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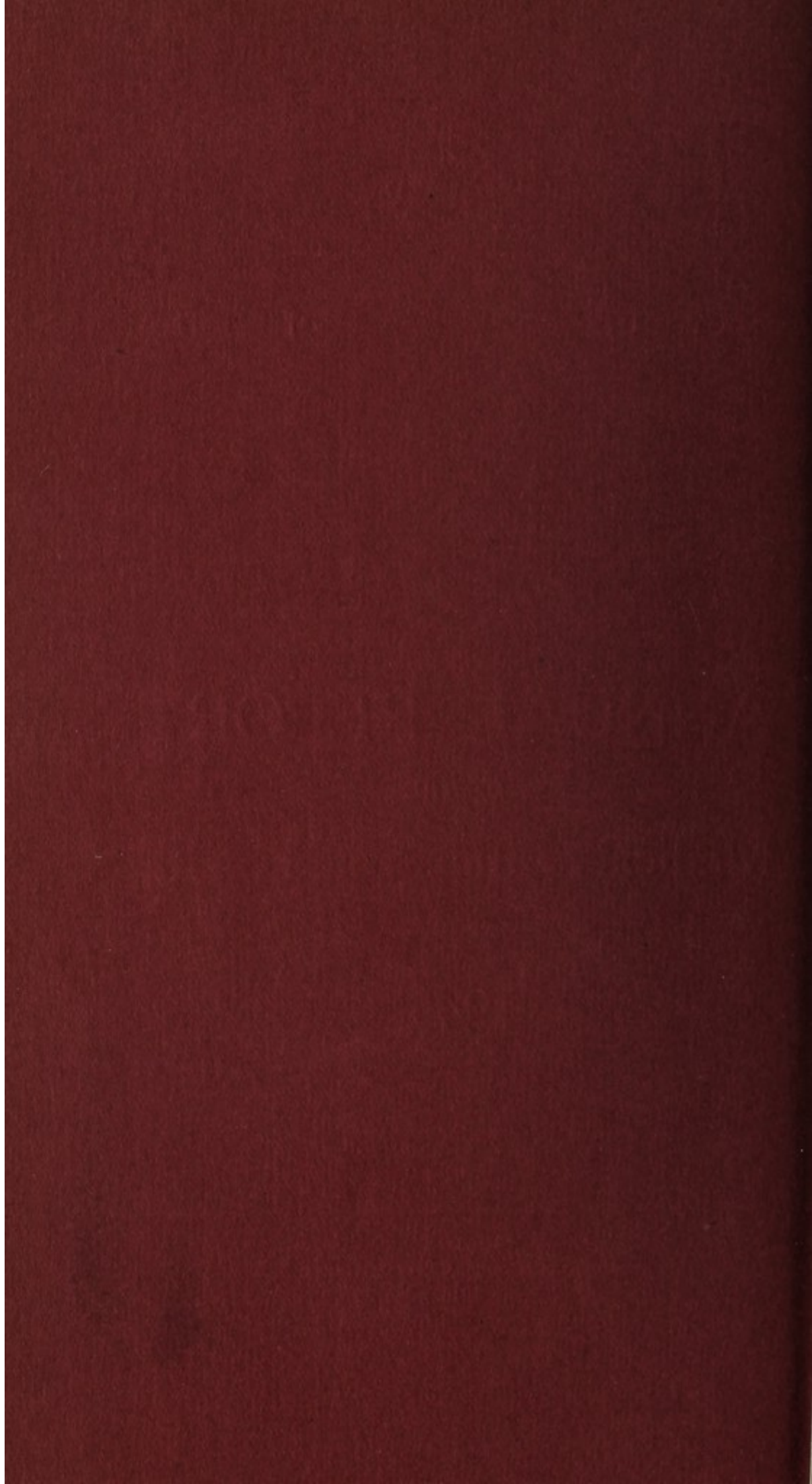
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REPORT OF THE

COMMISSIONER OF

THE

SCHOOL

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YORK

Public Health Department,
BOLTON.

1st May, 1946.

**To the Chairman and Members of the Special Services
Sub-Committee of the Bolton Education Committee.**

The School Medical Officer begs to submit the Annual Report on the work of the School Medical Department for the year 1945. In accordance with instructions the scope of the report is greatly reduced but the more important tables are reproduced to preserve the continuity of annual returns.

MALNUTRITION.

The school population does not appear to have suffered physically during the year, and there has been no increase in malnutrition in the entrants and the leavers. School meals have contributed to the physical well-being of the children. During the year, 324,624 free meals and 555,085 paid meals were provided.

UNCLEANLINESS.

The Municipal Medical Baths continue to work satisfactorily. Two whole-time women attendants and a part-time male attendant are employed. Verminous conditions of the head are treated on three morning sessions weekly. During 1945, 236 children were treated.

SCABIES.

There has been a continued slight decrease in scabies. Five afternoon sessions and two mornings are now allotted to the treatment of scabies each week in the Municipal Medical Baths. Special evening sessions are arranged for adult male members of the families. Every endeavour is made to examine and, if necessary, treat the whole family. 2,637 treatments for scabies were given to 1,007 children at the Medical Baths during the year.

DENTAL DEFECTS.

One of the Dental Surgeons, Mr. R. B. Keighley was absent on Military Service during the whole of the year. Mr. Bray resumed his work with the Authority on December 3rd, 1945, on his release from H.M. Forces. The reduction in the number of dental surgeons has gravely interfered with the work of the Department.

Of 3,459 children inspected by the dental surgeons in routine and special inspections, 2,691 were found to require treatment and 2,460 received treatment.

The actual figures for the work carried out are as follows :—

ROUTINE CASES—					Total.
No. of cases treated	..	..	..	..	346
No. of attendances	..	..	..	..	597
No. of temporary teeth extracted	..	..	..	..	453
No. of permanent teeth extracted	..	..	..	..	75
No. of temporary teeth filled	..	..	..	..	Nil
No. of permanent teeth filled	..	..	..	..	184
No. of general anæsthetics administered	..	..	..	..	51
CASUAL CASES—					
No. of cases treated	..	..	..	..	2,114
No. of attendances	..	..	..	..	3,349
No. of temporary teeth extracted	..	..	..	..	2,951
No. of permanent teeth extracted	..	..	..	..	494
No. of temporary teeth filled	..	..	..	..	7
No. of permanent teeth filled	..	..	..	..	232
No. of general anæsthetics administered	..	..	..	..	399

INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

No schools were closed during 1945 on account of infectious disease. During the year 257 children between 5 and 15 years and 1,738 children under 5 years were immunised against diphtheria.

BLIND, DEAF, DEFECTIVE AND EPILEPTIC CHILDREN.

During the year 1945, 13 children were notified to the Mental Deficiency Act Committee of the Lancashire Mental Hospitals Board.

Flash Street Special School.

			Boys.	Girls.
No. of children on the roll, December, 1945	..	..	41	36
No. of children admitted during 1945	..	..	4	12
No. of children discharged during 1945	..	..	10	17

The Thomasson Memorial School.

			Blind Boys.	Dept. Girls.
No. of children on the roll, December, 1945	..	..	11	14
			Deaf Boys.	Dept. Girls.
No. of children on the roll, December, 1945	..	..	14	10

Bolton Area.

	Blind. (including partially sighted).		Deaf. (including partially deaf).	
	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.
No. of children admitted during 1945	—	—	—	2
No. of children discharged during 1945	7	11	—	3

Outside Areas.

	Blind. (including partially sighted).		Deaf. (including partially deaf).	
	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.
No. of children admitted during 1945	5	10	—	1
No. of children discharged during 1945	14	6 + 1 died	2	*8

*(Includes 2 boys and 4 girls, evacuees from Hull, who returned to their own school in June).

Blind Department.

The school re-opened in the Autumn term as a Junior School for the Blind. All blind children over 12 years of age have been transferred to Henshaw's Institution, Manchester, and all partially sighted of that age to Fulwood, Preston. Fourteen juniors from other schools were admitted to the Thomasson Memorial School for the Blind.

LOSTOCK OPEN AIR SCHOOL.

The following are the relevant figures for 1945 :—

	Boys.	Girls.
No. of children admitted during the year (New cases)	76	43
No. of children on the roll, December, 1944, and re-admitted January, 1945	35	34
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Total ..	111	77
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No. of children discharged during the year by the Medical Officer	32	16
No. of children withdrawn by parents ..	49	43
No. of children attaining the age of 14 years	1	—
No. of children excluded	—	1
No. of children removed out of town ..	1	2
No. of children in residence, December, 1945	60	41

NURSERY SCHOOLS.

The following are the relevant figures for 1945 :—

• **KAY STREET NURSERY SCHOOL :**

No. of children on the roll, December, 1945 ..	109
No. of children admitted during 1945	75
No. of children transferred to elementary schools ..	24
No. of children removed by parents	18

PIKES LANE NURSERY SCHOOL :

No. of children on the roll, December, 1945 ..	98
No. of children admitted during 1945	52
No. of children transferred to elementary schools ..	42
No. of children removed by parents	16

Employment of Children and Young Persons.

Four hundred and nine children were examined during 1945 for employment outside school hours in accordance with the Bye-laws made under the Children and Young Persons Act, 1933. Certificates were granted in 374 cases. The corresponding number in 1944 was 418.

Fifteen children who had made application for Juvenile Performers' Licences under the Employment of Children in Entertainments Rules, 1933, were examined and licences were granted in each case or the original ones renewed.

REMEDIAL SPEECH TRAINING CENTRE.

Total number of cases receiving treatment :—

					Boys.	Girls.
Stammer	..	..	..	..	61	5
Cleft palate	..	..	..	..	4	1
Other defects	..	..	..	..	241	100
					<hr/> 306	<hr/> 106

No cases from outside areas are attending the Centre. These figures cover only children within the Bolton Borough boundary.

CHILDREN UNABLE TO ATTEND SCHOOL THROUGH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES.

The arrangements under this heading remain the same as last year.

During the year, 17 children have been on the books of the teachers, and altogether, 925 hours of actual instruction have been given to these children.

REMAND HOMES.

(a) GIRLS. Fifty-nine girls were admitted to the Girls' Remand Home and 65 discharged. The routine examination of girls immediately after admission and before discharge was carried out as usual.

(b) BOYS. The Townleys House Remand Home for Boys was opened on March 5th, 1942, and provides accommodation for 29 boys. Since the opening 500 boys have passed through the Home. This year 162 boys have been admitted :—

73 were pending vacancies in Approved Schools.

68 were on remand — later placed on probation.

14 were on one month's detention.

6 were absconders from Approved Schools, detained pending escort back to School.

1 was certified as mentally deficient.

On admission many boys were found to be suffering from scabies, impetigo and malnutrition.

STATISTICAL TABLES.

These Tables are appended.

COUNTY BOROUGH OF BOLTON.

Table I.

MEDICAL INSPECTION AND TREATMENT RETURNS
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1945.

MEDICAL INSPECTIONS OF PUPILS ATTENDING
MAINTAINED PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

A.—ROUTINE MEDICAL INSPECTIONS.

(Regulation 49 (2) of the Handicapped Pupils and School Health
Service Regulations, 1945).

Number of Inspections :

Entrants	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,227
Second Age Group	..	..	..	..	..	..	657
Third Age Group	..	..	..	..	..	..	*1,017
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,901
Number of other Routine Inspections	..	..	..	..	..	..	317
Grand Total	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,218

B.—OTHER INSPECTIONS.

Number of Special Inspections	..	..	..	..	..	..	5,433
Number of Re-inspections	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,440
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..	9,873

*This figure shows Inspections in all Maintained Secondary Schools since 1st April, 1945.

COUNTY BOROUGH OF BOLTON.

Table II.

A.—RETURN OF DEFECTS FOUND BY MEDICAL INSPECTION IN THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1945.

DEFECT OR DISEASE.		ROUTINE INSPECTIONS.		SPECIAL INSPECTIONS.	
		No. of Defects.		No. of Defects.	
		Requiring treatment.	Requiring to be kept under observation but not requiring treatment.	Requiring treatment.	Requiring to be kept under observation but not requiring treatment.
(1)		(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Skin	Ringworm				
	(1) Scalp	—	—	5	—
	(2) Body	—	—	10	—
	(3) Scabies	11	—	311	—
	(4) Impetigo	7	—	115	—
	(5) Other Diseases (Non-Tuberculous)	54	19	352	4
	TOTAL (Heads 1 to 5) ..	72	19	793	4
Eye	(6) Blepharitis ..	15	—	12	—
	(7) Conjunctivitis ..	1	—	6	—
	(8) Keratitis	—	—	—	—
	(9) Corneal Opacities ..	1	—	—	—
	(10) Other Conditions (excluding Defective Vision and Squint)	3	4	31	—
	TOTAL (Heads 6 to 10) ..	20	4	49	—
Ear	(11) Defective Vision (excluding Squint)	256	200	69	—
	(12) Squint	57	24	19	—
	(13) Defective Hearing ..	26	35	39	11
	(14) Otitis Media	20	—	144	—
	(15) Other Ear Diseases ..	11	5	140	51
	(16) Chronic Tonsillitis only	17	173	26	74
Nose and Throat	(17) Adenoids only ..	1	1	26	21
	(18) Chronic Tonsillitis and Adenoids ..	20	48	304	34
	(19) Other Conditions ..	10	17	260	37

Return of Defects found by Medical Inspection.—(Continued.)

DEFECT OR DISEASE.	ROUTINE INSPECTIONS.		SPECIAL INSPECTIONS.	
	No. of Defects.		No. of Defects.	
	Requiring treatment.	Requiring to be kept under observation but not requiring treatment.	Requiring treatment.	Requiring to be kept under observation but not requiring treatment.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
(20) Enlarged Cervical Glands				
(Non-Tuberculous) ..	3	83	31	3
(21) Defective Speech	12	17	15	1
Heart { Heart Disease :				
and { (22) Organic	3	2	16	—
Circula- { (23) Functional	8	28	6	8
tion { (24) Anæmia	10	1	54	3
{ (25) Bronchitis	48	4	50	4
Lungs { (26) Other Non-Tuber- culous Diseases	4	57	59	11
{ Pulmonary :—				
(27) Definite	—	—	—	—
(28) Suspected	—	—	1	2
Tuber- { Non-Pulmonary :—				
culosis { (29) Glands	2	—	6	3
{ (30) Bones and Joints	—	—	3	—
{ (31) Skin	—	—	—	—
{ (32) Other Forms	—	—	—	—
TOTAL (Heads 29 to 32) ..	2	—	9	3
Nervous { (33) Epilepsy	5	—	9	5
System { (34) Chorea	1	—	15	2
{ (35) Other Conditions	—	—	24	1
Deformi- { (36) Rickets	2	—	9	1
ties { (37) Spinal Curvature	2	—	12	—
{ (38) Other Forms	41	4	28	1
(39) Other Defects and Diseases (excluding Defects of Nutri- tion, Uncleanliness and Dental Diseases)	19	54	429	121
Total	670	776	2,636	398

Table II.—Continued.

**B. CLASSIFICATION OF THE NUTRITION OF PUPILS INSPECTED DURING
THE YEAR IN THE ROUTINE AGE GROUPS.**

Number of Pupils Inspected	A (Excellent)		B (Normal)		C (Slightly Sub-normal)		D (Bad)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
4,218	419	9.93	3,620	85.82	176	4.17	3	0.07

Table III.

TREATMENT TABLES.

Group I.—Minor Ailments.

(Excluding Uncleanliness, for which see Table V).

Total number of Defects treated or under treatment during the year under the Authority's Scheme	6,972
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Group II.—Defective Vision and Squint.

No. of Defects dealt with under the Authority's Scheme :—

Errors of Refraction (including squint)	...	...	647
Other defect or disease of the eyes (excluding those recorded in Group I)	...	...	17
Total	...	...	664

No. of children for whom spectacles were

(a) Prescribed	...	...	579
(b) Obtained	...	...	579

Group III.—Treatment of Defects of Nose and Throat.

No. of children who have

(a) Received Operative Treatment under the Authority's Scheme	...	...	341
(b) Received other forms of Treatment	...	...	174
Total number treated	...	...	515

Table IV.—DENTAL INSPECTION AND TREATMENT.

(1) Number of Children who were :—

(a) Inspected by the Dentist

Aged :

Routine Age Groups	{	4 and under	..	28	Total 1,345
		5..	.. ..	55
		6..	.. ..	98
		7..	.. ..	184
		8..	.. ..	277
		9..	.. ..	287
		10..	.. ..	253
		11..	.. ..	110
		12..	.. ..	26
		13..	.. ..	22
		14 and over	..	5	

(b) Specials 2,114

(c) TOTAL (Routine and Specials) 3,459

(2) Number found to require treatment 2,691

(3) Number actually treated 2,460

(4) Attendances made by children for treatment .. 3,946

(5) Half-days devoted to	{	Inspection ..	6	Total	432
	Treatment ..	426			

(6) Fillings	{	Permanent teeth	416	Total	423
	Temporary teeth	7			

(7) Extractions ..	{	Permanent teeth	569	Total	3,973
	Temporary teeth	3,404			

(8) Administrations of general anæsthetics for extractions 450

(9) Other Operations..	{	Permanent teeth	446	Total	483
	Temporary teeth	37			

Table V.—**UNCLEANLINESS AND VERMINOUS
CONDITIONS.**

(i)	Average number of visits per school made during the year by the school nurses	7
(ii)	Total number of examinations of children in the schools by school nurses	39,653
(iii)	Number of individual children found unclean ...	2,990

Table VI—**BLIND OR DEAF CHILDREN.**

NOTE.—There are no blind or deaf children who are not at the present time receiving education for their special needs.

Table VII.

SCHOOL MEDICAL AND DENTAL STAFF.

NAME OF OFFICER.	Proportion of whole time devoted to	
	School Medical Service	Public Health.
SCHOOL MEDICAL OFFICER :		
Galloway, Robert M.	10%	90%
ASSISTANT SCHOOL MEDICAL OFFICERS :		
Litt, John (Bolton County Borough —6 sessions per week) (Lancashire County Council—5 do.)	54.5%	—
Parker, Jean B. (Miss)	91%	9%
SENIOR DENTIST :	—	—
DENTISTS :		
Bray, Stanley J. (Resumed duties 3/12/45— released from H.M. Forces)	100%	—
Wignall, Bessie (Miss)	100%	—

SCHOOL NURSING STAFF.

(excluding Specialist Nurses such as Orthopædic Nurses.)

	Number of Officers	Aggregate of time given to S.M.S. work in terms of whole time officers
School Nurses... ..	14	9
District Nurses	—	—
Nursing Assistants*	—	—
Dental Attendants	1	1

*This term refers to the untrained assistants described in paragraph 3 of Circular 1604.

SCHOOL MEDICAL AND DENTAL STAFF

Name of Doctor or Dentist		Address		Telephone	
Dr. J. H. Smith		123 Main St.		1234	
Dr. A. B. Jones		456 Elm St.		5678	
Dr. C. D. Brown		789 Oak St.		9012	
Dr. E. F. Green		1011 Pine St.		3456	
Dr. G. H. White		1315 Maple St.		7890	
Dr. I. J. Black		1619 Cedar St.		2345	
Dr. K. L. Gray		1923 Birch St.		6789	
Dr. M. N. Hall		2227 Spruce St.		1011	
Dr. O. P. Young		2531 Willow St.		4567	
Dr. Q. R. King		2835 Ash St.		8901	
Dr. R. S. Lee		3139 Hickory St.		2345	
Dr. T. U. Scott		3443 Sycamore St.		6789	
Dr. V. W. Adams		3747 Magnolia St.		1011	
Dr. X. Y. Baker		4051 Dogwood St.		4567	
Dr. Z. A. Carter		4355 Redwood St.		8901	
Dr. B. C. Evans		4659 Cypress St.		2345	
Dr. D. E. Foster		4963 Juniper St.		6789	
Dr. F. G. Harris		5267 Fir St.		1011	
Dr. H. I. Jones		5571 Palm St.		4567	
Dr. J. K. Lewis		5875 Cedar St.		8901	
Dr. L. M. Miller		6179 Birch St.		2345	
Dr. N. O. Wilson		6483 Spruce St.		6789	
Dr. P. Q. Young		6787 Willow St.		1011	
Dr. R. S. King		7091 Ash St.		4567	
Dr. T. U. Lee		7395 Hickory St.		8901	
Dr. V. W. Scott		7699 Sycamore St.		2345	
Dr. X. Y. Adams		8003 Magnolia St.		6789	
Dr. Z. A. Baker		8307 Dogwood St.		1011	
Dr. B. C. Carter		8611 Redwood St.		4567	
Dr. D. E. Evans		8915 Cypress St.		8901	
Dr. F. G. Foster		9219 Juniper St.		2345	
Dr. H. I. Harris		9523 Fir St.		6789	
Dr. J. K. Jones		9827 Palm St.		1011	
Dr. L. M. Lewis		10131 Cedar St.		4567	
Dr. N. O. Miller		10435 Birch St.		8901	
Dr. P. Q. Wilson		10739 Spruce St.		2345	
Dr. R. S. Young		11043 Willow St.		6789	
Dr. T. U. King		11347 Ash St.		1011	
Dr. V. W. Lee		11651 Hickory St.		4567	
Dr. X. Y. Scott		11955 Sycamore St.		8901	
Dr. Z. A. Adams		12259 Magnolia St.		2345	
Dr. B. C. Baker		12563 Dogwood St.		6789	
Dr. D. E. Carter		12867 Redwood St.		1011	
Dr. F. G. Evans		13171 Cypress St.		4567	
Dr. H. I. Foster		13475 Juniper St.		8901	
Dr. J. K. Harris		13779 Fir St.		2345	
Dr. L. M. Jones		14083 Palm St.		6789	
Dr. N. O. Lewis		14387 Cedar St.		1011	
Dr. P. Q. Miller		14691 Birch St.		4567	
Dr. R. S. Wilson		14995 Spruce St.		8901	
Dr. T. U. Young		15299 Willow St.		2345	
Dr. V. W. King		15603 Ash St.		6789	
Dr. X. Y. Lee		15907 Hickory St.		1011	
Dr. Z. A. Scott		16211 Sycamore St.		4567	
Dr. B. C. Adams		16515 Magnolia St.		8901	
Dr. D. E. Baker		16819 Dogwood St.		2345	
Dr. F. G. Carter		17123 Redwood St.		6789	
Dr. H. I. Evans		17427 Cypress St.		1011	
Dr. J. K. Foster		17731 Juniper St.		4567	
Dr. L. M. Harris		18035 Fir St.		8901	
Dr. N. O. Jones		18339 Palm St.		2345	
Dr. P. Q. Lewis		18643 Cedar St.		6789	
Dr. R. S. Miller		18947 Birch St.		1011	
Dr. T. U. Wilson		19251 Spruce St.		4567	
Dr. V. W. Young		19555 Willow St.		8901	
Dr. X. Y. King		19859 Ash St.		2345	
Dr. Z. A. Lee		20163 Hickory St.		6789	
Dr. B. C. Scott		20467 Sycamore St.		1011	
Dr. D. E. Adams		20771 Magnolia St.		4567	
Dr. F. G. Baker		21075 Dogwood St.		8901	
Dr. H. I. Carter		21379 Redwood St.		2345	
Dr. J. K. Evans		21683 Cypress St.		6789	
Dr. L. M. Foster		21987 Juniper St.		1011	
Dr. N. O. Harris		22291 Fir St.		4567	
Dr. P. Q. Jones		22595 Palm St.		8901	
Dr. R. S. Lewis		22899 Cedar St.		2345	
Dr. T. U. Miller		23203 Birch St.		6789	
Dr. V. W. Wilson		23507 Spruce St.		1011	
Dr. X. Y. Young		23811 Willow St.		4567	
Dr. Z. A. King		24115 Ash St.		8901	
Dr. B. C. Lee		24419 Hickory St.		2345	
Dr. D. E. Scott		24723 Sycamore St.		6789	
Dr. F. G. Adams		25027 Magnolia St.		1011	
Dr. H. I. Baker		25331 Dogwood St.		4567	
Dr. J. K. Carter		25635 Redwood St.		8901	
Dr. L. M. Evans		25939 Cypress St.		2345	
Dr. N. O. Foster		26243 Juniper St.		6789	
Dr. P. Q. Harris		26547 Fir St.		1011	
Dr. R. S. Jones		26851 Palm St.		4567	
Dr. T. U. Lewis		27155 Cedar St.		8901	
Dr. V. W. Miller		27459 Birch St.		2345	
Dr. X. Y. Wilson		27763 Spruce St.		6789	
Dr. Z. A. Young		28067 Willow St.		1011	
Dr. B. C. King		28371 Ash St.		4567	
Dr. D. E. Lee		28675 Hickory St.		8901	
Dr. F. G. Scott		28979 Sycamore St.		2345	
Dr. H. I. Adams		29283 Magnolia St.		6789	
Dr. J. K. Baker		29587 Dogwood St.		1011	
Dr. L. M. Carter		29891 Redwood St.		4567	
Dr. N. O. Evans		30195 Cypress St.		8901	
Dr. P. Q. Foster		30499 Juniper St.		2345	
Dr. R. S. Harris		30803 Fir St.		6789	
Dr. T. U. Jones		31107 Palm St.		1011	
Dr. V. W. Lewis		31411 Cedar St.		4567	
Dr. X. Y. Miller		31715 Birch St.		8901	
Dr. Z. A. Wilson		32019 Spruce St.		2345	
Dr. B. C. Young		32323 Willow St.		6789	
Dr. D. E. King		32627 Ash St.		1011	
Dr. F. G. Lee		32931 Hickory St.		4567	
Dr. H. I. Scott		33235 Sycamore St.		8901	
Dr. J. K. Adams		33539 Magnolia St.		2345	
Dr. L. M. Baker		33843 Dogwood St.		6789	
Dr. N. O. Carter		34147 Redwood St.		1011	
Dr. P. Q. Evans		34451 Cypress St.		4567	
Dr. R. S. Foster		34755 Juniper St.		8901	
Dr. T. U. Harris		35059 Fir St.		2345	
Dr. V. W. Jones		35363 Palm St.		6789	
Dr. X. Y. Lewis		35667 Cedar St.		1011	
Dr. Z. A. Miller		35971 Birch St.		4567	
Dr. B. C. Wilson		36275 Spruce St.		8901	
Dr. D. E. Young		36579 Willow St.		2345	
Dr. F. G. King		36883 Ash St.		6789	
Dr. H. I. Lee		37187 Hickory St.		1011	
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Dr. L. M. Adams		37795 Magnolia St.		8901	
Dr. N. O. Baker		38099 Dogwood St.		2345	
Dr. P. Q. Carter		38403 Redwood St.		6789	
Dr. R. S. Evans		38707 Cypress St.		1011	
Dr. T. U. Foster		39011 Juniper St.		4567	
Dr. V. W. Harris		39315 Fir St.		8901	
Dr. X. Y. Jones		39619 Palm St.		2345	
Dr. Z. A. Lewis		39923 Cedar St.		6789	
Dr. B. C. Miller		40227 Birch St.		1011	
Dr. D. E. Wilson		40531 Spruce St.		4567	