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Borough of Chesterfield.

School Medical Officer's Report for 1935.

*To the Chairman and Members of the Education Committee
of the Borough of Chesterfield.*

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour, as School Medical Officer, to submit my Seventh Annual Report on the Medical Inspection and Treatment of School Children in the Borough during the year ended December 31st, 1935.

The general plan of the Report is the same as in former years and follows closely the requirements of the Board of Education.

I have pleasure in reporting that keenness and cordial relations exist within the Department, and between it and the Director of Education, and the Head Teachers and this Staff, there is the closest co-operation.

I wish to express my appreciation of the work of Dr. Mackay and the other members of the Staff of the School Medical Service, to Dr. Stead for his kindly co-operation, and to you, ladies and gentlemen, for your continued support and kindly assistance.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

J. A. STIRLING,

School Medical Officer.

CO-ORDINATION.

The closest co-ordination exists between all the health services of the Borough, the Medical Officer of Health being also the School Medical Officer, while the Health Visitors also act as School Nurses.

The care of debilitated children under school age is undertaken by the Maternity and Child Welfare Committee.

SCHOOL HYGIENE.

As indicated in previous reports, the building of several new Schools and the reconstruction of others has taken place during the last five years. These buildings are all of excellent design, and are in accord with modern ideas for securing the maximum of light and fresh air, and are undoubtedly having a very beneficial effect on the general health of the children, as is evidenced by the improved average attendance.

MEDICAL INSPECTION.

Every child is examined at least three times during its school career, as an "Entrant," as an "Intermediate" when eight years of age and as a "Leaver" at the age of twelve.

"Exceptional Cases," that is to say children suffering from various conditions such as Heart Disease, Epilepsy, Crippling, etc., sufficiently severe to interfere with an ordinary mode of life are examined at least once a year.

In addition to this, any child who is ailing or who has recovered from some condition which is likely to recur is examined at regular intervals during its school life.

FINDINGS OF MEDICAL INSPECTION.

The defects discovered during the School Medical Inspections will be found summarised in Table II at the end of the Report.

UNCLEANLINESS.

In addition to the routine medical inspections, periodical examinations for cleanliness are made by the School Nurses during the year. During the period under review 37,532 children were examined in the schools and of this number 1,010 were found unclean, a decrease of children found unclean of 47 on last year's figures.

In cases where uncleanness exists notice is sent to the parent calling attention to this fact and giving instructions for cleansing. If at a subsequent re-examination the condition is found to persist, a more strongly worded notice is sent, but it is found that in the majority of cases the condition is remedied after receipt of the first notice. In bad cases the child is immediately excluded from school, the home is visited, the necessary instructions given and the child told to report to the Clinic within 48 hours. All children thus excluded are inspected at the Clinic before being allowed to return to school, and in every case during the period under review a sufficient improvement has been effected without resort to prosecution, although the kindly assistance of the inspector of the N.S.P.C.C. has been invoked on occasions, with good effect.

INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

The arrangements under this heading remain as in previous years, and have again worked very satisfactorily during the period under review.

A summary of the incidence of infectious disease is given below :—

	1935	1934
Scarlet Fever	122	67
Diphtheria	20	19
Pneumonia	19	11
Ac. Poliomyelitis	2	—
Enteric Fever	1	—
Dysentery	1	—
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	1	1
Erysipelas	—	1
	166	99

FOLLOWING UP.

Medical Inspection is obviously of little use unless an efficient scheme of "following up" is in operation, that is, satisfactory arrangements made for the school and subsequent home visiting of cases, found at either routine or special examinations in school, to be suffering from some disease or defect. Such arrangements which were made in the Borough in 1931 continue to prove very satisfactory and effective.

The work of the School Nurses during the year is shown in the following analysis :—

(1) Visits to Schools	1590
(a) For Infectious Diseases	55
(b) Other Visits	1385
(c) For Verminous Surveys	150
(2) Visits to Homes of School Children	1141

Reason of Visit.	No. of Visits.
Verminous Children	129
Scabies	4
Ringworm	7
Eye Diseases and Eye Defects	294
Enlarged Tonsils and Adenoids	85
Other Medical Defects	487
Infectious Disease	42
Other Visits and Re-visits	93

MEDICAL TREATMENT.

That the Minor Ailments Clinics still continue their sphere of usefulness is evidenced by the fact that 2,099 children made 9,279 attendances at the clinics during the year.

The following table shows the complaints for which the children were treated and contains the figures for both the Saltergate and Old Whittington Clinics.

Skin Diseases :—

Scabies	32
Impetigo	208
Ringworm (Scalp)	12
Ringworm (Body)	14
Other Skin Diseases	86

Eye Diseases :—

Blepharitis	53
Conjunctivitis	23
Corneal Ulcer	1
Other Eye Diseases	90

Ear Diseases :—

Otorrhoea	74
Wax	25
Other Ear Diseases	43

Diseases of the Nose and Throat :—

Enlarged Tonsils and Adenoids	54
Other Conditions	347

Verminous Heads and Bodies	.....	30
Septic Sores and Abrasions	.....	739
General Examinations	.....	287
Dental Diseases	.....	40
All other Diseases	.....	611

TONSILS AND ADENOIDS.

The scheme which came into force with the Royal Hospital towards the end of 1933 has worked smoothly and satisfactorily during the year under review.

Action taken during 1935 in dealing with cases of enlarged tonsils and adenoids will be found in Table IV. Group 3, at the end of this Report.

TUBERCULOSIS.

I wish to express my grateful thanks to Dr. Robertson for his continued and valuable help and co-operation during the year.

It is gratifying to again note the continued small incidence of Tuberculosis, and especially Pulmonary Tuberculosis, in the Borough school children, and this continued low incidence is undoubtedly due to a great extent to the improved hygienic conditions under which the children are working in the new and re-constructed schools.

No cases of Tuberculosis were discovered at routine medical inspection, but during the year three cases of Pulmonary and a similar number of Non-pulmonary Tuberculosis in children of school age were notified in the Borough.

SKIN DISEASES.

It is gratifying to report that the number of skin diseases discovered during the year was again very small.

VERMINOUS AND DIRTY CHILDREN.

No proceedings were taken during the year under either the Education Act, 1921, or under the School Attendance Bye-laws.

EXTERNAL EYE DISEASES.

These cases are mainly dealt with at the School Clinic, and Dr. Muirhead is always ready and willing to see any difficult case referred to him.

VISION.

939 cases of defective vision and squint were seen by the School Oculist during the year, these children making 2,178 attendances. As a result of these examinations, 343 pairs of glasses were prescribed, and of this number 302 pairs were obtained.

I am indebted to Dr. Muirhead, the School Oculist, for the following comments on his work at the Ophthalmic Clinic during the year 1935 :—

School children requiring an eye examination are referred to the School Eye Clinic, where they are examined. Urgent cases reporting to the School Clinic on a day on which the Eye Clinic is not sitting are referred to the Ophthalmic Department of the Chesterfield Royal Hospital. Therefore, a more or less continuous eye service is provided throughout the week, both during the School term and the holidays.

Glasses, or local treatment, or both, are prescribed at the Eye Clinic when necessary, and children requiring special local treatment or operation are referred to the Hospital for Out-Patient or In-Patient treatment.

The number of inflammatory cases is comparatively small; rarely are they severe, and generally improve quickly with treatment. Credit must be given to the vigilance of the Teaching Staff, who insist on children with inflamed eyes reporting at the Clinic without delay.

The attention given to the eyes appears to be appreciated by the majority of the parents, and they are willing to co-operate as far as possible.

In some cases the explaining of the eye defects in a simple way to the parents, and even to some of the children, is very helpful.

The parents accompany their children more frequently than formerly.

The School Teachers render considerable assistance, which is much appreciated, in helping to detect cases of defective vision, and also in the supervision of the children in the wearing of the spectacles.

All cases of squint, at whatever age, should be referred to an Ophthalmic Surgeon without delay. Parents are encouraged to bring their children when they suspect squint, even if they have not attained school age. Other members of the family, accompanying a child with a squint to the Clinic, are examined at the same time, in order to see if they either squint, or are likely to, or require glasses. Too often it is too late to commence treatment of a squint after the child has commenced its school career.

The Child Welfare Clinic is very helpful in referring suspected cases. The earlier the treatment is commenced the better the progress. One hopes by such methods to reduce considerably the number of squint operations, and also to avoid the long drawn out conservative methods of the treatment of squint.

The following is a summary of the year's work at the Ophthalmic Clinic :—

Number of attendances	2178
Number of new cases who attended and were tested under atropine	202
Number of new cases who attended and were tested without atropine	30
Number of prescriptions given for glasses	131
Number who obtained glasses	115
Number who required no glasses	82
Number found wearing correct glasses	1
Number of cases referred to Hospital	26
Number of cases in which treatment was not completed	22
Number of cases who have left town and school	3
Number of old cases who attended and were re-examined under atropine	235
Number of old cases who attended and were re-examined without atropine	518
Number of old cases in which new glasses were ordered after re-testing	190
Number of old cases who obtained glasses ordered	165
Number of cases for whom glasses were prescribed in 1934 and did not obtain them until 1935.....	31
Number of cases for whom prescriptions were repeated in respect of broken glasses	10
Number of necessitous cases for whom glasses were obtained by the Local Authority :—	
Free	—
Part Payment	118
Full Payment	212
Number of cases referred to Dr. Muirhead from the Minor Ailments Clinic during the year	43

The following gives an analysis of the cases treated :—

Hypermetropia	149
Hypermetropic Astigmatism	375
Myopia	91
High Myopia	19
Myopic Astigmatism	48
Mixed Astigmatism	37
Concomitant Strabismus	123
Divergent Strabismus	2

Nebulae	10
Nystagmus	2
Conjunctivitis	19
Phlyctenular Conjunctivitis	9
Blepharitis	20
Corneal Ulcer	4
Keratitis	2
Styes, Abscess, etc.	1
Emmetropia	8
Traumatic Choroidal Scars	1
Asthenopia	5
Anisometropia	54
Amblyopia	1
Epicanthus	1
Cataract	2
Epiphora	4
Spasm of Accommodation	2
Ptosis	2
Medical	6
Coloboma	3
Contusion	1
Sub-conjunctival Haemorrhage	1
Septic Chalazion	1
Detached Retinue	1
Septic Meibomean Cyst	1
	1005

DENTAL DEFECTS.

7,579 children were examined by the School Dental Officer during the year ended December 31st, 1935, and of this number 3,709 were found to require treatment, and 2,893 children were actually treated.

Mr. Littlar, the School Dental Officer, gives the following report on the School Dental Inspections and Treatment :—

The work undertaken has been of a similar nature to that of previous years, namely, fillings and extractions, no dentures or fitting of orthodontic appliances being undertaken. Of the 7,579 children examined, 70.2% accepted treatment at the Clinic, an increase of 3.4% on the previous year, 28.2% refused treatment (a certain number of these children obtained private treatment) a decrease of .7% on last year, and 1.6% did not return their consent forms, a decrease of 3.1% on last year. The percentage of acceptances for treatment is higher than the average throughout the country.

It has again been found impossible to examine and treat every child requiring treatment in twelve months. With the raising of the school leaving age and the formation of nursery classes more children are brought into the Scheme than previously. In my opinion, every child should be dentally examined at least every six months, this would reduce the number of extractions of permanent teeth to a minimum, any decay present would be detected earlier and the teeth would be conserved by filling before they became so badly decayed as to necessitate extraction. Disease of the teeth and mouth is preventable if the teeth are kept clean, regularly inspected, and decay checked early, but the care of the teeth must begin early in babyhood.

Through the kind assistance of Mr. Wills, the Inspector of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, a number of children suffering unnecessary pain through the persistent refusal of their parents to allow them to be treated, received treatment.

The Dental Clinic at the " Mary Swanwick " School is very much appreciated, and the attendances there are very good.

I wish to thank the teaching staff for the work they have done in teaching the children Dental Hygiene, also for urging the parents and children to take advantage of the treatment provided at the Clinic.

The Maternity and Child Welfare Clinic for children of pre-school age continues to do useful work.

CRIPPLING DEFECTS AND ORTHOPÆDICS.

There has been no alteration in the arrangements under this heading during the current year, and may I again express my grateful thanks to the Staff of the Royal Hospital for their continued valuable help and co-operation.

OPEN AIR EDUCATION.

Stone Hay Camp was used once again this summer, with markedly beneficial effects to all the children who were lucky enough to have the opportunity of going there. Seven parties were sent there during term time, each party, which consisted of eighteen boys and two teachers, remaining at the camp for two weeks. Contributing schools were Central Boys', " Peter Webster " Boys', " William Rhodes " Boys', Old Road Senior Mixed, Hasland Hall Boys', Old Whittington Boys', and New Whittington Boys.

The camp was used during the summer holiday by three parties of boys selected from the " Peter Webster " Boys' School and the Central Boys' School.

Other organised camps and school journeys were as follows :—

- (a) " William Rhodes " Boys at Sheringham during the month of May.
- (b) " Violet Markham " Girls at Speeton, near Filey, during the month of June.
- (c) Central Girls at London during July.
- (d) Old Road Senior Girls at Scarborough during June.
- (e) Old Whittington Senior at Tenby during June.
- (f) Settlement Class at the Settlement Hut, Darley Dale, during July.
- (g) New Whittington Senior Boys at Darley Dale (voluntarily organised by the Staff) during August.
- (h) Tapton House School at London during July.
- (i) Special Class at Derby Road School at the Settlement Hut, Darley Dale, during June.
- (j) Youth Hostel Centres were again utilised as Holiday Centres. A party of girls from the Central Girls' School visited Hartington Hall, whilst a party from the Derby Road Girls' School visited Overton Hall. An enjoyable holiday was spent in each case and it is probable that greater use will be made of these Centres during the coming year.

SWIMMING AND SCHOOL BATHS.

During the past swimming season 12,123 children's visits were paid to the Central School Baths as part of the school curriculum, and children who were able to swim also paid 5,911 visits with privilege tickets outside school hours.

A feature of the 1935 season was the Life-Saving Class conducted for groups of children. The excellent results of this Class were due largely to the personal supervision exercised by the Bath Attendant, Mr. Haywood.

During the summer of 1935 the Swimming Baths were reserved for School Children. This resulted in increasing the hygienic capacity of the Baths, and allowed for the allocation of longer periods to Schools, both in and out of school hours, several schools reserving periods out of school hours. The usual facilities were extended to the Grammar School and the Junior Instruction Centre. The usual competitions were held by the Central School, the " Peter Webster " Boys' School, the " William Rhodes " Boys' School and the Old Road Senior School.

In January, 1936, the Education Committee accepted tenders for

- (a) The Installation of a Filtration Plant.
- (b) Re-decoration and reconstruction of the Bath.

Once these have been effected the Swimming Bath will be in keeping with any in the Country.

PHYSICAL TRAINING.

Conditions under this heading remain as in previous years. I am indebted to the Secretary of the Schools Athletic Association, who has kindly furnished the following report of its activities during the current year :—

The experience gained in the past has resulted in a most successful year, although the day chosen for the Athletic Sports was wretched in the extreme, yet they were highly successful in all respects. In spite of the weather seven new records were set up and four equalled.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS.—The Associations' teams competed in the County Championships at Spondon, near Derby, on July 6th. The opposition to our teams which have won every trophy each year since the inception of these Championships was very strong—Derby and Ilkeston entering for the first time. After a very stern struggle Chesterfield won all three trophies again, narrowly beating Derby. The Chesterfield teams once again were pre-eminent in costume, team-work, and behaviour—every competitor running to orders for the Association.

SWIMMING SPORTS.—The Annual Swimming Gala was held in the Central School Swimming Baths on September 27th. The whole Gala was once again a highly successful venture, a high standard of performance being attained by both boys and girls. Eight new records were set up—3 by boys and 5 by girls. This higher standard of performance was another indication that the work of the Association is bearing fruit—higher standards mean keener competition which calls for improved technique, greater interest on the part of the children who struggle to gain a place in the School team, and a far larger number of children being tried out to find the elusive "dark horse."

JUNIOR FOOTBALL SECTION.—Eight schools took part in this competition—three more than in any previous year, though working under great difficulties, the relaying of pitches, most unsuitable weather, and the taking over of their pitches for cricket before their fixtures were completed. A knockout competition was also organised and successfully carried out. The boys showed a splendid

spirit in all these games, they were keenly interested, and their knowledge of the game and the skill shown in all matches is worthy of mention.

NETBALL SECTION.—An interesting and successful season was completed. In the County Championship the Chesterfield Association was successful in winning the Championship Trophy.

CRICKET SECTION.—Owing to ground difficulties (relaying of pitches, etc.), the two sections of the League were amalgamated, as three schools were obliged to withdraw owing to their pitches being relaid. The League Championship and also the Knock-out Competition were successfully carried out.

PROVISION OF MEALS.

During the year it was found necessary to provide 41,755 milk meals to school children as against a figure of 42,200 for 1934. Of the 41,755 meals provided 33,399 were provided free, 6,209 at half cost and 2,147 at no cost to the Education Committee.

The cases for free milk were selected by the School Medical Department, and then subjected to a scale approved by the Board of Education, taking into consideration income and members in family.

The state of nutrition of school children examined at routine medical inspections will be found in Table 2B at the end of the report and does not show evidence of any appreciable deterioration in the nutrition of the general body of school children in the Borough. While there is a certain proportion of the malnutrition undoubtedly due to lack of food, I consider that quite a definite amount is due to two other causes, firstly, a lack of parental control shown by the late hours at which a large proportion of school children of the present day go to bed thus bringing about a sleep starvation and a consequent lowering of vitality, and secondly, improper feeding, and by that I mean the "tinned food and fish and chip habit." Both these articles of diet are quite alright used properly but for a growing child a good "stock pot" which can be prepared at a cheaper cost than either of the foods mentioned is far better fitted to their needs.

CO-OPERATION OF PARENTS.

During the year a fair number of parents availed themselves of the opportunity of attending the routine medical examinations at the schools. The greater proportion of this number is comprised of the parents of children attending infant departments, the percentage of parents attending the examinations of children in the older age groups being small.

CO-OPERATION OF TEACHERS AND SCHOOL ATTENDANCE OFFICERS.

Reference has been made in previous reports to the whole-hearted assistance afforded by Teachers and Attendance Officers to the School Medical Staff of the Borough, without which the value of medical work in the schools would be seriously impaired.

CO-OPERATION OF VOLUNTARY BODIES.

The Borough Welfare Committee continued and extended its valuable assistance in dealing with crippled and ailing school children, and I would once again like to extend my grateful thanks to Miss Jones and her Staff for continued hearty co-operation.

Acknowledgement must also be made of the effective assistance rendered by the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children through its local Inspector, Mr. Wills, in procuring amelioration of conditions of ill-treatment or neglect which have adversely affected the health of the children.

BLIND, DEAF AND DUMB, DEFECTIVE AND EPILEPTIC CHILDREN.

At the end of 1935 there were 15 children receiving care in special residential schools, and in addition to this number there were 99 mentally defective children receiving training in special classes attached to five of the elementary schools in the Borough.

NURSERY SCHOOLS.

There are no Nursery Schools in the Borough, but Nursery Classes have again been successfully carried on at the following Schools :—Highfield Hall, Whittington Moor Infants', Brampton Infants', Hipper Street Infants', and "Cavendish" Infants'. No new Nursery Classes have been attached to other Schools during 1935.

SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

The arrangements under this heading remain as before.

EMPLOYMENT OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS.

90 Employment Certificates were issued during the year, and no applications were refused.

SCHOOL CLINICS.

The following is the programme of Clinics which has been in force during the period under review :—

	<i>Saltergate Clinic.</i>	<i>Clinic at "Mary Swanwick" School.</i>
(1) Minor Ailments Clinic	Daily, 9-30—12-0 (noon)	Daily, 2-30—4-0 p.m.
(2) Dental Clinic	Daily by appointment.	Will be open during periods of the year when Whittington Area is being inspected and treated and appointments will then be made.
(3) Ophthalmic Clinic	Tuesday & Saturday mornings by appointment.	

GENERAL INFORMATION.

The total accommodation of Elementary Schools in the Borough for the year 1935-36 was 12,342, and the number of children on the register at the end of December, 1935, was 10,262.

The following table shows the names of the Schools and the number of children on the register at the end of the year 1935.

Hipper Street Junior Mixed	314
Hipper Street Infants	176
St. Helen's Street Junior Mixed	242
St. Helen's Street Infants	124
Central Boys' Modern	307
Central Girls' Modern	360
Brampton Junior Mixed	465
Brampton Infants	247
Old Road Mixed Modern	356
Old Road Infant and Junior	521
Christ Church Infant and Junior	158
St. Mary's Catholic Senior	153
St. Mary's Catholic Junior	295
Eyre Street Infants	188
Hasland Junior Mixed	325
Derby Lane Girls' Modern	263
Derby Lane Infants	308
Derby Lane Junior Mixed	465
" Cavendish " Junior Girls'	259

" Cavendish " Infants	157
Newbold C. of E. Infant and Junior	126
" Gilbert Heathcote " Junior Boys'	270
New Whittington Mixed Modern	209
New Whittington Infant and Junior	322
" Mary Swanwick " Mixed Modern	231
" Mary Swanwick " Infant and Junior	291
Brushes Infant and Junior	215
" Peter Webster " Boys' Modern	305
" William Rhodes " Infants	176
" Violet Markham " Girls' Modern	397
Highfield Hall Infant and Junior	463
Whittington Moor Infants	209
" William Rhodes " Boys' Modern	364
Tapton House Selective Central	440
" William Rhodes " Junior Mixed	319
Hasland Hall Mixed Modern	242

TABLE I.

Return of Medical Inspections.

A. ROUTINE MEDICAL INSPECTIONS—

No. of Code Group Inspections :—

Entrants	.....	.....	.....	1019
Intermediates	.....	.....	.....	842
Leavers	.....	.....	.....	870
				———2731

B. OTHER INSPECTIONS—

No. of Special Inspections	.....	.....	.....	102
No. of Re-Inspections	.....	.....	.....	3020
				———3122
				5853
				———

C. CHILDREN FOUND TO REQUIRE TREATMENT—

No. of Individual children found at Routine Medical Inspection to require Treatment (excluding Uncleanliness and Dental Diseases).
Code Groups :

Entrants	.....	.....	.....	64
Intermediates	.....	.....	.....	104
Leavers	.....	.....	.....	116
				———
Total	.....	.....	.....	284
				———

TABLE II.

A.—Return of Defects found by Medical Inspection in the Year ended 31st December, 1935.

Defect or Disease.		Routine Inspection		Special Inspection	
		No. of Defects.		No. of Defects.	
		Requiring Treatment	Requiring to be kept under observation, but <i>not</i> Requiring treatment.	Requiring Treatment	Requiring to be kept under observation, but <i>not</i> requiring treatment.
(1)		(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Skin	(1) Ringworm—Scalp	3	—	—	—
	(2) Ringworm—Body	—	—	—	—
	(3) Scabies	1	—	—	—
	(4) Impetigo	—	—	—	—
	(5) Other Diseases (Non-Tuberculous)	5	16	—	—
	Total	9	16	—	—
Eye	(6) Blepharitis	4	25	1	—
	(7) Conjunctivitis	—	6	1	—
	(8) Keratitis	—	—	—	—
	(9) Corneal Opacities	—	—	—	—
	(10) Other Conditions	1	7	2	9
	Total	5	38	4	9
Ear	(11) Defective Vision	112	283	13	5
	(12) Squint	6	32	2	2
	(13) Defective Hearing	5	23	1	—
	(14) Otitis Medea	—	22	3	—
	(15) Other Ear Diseases	8	4	1	3

TABLE II.—continued.

(1)		(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Nose & Throat	(16) Chronic Tonsilitis only	5	84	—	2
	(17) Adenoids only	2	5	—	—
	(18) Chronic Tonsilitis and Adenoids	4	5	2	—
	(19) Other Conditions	3	12	1	4
(20) Enlarged Cervical Glands (Non-Tuberculous)		—	10	—	1
(21) Defective Speech		—	3	—	—
Heart and Circulation.	Heart Disease :—				
	(22) Organic	—	4	—	—
	(23) Functional	—	90	—	3
	(24) Anaemia	—	3	—	2
Lungs	(25) Bronchitis	—	10	—	1
	(26) Other Non-Tuberculous Diseases	—	76	—	1
Tuberculosis	Pulmonary :—				
	(27) Definite	—	—	—	—
	(28) Suspected	—	—	—	—
	Non-Pulmonary :—				
	(29) Glands	—	—	—	—
	(30) Bones and Joints	—	—	—	—
	(31) Skin	—	1	—	—
	(32) Other Forms	—	2	—	—
Total		—	3	—	—
Nervous System	(33) Epilepsy	—	—	—	1
	(34) Chorea	—	—	—	1
	(35) Other Conditions	—	2	—	—
Deformities	(36) Rickets	—	3	—	—
	(37) Spinal Curvature	—	1	—	—
	(38) Other Forms	2	10	1	1
(39) Other Defects and Diseases (excluding Uncleanliness and Dental Diseases)		4	17	9	21
Total		165	756	37	57

B.—CLASSIFICATION OF THE NUTRITION OF CHILDREN INSPECTED
DURING THE YEAR IN THE ROUTINE INSPECTIONS.

ROUTINE AGE-GROUP INSPECTIONS.

Age-Groups.	Number of Children Inspected.	A. (Excellent).		B. (Normal).		C. (Slightly Sub-normal)		D. (Bad)	
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Entrants ..	1019	22	2.1	958	94.0	39	3.8	—	—
Second Age-Group ..	842	32	3.8	782	92.8	28	3.3	—	—
Third Age-Group ..	870	85	9.7	731	84.0	54	6.2	—	—
TOTAL ..	2731	139	5.0	2471	90.0	121	4.4	—	—

TABLE III.

Return of all Exceptional Children in the Area.**BLIND CHILDREN.**

At Certified Schools for the Blind.	At Public Elementary Schools.	At other Institutions.	At no School or Institution.	Total.
6	—	—	—	6

PARTIALLY SIGHTED CHILDREN.

At Certified Schools for the Blind.	At Certified Schools for the Partially Sighted.	At Public Elementary Schools.	At other Institutions.	At no School or Institution.	Total.
—	—	—	—	—	—

DEAF CHILDREN.

At Certified Schools for the Deaf.	At Public Elementary Schools.	At other Institutions.	At no School or Institution.	Total.
5	—	—	—	5

PARTIALLY DEAF CHILDREN.

At Certified Schools for the Deaf.	At Certified Schools for the Partially Deaf.	At Public Elementary Schools.	At other Institutions.	At no School or Institution.	Total.
—	—	2	—	—	2

MENTALLY DEFECTIVE CHILDREN.**FEEBLE-MINDED CHILDREN.**

At Certified Schools for Mentally Defective Children	At Public Elementary Schools.	At other Institutions	At no School or Institution.	Total.
1	115	2	1	119

EPILEPTIC CHILDREN.**CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM SEVERE EPILEPSY.**

At Certified Special Schools.	At Public Elementary Schools.	At other Institutions.	At no School or Institution.	Total.
—	—	—	3	3

TABLE III.—continued.
PHYSICALLY DEFECTIVE CHILDREN.
A. TUBERCULOUS CHILDREN.

1. CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS.
(including pleura and intra-thoracic glands).

At Certified Special Schools.	At Public Elementary Schools.	At other Institutions.	At no School or Institution.	Total.
—	6	1	—	7

2. CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM NON-PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS.

At Certified Special Schools.	At Public Elementary Schools.	At other Institutions.	At no School or Institution.	Total.
6	9	—	3	18

B. DELICATE CHILDREN.

At Certified Special Schools.	At Public Elementary Schools.	At other Institutions.	At no School or Institution.	Total.
—	121	—	—	121

C. CRIPPLED CHILDREN.

At Certified Special Schools.	At Public Elementary Schools.	At other Institutions.	At no School or Institution.	Total.
3	21	1	2	27

D. CHILDREN WITH HEART DISEASE.

At Certified Special Schools.	At Public Elementary Schools.	At other Institutions.	At no School or Institution.	Total.
—	4	—	2	6

CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM MULTIPLE DEFECTS.

Combination of Defect.	At Certified Special Schools.	At Public Elementary Schools.	At other Institutions.	At no School or Institution.	Total.
Mentally Defective and Crippled	—	—	—	1	1

TABLE 4.

GROUP 1.—MINOR AILMENTS (excluding Uncleanliness, for which see Group 6).

Defect or Disease (1)	Number of defects treated or under treatment during the year.		
	Under the Authority's Scheme (2)	Otherwise (3)	Total (4)
<i>Skin—</i>			
Ringworm—Scalp	12	—	12
Ringworm—Body	14	—	14
Scabies	32	—	32
Impetigo	208	—	208
Other Skin Diseases	86	—	86
<i>Minor Eye Defects—</i> (External and other, but excluding cases falling in Group 2)	167	—	167
<i>Minor Ear Defects</i>	142	—	142
<i>Miscellaneous</i> (e.g. minor injuries, bruises, sores, chilblains, etc.) ..	2078	—	2078
TOTAL ..	2739	—	2739

GROUP 2.—DEFECTIVE VISION AND SQUINT (excluding Minor Eye Defects treated as Minor Ailments, Group 1).

	No. of Defects Dealt with.		
	Under the Authority's Scheme.	Otherwise.	Total.
Errors of Refraction (including squint)	939	13	952
Other Defect or disease of the eyes (excluding those recorded in Group I.)	43	18	61
Total	982	31	1013

	Under the Authority's Scheme.	Otherwise.	Total.
No. of Children for whom spectacles were :—			
(a) Prescribed	321	22	343
(b) Obtained	330	13	343

GROUP 3.—TREATMENT OF DEFECTS OF NOSE AND THROAT.
NUMBER OF DEFECTS.

Received Operative Treatment.													
Under the Authority's Scheme in Clinic or Hospital. (1)				By Private Practitioner or Hospital apart from the Authority's Scheme. (2)				Total. (3)				Received other forms of Treatment. (4)	Total number treated. (5)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)		
—	4	18	—	4	—	13	—	4	4	31	—	—	39

(1) Tonsils only. (2) Adenoids only. (3) Tonsils and Adenoids. (4) Other Defects of the Nose and Throat.

GROUP 4:—ORTHOPAEDIC AND POSTURAL DEFECTS.

	Under the Authority's Scheme. (1)			Otherwise. (2)			Total number treated
	Residential treatment with education. (i)	Residential treatment without education. (ii)	Non-residential treatment at an orthopaedic clinic. (iii)	Residential treatment with education. (i)	Residential treatment without education. (ii)	Non-residential treatment at an orthopaedic clinic. (iii)	
Number of Children treated ..	—	—	—	3	—	—	3

GROUP 5.—DENTAL DEFECTS.

(1) Number of children who were :—

(i) Inspected by the Dentist :—

Routine Age Groups—

Age	5	.....	.....	.....	575
	6	.....	.....	.....	685
	7	.....	.....	.....	697
	8	.....	.....	.....	816
	9	.....	.....	.....	860
	10	.....	.....	.....	845
	11	.....	.....	.....	1102
	12	.....	.....	.....	890
	13	.....	.....	.....	798
	14	.....	.....	.....	311

Total 7579

Specials 136

Grand Total 7715

(ii) Found to require treatment 3709

(iii) Actually treated 2893

(2) Half-days devoted to :—

Inspection 34

Treatment 391

Total 425

(3) Attendances made by children for treatment..... 3067

(4) Fillings :—

Permanent Teeth 1567

Temporary Teeth 17

Total 1584

(5) Extractions :—

Permanent Teeth 1031

Temporary Teeth 3936

Total 4967

(6) Administrations of general anaesthetics for treatment —

(7) Other Operations :—

Permanent Teeth 241

Temporary Teeth 156

Total 397

Amount Taken for Dental Treatment £92.

TABLE 6.—UNCLEANLINESS AND VERMINOUS CONDITIONS.

(1)	Average number of visits per school made during the year by the School Nurses	4
(2)	Total Number of examinations of children in the Schools by School Nurses	37,532
(3)	Number of individual children found unclean	1,010
(4)	Number of children cleansed under arrangements made by the Local Education Authority	—
(5)	Number of cases in which legal proceedings were taken	—
	(a) Under the Education Act, 1921	—
	(b) Under School Attendance Byelaws	—

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