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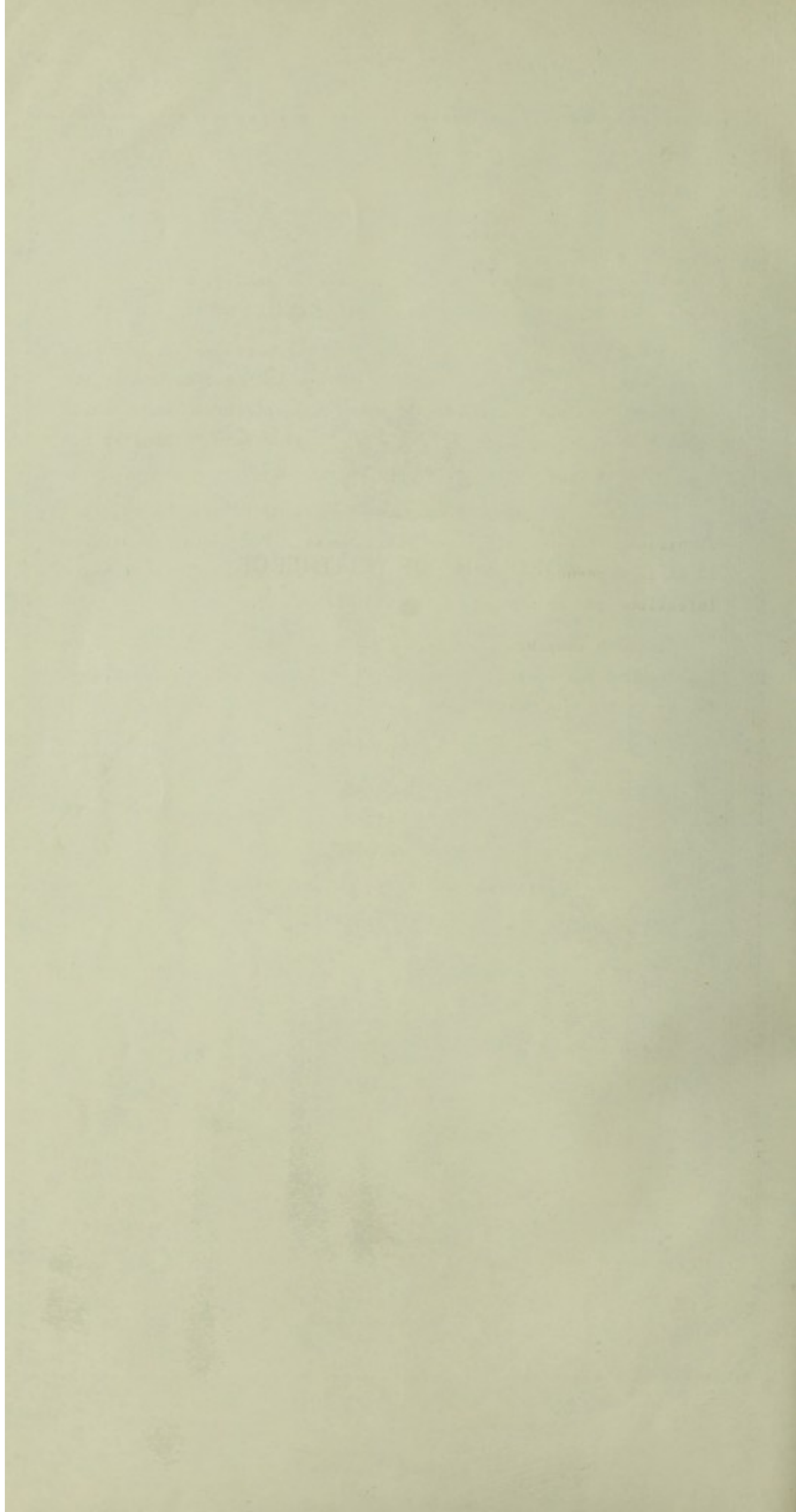
A N N U A L R E P O R T

on the

Health and Sanitary Administration
of the Borough

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Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit to you the Annual Report for 1962, which includes the report of your Senior Public Health Inspector.

The low infant mortality this year balances last year's high rate; over the last ten years the average is the same as for the whole country, and the same is true of the stillbirth rate, which shows that the figures are not a mere "book-keeping" transfer but a true index of a satisfactory position.

The sharp rise in births is to be noted, it will be specially significant for schools a few years hence. It remains to be seen if it is a chance result in one year, or indicating a new trend. Infectious diseases were negligibly low.

I thank you, Mr. Chairman, and the members of the Council for your consideration throughout the year, and my fellow officials for unfailing co-operation.

I have the honour to be,

Yours obediently,

R. C. WEBSTER.

Medical Officer of Health
Clitheroe M.B.

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MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

1962

His Worship the Mayor (Alderman E. Crossley, J.P.)

Chairman:

Councillor J.M.W. Dawson

Vice-Chairman:

Alderman W. Wilkinson (Decd. 30th Sept. 1962)

Councillor G.C. Braithwaite (Appointed from 5 Nov. 1962)

Alderman F. Bentham, J.P.

Alderman J.W.D. Critchley, J.P.

Councillor H. Duckworth

Councillor D. Coates

Councillor J. Hall

Councillor S. F. Hardman

Councillor E. Macnaughton

Councillor S. J. Moore

Councillor F. Nelson

Councillor T. Robinson

Councillor W. Sharples

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MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

1904

His Majesty the King (Alfred E. Greenleaf, J.P.)

Chairman
Committee J. M. E. Greenleaf

Vice-Chairman:
Alfred E. Greenleaf (Elected 1904-1905)
Committee J. M. E. Greenleaf (Appointed 1904-1905)

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STAFF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Medical Officer of Health
(part time)

REGINALD C. WEBSTER,
T.D., B.Sc., M.D., B.Ch.,
B.A.O., D.C.H., D.P.H.

Senior Public Health Inspector
Food Inspector
Cleansing Superintendent
Shops Inspector

E. COATES, Cert.S.I.B., A.R.S.H.
(retired 20th March 1962)

Additional Public Health
Inspector

W. GRANGE, Cert.S.I.B., M.A.P.H.I.,
Meat and Food Certificate
(appointed Senior Public Health
Inspector 21st March 1962)

Additional Public Health
Inspector

H. H. CRABTREE, M.A.P.H.I., Meat
and Food Certificate, Smoke
Inspector's Diploma
(appointed 1st June 1962)

Clerical Officer

N. CLEGG

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REGINALD C. WHEATON,
F.D., B.Sc., M.D., B.Ch.,
B.A.B., D.C.B., D.P.H.

Medical Officer of Health
(part time)

E. COCHRAN, F.D., B.Sc., A.A.B.H.
(retired 1935 March 1935)

Senior Public Health Inspector
Food Inspector
Cleaning Inspector
Bugs Inspector

E. ORANGE, F.D., B.Sc., A.A.B.H.
Food and Food Distribution
(appointed Senior Public Health
Inspector 1935 March 1935)

Additional Public Health
Inspector

B. E. CHAMBERLAIN, M.A., F.H.S., M.D.
Food and Food Distribution, Bugs
Inspector's Assistant
(appointed 1st June 1935)

Additional Public Health
Inspector

E. CLARK

Clerical Officer

P A R T I

A. STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

B. GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES

C. PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE

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TABLE I

A. STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS IN THE AREA

B. GENERAL TOWNSHIP OF HEALTH SERVICES

C. PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

D. 1950

AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, 1950, 1951
U.S. DEPT. OF HEALTH, 1950, 1951

Medical Officer of Health

A. SUMMARY OF STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS

Area of Borough (in acres)	2,386
Population - Census, 1961	12,147
Estimated Population - Mid 1962	12,300

Number of Inhabited Houses, Census 1951 ...	3,886
Number of Inhabited Houses, end of 1962 ...	4,561

Rateable Value	£145,838
Sum represented by a Penny Rate... ..	£602

The principal Industries carried on in the area are Cotton and Rayon Weaving, Cotton Bleaching, Cement Manufacture, Chemical Manufacture, Agricultural and Precision Engineering, Garment Manufacture, Limestone Quarrying and Tarmacadam, and Foundry Castings.

SUMMARY OF VITAL STATISTICS

<u>LIVE BIRTHS</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	116	107	223
Illegitimate	2	7	9
	<u>118</u>	<u>114</u>	<u>232</u>

BIRTH RATE per 1,000 of estimated Population

Crude.....	18.9	Adjusted.....	21.3
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<u>STILLBIRTHS</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	1	2	3
Illegitimate	-	1	1
	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>

RATE per 1,000 total (live and still) Births..... 16.9

<u>DEATHS</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
	106	122	228

DEATH RATE per 1,000 of estimated resident Population

Crude.....	18.5	Adjusted.....	15.6
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<u>INFANT MORTALITY (under 1 year)</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	3	1	4
Illegitimate	-	-	-
	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>

RATE per 1,000 Live Births... .. 17.2

<u>NEO-NATAL MORTALITY (under 4 weeks)</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
	3	1	4

RATE per 1,000 Live Births... .. 17.2

MATERNAL MORTALITY

Deaths from Pregnancy, Childbirth, etc.....	NIL
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<u>RATE</u> per 1,000 total (live and still) Births	NIL
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BIRTH RATE

It will be seen that the number of LIVE BIRTHS registered during the year was 232, giving an adjusted Rate of 21.3 per 1,000 of the Population, which is an increase of 5.5 per 1,000 on the figure for the previous year.

The trend of this Rate over the past ten years, in comparison with the rate for England and Wales is shown in the following Table:-

Year	Clitheroe			Rate per 1,000	England and Wales Rate per 1,000
	Number of Births				
	M	F	Total		
1953	106	85	191	17.2	15.5
1954	79	80	159	14.9	15.2
1955	84	78	162	15.3	15.0
1956	76	71	147	13.9	15.7
1957	84	73	157	14.8	16.1
1958	89	62	151	14.3	16.4
1959	85	82	167	15.8	16.5
1960	103	91	194	18.3	17.6
1961	91	79	170	15.8	17.4
1962	118	114	232	21.3	18.0
Average - Years 1953/1962				16.2	16.3

STILLBIRTHS

Four stillbirths were assigned to the Borough during 1962, an increase of one from the previous year.

The table given below sets out details relating to stillbirths for the past ten years:-

Year	Number of Still- Births	Rate per 1,000 (live & still) Births	Rate per 1,000 of Population	
			Clitheroe	England and Wales
1953	3	15	0.25	0.35
1954	1	6	0.08	0.34
1955	3	18	0.25	0.35
1956	6	39	0.51	0.37
1957	9	54	0.75	0.37
1958	4	26	0.33	0.36
1959	4	23	0.33	0.35
1960	4	20	0.33	0.34
1961	3	17	0.25	0.33
1962	4	17	0.33	0.33
Average - Years 1953/62			0.34	0.35

DEATH RATE

The number of deaths of Clitheroe residents which occurred during the year was 228, representing an adjusted DEATH RATE of 15.6 per 1,000 of the population, an increase of 1.0 per 1,000 on the figure for the previous year.

The Death Rate for the Borough for the past ten years is shown below in comparison with the rate for England and Wales:-

Year	Clitheroe		England and Wales
	Total Deaths	Adjusted Rate per 1,000	Rate per 1000
1953	202	14.3	11.4
1954	166	11.6	11.3
1955	215	15.1	11.7
1956	252	16.0	11.7
1957	280	15.7	11.5
1958	198	10.4	11.7
1959	210	14.6	11.6
1960	200	14.0	11.5
1961	216	14.6	12.0
1962	228	15.6	11.9
Average - Years 1953-1962		14.2	11.6

INFANT MORTALITY RATE

Three Infant Deaths (under 1 year) were registered during the year, a decrease of six on the previous year.

This gives a RATE of 17.2 per 1,000 live births.

The following Table gives the Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births for the past ten years compared with the Rate for England and Wales:-

Year	Clitheroe	England and Wales
1953	10	26.8
1954	25	25.5
1955	37	24.9
1956	7	23.8
1957	13	23.0
1958	20	22.5
1959	24	22.0
1960	25.8	21.7
1961	52.9	21.4
1962	17.2	21.4
Average - 1953-1962	23.2	23.3

OTHER INFANT DEATHS

Deaths from Measles (all ages) NIL

Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages) NIL

Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 years) NIL

CAUSES AND SEX DISTRIBUTION OF DEATHS

It will be seen from the Table below that some 166 (73%) of the 228 deaths registered were attributable to three groups of disease, viz:-

Heart Disease...	74
Cancer (all forms)...	27
Vascular Lesions of Nervous System ...	65

During the year, 71 deaths of chronic sick females occurred in Clitheroe Hospital of non Clitheroe residents. As a large percentage of these deaths are not transferable and are assigned to the Borough area they have quite a marked effect on the death rate.

CAUSES AND SEX DISTRIBUTION OF DEATHS - YEAR 1962

Cause of Death	M	F	TOTAL
Diphtheria ...	-	-	-
Whooping Cough ...	-	-	-
Measles ...	-	-	-
Tuberculosis (Respiratory)...	-	-	-
Other Tuberculous Diseases...	-	2	2
Acute Poliomyelitis ...	-	-	-
Influenza ...	1	2	3
Malignant neoplasm, stomach ...	2	2	4
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus ...	6	3	9
Malignant neoplasm, uterus...	-	1	1
Malignant neoplasm, breast...	-	-	-
Other Malignant Neoplasms ...	10	3	13
Leukaemia ...	1	2	3
Diabetes ...	-	1	1
Vascular Lesions of Nervous System ...	19	46	65
Coronary Disease, angina ...	34	15	49
Hypertension with Heart Disease...	3	2	5
Other Heart Disease ...	6	14	20
Other Diseases of Circulatory System...	2	5	7
Pneumonia ...	3	4	7
Bronchitis ...	6	2	8
Other Disease of Respiratory System ...	1	-	1
Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum ...	1	-	1
Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea ...	-	1	1
Nephritis and Nephrosis ...	-	-	-
Hyperplasia of Prostate ...	1	-	1
Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion...	-	-	-
Congenital Malformations ...	2	-	2
Other Defined and Ill-Defined Diseases	5	15	20
Motor Vehicle Accidents ...	2	-	2
All Other Accidents ...	1	2	3
Suicide ...	-	-	-
TOTAL...	106	122	228

B. GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES

1. A comprehensive range of services is maintained by the LOCAL HEALTH AUTHORITY, the LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL. They include Ante-natal Clinic (with classes for exercises and relaxation); Child Welfare Clinic; Eye and Aural Clinic; Speech Therapy Clinic and other School Medical Services. Provision is also made for Child Guidance.

These Clinics are carried on at Eastham House, Eshton Terrace, Clitheroe.

The AMBULANCE SERVICE for the Town is provided by the Lancashire County Council and vehicles are housed at the Depot in Princess Avenue, Clitheroe.

II. HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED FOR THE TOWN BY THE
REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD

- (i) GENERAL HOSPITAL SERVICES. These are provided by the Manchester Regional Hospital Board in Blackburn, Accrington, Preston, Burnley and Nelson. There is also access where required to Manchester, Liverpool and other hospitals.
- CHEST SURGERY is based on Blackpool Victoria Hospital. This Thoracic Unit is under the direction of Mr. P. Jewsbury, F.R.C.S., who also visits the hospitals in the Blackburn and Burnley Group.
- BRAIN SURGERY ETC. is based on Preston Royal Infirmary under the Neuro-Surgical Unit conducted by Mr. G. K. Tutton, F.R.C.S., who also visits the hospitals in the Blackburn and Burnley Group.
- MATERNITY CASES are provided for at Bramley Meade, Whalley; Queen's Park Hospital, Blackburn, and Preston Royal Infirmary.
- INFECTIOUS DISEASES are accommodated as required at Park Lee Hospital, Blackburn, and the Marsden Hospital, Burnley.
- CHEST CLINIC. This is now held at Blackburn Royal Infirmary under the direction of the Chest Physician, Dr. R. Ward.

(ii) PATHOLOGICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL SERVICES

The Pathological and Bacteriological Departments of the Blackburn and East Lancashire Royal Infirmary, and the Preston Royal Infirmary, do the Public Health Laboratory work in accordance with the Government Scheme officially carried out by the Manchester Regional Hospital Board.

A Sub-Laboratory, under the direction of Dr. Spink, Pathologist to the Blackburn Group of Hospitals, functions in a suite of rooms at the Clitheroe Hospital, and is open between 9-0 a.m. and 9-30 a.m. each Wednesday. The local Practitioners can refer Clitheroe patients for any necessary tests and thus obviate the tiresome travel to more distant hospital centres.

(iii) X-RAY FACILITIES

Blackburn Royal Infirmary; Victoria Hospital, Accrington; Victoria Hospital, Burnley; and Reedyford Hospital, Nelson, all have "Open Access Departments" to which any general medical practitioner can send cases for x-ray examination direct, without the patient having to be sent first to a hospital clinic, thus saving the time of the patient and the consultant when it is appropriate to deal with the case in this manner.

This facility also enables the general medical practitioners to maintain their medical interest because they do not necessarily have to lose the oversight of their cases when direct reference to the x-ray department is appropriate.

III. HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED BY VOLUNTARY AGENCIES

- (i) A PHYSIOTHERAPY CENTRE is conducted in rooms in New Market Street, Clitheroe. This is a voluntary organisation supported by public subscription and small payments made by patients, and also from monies derived from the funds of the former District Nursing Association. It continues to render useful service. A wide variety of treatments are available and appropriate physiotherapy is given to an increasing number of patients when recommended by their medical attendant.

The Centre relieves the pressure on the physiotherapy departments of local hospitals; these departments are grossly under-staffed because of the great shortage of trained personnel. The Centre also saves patients time and trouble. It has no connection with the National Health Service.

(i) PHYSIOTHERAPY (Continued).....

From time to time, it has been found necessary to appeal to the public for help by means of Coffee Evenings, Open Days at the Centre, etc., and the Committee of the Physiotherapy Unit very much appreciate the support given by the public, without which it would be impossible to carry on.

- (ii) THE OLD PEOPLE'S WELFARE CENTRE is housed in commodious premises in Lowergate and continues to be a beneficial and popular social centre much appreciated by the older generation of townspeople. It is supported by voluntary subscriptions and "efforts" and has encouragement from the Borough Council and the County Council.

A CHIROPODY SERVICE for old people is in operation.

C. PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE

The incidence of Infectious Diseases during 1962 is shown in the following Table, which includes particulars of cases notified to the Authority, cases removed to hospital, and deaths from these diseases. Cases of the non-notifiable minor infectious diseases are not included:-

Notifiable Disease	Total Cases all Ages	Cases Notified						Total Deaths	Cases removed to Hospital
		Age periods - years							
		0-1	1-5	5-10	10-25	25-65	65 and over		
Smallpox.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever....	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles.....	9	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ac. Pneumonia....	2	-	-	-	-	2	-	7	-
Puer. Pyrexia....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis, P.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
do. NP.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Encephalitis.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dysentery.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oph. Neonatorum...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas.....	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Food Poisoning...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
T.B. Respiratory	3	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	6
T.B. Other Forms	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-
TOTALS.....	19	-	12	-	2	5	-	9	6

On the following page, I set out a Table for five years, for comparative purposes.

Disease	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
Smallpox.....	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria.....	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever.....	16	9	26	7	3
Measles.....	233	99	99	200	9
Whooping Cough.....	5	51	20	-	-
Typhoid Fever.....	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever.....	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis - P.....	-	-	-	-	-
do. -NP.....	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas.....	-	1	2	1	1
Acute Pneumonia.....	2	8	5	1	2
Dysentery.....	-	4	2	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.	-	-	-	-	-
Malaria - all forms...	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning.....	1	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia.....	-	-	-	-	-
Infective Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis -					
Respiratory.....	2	2	-	2	3
do. Other Forms.....	2	-	-	1	1
TOTALS.....	261	174	154	212	19

It is pleasing to report that Clitheroe was again free from Diphtheria during 1962. The last case of this disease occurred in 1946.

It must again be stressed that if this record is to be maintained a high level of immunisation is essential.

The Lancashire County Council have given the opportunity to every Medical Practitioner in the area to provide immunisation against Whooping Cough, generally at the same time as immunisation against Diphtheria. Commonly immunisation is given against Tetanus ("lock-jaw") at the same time. These facilities are available at the Clinics or at the doctors' surgeries, for all children.

FOOD INFECTIONS

No action was called for in 1962 in respect of any Food Poisoning.

POLIOMYELITIS

The town was again free from Poliomyelitis during the year, but it is essential that immunisation should not be neglected.

It should be emphasised that poliomyelitis is not a disease confined to childhood; some of the most serious cases are to be found in adults, especially those who do heavy manual work. Immunisation is available to all people up to the age of forty years. It is not necessary for adults to attend a Clinic as all family doctors have the facilities required for such immunisation.

Immunisation Schemes have developed quickly and so the time has come when, in their first year, children may be protected against five serious infectious diseases, namely, Smallpox, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Tetanus and Poliomyelitis.

Protection against Tuberculosis was also begun in 1957, by the County Council's Scheme for B.C.G. Vaccination.

INCIDENCE AND MORTALITY OF TUBERCULOSIS

During 1962 cases of Tuberculosis were admitted to various Sanatoria under the Regional Hospital Board which administers the general scheme. Close liaison is still maintained between the Board and the local Public Health Department.

All the necessary disinfections following these cases are carried out by our own Department.

The following Table shows the age group incidence of new cases of tuberculosis notified, and the deaths therefrom in 1962:-

Age Periods Years	New Cases				Deaths			
	Respiratory		Non Respiratory		Respiratory		Non Respiratory	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
15-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
65-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
N.K.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
TOTALS	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	2

The following Table gives the Death Rates for Respiratory Tuberculosis in the Borough, the County of Lancaster, and England and Wales, for the past ten years:-

Year	Rate per 1000 of Population		
	Clitheroe	Lancashire	England and Wales
1953	0.17	0.18	0.18
1954	0.08	0.14	0.16
1955	0.08	0.15	0.13
1956	0.17	0.11	0.11
1957	0.08	0.10	0.09
1958	0.08	0.10	0.10
1959	0.00	0.08	0.06
1960	0.08	0.07	0.068
1961	Nil	0.06	0.072
1962	Nil	0.06	0.059
Average - Years			
1953-1962	0.07	0.10	0.10

PART II

ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE

1. SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA
(Including Refuse Collection and Disposal)

2. HOUSING

3. INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

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Manager

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1. SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

WATER SUPPLY

Water is supplied by the Corporation's Water Undertaking which originates from numerous springs on Grindleton Fell. In addition, there are two boreholes on the Fell which can be brought into supply when the yield from the springs is reduced during periods of drought. The water is stored in an open reservoir of 12,500,000 gallons capacity at Lowcocks and from there fed by gravitation to the town.

Purification

The water is chlorinated in the trunk main after leaving Lowcocks Reservoir.

Supply

With the exception of one remote house, all the houses in the area are supplied from the Public Supply.

Sampling

Chemical. No samples were taken during the year.

Bacteriological. Fourteen samples of drinking water were submitted for examination and thirteen were reported satisfactory and one unsatisfactory.

SEWERAGE, DRAINAGE AND CLOSET ACCOMMODATION

The following figures give the various types of closet accommodation in the Borough area:-

Pails	17
Waste Water Closets	785 (estimated)
Fresh Water Closets	4119 (estimated)

The Council operate a grant aided scheme for the conversion of pail and waste water closets to fresh water closets amounting up to £10 for each conversion.

Conversion and installation during 1962

Waste Water closets converted	41
Waste Water closets abolished	3
Pail Closets converted... ..	-
New Dwellings connected to sewers	158

RIVERS AND STREAMS

During the year, the collection of night soil was extended to include several houses where hitherto disposal had always been undertaken by the tenants themselves and where it was evident that the night soil was being dumped into the nearby stream.

CARAVAN SITES

A temporary licence for the siting of a caravan on building land at Edisford Park Estate pending the completion of a new house, was granted during the year.

Unauthorised camping by scrap collectors occurred on unenclosed land in the Up Brooks area which brought a number of complaints from nearby residents. The owner of the land eventually took steps to have them removed. Similar unauthorised camping occurred on Chester Avenue playground, but the erection of a notice board forbidding camping has had the desired effect.

SMOKE ABATEMENT AND CLEAN AIR

Four smoke observations were made during the year. Advice and instructions are given to stokers on the efficient use of fuel and the elimination of smoke. There are four factory chimneys in the district which give cause for complaint and it arises from the working of large underloaded boilers where it is impracticable to burn coal efficiently and smokelessly without raising far more steam than is required. The fitting of modern automatic stokers to these boilers would eliminate smoke.

Complaints were received from nearby residents of the fumes from a cupola furnace. Steps were taken to eliminate as far as is practical any cause for complaint, such as limiting the amount of oily scrap fed into the furnace to a minimum. The real solution is, however, a matter of extending the furnace chimney high enough to enable a nuisance free dispersion to take place.

FACTORY ACT, 1961

Thirty nine inspections of factories were carried out during the year and apart from minor defects or deficiencies enumerated in the following tables, conditions were found to be satisfactory.

INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspect- ions (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	7	1	NIL	NIL
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	110	38	11	NIL
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	-	-	-	-
Total	117	39	11	-

Cases in which DEFECTS were found

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	To H.M. Inspec- tor (4)	By H.M. Inspec- tor (5)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	2	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	NIL	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	NIL	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	NIL	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	NIL	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	1	-	-	1	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	13	1	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Out-work)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	16	1	-	1	-

SCHOOLS

All schools in the Borough have modern sanitary and washing facilities.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

During the year initial steps were taken for the remodelling of the Public Conveniences in the Market Place and negotiations proceeded for the acquisition and development of land in Well Terrace as an open space and Public Conveniences.

Spasms of wilful damage occurred during the year which were notified to the Police on each occasion.

REFUSE REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL

This service is carried out with the use of three Karrier bantam seven cubic yard side loading waggons and a twelve cubic yard Karrier Dual Tip Waggon. Efforts are made to maintain a weekly collection service, but the extension of new building development, holidays and sickness tend to upset the regular routine. With a view to improving the service, it was decided towards the end of the year to purchase a new load compressing refuse vehicle for delivery in 1963.

The disposal of refuse is by both tipping and incineration.

The following is a summary of the refuse dealt with during 1962.

(1) Domestic and Trade refuse	3538 loads
(2) Slaughterhouse refuse	110 "
(3) Fish and vegetable waste	151 "
(4) Market refuse	108 "
(5) Nightsoil	77 "

There were about 5228 dustbins in use in the Borough area at the end of the year. A scheme for the free replacement of worn out dustbins has been in successful operation now for many years.

SALVAGE

The table below gives the weight of material salvaged and the income from sales:-

Material	Weight				Revenue		
	T.	C.	Q.	LBS.	£	s.	d.
Waste Paper.....	6	4	-	-	31.	2.	6.
Cardboard.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Baled Dest. Tins.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unbaled Tins.....	32	13	-	-	91.	15.	6.
Textiles.....	1	1	2	-	6.	15.	-
Ferrous Metal.....	4	7	-	-	25.	16.	3.
Non-Ferrous Metal.....	-	6	-	-	11.	5.	-
TOTALS.....	44	11	2	-	166.	14.	3.

The salvaging of paper and cardboard was in progress for only a short time towards the end of the year which accounts for the small amount baled.

Half the income from the sale of paper and cardboard in excess of 18 tons per quarter is shared equally between the Council and the workmen.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

A full-time Rodent Operator is employed for survey and treatment work for the destruction of rats and mice and other pests. Test baiting to check on the distribution and degree of infestation of the sewers is carried out each year. Where the test bait has been taken, poisoning treatment follows. The result of the test baiting in 1962 was very encouraging in that no "takes" were recorded.

The table below summarises the work undertaken by this service during 1962.

	Type of Properties		
	Non-Agricultural		Agricultural
	Dwelling Houses	All Other	
(a) Number of Properties in District...	4322	632	59
(b) Number of Properties inspected.....	57	632	59
(c) Total Inspections carried out.....	72	1593	201
(d) Number of Properties which were found to be infested by			
Rats - Major.....	-	6	-
- Minor.....	19	12	3
Mice - Major.....	-	-	-
- Minor.....	38	8	-
(e) Number of Infested Properties Treated.....	57	26	3
(f) Total Treatments Carried Out (including re-treatments).....	63	33	4
(g) Number of "Block" Schemes.....	1	-	-

Treatment work is also carried out for the Bowland Rural District Council as required. Below is a list of the treatments during 1962.

Refuse Tips - 3
Farms - 4
Hotels - 2
Schools - 1
Private
Dwellings - 2

LICENCING ACT, 1961

Under the above Act, nine Club premises were inspected to ascertain in some measure their suitability for licencing. The matters taken into account generally included lighting, ventilation, sanitary accommodation, disrepair, and the provision of equipment to comply with the Food Hygiene Regulations. The reports were accepted and approved by the Council, then forwarded to the Magistrates as items to be taken into consideration in the granting of licences.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE DISTRICT

The following is a summary of the various inspections and visits during the year:-

House Inspections (Housing Act).....	45
" (Public Health Acts).....	41
" (Rent Act, 1957).....	6
" (Improvement and Standard Grants).....	103
" (Council Houses).....	99
" (Infectious Diseases).....	4
Factory Inspections.....	40
Bakehouse Inspections.....	4
Inspection, re Clean Air Act.....	1
Smoke Observations.....	4
Shops Act Inspection.....	3
Office Inspections.....	14
Licencing Act 1961 Inspections.....	12
Food premises and vehicles.....	46
Market Inspections.....	39
Dairy Inspections.....	21
Abattoir Visits.....	168
Ice Cream Shops.....	7
Shops Act Inspections.....	3
Waste Food Order.....	1
Visits re Work in Progress.....	11
Miscellaneous Visits (interviews, etc.).....	300
Houses Disinfected.....	1
Houses Disinfested.....	3
Moveable Dwellings Visits.....	2
Drainage Inspections.....	1
Visits to Refuse Tips.....	2
Visits to Incinerator.....	4
Refuse Removal Visits.....	13
Interviews, re Vaccination.....	12
Number of milk samples (Brucella).....	79
Visits, re Rodent Control.....	13
Visits re Temporary Buildings on Council Estates....	26
Number of Statutory Notices served.....	2
" Informal Notices served.....	31
" Nuisances found.....	64
" Nuisances abated.....	65

CHIEF SANITARY REQUIREMENTS OF THE DISTRICT

The conversion of waste water and pail closets. The remodelling of the central Public Conveniences. The paving and draining of unmade streets. A reduction in the amount of smoke from some of the steam boilers and other chimneys.

2. HOUSING

The Clitheroe (Wilkin Square Clearance Area) Clearance Order 1961

The Clitheroe (Pendle Road Clearance Area) Clearance Order 1961

The Clitheroe (North Street Clearance Area) Compulsory Purchase Order 1961

The Clitheroe (Moor Lane Clearance Area) Compulsory Purchase Order 1961

Forty nine families occupying houses in the above Clearance Areas were rehoused during the year.

Four families were rehoused from the temporary bungalows in Bolland Prospect to make space available for a commencement of rebuilding operations.

A family was rehoused from a basement flat and the flat was closed as being unfit for habitation.

Thirty two families were rehoused from the waiting list and forty one Council house tenants were transferred at their own request to other accommodation more in keeping with their needs.

HOUSING STATISTICS

Number of new houses erected during the year:-

	<u>Houses</u>	<u>Flats</u>
By local authority	24	24
By other persons	105	5

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1. Inspection of dwelling houses during the year for housing defects (Public Health or Housing Acts)	132
Number of inspections made for the purpose	140
Number of dwelling houses found to be not in all respects reasonably fit for habitation but capable of being rendered fit	26
Number of dwelling houses above where defects were remedied	14
Number of houses found to be unfit for habitation and not capable of being rendered fit at reasonable expense ...	1
Number of houses closed as being unfit	1
Number of houses on the clearance list to be dealt with during the next five years	195

2. Houses Demolished in Clearance Areas:

	Houses Demolished	Displaced during year	
		Persons	Families
(1) Houses unfit for human habitation	-	65	23
(2) Houses included by reason of bad arrangements, etc.	-	6	2
(3) Houses on land acquired under Section 43(2) Housing Act, 1957	-	-	-
(4) As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 17(1) Housing Act, 1957	-	-	-
(5) Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health	-	8	4
(6) Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts	-	-	-
(7) Unfit houses included in Unfitness Orders	-	-	-

3. Unfit Houses Closed:

	Number	Displaced during year	
		Persons	Families
(1) Under Sections 16(4), 17(1) and 35(1), Housing Act 1957	-	-	-
(2) Under Sections 17(3), and 26, Housing Act 1957	-	3	2
(3) Parts of buildings closed under Section 18, Housing Act 1957	-	-	-

4. Unfit Houses made fit and Houses in which defects were remedied:

	By Local By Owners Authority	
(1) After informal action by local authority	30	-
(2) After formal notice under		
(a) Public Health Acts	-	-
(b) Housing Act 1957, Sec.9 & 16	-	-
(3) Under Section 24, Housing Act 1957	-	-

5. Unfit Houses in Temporary Use (Housing Act, 1957)

	Number of Houses (1)	Number of separate dwellings contained in column (1) (2)
Position at end of year:		
(1) Retained for temporary accommodation:		
(a) Under Section 48	-	-
(b) Under Section 17(2)	-	-
(c) Under Section 46	-	-
(2) Licensed for temporary occupation under Sections 34 or 53	-	-

IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES

Housing Act, 1949 and Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1958 -
Discretionary Grants

Action during year:-

Submitted by private individuals to	
local authority... ..	11
Approved by local authority... ..	11
Schemes completed... ..	14
Additional separate dwellings due to	
conversions	3

House Purchase and Housing Act 1959 - Standard Grants

Action during year:-

Applications submitted to local authority ...	19
Applications approved by local authority ...	19
Work completed	31

3. INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

MILK SUPPLY

A laboratory report indicating Brucella organisms in raw milk samples taken from producer retailers within the Borough area, was followed up by individual sampling of all the cows concerned - seventy in all. Seven cows were found to be passing the organism, and each farmer was informed of the need to isolate the affected animals and have the milk from them heat treated. The affected cows were subsequently sent for slaughter.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

Arising out of negotiations started during 1961 it had been the intention to lease the abattoir as a private slaughterhouse to a firm of wholesale butchers, but the project failed to materialise and at the end of September 1962, owing to a lack of throughput, the Public Abattoir ceased as such. The butchers who had hitherto used the Abattoir facilities found alternative accommodation elsewhere.

All meat and offal was inspected before leaving the Abattoir. Rejected meat and offal was disposed of by sale to a company of meat processors and fat refiners.

The following table gives the numbers and types of animals slaughtered and the numbers and percentages which in some way were diseased or otherwise unfit for food.

	Cattle exclud- ing Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed... ..	182	2	1	1092	313
Number inspected	182	2	1	1092	313
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticercosis:-</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	1
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	59	1	-	2	7
Percentage of number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci ...	32.4%	40%	-	0.18%	2.56%
<u>Tuberculosis only:-</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of number inspected affected with Tuberculosis ...	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Cysticercosis:-</u>					
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned... ..	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted for treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-

Non-Tubercular Carcase Meat..... 176 lbs.
 Non-Tubercular Offals..... 468 lbs.
 Tubercular Carcase Meat..... NIL
 Tubercular Offals..... NIL

The list below details the amount of tinned foodstuffs rejected during the year as being unfit for human food:-

Tongue	- 1 tin	Steak	- 8 tins
Ham	- 2 tins	Chicken	- 13 tins
Corned Beef	- 2 tins	Soup	- 24 tins
Veal	- 1 tin	Mushrooms	- 4 tins
Fruit	- 115 tins	Fish	- 20 tins

Vegetables - 13 tins

Routine inspections are carried out at food shops, stalls and vehicles for compliance with the Food Hygiene Regulations.

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