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OXPORD

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Medical Officer of Health

FOR THE YEAR

1947

BY

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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.



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Sub-Committees.

- 1. Maternity and Child Welfare Sub.
- 2. Mental Health Sub.
- 3. Standing Sub.

STAFF.

MOS NOS served of selection of the selec
Medical Officer of Health K. K. Wood, M.B., M.R.C.S., D.P.H.
Deputy Medical Officer of HealthN. A. M. Mackinnon, M.B., D.P.H. (To March 18th, 1947.) E. Snell, L.R.C.P. and S., D.P.H. (from 1/8/47).
Assistant Medical Officers of Health
Obstetric Consultant (Part-time) W. M. Martin, M.C., M.D., D.P.H., D.C.O.G.
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District Sanitary Inspectors D. Coups, M.S.I.A. T. Kearns, M.S.I.A. T. Marsh, M.S.I.A. (to 14/11/47). J. Greenan, M.R.San.I., M.S.I.A. (from August, 1947).
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Health Visitors
Clinic Nurses

STAFF (continued).

Municipal Midwives	Mrs. R. M. Cunningham, S.C.M. Mrs. E. Brown, S.R.N., S.C.M. Miss M. Hutchinson, S.R.N., S.C.M. Mrs. D. Shuttleworth, S.R.N. S.C.M. (from 11/1/47). Miss L. Whittaker, S.R.N., S.C.M. Mrs. E. Saperia, S.R.N., S.C.M. (Part-time from 3/5/47).
Physiotherapist	Mrs. P. M. Smith (Part-time from 15/3/48).
Matron. Day Nursery	Mrs. M. Smith, S.R.N., S.C.M.
Lab, Technicians (Part-time)	G. Fearnehough. S. A. Burton.
Chief Clerk	L. Kay.
Conductor No. 1. Steam.	E. Lloyd. C. C. Shasby. V. Haworth. P. Butterworth. Miss M. M. Langley. Miss O. Jackson. Mrs. P. Parkinson. Miss E. Gaskell. Miss J. Hodgkinson.
Ambulance Officer	S. Butler.
Disinfestor	T. Birtwistle.

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT BURY. TITHEBARN STREET,

July, 1948.

To the Chairman and Members of the

Health Committee, Bury County Borough.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I beg to submit the Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health.

With reference to vital statistics, the birth rate of 20.63 per 1,000 is the highest recorded since 1912. The death rate is 15.05 per 1,000.

The infantile Mortality Rate of 38 per thousand births with the exception of the 1943 figure of 26 is the lowest recorded. With the exception of the 1945 figure the Tuberculosis Death Rate is the lowest recorded. A table giving certain statistics for Bury from 1877 to the present date is included.

The incidence of notifiable infectious disease has again been low. With the exception of Measles and Poliomyelitis there was a marked decrease. Diphtheria fell from 40 cases to 30. Measles rose from 195 to 680. The Poliomyelitis epidemic in the country did not give a large number of cases to Bury. There were 13 cases.

There was again a decrease in the number of Scabies cases treated at the Clinics.

I would again draw attention to the figures in the section on Venereal Diseases. These figures are indicative of a serious social condition which is still with us. The number of new cases attending during the year is considerably lower than last year, but there were 431 new cases attending.

With reference to the section on the Sanitary Circumstances and Sanitary Inspection of the area, we are still hampered by lack of staff to carry out our duties.

It has been possible to carry out only urgent work, and much of the routine inspecting has been incompletely done. This is discussed in Section 3 of the report.

The Maternity and Child Welfare Service continues to thrive. The increase in the birth rate and difficulty in obtaining hospital accommodation for confinements has led to an increase in the number of patients attended by the Municipal Midwives. They attended 462 births at the patients' homes. All the Municipal Midwives are now qualified to give Gas and Air Analgesia, and each midwife has her own apparatus.

During the year the Home Help Scheme continued. The Home Helps are employed whole-time by the Corporation, and a charge is made for their services according to the household's means. They were supplied in 48 cases.

A Creche for one half-day a week was opened at the Elton Clinic; then transferred to Huntley Mount, and finally was closed as there was no demand for this Service.

The Day Nursery at Maxwell Street has continued to function at full capacity. There has been a large waiting list for admission.

This Annual Report is the last to be written under conditions previous to the introduction of the National Health Service Act. Some of the functions which have been carried out by the Local Authority will be transferred to the Regional Hospital Board, whereas on the other hand additional duties will be placed upon the Local Authority. In the past, the duties which will be transferred have been carried out in a manner of which this Authority need not feel ashamed.

It is said that a larger Authority may carry out duties in a more economical and efficient manner. This may be so, but this disadvantage of small size has given a personal and individual service to the patients which they tell me has been appreciated.

This Authority and the citizens of Bury have made much use of joint arrangements and of the Hospital Facilities in the town and in Manchester, either through the Local Authority Arrangements or through the Hospital Contributory Funds, etc.

In spite of many difficulties a year of sound work can be reported. This has only been possible through the willing and generous support of a hard working, though depleted staff, and I would like to express my thanks to them for their assistance.

To you, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen, I express my thanks for your continued support and encouragement.

I am,

Your Obedient Servant,

Medical Officer of Health.

K. K. Wood.

SECTION I.

STATISTICS OF THE AREA, 1947.

			7,434
			£396,364
			Population, 1947 56,280
Oldo, a tong or and	*		opulation, 1911 90,200
In the following	summary	extracts	s from the vital statistics
of the year are given:		extract.	s from the vital statistics
County Cortified			Rate per 1,000
Live Births 619	Female 542	Total 1161	population 20.63
			imate 74).
			Rate per 1,000Live
Still Births 15			and Still Births
Still Births 15			
(Legitini	ate 20,	megitii	mate 4).
	Female		population
Deaths 436	411		15.05
Deaths from Puerpera	l causes:—	-	Rate per 1000 total births
Puerperal Sepsis			0 —
Other Puerperal c	auses		3 2.51
Percentage of total de	eaths occur	ring in	public institutions, 36%
Infantile Mortality Ra	te		38 per 1,000 births.
Tuberculosis (all forms	s), Death F	Rate	0.35 per 1,000 population.
Cancer Death Rate			1.99 ,,
Death Rate of Infants	under one	year of	age:
All Infants per 1,	000 live bi	rths	38
Legitimate infants	per 1,000	legitim	ate live births 36
Illegitimate infant	s per 1,000	illegitin	nate live births 81
Births The birth	n rate for	1947—2	20.63 per 1,000—is higher
			mber of births recorded
			te for England and Wales
for 1947 was 20.5 per			

Deaths.—The death rate per 1,000 of the population for 1947 was 15.05. There were altogether a total of 1,221 deaths registered in the County Borough. Of these deaths, 431 were of persons not usually resident in the Borough. By excluding these deaths of non-residents, the number of deaths is reduced to 790, to which must be added 57 deaths of Bury residents which have occurred in other districts. The number of deaths belonging to the County Borough is thus 847.

The following table shows the number of deaths of infants below one year of age and the rate per 1,000 births in Bury during the past twenty-five years:—

Year	Number of deaths below one year of age	Rate per 1,000 births
1923	88	101
1924	63	71
1925	63	80
1926	62	76
.927	62	79
Average for 5 years	algotto Ettlesten	81
1928	67	90
1929	61	79
1930	51	69
1931	48	71
1932	62	85
Average for 5 years		79
1933	40	53
1934	62	84
1935	47	66
936	47	56
1937	43	55
Average for 5 years	al guirante adia	63
1938	51	67
1939	36	50
1940	47	65
1941	55	68
1942	58	68
Average for 5 years	. sitraiLasit 000	64
1943	21	26
1944	34	37
1945	37	44
1946	59	58
1947	45	38
Average for 5 years		41

Causes of, and Ages at Death during the Year 1947.

F. Allege a St. Maternal To			nts,	whet	the s	occui	rring	with	of in	whether of on-residents ons in the ict.
Causes of Death.	All ages.	Under 1 year.	1 and under 2.	2 and under 5.	5 and under 15.	15 and under 25.	25 and under 45.	45 and under 65.	65 and upwards.	SZ FF
All Causes Certified Uncertified	839	45	4	4	8	18	45	222	493	741
Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fever Cerebro-spinal Fever							10.			1
Whooping Cough	1			1		5	5	5	2	1 1 2
Tuberculosis of Respirat'y System Other forms of Tuberculosis Syphilitic Disease	3 7					1	2	4	3 2	3
Measles		1	V			1		.00	08.	3
Acute infectious Encephalitis	3			***		1	2	2	112	1
Œsophagus (M), Uterus (F)	5			100	EI.	100	EJ.	5 13	11	2 7
Cancer of Breast	17 64						1 5	9 35 4	7 24 5	8 62 12
Intracranial Vascular Lesions Heart Disease	89		B			2	1 7	25 52	63 250	69 262
System		1 7	 1	1	1 1	1 1	1 2	5 14 5	22 42 14	39 3 46
Other Respiratory Diseases Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum	8 4	8					2	4 2	2 2	5
Appendicitis	3 9	ï	iii.		2		1 2	1 3 11	4 4	8 22 17
Puerperal Sepsis							3			3 26
Congenital Malformation, Birth Injury and Infantile Disease Suicide	. 14	13			1	88	2		3	18
Road Traffic Accidents	100000		1 2			1 1	1 2	5		6 34 71
24 25 241	847	-	15+		-	18	45	222	501	741

BURY C.B. STATISTICS 1877-1947.

				INFANT	ILE MOI	RTALITY	1		
		Death	Birth		Leg.	Illeg.	Still	Maternal	Tuber-
	ALL PROPERTY.	Rate	Rate	THE STATE OF THE S	Infants	Infants	Births	M'rtality	culosis
Year	Popula-	per	per	All	per 1000	per 1000	per 1000	Rate per	all forms
1 car	tion	1000	1000	Infants	Leg.	Illeg.	L. & S.	1000 L.	Death
1 2 3 3	CIOI	1000		Intents	Births	Births	Births	& S.bths	Rate
I FEE		7 8 9 8			Dirtis	Direits			
1947	56,280	15.05	20.63	38	36	81 -	27.6	2.51	0.35
1946	55,360	14.50	18.36	58	53	106	34.2	1.90	0.38
1945	52,530	15.66	15.95	44	48	18	43.3	3.42	0.30
1944	52,160	14.68	17.67	37	33	66	36.6	3.1	0.51
1943	52,660	15.74	15.13	26	24	59	31.2	3.6	0.44
1942	54,020	13.83	15.90	68	64	125	46.6	3.3	0.46
1941	55,400	14.06	13.59	68	70	135	30.6	Nil.	0.56
1940	55,310	17.54	13.07	65	64	94	48.7	1.32	0.42
1939	58,630	15.39	12.21	50	45	192	45.3	1.39	0.44
1938	59,380	13.67	12.82	67	66	103	54	2.48	0.51
1937	59,620	15.46	13.00	55	56	42	43	7.40	0.65
1936	59,860	13.56	13.92	56	55	31	47	4.57	0.62
1935	59,800	15.00	11.87	66	66	60	55	6.65	0.64
1934	60,100	14.22	12.28	84	86	62	57	10.25	0.83
1933	59,200	14.00	12.63	53	49	143	.54	6.3	0.66
1932	57,160	13.47	12.74	85	83	129	59	2.5	0.63
1931	56,260	14.50	12.00	71	64	250	44	5.6	0.89
1930	56,830	13.41	12.87	69	69	77	55	5.4	0.83
1929	56,830	16.40	13.59	79	65	342	50	6.4	0.81
1928	56,910	13.90	13.02	90	85	171	49	9.4	0.86
1927	56,770	14 - 27	13.68	79	71	250	53	3.8	0.93
1926	56,840	12.82	14.30	76	74	125	43	9.8	0.82
1925	56,700	14.74	13.77	80	77	182	46	8.9	1.16
1924	56,830	14.66	15.54	71	65	235	38	4.4	0.93
1923	57,250	15.95	15.01	101	95	217	43	2.3	1.03
1922	57,400	14.93	16.53	82	71	276	58	6.3	0.87
1921	57,600	13.30	18.91	85	- 80	210	54	3.7	1.01
1920	56,410	14.55	19:66	91	91	94	50	6.3	1.05
1919	54,248	16.88	13.06	92	80	333	45	6.8	1.26
1918	51,851	19.13	12.73	110	108	136	51	4.1	1.58
1917	51,851	15.99	13.43	93	89	167	48	3.9	1.61
1916	53,463	16.87	15.47	133	116	222	44	1.1	1.30
1915	54,773	17 - 27	17.33	115	109	203	41	5.8	1.72
1914	59,213	16.28	19.62	125	123	179	30	5.2	1.48
1913	59,159	15.53	20.06	141	134	133	40	8.3	1.33
1912	59,106	14.18	20.81	112	106	266	31	4.1	1.74
1911	58,665	16.26	20.28	168	154	283	32	8.4	1.41
1910	59,409	14.61	20.79	124	118	264	34	4.6	1.56
1909	59,234	16.29	20.61	129	126	203	33	7.9	1.50
1908	59,064	15.89	23.31	129	128	142	25	5.7	1.45
1907	58,901	15.94	22.68	135	133	189		11.2	1.61
1906	58,744	17.04	22.74	177	174	240		8.2	1.74
1905	58,594	16.46	21.69	146	141	203		4.7	1.69

BURY C.B. STATISTICS 1877-1947 (continued).

		E-Lucia I		INFANTI	LE MOI	RTALITY	-		
		Death	Birth		Leg.	Illeg.	Still	Maternal	
		Rate	Rate	A- III	Infants	Infants	Births	M'rtality	10000000
Year	Popula-	per	per	All	per 1000	per 1000	per 1000		all form
	tion	1000	1000	Infants	Leg.	Illeg.	DATE LEGISLA	1000 L.	Death
				8 4 5	Births	Births	Births	& S.bths	Rate
1904	58,450	17.16	23.66	163	162	185	_	5.8	2.40
1903	58,313	17.66	22.79	174	180	254	-	3.0	1.76
1902	58,182	16.41	20.86	128	123	290	15-5	3.3	1.69
1901	58,100	16.79	21.91	166	176	219	3-2	7.4	1.96
1900	61,765	19.11	23.97	167	_	-		8.6	1.85
1899	61,117	18.29	24.85	161	-	-	-5	4.9	2.19
		A RES		100	100 STE	140 50	14 克里	21	Phthisis
					-				only
1898	60,597	18.28	24.48	173	-	-	-	4.7	1.11
1897	60,100	19.03	25.39	177	-		3 - 0	5.3	1.74
1896	59,530	20.74	24 · 21	176	_		_		1.27
1895	59,016	25.13	28.90	197	-	-08	-	-	1.4
1894	58,500	19.45	25.71	147	-	-		_	1.2
1893	57,982	23.47	25.94	209	_	-	83- 6	-	1.85
1892	57,596	21.93	28.07	176	2-3	-	1 - 3		1.30
1891	57,212	27.15	29.50	192	-	-		-	1.88
1890	56,955	22.00	27.55	167	-	-	-	-	1.75
1889	56,701	20.48	29.50	175	-	-	-	-	1.45
1888	56,449	21.6	31.77	144	8	-	- 1	-	1.71
1887	56,198	22.57	32-37	186	-	-	- 9	-	1.68
1886	55,948.	23.5	34.3	175	-	-	- 5	12-	9-
1885	53,282	.21 · 2	34.3	132	-	-	-	15-	8-
1884	53,013	24.1	32.8	197	-	1-3	-	88-1	9 -
1883	52,745	22.7	34.3	163	-	-	-	-	3 -
1882	52,478	21.3	35.0	183	-	-	-	-	
1881	52,213	22.9	35.0	157	3-75	1	-	-	-
1880	51,566	22.6	26.4	224	p-10	-20	-	1	2 -
1879	50,928	23.7		-	-	-	-	-	-
1878	50,297	28.1	N 70 8	-	-	-	-	1 - 1	1
1877	49,674	22.5	2 12	- P	13-3	-	-	-	8-

VITAL STATISTICS OF WHOLE DISTRICT DURING 1947 AND PREVIOUS YEARS.

		ALLE S	N. LORD		dill							
10	At all Ages.	Rate	15.39	17.54	14.06	13.83	15.74	14.68	15.67	14.50	15.05	At Census of 1931
ELONGING RICT.	At all	Number	894	026	779	747	829	992	823	803	847	_
NETT DEATHS BELONGING TO THE DISTRICT.	1 Year	Rate per 1000 nett Births	50	65	89	89	26	37	4	58	38	56,182 15,402 3.71
NETT 1	Under 1 Year of Age	Number	36	47	55	58	21	34	37	59	45	9
Transfer-	Deaths of Residents	registered in the District	75	48	47	58	90	39	51	. 58	57	es occupiers ns per hous
Transfer-	Deaths of Non-	registered in the District	414	480	398	417	423	392	382	404	728	Total population at all ages
)EATHS	STRICT	Rate	21.59	25.35	20.40	20.47	22.82	21.45	21.97	20-75	21.69	populati families age numb
TOTAL DEATHS	THE DISTRICT	Number	1254	1402	1130	1106	1202	1119	1154	1149	1221	Total Total Aver
BIRTHS.	tt.	Rate	12.21	13.07	13.59	15.90	15.13	17.67	15.95	18.36	20.63	7245
Bir	Nett.	Number	716	723	753	859	807	922	838	1016	1161	and and
	Popula- tion Estimated	to middl of each Year	58,630	55,310	55,400	54,020	52,660	52,160	52,530	55,360	56,230	ct in acres (later)
	YEAR.		1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	Area of District in acres (land and) 7245

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF VITAL STATISTICS.

YEAR 1947.

-	CAN CONTROL OF CONTROL	Co	Po		in .	18	110			3
	and the same of th	Bo	ropi	Infantile Mortality Rate	ntile y Rate	o de la companya de l	Death	Mater	Maternal Mortality Rate	y Kate
	depo	Birth	Death	Year 1947	Average	Death Rate	from	(Live	(Live and Still) Births).	al Sirths).
-	98 - 98 - 181	Marc	ware	1161	1942/1946	Phthisis	Tub. Diseases	Puerperal Sepsis	Other	Total
	England and Wales	20.5	12.0	41	47	*	* //	0.16	1.01	1.17
-	126 Great Towns	23.3	13.0	47	54	*	*			*
	Birkenhead	24.8	14.3	73	69	0.90	90.0		1.12	1.12
A	Burnley	21.89		45	53	0.44	0.04	1	1	1
	Bury	20.63	_	38	47	0.30	0.02	1	2.51	2.51
1234	Halifax	19.9		41	43	0.40	90.0	1	0.52	0.52
	Huddersfield	20.50	· .	53	57	0.38	0.04	10	1.15	1.15
	Liverpool	26.4	13.70	69	77	08.0	0.10	0.05	1.20	1.54
	Manchester	21.48	14.94	200	5.45	0.23	0.10	0.52	67.1	t. 1
	Preston	22.07	*	67	58	0.55	0.07		0.32	0.32
	Rochdale	20.0		55	52	0.47	0.10	1.69	0.56	2.25
	Salford	24.2		19	19	08.0	60.0	*	*	0.07
-	St. Helens	25.2	12.7	69	62	0.64	60.0	0.72	1.09	1.81
-	Stockport	21.59		48	45	0.31	0.07	1	0.95	0.95
	Wallasey	21.79		51	47	0.48	0.07	1	0.46	0.46
-	Wigan	22.41		29	62	92.0	0.03	1.026	2.565	3.59
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* Not available.

SECTION 2.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA.

Laboratory Facilities.—These are provided at the following:

Public Health Laboratory, Manchester.

The Laboratory, Bury Infirmary.

Clinic Laboratory, The Wylde, Bury.

The examinations carried out at these laboratories are Wasserman reaction tests, biological tests, examination of water, etc.

At the Bury Corporation Clinic, laboratory facilities are provided, so that many specimens of infective organisms, etc., are examined there during the attendance of the patient.

Chemical investigations are made in the cases of milk and foodstuffs by the Borough Analyst, Mr. T. R. Hodgson, M.A., F.R.I.C., F.C.S.

Bacteriological Examinations.

The following are the particulars of the specimens bacteriologically examined during the year:—

	Positiv	e. Negativ	e. D	oubtfu	il. Total.
Swabs for Diphtheria	9	197		3	209
Sputum for Tuberculosis	46	241		1	288
Wasserman Reaction	315	1599		5	1919
Smears	303	1041		3	1347
Dark Ground Examinations.	15	36		-	51
G.Fixation Tests	109	271		_	380
Miscellaneous Examinations.	31	134			165

Work carried out at the Clinic Laboratory, The Wylde. Examination of Specimens for Suspected V.D.

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ible. When now	Pos.	Neg.	Total	Pos.	Neg.	Total	Pos.	Neg.	Total Grand
Slides for G.C.	171	347	518	132	697	829	303	1044	1347
Slides examined by Dark Ground	14	33	47	1	3	4	15	36	51
TOTALS	185	380	565	133	700	833	318	1080	1398

Examination of Sputum.

	CLINIC PATIENTS.	Patients of Outside Doctors.	TOTAL
Positive	41	40 Mill at 4 Sallwollor	45
Negative	162	73	235
TOTAL	203	77	280

Ambulance Facilities.

- (a) For Infectious Cases.—There are two motor ambulances owned by the Bury Joint Hospital Board for the transport of cases of infectious disease and tuberculosis.
- (b) For Non-Infectious and Accident Cases.—The Bury Corporation provides 6 motor ambulances for the removal of accident cases and cases of illnesses requiring hospital treatment. These are housed at the Ambulance Depot, Cook Street. Phone: Bury 2323. The administration of this service has been under the Medical Officer of Health. This service employs nineteen full-time men and one ambulance depot superintendent. Each ambulance goes out with one driver and one ambulance attendant. There has been considerable growth in the use of this service, as is indicated by the following figures:—

Year, T	otal Cases.
1941	3,366
1942	3,875 Increase 509
1948	
1944	4,776 ,, 407
1945	
1946	6,465 ,, 579
1947	

Ambulance services are also provided for the Tottington U.D.C. from this depot and arrangements for mutual aid are in force with neighbouring authorities.

On account of the age of the ambulances difficulties have arisen owing to the long periods required for repairs. Obtaining spare parts and replacements has been slow or impossible. When new ambulances arrive it is hoped that the position will be eased. Periods of waiting at hospitals has also added to our burdens.

Nursing in the Home.—Home Nursing is not provided directly by the Council, but is carried out by the Bury Branch of the Queen's Institute for Nurses (from the Nurses' Home, The Orchard, Bury. Phone: Bury 88). An arrangement has been entered into whereby, at the request of the Medical Officer of Health, one of the Association's Nurses visits and treats cases of certain infectious diseases.

Hospitals, Public and Voluntary.

The following is a list of hospitals with which the Local Authority has arrangements:—

Name and Situation.	Type.	No. of Available Beds.	Proportion of beds used by persons from Out- side Bury Area.
(a) Within the Borough: Florence Nightingale Hospital, Bury.	Isolation	96	Approx. 40%.
Bury Infirmary, Bury. (Voluntary).	General	161	Approx. 50%.
County Hospital, Bury.	General	734	Approx. 58%.
(b) Outside the Borough: Aitken Sanatorium, Holcombe, near Bury.	Tuberculosis Sanatorium.	70	72% by Lancashire County Council Cases.
Ainsworth Smallpox Hos- pital, Ainsworth, near Bolton.	Smallpox	28	Cases admitted as required.

The Local Authority also admits cases to Biddulph Orthopædic Hospital, Marple Orthopædic Hospital, T.B. Sanatorium, Leasowe, and Oswestry Hospital.

In addition to the above, patients from Bury are admitted to Manchester institutions, principally: Manchester Royal Infirmary (General Medical and Surgical), Manchester and Salford Skin Hospital (Skin Cases), and St. Mary's Hospital (Maternity).

Local Government Act, 1929.—At the County Hospital, Jericho, accommodation is available for the sick inhabitants of the area as before.

Poor Law Medical Out-Relief.—The arrangements in operation for the provision of medical assistance to those in poor circumstances remain unchanged. The Borough is divided into two areas for this service, and the Medical Officers in charge are Dr. A. B. Stewart and Dr. E. Smalley.

Institutional Provision for the Care of Mental Defectives.—
The Lancashire Mental Hospitals Board, of which the Bury Council
is a member, deals with the Lunacy and Mental Deficiency
Services.

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SECTION 3.

INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHIEF SANITARY INSPECTOR.

To the Medical Officer of Health for the County Borough of Bury. Sir.

I have pleasure in submitting my Report on the Sanitary Inspection of the Area for the year 1947 in accordance with Article 27 of the Sanitary Officers (Outside London) Regulations, 1935.

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS.

Mr. John Gaskell, Chief Sanitary Inspector to the County Borough since 1945, resigned on 3rd January, 1948, on accepting the appointment of Chief Sanitary Inspector and Cleansing Superintendent to the Borough of Crewe. Mr. Gaskell had completed eleven years' service with the Authority, during which period he had been actively associated with many improvements effected in the sanitary circumstances of the area. All the work which forms the subject of the present report was executed under his direction.

Particular credit is due to Mr. Gaskell for the measure of success he achieved during the past two years when the staff of sanitary inspectors was seriously depleted.

The work of the Department is still seriously affected by depletion in staff, as the resignation of Mr. T. Marsh, District Sanitary Inspector, in November upon being appointed Sanitary Inspector to the Denby Dale Urban District Council, leaves a deficiency of three sanitary inspectors as compared with the normal establishment. As a result I must repeat and stress the observation in the report for 1946, that duties necessarily have had to be confined to urgent matters, and routine visits are cut to a figure below safety point. In this connection it should be noted that due to the continued dilapidation in existing dwelling houses, the number of complaints received continues to increase with succeeding years, and the following duties are long overdue:—

- (a) Survey of all food premises under Food and Drugs Act, 1938.
- (b) Survey of ice-cream premises under Ice-Cream (Heat Treatment) Regulations, 1947.
- (c) Revision of Shops Register.

During the past three years there has accumulated also an outstanding balance of 1,600 unabated notices.

The prolonged shortage of building labour and materials and the continuous necessity for priority to be given to the construction of new houses continues to hamper and increase the work of the Department. The passage of time emphasises the absolute urgent necessity of making available increased supplies of labour and material for essential repairs to existing houses so as to arrest further deterioration.

WATER SUPPLY.—The County Borough is supplied by the Irwell Valley Water Board from mains passing through the area.

These mains come from four different sources of supply, and all the houses supplied by the Board derive their water direct from the mains.

In accordance with Circular 28/46 of the Ministry of Health, the following report, for which we are indebted to the Engineer and Manager (R. Wyllie, Esq., M.Inst. C.E., A.M.I. Mun.E.), is submitted in tabular form:

Particulars Required	REMARKS
Whether the water supply of the area and of its several parts has been satisfactory: (a) in quality. (b) in quantity.	(a) Yes. (b) Yes.
2. Where there is a piped supply, whether bacteriological examinations were made of the raw water and where treatment is installed of the water going into supply if so, how many and the results obtained; the results of any chemical analysis.	9 Chemical and 42 Bacteriological Examinations of Raw Water. 61 Chemical and 266 Bacteriological Examinations of Treated Water. 40 Bacteriological Examinations of the Treated Water were reported as unsatisfactory. All other samples of Treated Water were satisfactory.
3. Where the waters are liable to have plumbo-solvent action, the facts as to contamination by lead, including precautions taken and number and result of analysis.	Waters all soft-moorland waters- plumbo solvent. Liming plants being installed at two re- servoirs to neutralise the acidity of the water. 137 Analyses of Water made and reported as not very satisfactory.
4. Action in respect of any form of contamination.	All waters chlorinated at reservoirs for bacteriological pollution. Liming plants being installed at two reservoirs, to neutralise the acidity of the water.
5. Particulars of the proportion of dwelling houses and the proportion of the population supplied from public water mains (a) direct to houses. (b) by means of standpipes.	(a) 18,801 houses— population not known. (b) Nil.

During the year six samples of town's water and one sample of well water were submitted to bacteriological examination.

The sample of well water was certified to be unsuitable for drinking purposes, and the three houses concerned using the water were provided with a supply from the town's mains by the owner.

One sample of town's water was found to be unsatisfactory and was referred to the Irwell Valley Water Board for appropriate action. The other five samples of town's water were certified to be fit for drinking purposes.

The percentage of dwelling houses and farms not supplied with water for domestic purposes from the town's mains is 0.542. These houses using wells and other private sources of supply are situated at considerable distances from the Board's mains.

SWIMMING BATHS.—Seven samples of bath water were submitted to the Pathologist for chemical and bacteriological examination.

Five samples were reported to be satisfactory. Two samples were reported not to be satisfactory in all respects, and were referred to the appropriate department for necessary action.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.—There were 1,775 inspections in respect of drainage defects and reconstruction, and 239 drains were tested.

As far as it is found practicable a smoke or water test is applied to all newly constructed house drainage work. Now drainage was provided in respect to nine premises, and reconstructed in respect of twentyeight premises.

RIVERS POLLUTION.—Regular inspections of water courses in the district were carried out by the Sanitary Inspectors during routine inspection of the area.

Three samples of stream and lodge water suspected of pollution were submitted to the Analyst, but there was insufficient chemical evidence to prove pollution in these cases.

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.—The provision of free sets of fittings (closet pedestal, seat and cistern) by the Corporation, where obsolete types of closets were converted to the water carriage system, was continued during the year.

On account of the shortage of labour and materials no notices were issued during the year requiring the conversion of closets except where such conveniences were found to be in a defective condition.

Thirty-five sets of fittings were supplied and thirty-seven waste water closets and twelve trough closets were converted to fresh water-closets and two waste water-closets were abolished.

Type and Number of Conveniences in the Borough on 31st December, 1947:

No. of Dwelling houses	19,124
No. of Factories	427
No. of Workplaces and Lock-up Shops	406
No. of Licensed Premises	145
No. of Public Buildings and Places of Entertainment	124
No. of Waterclosets	19,822
No. of Waste Water Closets	1,476

SUMMARY OF

I am indebted to the Cleansing Superintence refuse accommodation of the Borough w

	R		SES.
WARD	Portable Bins	Wall Bins	Shallow Ashpits
MOORSIDE WARD	2696	06	512
East Ward	3149	85	183
CHURCH WARD	2997	52	140
REDVALES WARD	3348	19	157
ELTON WARD	3149	36	40
UNSWORTH WARD	1445	11	13
PUBLIC UTILITIES	377	1	14
No.	1001	and i	INI
TOTALS	17161	336	1059

provide a disinfestation service free of charge to all dwelling houses.

During the year 108 houses were disinfested by means of liquid insecticides, and 167 inspections were made for this purpose.

During the year, by agreement with the Housing Committee, the Department became responsible for the disinfestation of Corporation Estate houses found to be infested with vermin. Seven houses on Corporation Estates have been disinfested.

HOUSES LET IN LODGINGS.—Three inspections were made of the registered houses let in lodgings.

These premises are governed by the bye-laws in force in the Borough. A number of houses occupied by persons of more than one family require investigation under these bye-laws.

COMMON LODGING HOUSES.—There are four common lodging houses in the Borough. There was little or no change in the number of casuals received at these premises and only about forty per cent of the registered accommodation was utilised.

Eighty-eight inspections were made of these premises. One notice concerning two defects was served, and two notices concerning three defects were abated. The accommodation available is as follows:-

Situation	No. of Beds	Accommodation available for
1. 24, Clerke Street 2. 5, 7, 9 & 11, Clerke Street	34 54	Males only Males only
2. 5, 7, 9 & 11, Clerke Street 3. 26 & 28, Clerke Street	72	Males and Females
4. 138, Princess Street	19	Males only
Total number of beds	179	

TENTS, VANS AND SHEDS.—The Borough was entirely free from any inhabited tents, vans or sheds other than those caravans arriving for short periods of the Bury Fairs. The latter were visited during their stay and ten visits were paid to the Fair Ground for this purpose.

CANAL BOATS.—As in past years regular visits were made to the canal wharf at Bury Bridge, but no registered canal boats visited the Borough.

STABLE PREMISES.—Three stable premises were inspected.

Stable premises are governed by the Bye-laws in force in the Borough.

RATS AND MICE DESTRUCTION.

I am indebted to the Cleansing Superintendent (H. TURNER, Esq., M. Inst. P.C.), who has kindly supplied the following information of the action taken by him during the year.

Number of Infestations Reduced to :—	Minor	0	2	0	1
Num Infes Reduce	Major	e	111	ND SHEE	
Number of Infestations	Cleared	199	52	1 22	108
Total Number of Bodies	Necovered	101 11 32	96	900	
Estimated Total Kill Ministry	Formula	874 477 468	893 373	971 484	48
Number of Infestations	we-meaned	2 1	5.3	14 41	18
stations	No.	3 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	58	83	1115
No. Infestations Treated	Type	Reservoir Major Minor	Reservoir Major Minor	Reservoir Major Minor	Reservoir Major Minor
Period Quarter ending		31st March, 1947	30th June, 1947	30th September, 1947	31st December, 1947

The Cleansing Superintendent is the authorised officer appointed under the Rats and Mice Destruction Act and the Rodent Operator is a member of his Department.

When the Rodent Operator has reason to suspect that the means of entry into the premises by rats is due to the defective condition of the drains, the matter is referred to this Department. Under this heading 16 inspections were made by Sanitary Inspectors. The Borough Engineer (John Chadwick, Esq., M.B.E., A.M.I.C.E.) has kindly supplied the following details in respect of Sewer Maintenanse Treatments undertaken by his Department during the year.

No. AND DATE OF TREATMENT.	No. of Manholes Baited.	No. of Manholes Showing Pre-Bair Taken.
1st Maintenance Treatment. 3rd—12th February	669	150
2nd Maintenance Treatment 20th October— 6th November	586	214

In both instances treatments were carried out on consecutive days, and intensive treatments were undertaken at the Sewage Works concurrently with the sewer treatments.

SMOKE ABATEMENT.—During the year 76 observations of thirty minutes' duration were recorded of smoke emissions from factory chimneys, and 48 factories were visited in this connection.

In nine instances emission of black smoke was recorded in excess of the two minutes in the aggregate for a continuous period of thirty minutes.

In each case a reduction in the quantities of smoke emitted was effected as the result of informal action.

The average amount of smoke emitted per observation of thirty minutes' duration was:-

TABLE I,

DENSE BLACK SMOKE	Moderate Smoke	LITTLE OR NO SMOKE
1.66 mins.	10.64 mins.	17.70 mins.

TABLE II.

Particulars of Smoke Nuisances Reported.

Discheration	PEF	RIOD OF EMISSION	IN MINUTES
No. in Smoke Register.	Black Smoke	Moderate Smoke	LITTLE OF NO SMOKE
10	12.5	17.5	na de la la
29	12.5	17.5	-
51	3.5	18	8.5
52	13	17.	numberia bondi
55	5.5	15	9.5
83	7	23	ministrati de la como
85	-23	7	-
94	6	14	10
98	19.5	10.5	cied -by the

Difficulty was experienced concerning excessive smoke emission during the period of fuel crisis, when many manufacturers were compelled to use inferior and unsuitable fuels for their boiler plant.

The adoption of Smoke Abatement Byelaws by the Health Committee remains deferred in view of the apparent reluctance of the Ministry of Health to confirm such byelaws during prevailing economic circumstances. There is now some indication that the Ministry may reconsider this subject at an early date.

The Health Committee continues to be represented on the Manchester and District Regional Smoke Abatement Committee.

During the year a meeting of the Executive Committee of this body was held in Bury, and some very good co-operative work was done by the representatives of the Constituent Authorities at this and other meeings convened by he Committee.

OFFENSIVE TRADES.—At the end of the year there were twentytwo registered offensive trades in the confines of the Borough.

Sixty-two inspections were made of these premises.

INFECTIOUS DISEASE. — Two hundred and twenty-nine visits were made by Sanitary Inspectors for the purpose of inquiry and disinfection in respect of one hundred and thirty-five cases of infectious disease.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF CINEMAS.—During the year twelve inspections were made of the cinemas in the town.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES.—The District Sanitary Inspectors made frequent inspections of public conveniences during the year.

A number of insanitary public urinals still remain to be dealt with under the Authority's pre-war programme for the provision of new public conveniences.

SHOPS INSPECTION.—Twenty inspections were made under the provisions of the Shops Acts 1912 to 1937. No contraventions of the Shops Acts were reported.

RAG FLOCK.—During the year three samples of Rag Flock were obtained and submitted to the Public Analyst for analysis. All the samples were reported to comply with the Rag Flock Regulations 1912.

FERTILISERS AND FEEDING STUFFS ACT.—Eleven samples (six fertilisers and five feeding stuff) were taken during the year under the provisions of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1926. All were certified by the Agricultural Chemist to be genuine.

PHARMACY AND POISONS ACT.—At the end of the year there were 70 registered sellers of Part II poisons occupying 98 registered premises. Thirty visits were paid by the District Sanitary Inspectors for the purposes of the Act.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF SCHOOLS.—During the year the sanitary accommodation at one school comprising eight closets with an automatic flush tank were converted to seven fresh water-closets with separate flushing cisterns.

The sanitary conveniences at schools continue to be regularly inspected by the District Sanitary Inspectors, forty-one visits being made for this purpose during the year, when a number of defects were remedied.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE DISTRICT.

1. Number and Nature of Inspections.

During the year 1947 the following inspections were made by the Sanitary Inspectors to the premises detailed:—

Samtary Inspectors to the	e pro	emises	s de	tane				
The second secon	tuoi,	RIDIA.			I	rimary		
Nature of In					1		spections	
Houses under Public Heal	th A	cts					2,246	4,291
Vermin Water Supply						53	5	58
Water Supply					****		10	73
Tents, Vans, Sheds							le rod ne r)	10
Houses Let in Lodgings		Q mm					o rodini	3
Common Lodging Houses		****			4111			88
Schools					1200	41	100-100	41
Entertainment Houses Ashes Accommodation						610	504	12
A				****		20	504 10	1,153
Ct. 1.1 D					****	- 2	10	3
Yards, Courts, etc.					****	2	Shinks Re	200
Piggeries				****		20		20
Piggeries Rats and Mice	1200				80.	13	3	16
Drainage—Inspected						1,127	648	1,775
Tested						236	3	239
A.R.P. Shelters			-			3		3
Closets-Water				2222		392	204	596
Pails or Privies				143	5500		4	37
Urinals				****		9	-	9
Sewers and Street Gullies				****			_	8
Diseases of Animals Acts				****		37	ingrished to	37
Cowsheds				0,00	5000		_	147
Milkshops and Diaries					2111	155	-	155
Ice-cream Premises						63	_	63
Markets		1989			122.	137	-	137
Meat Shops		****			50**	80	1	81
Abattoirs for Meat Inspect					****	618		618
Food Preparing Premises General Food Premises		****			- 2007	234	Art Barry	234
Pharmacy and Poisons Ac	+			****	****	30		30
Shops Acts					****	20		20
Fertilisers and Feeding Stu	iffs A	\ct				11	_	11
Offensive Trades						62	-	62
Factories (with Mechanical	pow	er)				131	14	145
Factories (without Mechan	ical 1	ower')		****	18	-	18
Workplaces				3	1000	2	then award	2
Outworkers					****	4	bridge well	4
Bakehouses—Factory						28	MINE TO BE	28
Non-Factory						5	1	6
Rag Flock Premises					****	3	PUTTER	3
Infectious Diseases			****			179	11	190
Disinfection				****	(900)	39	OMIC DA	39
Housing—Section II.		****				1	Alddas	1
Other Visits				****		1	THE PROPERTY	1
Disinfestation					****	492	25	517
Overcrowding					2021	2	43	2
Rent Restriction Acts						4	B. Harry	4
Smoke Abatement Observa					2244	98	10	108
December Witted						48	-	48
Til Til						12		12
						619		619
Interviews-Owners, Trades				****		493	1	494
Samples- Food and Drugs					****	134	20	154
		forma	1			184	12	196
Rag Flock Act						3		3
Fertilisers and F	eedir	ng Sti		Act-	-	200		
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		cterio		cal		14	_	. 14
	-Ch	emica	1			15	-	15
Clean Milk		B. E:				22		22
	—Ba	cterio			****	95 2		95 2
Ice-cream			88					4
						9,158	3,732	12,890
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2. Number of Notices Served.

To secure the abatement of nuisances and the removal of conditions dangerous to health, the following action was taken:—

Number o	of Nuisances and Defects found	2,705
	of Informal Notices served	1,268
	of Informal Notices complied with	858
	of Statutory Notices Served	54
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3. Complaints Received.

During the year 1,084 complaints were received relating to the following matters:—

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0 10 1	(Tomio							69
General Disrepair—	Defe	us	Dire					14
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		,	Dog		40			12
		,		sterv	ork			22
		,	Flo		VIII			6
		,	Roc					37
		*	-		tters			4.00
	- /	,	Sin					12
Dampness		,	-					46
Waterclosets								104
Choked Drains								64
Flooding								6
Insufficient ashes ac	com	moda	tion					9
Defective ashpits								5
Defective ashbins								228
Accumulations								21
Dirty Premises								14
Vermin								86
Foul and Obnoxious	s Ode	ours						32
Water Supply								15
Dangerous Building	S							18
Smoke Nuisance								3
Surface Drainage								1
Burst Water Pipes								10
Overcrowding								139
Miscellaneous								45

In addition the following complaints were referred to other Corpora	1-
tion Departments.	
Miscellaneous 9 Accumulations 13	
Air Raid Shelters	
Choked Street Gullies 2 Choked W.C. 20	
Choked Drainage 53	
Choked R.W.P.	
Dangerous Walls and Structures 46 Flooding 1	
Defects at Corporation Houses 1	
Offensive Smells 3 Rats 2	
Water Supply	
Gas Leakages 5	
guidared on double to respect the telepool-partiew by to 1273	
4. Record of Nuisances Abated and Work Done.	
During the year the total number of nuisances abated or defec	***
remedied either as a result of informal or statutory action was follows:—	as
1. As a result of informal notice 1,514	
2. As a result of statutory notice 98	
1,607	
HOUSING.	
Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the Year.	
 (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	10
defects (under Fubic Health of Housing Acts) 2.0	40
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose 4,2	
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 (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	92 1 1 1 26 21 Nil
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(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	92 1 1 1 226 221 Nil 224

B. Proceedings under Public Health Acts:-	
 Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices we served requiring defects to be remedied 	er e 1
 Number of dwelling-nouses in which defects were remedied af service of formal notices:— 	ter
(a) by owners	
C. Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing A	ct,
1. Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolit Orders were made	
2. Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance Demolition Orders	
3. Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which an undertakt was accepted under Sub-Section (2) of Section II	ing Nil
D. Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1986:-	
1. Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in resp of which Closing Orders were made	
2. Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in resp of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement room having been rendered fit	or
Housing Act-Overcrowding.	
A. 1. Number of dwellings overcrowded at end of the year	45
2. Number of families dwelling therein	78
3. Number of persons dwelling therein	$312\frac{1}{2}$
B. Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the y	ear 40
C. 1. Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	64
2. Number of persons concerned in such cases (equivalent)	388½
D. Particulars of any cases in which dwelling-houses have ag become overcrowded after Local Authority have taken st for the abatement of overcrowding	eps
Number of certificates for the permitted number of persons version may sleep in a house, issued during the year	
One certificate was issued authorising a temporary incre in the "permitted number" of persons who may occup dwelling house.	ase y a
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PARTICULARS OF NEW HOUSES &c., ERECTED DUR THE YEAR.	ING
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I am indebted to the Borough Engineer for the following inf	
Total number of houses erected during the year 1947 (in the number given separately under (b).) (i) By Local Authority—Permanent	39
Temporary	*148
(iii) By other Local Authorities	

(b) With				Housing			
	(i) By L	ocal Au	thoritie	s			*148
	(ii) By ot	her Bod	ies or I	Persons			
2. The tot	tal number	of hous	ses erect	ed in each	ward :		
	Church	East	Elton	Moorside	Redvales	Unsworth	Total
Permanent	2	7	4	10	50	31	104
Temporary		69	36	4	B) Amaile	t of Clear	109
TOTAL	. 2	76	40	14	50	31	213

3. The number of houses demolished for private improvement purposes

7

* This figure includes 73 temporary houses erected by the Ministry of Works.

FACTORIES ACT, 1937.

Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors).

PREMISES.	Number	NUMBI	Occupiers		
The Contract Laboration	on Register	Insp'ctions	Written Notices	Prosecuted	
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6, are to be en- forced by Local Authorities	32	18	2	oction 116	
(ii) Factories not included in(i)in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Auththority	395	145	22	Nature of Jane Number of Mumber of ection 113	
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority * (excluding outworkers' premises)	9	2	Simulal 1 molecus di la mengg 1	THE STATE OF THE S	
TOTAL	436	165	24		

^{*} Works of Building and Engineering Construction, Electrical Stations should be reckoned as factories.

	Nui	Number of cases in			
PARTICULARS.	Found.	Rem'di'd			which prosecu- tions
Want of Cleanliness (S. 1) Overcrowding (S. 2)	_			=	10-01 ATOT
Unreasonable temperature (S. 3) Inadequate ventilation	-	_	-	_	
(S. 4)	-	Edhadi I	Market Pic		THE N
Ineffective drainage of floors (S. 6)		-		_	-
Sanitary Conveniences(S.7) (a) Insufficient (b) Unsuitable or	9	4	_	4	-
defective (c) Not separate for	18	4	-	22	-
sexes Other offences (not includ-	1	-	-	3	-
ing offences relating to Outwork)	-	- T	188	PARMIS	-
TOTAL	28	8		29	

Outworkers.

Section 110.

Section 110.
Number of out-workers in August list required by Section 110 (1) (c) 5
Nature of work carried out by out-workers—Manufacture of Lampshades and wearing apparel.
Number of cases of default in sending lists to the Council Nil
Number of prosecutions for failure to supply lists Nil
Section 111.
Number of instances of work in unwholesome premises
Number of notices served Nil
Number of prosecutions in respect of out-workers' premises Nil

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

MILK SUPPLY.—There were 147 inspections of registered cowsheds, and 155 inspections of dairies and milk shops during the year.

Inspectors obtained 112 samples of milk from registered farms, dairymen, and other sources of supply.

The following table provides the details of results:-

Class of Milk	No. of Samples	LE	NE UE		3. OLI		ATE	T.	В.	PI	OS- HA SE	o. of tests applied
CLASS OF MILK	Sar	Sạt.	Un- sat.	Sat.	Un- sat.	Sat.	Un- sat.		Un- sat.	Sat.	Un- sat.	o.
ACCREDITED	47	40	7	31	16	_	-	13	1	_	_	108
PASTEURISED	48	46 10	2	28 12	17	- 4	2	1 4	_	47	1 —	142 36
TOTALS	112	96	12	71	34	4	2	18	1	47	1	286

VETERINARY INSPECTION OF DAIRY CATTLE.

The Veterinary Inspection of the cattle at the dairy farms in the Borough was continued under the supervision of the Divisional Veterinary Inspector (J. W. Wilson, Esq., M.R.C.V.S..), of the Ministry of Agriture and Fisheries, and reports of his visits to farms were received from him periodically.

Number of veterinary inspections of dairy herds	70
Number of veterinary inspections of "Accredited" dairy herds	33
Number of dairy farms in the Borough	49
Number of farms producing "Accredited" milk	9
Total number of dairy cattle at farms in the Borough 10)13

INSPECTION OF FOOD PREMISES.—During the year 81 inspections were made of meat shops, 64 of food preparing premises, 234 of general food premises, and 34 of bakehouses; one notice was served regarding one defect and two notices were abated remedying two defects.

In addition 137 visits of inspection were made to food stalls on the open market.

ICE-CREAM PREMISES.—During the year a survey of all registered ice-cream premises in the Borough was commenced in connection with the provisions of the Ice-cream (Heat Treatment) Regulations 1947. Upon completion of the survey proposals will be submitted to the Health Committee with a view to adopting uniform standards for all premises used for the manufacture, preparation, storage, and sale of ice-cream and water ices.

Sixty-three visits were made by the District Sanitary Inspectors to all types of these premises.

Two samples of ice-cream submitted to the phosphatase test were reported by the Public Analyst to be insufficiently heat treated.

The attention of the vendors was directed to the unsatisfactory samples.

The undermentioned premises are at present registered under the provisions of the Bury Corporation Act 1932.

Number of Registered Wholesale Manufacturers ... 3 Number of Registered Retail Manufacturers ... 9 Number of Registered Retail Vendors 25 INSPECTION OF OTHER FOODS. During the year 413 visits have been paid to meat and food shops in the Borough and the foodstuffs detailed in the Table below have been condemned:—

ART	ICLES	Tons	Cwts.	Qrs	Lbs.
Tinned Goods	during 1947:	2	9	2	1
FRUIT .	Apples	-	aldere abanca	9	14
do Jallo Sen meglare	Dates	-	des-Day		25
800.70	Figs		1	2	9
	Grapes	_			4
Minustry of	Lemons	3111	parting	110-14	17
00.001	Oranges	The last	10 to	2	18
	Pears		Butchere	1	4
	Plums	-		1	2 12
113	Prunes Strawberries	BIL PERM	l liest to	1	4
BENEEK WEEL SELL IN	Sultanas		-	BOLLOR	14
VEGETABLES	Cabbage	Manager Ton	dime-	-	4
, BOLLADDEO	Lettuce		-	_	4
nathan makanaan -	Onions	Section 1	and the same	2	4
	Peas	1	15	2	18
SHOUSTON.	Potatoes	DO ANTINESSE	2		6
Multiplesiamidini	Swedes	1 200	1	1	18
. No. O lo mary	Tomatoes	and the Thin	m m Terror	No. The	18
MEAT	Beef		1		2
	Bacon			1	151
S28.01	Ham	-0.00	-	-	6
The state of the s	Rabbits		_	2	12
BACK SEPTERD V	Sausage Trotters		1	-	12
CONFECTIONERY	Barley		_	_	7
COMPONIEM	Bread		-	1	0
THE PERSON WAS AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON WHEN THE PERSON WAS AND THE PERSON WAS	Cake			-	3
Management of the last of the	Cereals	-	-	1	1
ides uniter than	Flour	banusali	1	2	24
tran imperemen	Macaroni	ensdirt	-	2	17
	Pudding	-		-	14
Page	Semolina				3 10
Fish Butter	Fresh, All Types	and the second	5	0	5±
Cheese	400 mil * mil 100		1		9
Coffee	RESORTED TOTAL STREET	OF THE REAL	I Jenny In	AUGORICA	1
Jam	All to Head ?	170:002 30	4	1	17
Lard		-		-	5
Margarine		and the same	AND DESCRIPTIONS	1	1
Pickles		-		1	12
Sugar	Williams and service	holliste	off from her	2	4
Tea		-			20
Toffee		(4	-	-	18
Depat at		5	11	3	11
2,773.188			11	pinting /	2011
Cod Liver Oil an	nd Malt		1 Jar.		
Fishpaste	nd Mait	****			
Beetroot			1 7		
Eggs			10 Dozen.		
Dried Egg			1 Packet		
Dessert Mould			72 Packet	s.	

MEAT INSPECTION.

Number of	Slaughtern	nen Lice	enced by	the Boroug	gh Co	uncil 13
Number of	Animals Sl	aughtere	d at the	Abattoir du	ring 1	947:
Beasts Sh 6,709	ecp and Lamb	s Pigs 58	Calves 1,367	Total 28,969		eight in tons
0,700	20,000	90	1,001	20,000		2,110
Amount of Im	ported and	Port-kille	ed meat re	eceived at V	W.M.S	A. Depot at
	the	Abattoi	r during	1947:		
Quarters of beef	Carcases of M and Lamb		Pork	Carcases Veal	of Bag mea	s and Boxes of t and offal, etc.
19,562	74,704		3	-		25,908
Total population Food Con						y of 190,000
Total Number	of Butchers	Shops	in Area as	s supplied		250
Average amour populatio						per annum.
Number of Car	cases exami	ned requ	iring spec	cial attentio	n	6,749
Of which numb	er 2,145 wer	re affecte	d with Tu	berculosis	in var	ying degree.
Percent	tage of mean	destroy	ed on acc	ount of Tu	bercul	osis.
Beef 2.78%	Pork	1.66%	Veal	. 0.38%	Mutto	n005%
Bulls were	affected in	more or	less degre	e to the ext	tent of	f 41.82%
Steers	,,	,,,	,,	,,	,,	16.44%
Heifers	,,	1)	,,	,,	,,	15.22%
Cows	,,	**			,,	58.66%
Pigs			"	"		13.8 %
Calves	,,	***	,,	,,	,,	0.36%
Sheep	,,	11	"	"	"	0.005%
	***	,,,	"	,,	"	
Number of	Carcases co		d for dise rculosis:	ase or caus	es oth	er than
Bea	asts.	Calves.	She	ep.	Pigs.	
					-	
Total amou	201,716			for human or 3.24%	consu	mption.
This was dispos					icense	d under the
Ministry	of Food.	сарргор	riate Cont	ractors so r	icense	d under the
Amount of Imp W.M.S.A						. 6,802 lbs.
Amount of Can	ned Meat co	ondemne	d at the	W.M.S.A. I)enot	
				stale bes	110	DVET BAD
						al being

Carcases Inspected and Condemned.

Engl. 1239	Cattle, excl'ding Cows	Cows	Calves.	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed	4,268	2,441	1,367	20,835	58
Number inspected	4,268	2,441	1367	20,835	58
All Diseases except Tuberculosis.	LI STATE OF		erpusices 5	STATE OF STA	DEC.
Whole carcases con- demned	1	5	12	19	2
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned Percentage of number inspected affected	1,943	966	4	1,691	ATS EMPTING
with disease other than Tuberculosis		39.57%	0.29%	8.12%	
Tuberculosis only.	1	785	potoma	H	H M
Whole carcases con- demned	14	84	5	1	
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned		1,432	5	1	8
Percentage of number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	16.38%	58.66%	0.36%	0.005%	13.8%

TABLE SHOWING EXTENT OF TUBERCULOUS DISEASES AND WEIGHTS OF DISEASED MEAT DESTROYED YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1947.

	L	Total weight of Meat and Offis and Offis destroyed for seases	lbs.	195,055	4925	651	1085	201,716
Other Diseases	uo	Weight of Meat: Offal destroyed account of oth Diseases	lbs.	57,456	4863	365	741	63425
	uo	Weight of Meat and Offal destroyed on account of Tubercu- losis		137,599	62	286	344	138,291
	Sni	Entire Carcas condemned ow to Tuberculos		84 Cows 8 Heifer 98	1	1.	5	104
ined		Udders		249	1	1	1	249
хаш		Mesenteries		545	1	2	1	544
als E		Serous		245	1	el.	1	245
nim	u.	Uteri		95		1	1	95
Extent of Tuberculosis in Animals Examined	Abdomen	Intestines		530	1	8	1	533
culos	A	Kidneys &	1	1	1	299		
uber		Spleens		287	1	1	T	287
of T		Stomachs		282		-1	1	283
rtent		Livers		485	1	2	e lu	487
<u>a</u>	×	Serous		348	1	1	i	
	Thorax	Heart and Peri- cardium		561	1	1	R/M	961
	T	rungs		16621	-	4	1	1803 196 348
		Heads	, F	680 1799195	1	7	1	687
	Of which were Tuberculous		23.	469 1432 207 2131	1	00	5	2145
Y	Number			Oxen 2853 Cows 2441 Heifers 1360 6709	20,835	58	1367	28,969
	Kinds of Animals				Sheep	Pigs	Calves	

NUMBER OF ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED AT THE ABATTOIR DURING THE PAST 10 YEARS.

YEAR	BEASTS	SHEEP AND LAMBS	Pigs	Calves	TOTAL	Total Weight in Tons
1938	3,478	21,307	3,468	681	28,934	1729
1939	3,448	23,118	3,146	726	30,438	1712
1940	7,739	76,589	3,264	1,071	88,663	3974
1941	4,570	27,132	1,212	929	33,843	1902
1942	4,778	35,722	104	1,180	41,784	2270
1943	4,300	29,428	88	979	34,795	2164
1944	5,288	22,397	85	704	28,474	2468
1945	6,868	27,078	168	1,211	35,325	3033
1946	7,057	35,561	116	1,097	43,831	3242
1947	6,709	20,835	58	1,367	28,969	2776

DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS AND ORDERS.

Foot and Mouth Disease.

No cases of Foot and Mouth Disease occurred during the year within the confines of the County Borough, or within the districts adjoining the Borough boundaries. A number of outbreaks occurred at various times throughout the year in Yorkshire, South Wales, The Midlands, and the South, and Restriction of Movement of Animals was imposed in those areas.

Tuberculosis Order

One cow from a farm outside the Borough and three cows from farms within the confines of the County Borough were notified by the Veterinary Inspector of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries under the provisions of the Order and were slaughtered at the Abattoir. The carcase of one cow from within the Borough was found to be affected with localised Tuberculosis, and a portion of the carcase was condemned. In the other three cows the disease was found to be generalised, and the carcases were condemned.

Importation of Animals Act, 1922.

During the year eight Movement Licences were issued under this Act in respect of Irish Cattle consigned to the Abattoir for slaughter.

Anthrax.

During the year four suspected cases of anthrax were notified, two in cattle and two in pigs. One case in a pig was confirmed by officers of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, and the carcase was disposed of in accordance with the provisions of the Anthrax Order. In the other three cases the disease was not confirmed.

Fowl Pest.

Two cases of Fowl Pest were notified and confirmed during the year, and were dealt with by officers of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Legal Proceedings.

No legal proceedings were instituted during the year.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT-ADULTERATION.

During the year 122 formal samples (of which 113 were formal samples of milk) and 191 informal samples of food and drugs were purchased under the Food and Drugs Act, 1938, and were submitted to the Public Analyst for analysis.

Table I shows the number of the various food and drugs obtained and the result of the analysis.

Table 2 shows the average composition of milk examined during 1947.

Table 3 shows the administrative action taken in respect of samples reported by the Public Analyst not to be genuine or otherwise irregular.

Table 4 shows the legal proceedings taken and the result of such during the year.

Articles of Food Examined for Preservatives in accordance with the Public Health (Preservatives, etc., in Food) Regulations.

All articles of food to which preservatives might be added were examined for the presence of preservatives.

In one case preservative was found in an article (polony) to which the addition of preservatives are prohibited, and in two cases articles (sausages) were found containing the permitted amount of preservatives allowed under the Public Health (Preservatives, &c. in Food) Regulations but not labelled as prescribed by the Regulations.

The Town Clerk was instructed to send a warning letter to the vendor in each case.

Public Health (Condensed Milk) Regulations.

Number of samples submitted to the Public Analyst during the year—1.

This sample was found to be genuine.

Public Health (Dried Milk) Regulations.

Number of samples submitted to the Public Analyst during the year—1.

This sample was found to be genuine.

TABLE 1.

Particulars of the foods and drugs supplied during the year.

ARTICLES.		No.of Samples		No. Genuine			No. Adulterated		
The motion of the legister of	F'rml	In'f'l	Total	F'rml	In'f'1	Total	F'rml	In'f'l	Tota
Ninety-five different Foods Sampled		191	313	113	183	296	9	8	17

TABLE II.

Average Percentage Composition of Milk Examined during the year:

P	eriod		CHO COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA COLEA CO	bots ant)	No. of Samples	Milk Fat per cent.	Solids not Fat per cent.
1st Quarter	bounc	100		7177	43	3.38	8.70
2nd Quarter					44	3.62	8.73
3rd Quarter					47	3.64	8.73
4th Quarter					27	3.49	8.82
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1946				, , ,	161	3.55	8.74

TABLE III.

Administrative Action taken in respect of Samples reported by the Public Analyst not to be genuine or otherwise irregular.

-		OF REAL PROPERTY.		
No. of Informal	Sample Formal	Article	Nature of Adulteration	Action Taken
218	Talape	Lard	Fat other than Hog Fat 100% Genuine lard should consist entirely of Hog Fat.	Resolved: That the Town Clerk send a letter re. food rationing regulations to the Vendor.
224		Sausage	Sample contained 50 parts per million Sulphur Dioxide.	Sausage not labelled as required by Public Health (Preservatives
ANT SH		Parveyor	Par	in Food) Regulations. Resolved: That the Town Clerk send a warning letter to the Vendor.
12.00	231	Milk	Sample deficient of 2% of its Fat.	Resolved: That the Town Clerk send a warning letter to the Purveyor.
	239	Milk	Added Water 2%.	Resolved: That the Town Clerk send a warning letter to the Purveyor.
	10	Milk	Added Water 4%.	"Appeal to Cow" Sample No. 17 taken and found to be genuine. Dairyman prosecuted and convicted. Fine £5 5s. 0d. Costs £3 3s. 0d.
	14	Milk	Added water 5% and also deficient of 11% of its Fat.	"Appeal to Cow" Sample No. 16 taken and found to be genuine. Dairyman prosecuted and convicted. Fine £175 0s. 0d. Costs £7 7s. 0d.
	42	Milk	Added Water 3%.	Resolved: That the Town Clerk send a warning letter to the Purveyor.
	58	Milk	Sample deficient of 4% of its Fat.	Resolved: That the Town Clerk send a warning letter to the Purveyor.
99		Polony	Sample cantained 50 parts per million Sulphur Dioxide.	Resolved: That the Town Clerk send a warning letter to the Vendor.
117		Glycerine	Sample contained 2% excess water.	Resolved: That the Town Clerk draw Vendors attention to the requirements of British Pharmacopoeia.
127		Sausage Beef	Sample contained 150 parts per million Sulphur Dioxide.	Sausages not labelled as required by Public Health (Preservatives in Food) Regulations. Resolved: That the Town Clerk be authorised to draw Vendors attention to regulations.

No. of	Sample		Nature of Adulteration	Action Taken		
Informal	Formal	Atticio	and the supposed and resident of	and arrestanted to		
133		Ice-cream	Sample Inadequately Heat Treated.	Attention of Manufacturers drawn to the requirements of Ice Cream (Heat Treatment)		
134		Ice-cream	Sample Inadequately Heat Treated.	Regulations, 1947.		
149	T SEE	Milk	Added Water 1%.	Reported to Health Committee: Chief Sanitary Inspector in- structed to take further samples		
periodita	160	Milk	Sample Deficient of 4% of its Fat.	Resolved: That the Town Clerk send a warning letter to the Purveyor.		
NeD or	169	Milk	Sample Deficient of 1% of its Fat.	Resolved: That the Town Clerks send a warning letter to the Purveyor.		
184		Lard	Fat other than Hog Fat. 100% Genuine Lard should consist entirely of Hog Fat.	Resolved: That the Town Clerks send a warning letter to the Purveyor.		
- Interior	201	Milk	Sample deficient of 9% of its Fat.	Dairyman prosecuted and convicted. Fine £5 0s. 0d.		

TABLE IV.

The following table shows the legal proceedings taken and the result of such during the year.

Acts, Bye-laws, or regulations under which proceedings were instituted	Default or Offence	Result	Fines	Costs
Food and Drugs Act, 1938.	Selling milk adulterated by the ad- dition of 4% of water.	Conviction	£ s. d. 5 5 0	£ s. d. 3 3 0
Food and Drugs Act, 1938.	Selling milk adulterated by the ad- dition of 5% water and extraction of 11% of its Fat.	Conviction	175 0 0	7 7 0
Food and Drugs Act, 1938	Selling milk adulterated by the ex- traction of 9% of its Fat.	Conviction	5 0 0	Nil.

In concluding this, my first report, I desire to express my best thanks to you, Sir, for the encouragement, confidence, advice and support which you have extended to me during the course of my duties. I also wish to record my appreciation of the loyal service given at all times by the District Sanitary Inspectors and Clerical Staff.

I am

Yours faithfully,

A. E. SNODGRASS,

CHIEF SANITARY INSPECTOR.

SECTION 4.

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES GENERALLY.

Smallpox.—No case of Smallpox occurred in the borough during the year. One case of suspected Smallpox was removed to the fever hospital but did not prove to be a case of Smallpox.

The following table gives particulars regarding vaccination during recent years:—

	1940	1941	1942 Y	ear ending 1943	December 1944	31st. 1945	1946	1947
Number of Births I Vaccinated I Con.Objec'n Certs.4 Unaccounted for	14.66%	15.82%	26.44%	22.49% 58.44%	20.45% 59.72%	64.2%	49.17%	59.98%

In addition to the above figures for 1947, there were Unsusceptible to Vaccination, 0.22%; Dead, before Vaccination, 4.89%; Postponed, 0.38% Removals from district, 2.42%.

Scarlet Fever.—There were 82 cases of Scarlet Fever notified during 1947. No case died. Of the notified cases 63 were removed to hospital for treatment.

In the majority of cases the infection was of a mild type.

Diphtheria.—There were 30 cases of Diphtheria notified during 1947, all of which were removed to hospital for treatment. There was one death from this disease during the year. This case had not been immunised against diphtheria.

OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES,

Pneumonia.—There were 50 cases of pneumonia notified in 1947, and there were 39 deaths of notified cases during the year.

Whooping Cough.—There were 106 cases of this disease notified, as compared with 315 in the previous year. There were no deaths.

Cerebro-Spinal Fever.—There was one case of this disease notified during 1947.

Measles.—Six hundred and eighty cases were notified, and there was one death from this disease during 1947.

Scables.—During the year 79 cases of Scables were discovered by the School Medical Service, and treated. The incidence of Scables appears to rise and fall over

a period of years. As a matter of interest the number of cases discovered by the School Medical Department is given below. It appears that the main source of infection is from person to person, especially those sleeping in the same bed with an infested person, and that it is not generally spread by clothing.

The number of cases in 1937 was 83, 1938—36, 1939—29, 1940—16, 1941—50, 1942—177, 1943—263, 1944—333, 1945—126, 1946—113, 1947—79.

Facilities for treatment of Scabies are provided at the Huntley Mount Clinic and the Wylde. At the Wylde Clinic 62 children made 442 attendances, and at Huntley Mount 17 children made 83 attendances.

Poliomyelitis.—There were 13 cases notified as Poliomyelitis, or suspected cases. The following table gives particulars of these cases and the final diagnosis:

Age.	Sex.	Diagnosis.	In	ays in fectious risease ospital.	After Care.
2½ years	Female	Poliomyelitis		100	Required treat- ment in Ortho- paedic Hospital.
8 years	Male	Poliomyelitis	19	33	paddie 1105pitali
7 years	Female	Poliomyelitis	-2	22	Required treat- ment in Ortho- paedic Hospital.
12 years	Female	Poliomyelitis		25	paedie 1705piesi.
10 years	Female	Digestive Disturbance.		6	
41 years	Female	Poliomyelitis	TO SECOND	3	Died.
18 years	Male	Poliomyelitis		37	Required treat- ment in Ortho-
16 months	Male	Poliomyelitis		31	paedic Hospital. Required treatment in Orthopaedic Hospital.
11 months	Female	Poliomyelitis	-8	28	Required treat- ment in Ortho-
5 years	Female	Cerebro-spinal Meningitis		2	paedic Hospital.
6 years	Male	Poliomyelitis		22	
17 years	Female	Poliomyelitis		4	- 5
1 year	Female	Poliomyelitis		4	

Hospital Accommodation. — The hospital accommodation available for cases of infectious diseases, whether notifiable or not notifiable, has proved sufficient.

Table A.-Incidence of Notifiable Infectious Diseases (excluding Tuberculosis), Age Grouping, Ward Distribution, Cases Removed to Hospital and Deaths during the Year 1947.

	d Deaths	-	1 30 1	42
Total	remov'd to	Hospit	28 1 1 2 1 2 2 2 2 2 2	134
		Upswth	26 2 11 11 3	113
Bed	d.no		26 5 4 4 1 1 1 1 1 1 88 186	271
s Not	Ward	Redv'l's	6 6 6 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	149
Total Cases Notified	in each ward	Сритер.	10 112 117 1110	151
Tota	-	East.	26 9 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	185
		Moor- side.	11 6 1 1 1 1 7 7 7 7 7 8	108
		Over 65		13
		45-65	114	22
		35-45	821 111 2 1	11
		20-35	7 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	30
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otified		5.5	4 + 1	169
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Total Cases		5.3	277 1 1 1 1 2	93
To		1.2	3 2 117 53 53	78
		Under	1 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 3 1 1 2 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1	20
		At all Ages	82 30 8 8 1 1 13 106 680	776
Sp.	NOTIFIABLE DISEASES.		Scarlet Fever Diphtheria Erysipelas Opthalmia Neonatorum Cerebro Spinal Fever Puerperal Pyrexia Puerperal Fever Poliomyelitis Malaria Pheumonia Whooping Cough Measles	Totals

CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED. FROM 1939 TO 1947.

DISEASE.	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947
Smallpox	_	-	-	72	_	-	-	_	
Scarlet Fever	80	34	51	77	220	186	145	124	82
Diphtheria	110	13	36	53	73	94	101	40	30
Enteric and Typhoid Fever	F-8	1	2	BIB	1	I E	ale	2	_
Puerperal Fever and Puerperal Pyrexia	15	8	2	7	5	1	3	5	- 4_
Erysipelas	26	12	14	20	19	14	25	17	8
Poliomyelitis	-	-	2	1	2	2	_	1	13
Cerebro-Spinal Fever	4	11	19	3	2	1	5	2	1
Encephalitis Lethargica	-	-	1	-	1	1			100
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	8	12	8	4	3	3	11	1	2
Pneumonia	80	149	137	75	123	93	71	72	50
Malaria	2-0	-	-	270	1	1	1	3	1
Dysentery	-	1	100	-	-	2	2	3	-
Whooping Cough	49	80	606	10	266	106	85	315	106
Measles	4	1193	379	672	544	375	370	195	680
TOTAL	376	1514	1257	922	1257	879	819	780	977

Diphtheria Immunisation.

Facilities are available for carrying out this procedure at the Clinics. There is a weekly morning session. Special extra sessions have been arranged for this when the number of children requires such a session. Special sessions have also been held at the Schools where the number of children has warranted this.

Efforts have been made this year to offer to all children facilities for a re-inforcing dose to those who have had their initial inoculation in infancy. The parent of each child at school has been circularised as to the advisability of the child having a re-inforcing dose. In response to this, 2,840 children received a re-inforcing dose during the year. To assist in this, the schools were visited for 31 sessions. The remaining children were treated at the School Clinic.

The number of children attending school between 5 and 14 years who have been immunised is 5,231. This gives approximately 77% of school children immunised.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION IN BURY.

2 2	Total	Total aged under 5 on		àii		1,712.	Total aged 5-14 vears	on 31/12/47								5,231.	2,545.	9,488.
	1947	10	375	87	23	54	92	100	88	85	09	30	25	17	31	16	1	1,093
	1946	1	313	111	31	35	22	16	∞	12	3	4	1	2	61	1	1	562
47.	1945	1	350	93	35	24	12	13	7	6	4	2	3	2	7	2	0	567
1934-19	1944	1	265	109	35	26	39	20	15	12	6	6	-	2	1	1	1	543
from .	1943	1	262	186	161	182	224	141	177	132	126	172	148	134	116	102	5	2,268
ich year	1942	1	140	137	77	113	115	86	95	79	74	78	44	40	59	16	11	1,176
Persons inoculated each year from 1934-1947.	1941	1	103	148	119	140	165	206	213	175	199	202	186	320	31	49	22	2,278
s inocu	1940	1	9	10	17	10	12	6	5	4	9	1	3	1		3	ola	87
Person	1939		3	10	11	13	9	9	9	4	.0	3	3	9	4	1	4	85
126	1938	1	1	90	4	12	14	13	7	9	3	9	4	1	2		2	82
	1937	1	1	5	4	1	5	1	2	1	1	2	8	10	1		1	26
	1936	1	4	6	12	6	16	26	25	10	8	00	6	9	7	5	1	154
	1935	1	19	25	33	50	92	129	21	31	30	37	28	19	21	14	18	567
. 16	1934	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	1
years Dec.	year.								-						100		15 and over	Total each year
Age in years on 31st Dec. of the	ye	0	1	2	3	4	5	9	7	00	6	10	11	12	13	14	15 and	Total

SECTION 5.

TUBERCULOSIS.

Incidence.

A total of 55 new cases was notified. Of this number 31 were males and 24 females.

The following table gives the number of cases notified and the death rates per 1,000 for each year for the last twenty-five years:—

TUBERCULOSIS 1923-47.

YEAR	Pulmonary	ses iffied per 1,000 pop. cases notified per 1,000 pop. 33 0.94 18 0.09 42 0.79 26 0.14 42 0.97 32 0.19 43 0.59 41 0.23 40 0.72 47 0.21 47 0.65 32 0.16 42 0.65 32 0.16 42 0.76 20 0.13 45 0.45 16 0.18 -50 -0.64 -23 -0. 40 0.51 21 0.15 52 0.63 29 0.20 34 0.48 25 0.16 41 0.48 25 0.16 41 0.48 22 0.14				
Service of the servic	No. of cases notified	per	cases	Death rate per 1,000 pop.		
1022	sminon al	0.04	odt nistdi	0.00		
1923						
1924						
1925						
1926 1927	70					
Average for 5 years	-66	0.80	-33	0.17		
1928	62	0.72	23	0.14		
1929	47	0.65	32	0.16		
1930	E0	0.60	26	0.23		
	42	0.76	20	0.13		
1932	45	0.45	16	0.18		
Average for 5 years	-50	0.64	—23	0.17		
1933						
1934						
1935						
1936						
1937	48	0.50	30	0.15		
Average for 5 years	-43	0.52	-25	0.16		
1938	41	0.39	20	0.12		
1939	31	0.36	19	0.08		
1940	31	0.31	13	0.11		
1941	30	0.43	17	0.13		
1942	25	0.39	10	0.07		
Average for 5 years.	-32	0.38	-16	0.10		
1943	47	0.34	17	0.10		
1944	49	0.40	16	0.11		
1945	31	0.26	14	0.04		
	29	0.34	23	0.04		
1947	42	0.30	13	0.05		
Average for 5 years	-40	0.33	-17	0.07		

Five year averages are indicated in the table since such periods can be considered fair ones for comparison. On perusal of the table it can be seen that the average death rate for the last five years is the lowest recorded for both Pulmonary Tuberculosis and other tuberculous diseases.

Diagnosis of Tuberculosis.

The examination of persons suffering from or suspected of tuberculosis is carried out at the Tuberculosis Dispensary situated at the Joint Clinics, The Wylde. The times of the sessions are Tuesday and Thursday morning at 10-0 o'clock weekly, and certain evenings by appointment at 6-30 o'clock when necessary for the convenience of patients who are working during the day. Cases are obtained from reference by the patients' own private practitioner and from other sources. The Dispensary acts as a consultative centre and a sorting house at which patients can be advised to obtain the best possible treatment and arrangements made for Hospital or Sanatorium treatment. The only treatment given at the Dispensary is that administered by artificial light therapy. An important part of the work at the Clinic is the examination of contacts of cases of pulmonary tuberculosis. Fifty-five contacts were examined at the Clinic. Four hundred and fifty-one X-ray examinations of suspected tuberculous persons and of contacts were made. This work is carried out at the X-ray Department of the Bury Infirmary, and films and reports are sent to the T.B. Clinic. Blood has been taken and sent to Bury Infirmary Laboratory for Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate Estimation in 82 cases.

Home Visits.

During 1947, 23 visits were paid to the homes of patients by the Tuberculosis Officer, and 3,010 visits were paid by the Nurses.

Treatment of Tuberculosis.

Institution treatment was given to cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis at the Bury and District Joint Hospital Board's Institution (the Aitken Sanatorium at Holcombe, near Bury), at Liverpool Sanatorium, Delamere, Bury Infirmary, and at Baguley Sanatorium. Children suffering from Pulmonary Tuberculosis are sent to the Liverpool Open-Air Hospital for Children, Leasowe.

Cases of Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis are treated mainly at the Bury Infirmary, the Manchester and Salford Hospital for Diseases of the Skin, and the Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopædic Hospital, Oswestry. The number of patients treated at the various institutions, under arrangements made by the Bury Corporation, together with the patient days during 1947, are as follows:—

(un	No. of patients ndischarged at end	
Institutions. of 194	6 and admitted	No. of Patient
pulmonary otherculosis. During	during 1947).	days.
Aitken Sanatorium	33	6,585
Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthop	aedic	
Hospital, Oswestry		1,195
Liverpool Open-Air Hospital for Chi		
Leasowe	18	3,511
Liverpool Sanatorium, near Frodsha	m 18	2,468
Baguley Sanatorium, Cheshire		98
Children's Orthopaedic Hospital, Ma		24
Royal Manchester Children's Hospita		15
Bury Infirmary		34
Manchester Royal Infirmary		27
Manchester & Salford Hospital for Skir		
Out-patients		
Out-patient attendances		

It is worth placing on record that little difficulty has been experienced during the year in obtaining admission to a Sanatorium for patients. The average period of waiting for admission for male patients was nine weeks. With the exception of two cases who had to wait periods of seven weeks and two months respectively, beds have been immediately available for the admission of female patients. For the admission of children to Leasowe there has been an average waiting period of seven weeks.

After Care.

In 1947, thirteen patients received extra nourishments. Grants were made, comprising a total of 368 gallons of milk.

Patients discharged from sanatorium are kept in touch by our nurses and the tuberculosis officer by visits to their homes, if required. The patients also attend the dispensary for regular examinations. Employers were got in touch with regarding finding discharged patients suitable occupation. Close co-operation has been made with the District Re-habilitation Officer. Various house owners were approached in order to obtain improved accommodation for persons who had completed their sanatorium treatment, and certain cases were referred to the Housing Committee where overcrowding exists, and provided with alternative accommodation.

We have to thank the Bury Family Welfare Association, which has helped tuberculosis patients by grants of food, clothing, etc., during 1947.

Allowances.

Under the Ministry of Health Memo. 266/T allowances were made to persons suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis. During 1947 a recommendation for grant was made in 16 cases.

Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1925.

No case of Tuberculosis among employers in the milk trade was notified during the year; no action in this respect, therefore, being necessary.

SECTION 6.

VENEREAL DISEASES.

Treatment.

Patients suffering from Venereal Diseases are treated at the Joint Clinics, The Wylde. The Clinic sessions are as follows:—

Males.

Females.

Tuesday, 7-0 to 8-30 p.m. Friday, 5-30 to 7-0 p.m.

Tuesday, 5-30 to 7-0 p.m. Thursday, 2-0 to 5-0 p.m. Friday, 7-0 to 8-30 p.m.

Saturday, 10 a.m. (by appoint- Saturday, 10 a.m. (by appointment).

Intermediate clinics for males and females are held every week-day.

Incidence.

The number of new cases during 1947 was 431, composed of 97 cases of syphilis, 157 of gonorrhæa, and 177 cases diagnosed as Non-Venereal Disease. The out-patient attendances for 1947 were 6,829, and were 1,094 less than those of the previous year.

Bury residents accounted for 46.78 per cent. of the attendances made at the Clinic; Lancashire County cases accounted for 50.11 per cent., and other County Borough cases for 3.11 per cent.

The following table shows the number of new cases, consultations, intermediate attendances, and pathological examinations at the Venereal Diseases Clinic, 1939-47:—

Year	New Cases.	bv	Attendances at Clinic for inter- mediate treat- ment.	
1939	356	7505	3051	920
1940	326	5211	2477	903
1941	249	4015	1676	989
1942	210	3166	1025	859
1943	283	3437	781	832
1944	254	4737	812	752
1945	339	4908	233	959
1946	634	8883	20	763
1947	431	6817	12	906

RETURN relating to all persons who were treated at the Treatment Centre at Bury during the year ended the 31st December, 1947.

	Totals	304	,83 LA	3810	21 24 24	16	157	176	-	- '	,	0 3	741
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	Hud me	Number of cases on 1st January under treat- ment or observation	Number of cases removed from the register during any previous year which returned during the year under report for treatment or observation of the same infection	Number of cases dealt with for the first time during the year under report (exclusive of cases under Item 4) suffering from:—	Syphilis, primary secondary	", all later stages ", congenital	Soft Chancre Gonorrhœa, 1st year of infection	,, later Non-venereal conditions Conditions remaining undiagnosed at 31st		Number of cases dealt with for the first time during the year under report known to have received treatment for the same infection, or	to have been under observation, at other Centres, or Service Hospitals or by General Practitioners approved under Ministry of	Health Circular 2226	Torres or Irane 1 2 3 ann 4
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nereal ignosed	F.			ПП	11		131	1	131			B	1	Diseases	F.	1
Non-venereal or undiagnosed conditions	M.	3 6	120		11	-	367	-1	367			The state of the s	1	Other 1	M.	003
Gonorrhæa	H.				11	-	647	- 1	647		FILE	P	1			29
Gono	M.			111	11		799	12	811		FM	F	-			52
Soft	F.			111	11		- 1	1	1	13			1			1
So	M.		1.21	111	11			1	1			- 1	-			1
Syphilis	F.			17 8	1 2		2219	-	2219	1 10	02-		23	-		51
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Soft . Chancre	1 and under 5 years	M. F.	_ 1		for Gonorrhæa	998	19	nent Centr	Lanca-
Syphilis	Under 1 year	M. ·F. 1	_ 1	Microscopical	for Syphilis Gono	Orthopsedio	- 0	endered at the Treatment Centre during the areas in which the patients reside.	(or Country
	n a second	also men	14. Number of cases of congenital syphilis in Item 3 above classified according to age periods	Chair	15. Pathological Work:—	(a) (b)	examination to an Approved laboratory	Statement showing the services rendered at the Treatment Centre during the year, classified according to the areas in which the patients reside.	Name of County or County Borough (or Co

diam'r			
Total	97 ————————————————————————————————————	431	6850
Walla- sey	JIII	1	-
Lon- don C.C.	- 19 Temple	1	2
Man- ches- ter		1	10
Lanca- shire Bolton Roch- ches- C.C.	1 2 2 5	8	137
Bolton	21 128	7	67
Lanca- shire C.C.	54 	205	3422
Bury	40 	209	3195
Name of County or County Borough (or Country in the case of persons residing elsewhere than in England & Wales) to be inserted in these headings	A. Number of cases from each area included under the following headings in ITEM 3:— Syphilis Soft Chancre Gonorrhœa Non-venereal and undiagnosed conditions	TOTAL	B. Total number of attendances of all patients residing in each area

Regulation 33B. Action during 1947 in Bury County Borough.

During 1947 the number of contacts notified on Form I. was nineteen, of which five were males and fourteen were females. Of these persons two (females) were the subject of a second Form I, and both were found and attended the clinic for diagnosis and treatment. One, however, defaulted after diagnosis, and early treatment, and it was necessary to institute legal proceedings under the Regulation, as a result of which the patient resumed attendance at the Clinic.

Of the 17 remaining cases reported on Form I only, 3 males and 5 females were found and persuaded to attend the Clinic for diagnosis and treatment. This leaves a remainder of nine persons (2 males and 7 females) who either could not be found or who failed to attend the Clinic after being interviewed.

SECTION 7.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE.

Health Visiting.—During the year the Health Visitors made 7,663 visits to children between the ages under one year and up to five years of age.

Infant Welfare Centres.—These were held at the Joint Clinics, The Wylde (Monday and Tuesday afternoons and Friday mornings), and at 166, Tottington Road, Elton (Wednesday and Friday afternoons), and Huntley Mount Clinic (Tuesday morning).

The following table gives particulars of Clinic sessions and attendances :-Tottington Huntley The Wylde. Road. Mount. Number of sessions held 146 ... Total Attendances made:-Infants under 1 year 6827 ... 3890 ... 2642 ... 13359 Children 1 to 5 years 2895

Number of Doctors' Consultations ... 3903

Average attendance per session 66 ... 840 ... 1201 4936 2189 1602 7694 51 69

Orthopædic Clinic.—Arrangements are in force for cases to be referred to Lancashire County Council's Orthopædic Clinic at Whitefield. In-patient treatment is provided under the scheme if necessary at the Biddulph Orthopædic Hospital, at Ancoats Hospital, Manchester, and at Marple Orthopædic Hospital.

During 1947, 14 new cases attended the Whitefield Clinic, and 2 had consultations with the surgeon, whilst 9 consultations were also given by the surgeon to old cases.

Ante-Natal Clinics.—Three ante-natal clinic sessions are held weekly—on Wednesday mornings at The Wylde, on Thursday mornings at Huntley Mount, and on Thursday afternoons at Tottington Road Clinic. The Clinics show an increase in attendances as compared with the previous year.

Attendances during 1947 were as follows:-

	The Ante-	Wylde C Post Natal	linic- Total	Totting Ante- Natal	Post		Huntley Ante- Natal	Post	
No. of new cases No. of attendances	. 222	20 21	242 988	100 526	25 26	125 552	86 506	4	90 510

Dr. W. M. Martin, Obstetric Consultant at Bury Infirmary, has continued as Gynæcological Consultant to the Municipal Ante-Natal Clinics. Cases are referred to him at Bury Infirmary or County Hospital.

In addition expectant mothers attend the Ante-Natal Clinics at the Bury Infirmary and the County Hospital. The number of expectant mothers who attended these Clinics was 651 and 1,853 attendances were made. Also 228 post-natal attendances were made at these clinics.

Milk and Meals Assistance Scheme.—The Corporation has arranged for the provision of free milk (fresh and dried) to mothers and children and to expectant mothers in necessitous cases where the family income, according to the number of persons, comes within a prescribed scale. Owing to the National Milk Scheme, the number of mothers and children who obtained free milk under the Corporation Milk Assistance Scheme was very few, and no grants of cows' milk were made during the year.

MILK:	No.	of	applications	for grants	received	WILEST ARTES	1
,	,		,,	,,	refused	i	0
,	,		,,	granted :	supply of	dried milk	1

Midwives.—The number of midwives registered as practising during 1947 was 41. Of these six were Municipal Midwives (full or part-time), 23 were midwives at the County Hospital, 8 were midwives at the Bury Infirmary, and 4 were in private practice.

Municipal Midwives.—Five Municipal Midwives (full time) were employed by the Local Authority. The Local Authority has also employed one midwife part time as a Maternity Nurse. The number of cases attended by these midwives during the year was

As midwives, 462.
As maternity nurses, 28.

Since the municipal midwives have been in the Corporation's employ they have been required to assist at the municipal ante and post-natal clinics and be present with any of their patients attending.

All Midwives are now equipped with Gas and Air Analgesia apparatus. This was administered to 52 patients.

The services of the salaried midwives are not free, but payment is expected in accordance with financial ability. A scale of income with appropriate charges is in force, and in fact there have been a number of cases where the services were rendered free of charge. The full charges for Services are:—

£2 5s. 0d. as a midwife. £2 5s. 0d. as a maternity nurse and 10/- for attention at other cases.

The five municipal midwives' names, addresses, and telephone numbers are:—

	Name,	Address.	Tel. Nos.	
Nurse	R. M. Cunningham	58, Rochdale Old Road.	Bury 606	
,,	E. Brown	281, Market Street	,, 2526	
,,	M. Hutchinson	40, Vernon Street.	,, 2506	
Day,	D. Shuttleworth	44, Alfred Street.	,, 349	
, m	L. Whittaker	15, Sawyer Street	,, 1703	

Maternal Mortality.—There were three maternal deaths in 1947, giving a maternal mortality rate of 2.51 per 1,000 total births. In 1946 the maternal mortality rate was 1.90 and in 1945 it was 3.4 per 1,000 total births.

Puerperal Pyrexia.—Three cases of Puerperal Pyrexia and one case of Puerperal Fever were notified. The four cases, of which two were removed to the Florence Nightingale Hospital for treatment, recovered.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—Two cases of Ophthalmia Neonatorum were notified during the year, the rate per 1,000 live births being 1.72, as compared with 0.98 per 1,000 births in 1946

The following table gives further particulars:-

Cases.	Notified	Treated.		Vision Unim-	Vision Im-	Total Blind-	Deaths	
		At Home.	At Hospital	paired.	paired	ness.		
33		38		-	-	av lo s	nin	
2	2	1	1	nineth to	- ttimbe	-	To all	

Instruction in Mothercraft.—During school term, two sessions weekly are held at the Wylde Clinic, where instruction is given by the Senior School Nurse of the Education Department. The arrangement with the Education Committee continues, and girls in the last term at school attend in groups of not more than 30 at a time, each group attending for a period of six weeks, and they come from all the senior schools.

Child Life Protection-Public Health Act, 1936.

(Section 206 to 220).

The duties and powers under the above, which make provision for the supervision of children who are nursed for gain apart from their parents, are administered by this department.

There were six foster parents on the Register at the end of 1947. The children nursed by these foster parents were visited by the Health Visitors, who are the appointed visitors under the Act. The number of visits made during the year was 31.

Boarding-out of Children.—The Council's administrative scheme under the Local Government Act, 1929, made Maternity and Child Welfare a declared service; therefore duties under the Order were imposed upon this department.

There were seven children on the Register at the end of 1947, and during the year 60 visits have been paid in connection with these boarded-out children.

Adoption of Children.—In response to enquiries with reference to the adoption of children, the Health Visitors paid 37 visits to homes. Visits were paid with reference to enquiries about the placing of three children by approved adoption societies and one child by other local Authorities.

Day Nursery. Day and Nursery Class:-

CHARLES THE COURT OF THE COURT	Age 0-2½	Age 2½—5
No. of children on register at begin-	molt	
ning of year	38	31
No. of children admitted during year	21	25
No. of children discharged	24	25
No. of children on register at end of	off name	
year	35	31

There is one Day Nursery at Maxwell Street and a Nursery Class, with extended hours, at the East Ward School.

The building of the Maxwell Street Nursery has been purchased by the Corporation. Arrangements have been made for the attendance of Nursery Students at Manchester for training on 2 days weekly.

Creche.—A creche for children was opened for one half day a week at the Elton Clinic. The demand for this Service proved to be extremely small.

This was transferred to Huntley Mount Clinic on February 20th, and discontinued after 4th September session owing to lack of support.

Care of Premature Infants (Circular 20/44).—Arrangements are in force for dealing with Premature Infants. Certain equipment, including cots, heated basket with oxygen supply, blankets, baby jackets, etc., has been provided and a specially trained health visitor is responsible for visiting premature infants immediately notification is received from the midwife concerned. The local hospitals notify the Medical Officer of Health when premature infants are discharged.

During 1947 the number of babies notified who weighted $5\frac{1}{2}$ -lbs. or less at birth was 78. The majority of these were born in hospital. The number of cases visited by the Health Visitor in the home was 18, to whom 66 visits were made.

Illegitimate Children.—The Health Visitors pay special attention to illegitimate births and make frequent visits to these cases. The Council subsidises the local Diocesan Moral Welfare Council, whose Social Worker visits unmarried mothers.

short star cases, but in cases where contacts toster purents cannot

MORAL WELFARE WORK.

Bury and District Outdoor Work Committee.

I am indebted to Miss Housden for the following report of work carried out in Bury.
Total number of New cases, 1947 37
Total number since formation of Outdoor Work Committee.
November 1st, 1946 50
ANALYSIS.
Unmarried Mothers
Mental problem
Dealt with as Follows:—
Unmarried Mother admitted to Diocesan Homes
Cases referred by:—
Magistrates' Clerk Office 6 County Hospital 4 Health Visitors 2 National Council Unmarried Mother 3 Family Welfare Association 4 Resettlement Bureau 1 Social Welfare 2 Other Social Workers 9 Liverpool Women Police Patrols 1 Clergy 3 Own friends 2
Social Welfare

Brandlesholme House.

This home is provided by the Corporation for the admission of healthy children. It is chiefly intended for short stay cases, but in cases where suitable foster parents cannot be obtained long stay cases may be admitted. The intention is to provide, as near as possible, conditions of good home life for the

children. They attend the ordinary schools and are housed in ideal surroundings. The Health Committee has arrangements to admit children whose mothers are unable to look after them during confinement. If vacancies are available children may be admitted from other Authorities.

The number of children admitted during the year:-

Under 5 years o	of age	 21	
Over 5 years of	f age	 14	

Home Helps.—Two whole-time home helps are employed by the Corporation. There is also a panel of home helps to be drawn on if the full-time home helps are fully booked up. It has been found that the two full-time home helps are not always engaged on this service, and there has been no demand from the public to further increase the staff.

A charge is made for the use of their services according to the means of the patient. Whilst the services of the home helps are primarily to provide domestic help in maternity cases their services may be obtained either in case of non-infectious sickness or infirmity due to old age, should they be at liberty from maternity cases.

No.	of	maternity	cases	attended	 	 	40
		sickness					

DENTAL CLINIC, THE WYLDE, BURY. Dental Report of Maternity and Child Welfare Cases. Year ending 31st December, 1947.

337 1 3	Patients	Attend- ances	Extrac- tions	General Anaes.	Local Anaes.	Fillings
PRE-SCHOOL	15	21	11	9	2	3
ANTE-NATAL	11	18	6	2	5	189
POST-NATAL	1	1	_	-	n -	_

It has been impossible to extend this work with the facilities at present available. Plans are in the hands of the Ministries of Health and Education for the provision of a Dental Surgery at the Huntley Mount Clinic.

SUMMARY OF WORK OF THE HEALTH VISITORS, 1947.

VISITS AND ATTENDANCES.

are unable to look after them dur-

No.

First visits to notified births	1086
Re-visits to infants under one year of age	3194
Re-visits to children under one and over five years	3383
Visits to expectant mothers	160
Re-visits to expectant mothers	
Visits re deaths of infants under one year of age	120
Visits to premature infants	
Visits re infectious diseases: Measles, Whooping	
Cough, Chicken Pox, etc	820
Visits re Ophthalmia Neonatorum	18
Visits to the houses in which cases of Tuberculosis	
have been notified	74
Re-visits to houses in which cases of Tuberculosis have	
been notified	3010
Visits and enquiries re applications for extra nourish-	
ments under Tuberculosis scheme	14
Visits to Boarded-out, Nursed-out, and adopted	
children	128
Visits re Diphtheria Immunisation	852
Visits for other causes	40
Attendances at Clinics:—	-
Infant Welfare Centres	512
Tuberculosis, Morning Clinics	69
Sunlight Clinics	50
Other Clinics	151
Total Visits 13157	
Total Attendances at Clinics 782	mus 1

BURY C.B. CHILD WELFARE ATTENDANCES

YEAR	The second secon	ATTENDANC WELFARE	ANTE-NATAL CLINICS			
18-15		Attend-	% of Births	dostani v	Attend-	
10	Patients	ances	Attending	Patients	ances	
1947	2,177	18,293	93	406	2,050	
1946	2,115	16,669	87	- 450	2,018	
1945	2,165	14,543	87	311	1,106	
1944	1,639	16,904	94	251	896	
1943	1,539	14,683	86	184	808	
1942	1,534	14,718	86	268	741	
1941	1,561	13,943	80	193	635	
1940	1,434	14,300	91	152	489	
1939	1,357	16,576	71	97	404	
1938	1,390	17,105	64	142	422	
1937	1,233	13,944	63	104	329	
1936	1,232	12,994	65	101	318	
1935	1,169	12,132	66	73	234	
1934	1,112	11,307	62	49	158	
1933	1,181	12,063	60	34	74	
1932	1,014	9,777	64	47	119	
1931	1,020	7,244	60	47	113	
1930	951	7,477	55	37	142	
1929	986	7,605	58	58	238	
1928	956	7,040	57	68	241	
1927	810	6,374	56	77	235	
1926	601	5,727	43	52	204	
1925	824	4,335	47	61	272	
1924	615	3,853	_	59	254	
1923	619	2,072	-	41	169	
1922	682	3,369		46	177	
1921	841	4,159	_	58	208	
1920	1,094	6,146	story entre	70	216	
1919	863	4,118	-	58	117	
1918	773	3,941	The same of the same	avid This same	anina Table	
1917	526	-	_	_	to t	
1916	128	Child W	elfare Clinic	Opened	Nov. 19th	

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