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The Rateable Value of the District is £42,210 and the sum represented by a penny rate is £173.

The Social Conditions are good. The District is almost entirely residential and there is no industry of note.

VITAL STATISTICS.

<u>BIRTHS.</u>	Total.	Male.	Female.
<u>Live Births.</u> (Legitimate)	55	29	26
(Illegitimate)	2	2	--
	<u>57</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>26</u>
<u>Still Births.</u>	1	--	1
<u>BIRTH RATE.</u> per 1,000 of estimate population	Standardised 15.53		
Birth Rate.	14.44		

DEATHS.

Total Number of Deaths in District. 49.

Death Rate. per 1,000 of the estimated total. 13.35.
Standardised DEATH rate. 9.74.

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GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA. NATIONAL HEALTH ACT SERVICES AND SERVICE PROVIDED BY THE CHESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.

A. Services Provided in accordance with the Requirements of the National Health Service Act 1946.

1. Hospital Services.

Controlling Body: Manchester Regional Hospital Board.

Local Hospitals: Administered by North West and Mid Cheshire Hospital Management Committee.

Secretary- Mr. M. Owen Administrative Offices, Altrincham.

Hospitals serving the Area.:-

General Acute Cases- Altrincham General Hospital.
Denzell (Convalescent).

General Chronic Cases.:- Cranford Lodge, Knutsford.
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Maternity Hospitals:- Altrincham Maternity Hospital,
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	<u>MALE.</u>	<u>FEMALE.</u>	<u>TOTAL.</u>
Malignant Neoplasm. Stomach.	-	-	-
" " Lungs.	3	-	3
" " other.	-	4	4
Vascular Disease of Nervous System.	3	6	9
Coronary Disease Agnina.	4	6	10
Hypertension of Heart.	-	1	1
Other Heart Diseases.	2	7	9
Other Circulatory "	1	2	3
Bronchitis.	1	1	2
Other ill defined diseases.	2	1	3
Suicide.	-	1	1
Congenital Malformation.	-	1	1
Accidents.	1	2	3
	<u>17</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>49</u>

The Infectious Diseases Notified were as listed:-

Scarlet Fever.	NIL.
Whooping Cough.	13.
Acute Poliomyelitis.	2.
Measles.	5.
Diphtheria.	NIL.
Ac Pneumonia.	NIL.
Dysentery.	NIL.
Smallpox.	NIL.
Enteric or Typhoid Fever.	NIL.
Acute Encephalitis.	NIL.
Paratyphoid Fever.	NIL.
Erysipelas.	1.
Food Poisoning.	NIL.
Brucella.	NIL.
Tuberculosis.	NIL.

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The Chairman and Members of the
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Mr. Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen.

I beg to present my Annual Report on the Sanitary Administration of the area, for the year ended 31st December, 1954.

Water Supply.

The whole of the district is supplied from the Manchester Corporation Mains. The supply in all cases is direct to the house or premises. The supply of water has been satisfactory both as regards quality and quantity.

The Thirlmere water is neutralised with hydrated lime so as to give a pH value of 7 to 7.5. Plumbo-solvency tests in past records show that water which has stood in contact with lead service pipes overnight has a lead content very definitely less than 0.2 P.P.M.pH.

Sewerage and Sanitary Accommodation.

A new length of sewer has been laid to serve the Primrose Bank Housing Estate. Existing sewers have been maintained and where necessary small defects remedied.

The whole district is on the water borne system with the exception of 8 outlying cottages.

Factories Act 1937.

No action has been necessary under Part 1, Section 1-11 and Part 8, Sections 110 and 111 of this Act.

Inspection of Food.

- (a) Milk Supply. There are 7 producers in the area. These premises are constantly inspected. No adulteration has been found and no action has been necessary.
- (b) Inspection of Meat and other foods. All food shops are constantly under inspection. There is only one butchers shop in the area, the meat being obtained from the Altrincham Area. No animals have been slaughtered for human consumption. There are no slaughterhouses or knackers yards in the area.

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Inspections and treatment of Properties.

No of Properties in Local Authority District.	(1) L.A.	(2) Dwelling Houses.	(3) all other premises.	Total.	Agricultural.
	5	1240	32	1277	8
Nos. inspected as a result of notification.	-	21	-	21	-
otherwise e.g. when visited primarily for some other purpose.	5	41	22	68	8
Total Inspections. including re-inspection		210	22	232	8
Treatments. Minor infestations for					
Rats.		18	-	18	-
Mice.		3	-	3	-
No. Premises treated.	2 treated weekly. 1 treated monthly.	21	-	21	-

I am Gentlemen,
Your Obedient Servant,
A.E. SHIMMINGS.
Sanitary Inspector.

