary.	Re-visits.	Total.
151	118	33	969	1120

During the year 8 cases with bad housing conditions were referred to the local sanitary authorities.

BLIND PERSONS ACTS, 1920 AND 1938.

These Acts are administered by the County Council through the Blind Persons Act Committee and the Carmarthenshire Blind Society who act as their agents.

Registration.—During the year ended 31st December, 1946, 40 new cases were examined, of whom 7 were found to be blind within the meaning of the Act.

The total number of blind persons on the Register was 310, as compared with 299 the previous year.

All persons able to travel are examined by the Ophthalmic Surgeons at Eye Clinics held at Ammanford, Carmarthen and Llanelly. Persons unable to travel to Eye Clinics are examined at their homes by the Medical Staff of the County Council or by the Ophthalmic Surgeons. The form of report and certificate issued by the Ministry of Health is completed in each case.

Training.—One blind child and one partially blind child are being educated at a School for the Blind under the County Education Committee Scheme.

Home Workers.-The number of Home Workers in the County is seven.

Employment.—The number of blind persons supporting themselves is 19, and the number of unemployable blind is 288.

Home Teachers and Visitors.—There are three Home Teachers in the County.

Welfare.—Free medical attention is available to the unemployable blind when needed.

Maintenance Grants.—The financial circumstances of all the unemployable blind are carefully enquired into and where necessary, their incomes augmented. 208 were receiving allowances at the end of December, 1946, the total amounts of grants being $f_{.6,109}$ 4s. 9d.

nted and were in gayment during the years. Fouriden applicants

	Total.	310	10	Total.	310	TR US		Total.		1	
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1005	Un			70+	46	pad ul		Physically Defective.	Other chools.		
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	65-70	47	Table av	50-60	53	and the second		State -	In School for Blind.	:	
Register.	50-65	69	Contraction of the second	40-50	30	in the second		.e.	Not at School.		and the second second
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MILK CONTROL.

Tuberculosis Orders, 1925 and 1938.

The number of animals slaughtered under the Tuberculosis Order, 1925, during the past five years is as follows:—

1942	 	 	28
1943	 	 	36
1944	 	 	24
1945	 	 	12
1946	 	 	21

The following Table gives the number of licences issued under	the
Milk (Special Designations) Order, 1936, during the year 1946:-	
Number of "Accredited Milk "Licence holders in the County	
on the 31st December, 1946	867
Number of New "Accredited Milk " Licences issued during	
1946	83
Number of "Tuberculin Tested Milk" Licence holders in	
the County on the 31st December, 1946	535
Number of New "Tuberculin Tested Milk "Licences issued	
during 1946	98

For purposes of comparison the following summary is given showing the number of licences issued up to the end of the last five years:—

	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946
Accredited Licences	 1102	1152	1216	892	867
Tuberculin Tested do.	 191	202	219	465	535

Sampling of Designated Milk.—The aim is to take four samples yearly of each designated milk. If three consecutive samples prove satisfactory during the year the fourth sample is not taken. If the results of consecutive samples are unsatisfactory a "run of samples" is taken.

The following table shows the number of samples taken during 1944, 1945 and 1946 and also the percentage of unsatisfactory samples:—

	No.	No.	%
Year.	Taken.	Unsatisfactory.	Unsatisfactory.
1944	 729	 416	 57%
1945	 739	 437	 59%
1946	 3702	 1907	 51.5%

Revocation of Licences.—During 1946, five licences of Tuberculin Tested Producers and 21 licences of Accredited Producers were revoked owing to unsatisfactory samples. A designated licence may be renewed on application at the end of a period of six months following revocation provided that a series of samples of milk collected during that time have shown a consistent standard of cleanliness.

Milk in Schools Scheme .- During 1946, 707 samples were taken by the Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures of milk supplied to schools. Of these 555 were found to be satisfactory and 152 unsatisfactory.

Milk and Dairies Order, 1926.-The number of inspections of cowsheds and dairies carried out by the Local Sanitary Authorities during 1946 was 1,064, viz.:-Llanelly Borough 149, Carmarthen Borough 16, Llandilo Urban 18, Llandovery Borough 27, Kidwelly Borough 24, Newcastle Emlyn Urban Nil, Ammanford Urban Nil, Burry Port Urban 22, Cwmamman Urban Nil, Llanelly Rural 391, Carmarthen Rural 287, Llandilo Rural Nil, Newcastle Emlyn Rural 130.

The number of samples taken by the Local Sanitary Authorities during 1946 was 1,372.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES.

Pollution of Rivers .- No complaints of river pollution were received during the year.

Shellfisheries .- These are situated at Ferryside, Llanstephan and Laugharne. No complaints have been received regarding shellfish from these areas.

Sewage Disposal.-Sewage disposal schemes are being brought into existence by some District Authorities, who, it is stressed, should combine for this purpose wherever possible.

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VITAL STATISTICS.

Census 1931.	Total Popula- tion at all ages		38416 10310	1980	3159 763	7164	5217	74650	37266	29269	9040	104450	74650 104450	179100	:
Area of District	in		2069 5160	304 1266	2854 208	944	756	4935	51367 。	202622	82842	573537	14935 573537	588472	
Deaths under 1 year.	Data	per 1000 Nett Births.	39.5 37.2	34.5	57.7 76.9	60.0	61.5	42.0	63.2	53.2	50.4	57.0	42.0 57.0	50.7	43.0
Deaths un 1 year.	No		23	-	- 00	98	4	48	37	26	9 9	92	48 92	140	:
e Deaths.	Inward.	Residents registered in District.	37 6	3 6	4 4	27	10	106	88	80	02 18	243	106 243	349	::
Transferable Deaths.	Outward.	Non-Residents registered in District.	57 193	4 61		c	9.9	264	24	2.	13	48	264 48	312	:
Deaths gistered District.		per 1000 Popula- tion.	13.6 12.7	20.2 12.8	11.8	13.2	14.0	13.4	12.7	12.8	14.4	13.6	13.4 13.6	13.5	11.5
Deaths Registered in District		INO.	466 131	38	34 9	86	64	923	436	361	364 147	1308	923 - 1308	2231	:
lirths	-	Kate per 1000 Popula- tion.	17.0 18.4	18.6	18.1	15.4	14.4	16.7	16.9	17.3	16.7	16,8	16.7 16.8	16.7	19.1
Nett Births		No.	582 188	35 29	52 13	. 100	65	1145	585	489	422 119	1615	1145 1615	2760	
Estima- ted Popula- tion for 1946		34,300 10.240	1,881	2,875	6,495	0,040 4,563	68,710	34.710	28,230	25,200 8,220	96,360	68,710 96,360	165,070	:	
Name of District.		URBAN Llanclly Carmarthen		Kidwelly	Ammanford	Burry Port Cwmamman	Total	RURAL	Carmarthen	Llandilo-fawr Newcastle Emlyn	Total	Urban Districts Rural Districts	Whole County	England & Wales	

