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For the Year 1947,

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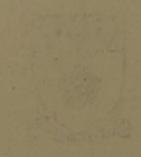
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Derbyshire County Council.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to present the Fifty-eighth Annual Report on the health of the County of Derby.

The Registrar-General has estimated the population of the County to be 656,440 in the middle of 1947, and as such it is the eleventh largest of the 61 Administrative Counties in England and Wales.

Certain statistical data are provided in graphical form in the body of the Report, from which will be gathered the trends in the incidence of tuberculosis, diphtheria and cancer, and in birth and mortality rates.

The birth rate and death rate from all causes per 1,000 of the estimated population of the County were respectively 20,89 and 11.26; whereas the corresponding rates for England and Wales were respectively 20.5 and 12.0. Since the beginning of this century there has been a gradual decline in the birth rate of the County, apart from a marked increase for a short period after the first world war, and a moderate increase during the last four years. The return of a considerable number of men to their homes after serving in the Armed Forces naturally results in an increased birth rate, and it will be interesting to observe whether the provision of family allowances and the implementation of schemes intended to give better social security will lead to the increased birth rate being maintained. The death rate of the County has remained fairly stationary during the last twenty years. People are living longer, however, and, if there is not an upward trend in the birth rate, the proportion of old people in the country will obviously continue to increase, which will result in a considerable burden being placed on the shoulders of the young and active workers in the community,

The infantile mortality rate per 1,000 live births in the County was 42.81 as compared with 38.95 in 1946, which was the lowest on record.

The number of deaths from cancer has been steadily increasing for the last forty years, but there has been a slight decline in the year under review to 1,053 cases compared with 1,073 in

the previous year. As I mentioned in my report for 1946, the key to the successful treatment of cancer is early diagnosis, and this is dependent on patients seeking medical opinion immediately they observe anything suspicious and on doctors referring patients to hospitals at the earliest opportunity.

It gives me much pleasure to report that the maternal mortality rate per 1,000 live and still births was 1.138, which is the lowest on record. The improved standards in domiciliary and institutional obstetrics, together with the new methods of treatment of certain infections with the sulphonamides and penicillin, have undoubtedly contributed to this achievement.

The percentage of illegitimate births was tending to increase almost every year throughout the war, until it reached a figure of 7.19 in 1945. In 1946 it fell to 5.5, and it gives me pleasure to report a further fall to 4.44 in the year under review.

In 1941 the number of new cases of tuberculosis notified reached 633, but since then there has been a consistent decline until it has now reached 529. While the number of deaths from tuberculosis was 242 as compared with 222 in 1946, the latter was the lowest ever recorded in the County.

The number of new cases who attended Venereal Disease Centres was 1,165, of whom 435 were diagnosed as suffering from the condition, as compared with respectively 1,505 and 631 in the previous year. A war generally brings about an increased incidence in venereal diseases, and it is to be hoped that with the return of peace and with the powerful aid of the sulphonamides and penicillin that shortly a considerable improvement in the figures will be attained.

Sporadic cases of acute poliomyelitis and polio-encephalitis occur in this country from time to time, but during 1947 there was an increased prevalence in most parts of Great Britain, including Derbyshire. There were 94 cases of acute poliomyelitis and nine cases of polio-encephalitis notified in the County, of whom 13 cases died. It is a much dreaded disease, as sometimes it results in marked permanent paralysis. It is thought that so-called "missed cases" and carriers of the virus in the naso-pharynx and alimentary tract are responsible for the spread of the disease, but there are many features in its epidemiology which

are at present baffling to the medical profession. Until we acquire greater knowledge of this virus disease, it would be well to apply the usual measures for preventing the spread of the common infections, e.g., plenty of fresh air, the avoidance of overcrowding and communal bathing, and the application of the normal disinfecting procedures.

According to the Regional Transfusion Officer, Derbyshire was the first County in the Sheffield Region, and probably in the whole country, to adopt routine Rhesus typing at Ante-natal Clinics, and your attention is drawn to further particulars provided on page 20.

I should like to take this opportunity of thanking the members of the County Council, the Clerk and the Heads of Departments, for their sympathetic co-operation, as well as the staff for their loyal assistance in endeavouring to improve the Public Health Service.

I am,

Your obedient servant,

J. B. S. MORGAN,

County Medical Officer of Health.

County Offices,
St. Mary's Gate,
Derby.
February, 1949.

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TABLE I.

Death Rate from the Seven Principal Zymotic Diseases and All Causes, Birth Rate and Infantile Mortality in the Whole County during the last Fifty-seven Years.

		Small Day		10	-	-				TABOT		
	OLE COUNTY. OLE COUNTY. Ind and Wales. OLE COUNTY.		Small Pox. Scarlatina.	Diphtheria & Membranous Croup.	Typhoidal Fevers.	Measles.	Whooping	Diarrhœa.	Seven Principal Zymotics.	Rate from all Causes.	Birth Rate.	Mortality per 1,000 Births.
	OLE COUNTY.	028	.15	.27	.16 .18	6 6.	8 98.	.71	2.14	18.3	33.7	147
	1000000	.004	.10 01.	.t.	.08	30.30	.24	*.58	1.58	14.1	28.5	126 128
1920 England	land and Wales.	000.	9. 40.	.16 41.	.03 .03	.24 .27	.16 81.	.40	1.03	12.66 13.85	24.07 21.90	100
1921 to WH 1930 Engl	WHOLE COUNTY	100	.02 .02	.08 .08	.0. 10.	.07 .11.	6 .1.	+.12 +.15	.39	10.92 12.14	19.73 18.36	7.17
1931 to WHO Engl	WHOLE COUNTY	00.	.01	.07	.003	.03	.04	.05 .08	.20	11.31 12.26	15.71 14.93	56.7 58.6
1941 WH	WHOLE COUNTY	11	.00. 00.	.034	00.	.03 .03	.057 .06	.057 .07		10.93 12.9	15.58	51.04 59.0
1942 WHOLE England	WHOLE COUNTY	11	.00°.	.016 .05	-00.	.013 .01	.008 .02	.054 .08	.092	10.52	17.46 15.8	42.24 49.0
1943 WHO	WHOLE COUNTY	11	.00	.025	00.	.024	.016 .03	.056 .08	.125 .16	11.46	18.88 16.5	48.11 49.0
1944 WHOLE	WHOLE COUNTY	100	900.	.009	. 00.	.003	.025	.073 .08	.118	11.6	20.97	42.13 46.0
1945 WHOLE England	WHOLE COUNTY	11	.00.	.024	00.	.037 .02	.024	.09	.142	11.01	18.18	44.5
1946 WHG	WHOLE COUNTY	00.	.000	.022	.00.	.000	.023	.052	104	10.96	19.60	38.95
Urban D Rural D WHOLE England	Urban Districts Rural Districts WHOLE COUNTY England and Wales	1118	1118	.008	1110.	.020 .013 .016	.034 .016 .026 .02	.068 .094 .081	.131 .129 .16	11.64 10.82 11.26 12.0	21.65 20.03 20.89 20.5	42.53 43.12 42.81 41.

REPORT ON THE HEALTH OF DERBYSHIRE FOR THE YEAR 1947

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS.

AREA AND POPULATION.

The Administrative County of Derby comprises 29 Sanitary Districts, 4 of which are Municipal Boroughs, 16 Urban Districts and 9 Rural Districts.

The County has an area of 635,454 acres, 98,038 in Municipal Boroughs and Urban Districts and 537,416 in Rural Districts.

The population of the Administrative County as estimated by the Registrar-General at the middle of 1947 was as follow::--

Total Administrative	Cou	nty	 656,440
Rural Districts			 306,790
Urban Districts			 213,730
Municipal Boroughs			 135,920

RATEABLE VALUE.

The rateable value of the Administrative County in April, 1947, for County Rate purposes was £3,560,956 and a Penny Rate over the whole County represents the sum of £14,166.

PHYSICAL FEATURES AND CHIEF OCCUPATIONS.

The main industries which give the people of this county occupation, are coal mining carried on in the East and North-East and in a small area in the South-Western portion of the County, and agriculture, particularly in the Western and Central parts of the County. The staple industries in the extreme North-Western area adjoining Lancashire are those connected with the cotton trade, whilst in the South-Eastern area adjoining Nottinghamshire the hosiery and lace trade provides the chief occupation. In this area, too, artificial silk manufactories absorb an appreciable portion of the population. In the Northern and North-Central areas the chief industries are quarrying, limestone crushing and lime burning, working and dressing millstone grit, and silica brick making. number of these industries come under the heading of "Refractories Industries," some of which are known to pre-dispose to pulmonary disease. In the extreme South-Western portion of the County, pottery manufacture is one of the prominent industries.

VITAL STATISTICS.

The Vital Statistics relating to each District in the County for the year under review are given in Table II, and the following are extracts from them, given in a form required by the Ministry of Health:—

Live Births { Legitimate Illegitimate	 Males. 6,741 302	Females. 6,364 307	Total. 13,105 609
Total	 7,043	6,671	13,714

COUNTY OF DERBY. YEAR

TABLE II.—TABLE GIVING BIRTH RATES AND DEATH RATES FROM SEVERAL

		Area		POPULA-
SANITARY DISTRICTS (URBAN).	MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALT .	in Acres (Land and ater).	Census 1921.	Census 1931.
ALFRETON ASHBOURNE BAKEWELL BELPER BOLSOVER BUXTON (Borough) CHESTERFIELD (Borough)	S. O. Bingham, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.J H. H. Hollick, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P C. W. Evans, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P R. C. Allen, M.R.C.S., D.P.H A. H. Wear, M.D., B.S., D.P.H G. Cochrane, M.B., D.P.H J. A. Stirling, M.B., D.P.H	8,472	21,201 4,375 3,064 13,474 10,146 16,863 61,232	22,262 4,708 3,028 14,205 9,808 16,884 64,160
CLAY CROSS DRONFIELD GLOSSOP (Borough) HEANOR ILKESTON (Borough) LONG EATON MATLOCK	J. R. Graham, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H J. R. Graham, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H M. T. I. Jones, M.B., B.S., D.P.H P. H. J. Turton, M.D., D.P.H H. L. Barker, M.D., D.P.H J. Moir, M.B., Ch.B G. L. Meachim, M.B., Ch.B	3,452 3,323 4,417 3,017 3,559 16,599	8,846 6,112 21,048 21,558 32,520 23,050 15,716	8,781 6,388 20,001 22,482 33,164 23,321 16,596
NEW MILLS RIPLEY STAVELEY SWADLINCOTE WHALEY BRIDGE WIRKSWORTH	R. H. Titcombe, M.D., D.P.H R. A. Ryan, L.R.C.P.I J. R. Graham, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H M. Allan, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H F. G. Allan, L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S W. S. G. Christie, M.B., Ch.B	5,415 6,504 3,755 3,487	8,490 17,192 12,437 20,211 4,521	8,551 17,731 17,845 20,604 4,789 4,855
URBAN DISTRICTS		98,038	322,056	340,145
(RURAL). ASHBOURNE BAKEWELL BELPER CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH CHESTERFIELD CLOWNE REPTON SHARDLOW	H. H. Hollick, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P H. G. Watson, M.B., Ch.B R. C. Allen, M.R.C.S., D.P.H A. H. Wear, M.D., B.S., D.P.H G. Cochrane, M.B., D.P.H J. R. Graham, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H A. H. Wear, M.D., B.S., D.P.H M. Allan, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H S. Hunt, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P	85,643 48,074 21,668 103,418 69,139 13,429 65,653	11,762 19,521 21,545 43,209 22,705 64,295 17,506 24,899 31,125	11,661 19,272 23,106 44,689 18,770 64,968 17,720 26,438 41,097
RURAL DISTRICTS	,	537,416	256,567	267,721
URBAN DISTRICTS		98,038	322,056	340,145
WHOLE COUNTY	·	635,454	578,623	607,866

ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1947.

CAUSES, IN EACH OF THE SANITARY DISTRICTS OF THE COUNTY.

FION.			ANNUAL	KATES PER	1,000 OF ESTIMA	FED POPU	LATION.	Infant
Estimated 1947.	Births (Live).	Deaths.	Birth Rate.	Death Rate (corrected).	Death Rate from Diarrheal Diseases (under 2 years).	Phthisis Death Rate.	Respira- tory Death Rate.	Death Rate per 1,000 Births.
22,170	446	258	20.12	11.64		.04	.99	42.60
4,864	122	72	25.08	14.80	_	.41	1.02	32.79
3,278	70	34	21.35	10.37			.61	14.28
15,070	336	142	22.30	9.42	167 1250	.13	.59	26.79
10,420	236	100	22.65	9.59	ANTO ELECTION	.29	.57	33.90
18,500	369	228	19.95	12.32	.05	.16	1.08	32.52
67,240	1,386	811	20.61	12.06	.09	.41	1.48	62.77
8,078	164	89	20.30	11.02		.62	1.36	42.68
7,196	160	80	22.23	11.11		.28	1.39	50.00
17,610	353	285	20.05	16.19		.39	1.53	42.49
23,720	545	242	22.98	10.20	.04	.17	1.52	29.36
32,570	800	367	24.56	11.27	.12	.49	1.72	42.50
27,860	635	298	22.79	10.69	.21	.28	1.61	53.54
17,050	369	231	21.64	13.55	.06	.23	1.00	27.10
8,180	192	95	23.47	11.61	.00	.24	1.46	20.83
17,720	380	204	21.44	11.51	.11	.22	1.24	42.10
17,480	366	157	20.94	8.98	.05	.40	.80	19.12
20,860	439	254	21.05	12.18	.00	.24	1.44	52.39
5,100	98	64	19.22	12.55	.19	.39	.19	51.01
4,684	104	59	22.20	12.59	.21		.21	28.84
349,650	7,570	4,070	21.65	11.64	.07	.39	1.27	42.53
						1		
11,150	212	140	19.01	12.55	.27	.09	.71	51.88
18,820	350	232	18.60	12.33	100	.21	1.49	31.43
27,450	504	312	18.36	11.36	.03	.22	1.20	27.78
42,810	- 887	473	20.72	11.05	.19	.51	1.40	56.36
18,700	362	216	19.36	11.55	.05	.32	1.17	30.38
73,289	1,533	762	20.92	10.40	.11	.31	1.12	48.28
17,990	332	177	18.45	9.83	.05	.55	1.05	39.15
27,640	565	. 346	20.44	12.52	.03	.29	1.23	53.09
68,950	1,399	661	20.29	9.58	.09	.24	.81	36.46
306,790	6,144	3,319	20.03	10.82	.09	.31	1.11	43.12
349,650	7,570	-4,070	21.65	11.64	.07	.30	1.27	42.53
656,440	13,714	7,389	20.89	11.26	.08	.31	1.20	42.81

Live Birth Rate per 1,000 of the	he estimated p	opulation 20,89
Number of Still Births	***	342
Rate of Still Births per 1,000 (to	otal live and s	till) births 24,33
Number of Deaths		7,389
Death Rate per 1,000 of the e	stimated popu	ulation 11,26
Deaths and Death Rates from	Puerperal Ca	uses:—
	No. of	Rate per 1,000 live and still Births.
Puerperal and Post-abort	tion	
Šepsis		0.213
Other Maternal Causes	13	0.925
	-	
Total	16	1.138
	-	
Death Rate of Infants under	l year of age	:-
All infants (per 1,000 live	births)	42.81
Legitimate infants (per 1,0	00 legitimate	live births) 42.05
Illegitimate infants (per 1,	,000 illegitima	ate live births) 59.10
		Rate per 1,000
	Deaths.	of estimated
		population.
Deaths and Death Rate from:		
Cancer (all ages)	1,053	1.60
Measles (all ages)	11	.016
Whooping Cough (all ages) 17	.026
Diarrhoea (under 2 years		001
age)	53	.081

Infantile Mortality.—The infantile mortality rate for the year under review was 42.81 per 1,000 live births, compared with 38.95 in 1946 and 44.50 in 1945.

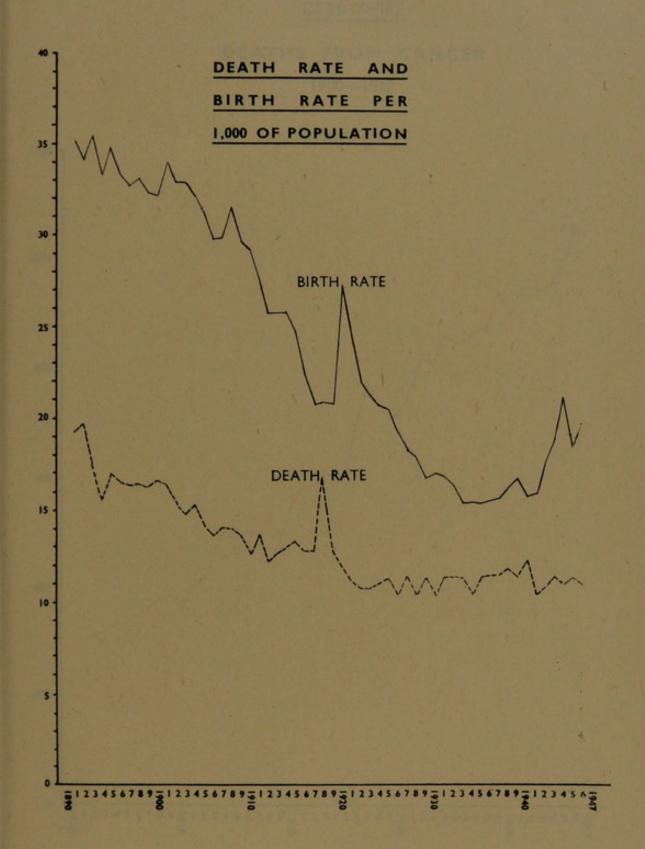
TABLE III.

INFANTILE MORTALITY RATE.

(INFANTS DYING UNDER ONE YEAR, PER THOUSAND LIVE BIRTHS).

Year.	1 -1	Rate.	Year.	Rate.
1930		61.4	1939	47.4
1931		67.4	1940	55.4
1932		63.4	1941	51.0
1933		62.2	1942	42.2
1934		53.0	1943	48.1
1935		56.6	1944	42.1
1936		58.2	1945	44.5
1937		52.1	1946	38.9
1938		51.1	1947	49.81

The rate for England and Wales in 1947 was 41,



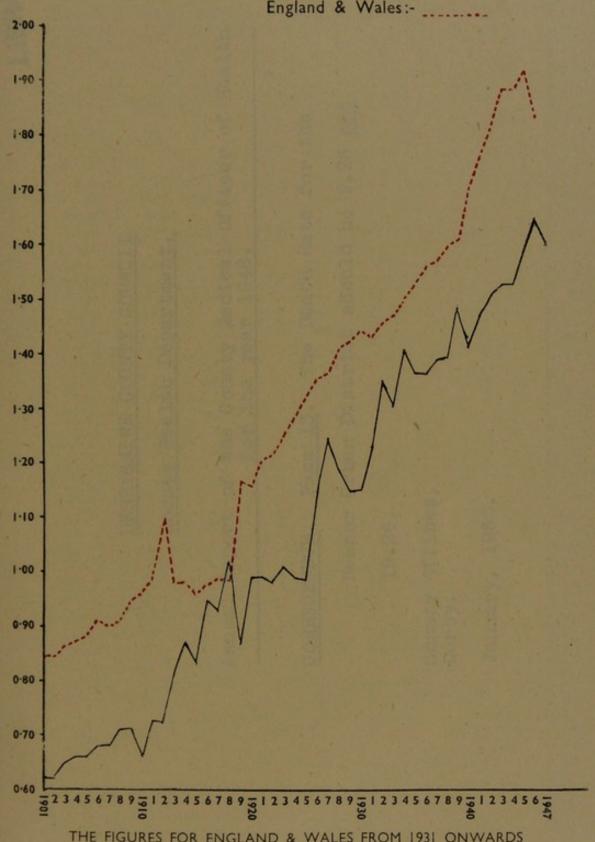
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DEATHS FROM CANCER

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DEATHS PER 1,000 OF POPULATION

Derbyshire:- -----England & Wales:-



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CORRIGENDUM. Page 13. The Death Rate for the Heanor Urban District should be 9.26 not 19.26.

County Offices, Derby.

January, 1950.

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County Offices,

January, 1950;

COUNTY BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

The following Table shows the bacteriological work done in the County Laboratory during the year for the Administrative County and the County Boroughs of Derby and Burton-on-Trent:—

	FABL	E IV.				
		78	De	rby	Rurt	m-on-
Nature of Examination.	Derb	yshire.		nigh.	Tre	
2		Neg.		Neg.		Neg.
SEROLOGICAL TESTS-		9.	- 00.	1.09.	1 00.	1, 09.
Typhoid	9	82	3	5		8
Salmonella, including						
para-typhoid, Brucella						
Abortus & B. dysentery	8	142	_	10		25
Glandular Fever	2	10	_		2	2
Venereal Diseases	1397	8292	855	7523	316	1394
DIPHTHERIA	80	1608		2	8	23
VINCENT'S ANGINA	42	887	111	2	2	27
HÆMOLYTIC STREPTOCOCCI	378	1145	2	14	7	23
SPUTA FOR TUBERCLE			Aggre	10 10 40	-1.34	
BACILLI	483	2599		2	W. L	
RINGWORM	44	43	1	Street Street	1012	_
MILK SAMPLES-	en l					
Inoculations for Tuber-						
cle Bacilli-Unselected						
Routine Samples	11	662	2	68	1	41
Inoculations for Tuber-		10000			1	1000
cle Bacilli—Ministry						
of Agriculture and						
Fisheries	23	127	-	_		
*Methylene Blue Test	1860	3493	22	76	15	88
*Bacterial Count	3	39	_		_	
Bacillus Coli	931	2471	8	17	15	60
*Phosphatase Test	_	18		11.	- 1	7
HEAT TREATMENT					9-375	
SCHEME—						
*Methylene Blue Test	1	264			-	11715
*Phosphatase Test	5	34	-		-	10000
ICE CREAM SAMPLES-						
*Methylene Blue Test	70	110	21	23	71	48
Bacillus Coli	7	12		4		1
*WATERS FOR BACTERIO-						
LOGICAL EXAMINATION	82	230	22	496	4	6
MISCELLANEOUS	449					
Totals	5885	23212	962	8415	452	1788
			1.			
Total number of examinati						
year					4	10,714
					1	
* Pos. — Unsatisfactory.						

^{*} Pos. — Unsatisfactory. Neg. — Satisfactory.

MILK SAMPLES FOR B. TUBERCULOSIS. DERBYSHIRE, DERBY C.B. AND BURTON-ON-TRENT C.B.

During the year, 785 unselected samples of milk, including raw and graded milk, were examined biologically for the presence of B. Tuberculosis. Fourteen of these samples, or 1.78 per cent were found to contain Tubercle Bacilli.

TABLE V. INCIDENCE OF DIPHTHERIA TYPES.

Type.				No.	of Cases.
Mitis			 		1
Intermedius			 		12
Gravis	****		 		23
Indeterminate		****	 		1
7	COTAL		 		37

VACCINE LYMPH.

13,443 doses of Vaccine Lymph were issued, on the behalf of the Medical Research Council, to Public Vaccination Officers in the Administrative County, the Boroughs of Burton-on-Trent, Derby and Nottingham, and the County of Nottinghamshire, during 1947.

VENEREAL DISEASES.

Treatment Centres.—The number of new cases from Derbyshire attending the Venereal Disease Centres during the year 1947, and the diseases for which they required treatment are as follows:—

TABLE VI.

					Soft Chancre and	
			yphilis.	Gonorrhoea.	Non-V.D.	Total.
Ashton-unde	er-Lyr	ie	8	7	10	- 25
Burton-on-T	rent		7	10	13	30
Chesterfield			66	71	230	367
Derby			48	101	288	437
Grimsby			_	1		1
Mansfield			10	5	16	31
Nottingham			26	42	108	176
Oxford	4		1	-	_	1
Salford			- 1	2	_	- 2
Sheffield			10	3	17	30
Stockport			7	9	46	62
Worksop			1	-	3	3
		-	100		-	-
			183	251	731	1,165

The total of 1,165 new cases compares with 1,505 reported in the previous year. The number of non-venereal and undiagnosed cases decreased from 874 to 730, and the number of diagnosed cases of venereal disease has decreased from 508 in 1945 and 631 in 1946 to 435 in 1947.

The total attendances of Derbyshire patients at the above Centres during 1947 was 14,973.

Regulation 33B.—The number of "contacts" reported under Regulation 33B during 1947, and the results of following up these cases, are set out below:—

TABLE VII.

			M.	F.
(1)	(a)	Total number of contacts in respect of whom Form 1 was received	5	24
	(b)	Number in (a) transferred from other areas	-	-
(2)		Number of cases in (1) in which attempts were made during the current period outside the scope of the Regulation to persuade the contact to be examined before the latter had been named on a second Form 1:—	4	17
		Contacts found	4	14
		Contacts examined or already under treatment	4	10
(3)	(a)	Number of those in (1) in respect of whom two or more Forms 1 were received	To the second	3
	(b)	Number included in 3 (a) in respect of whom the first Form 1 was previously reported under (1)	-	2
	(c)	Number included in 3 (a) transferred from other areas		-
(4)	(a)	Number of those in 3 (a) who were found	-	3
	(b)	examined after persuasion or already under treatment		
	(c)	served with Form 2	-	3
	(d)	examined after service of Form 2	-	3
	(e)	prosecuted for failure:— (i) to attend for, and submit to, medical examination		-
		(ii) to continue treatment	-	1
	(f)	transferred to other areas	-	_

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE.

MIDWIVES ACTS, 1902-1936.

The Midwives Acts are administered by the County Council as the Supervising Authority for the whole of the Administrative County with the exception of the Borough of Chesterfield. The statistics in this section, therefore, relate to the area of the County Council as the Supervising Authority and do not include figures for Chesterfield.

Number of Midwives.—At the end of 1947 there were 198 midwives on the County Roll; 29 were midwives in independent practice, 58 were District Nurse-Midwives, 44 were midwives practising in Institutions, and 67 were County Midwives.

The following changes took place during the year:-

Death of Midwives						Nil
Midwives whose names the Roll	were v	olunta:	rily ren	noved :	from 	Nil
Number of Midwives w	ho left	t the C	ounty			24
Number of new Midwi	ves enr	olled				17

Records Received.—The following Table gives the records received, the cases of Puerperal Pyrexia in the practice of Midwives only, and all cases of Ophthalmia Neonatorum, whether in the practice of doctors or midwives, with the corresponding figures for previous years:—

TABLE VIII.

	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947
Records received :-							
Medical Help	2099	2148	2044	1955	1565	1621	1603
Still Births	121	123	119	119	113	121	100
Deaths of Children	91	96	89	102	83	78	83
Deaths of Mothers	3	3	5	3	_	3	4
Laying-out the Dead	33	26	46	25	25	25	13
Liability to be a Source							
of Infection	180	136	123	126	105	100	85
Notification of Artificial					-	100	
Feeding (within 14 days)	159	167	189	205	193	204	216
Puerperal Pyrexia-	11888					7 7 7 7 7	1300
Midwives' Cases	37	28	20	30	33	24	23
Ophthalmia Neonatorum-	1 1 1	10000		-	00		
ALL CASES	24	29	31	23	21	14	10

Puerperal Pyrexia.—The following Table shows the total number of cases of Puerperal Pyrexia nctified to me during the year 1947 and the case rate from this disease per 1,000 births:—

TABLE IX.

Whole County (excluding Chesterfield Borough).	M. & C.W. Area.
Number of live births and still births 12,637	11,069

Disease.		No. of	Cases.	Case rate per	1,000 births.	
		Whole County.	M. & C.W. Area.	Whole County.	M. & C.W. Area.	
Puerperal	Pyrexia		37	32	2.92	2,89

TABLE X.

The number of cases admitted to hospitals under the County Council Puerperal Pyrexia Scheme during 1947 was as follows:—

Derbyshire Royal Infirmary				3
Jessop Hospital for Women				3
Derbyshire Hospital for Women				8
Monsall Hospital, Manchester				-
Burton Isolation Hospital (when	accommo	dation	18	
available)				-
Victoria Hospital and Dispensary,	Worksop			-
				-
	Total			14

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—The incidence of Ophthalmia Neona torum during the year 1947 and the results of treatment are set out in the following table:—

TABLE XI.

Cases		Treated.	Vision	Vision	Total	No. of Deaths.	
Notified. At In Home. Hospit	In Hospital.	Vision unimpaired.	impaired.	Blindness.			
10	7	3	10	- 5		NE-	

Maternal Mortality.—The maternal mortality rate for the County (excluding the Borough of Chesterfield) for the year 1947 was 1.11 per thousand live and still births.

The following Table gives the Maternal Mortality rate in the County since 1930 (excluding the Borough of Chesterfield).

TABLE XII.

Year.	23	Rate.	Year.	Rate.
1930		4.16	1939	2.15
1931		4.55	1940	2.47
1932		4.00	1941	2.57
1933		4.34	1942	2.43
1934		4.51	1943	2.20
1935		4.51	1944	-1.32
1936		3.27	1945	1.42
1937		3,89	1946	1.37
1938		3.65	1947	1.11

ADMISSION OF MATERNITY CASES TO INSTITUTIONS.

During the year 1947 Maternity Cases were admitted to Institutions as follows:—

TABLE XIII.

Helbrook County Motornity Home			352
Holbrook County Maternity Home	***		
Ashgate Lodge County Maternity Home			464
Ashbourne County Maternity Home		:	197*
Darley Hall County Maternity Home			95
Public Assistance Institutions			905
Chesterfield Municipal Maternity Home			85
Derbyshire Hospital for Women			125
Jessop Hospital for Women			22
St. Mary's Hospital, Manchester			42
Mansfield General Hospital, Mansfield			13
Burton-on-Trent Infirmary			36
Monsall Hospital, Manchester			1
Sheffield City General Hospital			2
Basford Institution, Nottinghamshire			1
Mansfield County Institution, Notts.			3
Sharoe Green Hospital, Preston			1
			-
Total			2,344

The above do not include cases admitted under the Council's Puerperal Pyrexia Scheme, which are shown on page 17.

^{*} Including 1 case admitted from Staffordshire under arrangements made with the Staffordshire County Council.

MATERNITY HOME ACCOMMODATION PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

The County Council has four Maternity Homes, as follows :-

			Maternity Beds.
Ashgate Lodg	ge	 	24
Holbrook		 	20
Ashbourne		 	Sanding 9
Darley Hall		 	20
	Total	 	73

Provision has also been made for maternity accommodation at the following Public Assistance Institutions:—

			Maternity Beds.
Ashbourne	HILL STATE	 0 0	2
Bakewell		 	3
Belper		 	18
Chapel-en-le	-Frith	 	4
Chesterfield		 	24
Glossop		 	2
Shardlow		 	5
			The House of
Side Ind &	Total	 ***	58
			The state of the s

DARLEY HALL COUNTY MATERNITY HOME.

This Home was officially opened on May 29th, 1947, by Alderman C. F. White, M.P., the Chairman of the County Council. The first patient was admitted on July 17th, and Dr. G. Rennie commenced duty as Resident Medical Officer on August 27th, 1947.

ANTE-NATAL SCHEME.

Seventeen Ante-Natal Clinics are maintained by the Council, 14 in Urban Districts and three in Rural Districts.

The following are the number of sessions and attendances at these Clinics during 1947:—

Half-c	lay Sessions				927
	First Visits			3,973	
	Subsequent Visits	1.000		15,605	
	Post-Natal Visits			137	
			at 7	- Tale -	10.715

BLOOD TESTING.

Following a discussion with a Medical Officer of the Ministry of Health, arrangements were made in February, 1947, for the collection of blood from patients at Ante-Natal Clinics so that a presumptive Kahn and a Rhesus test could be carried out by the Regional Transfusion Officer at Sheffield.

If the presumptive Kahn test proves positive, then it can be confirmed by performing another serological examination, that is, a Wasserman test, by the County Pathologist to exclude definitely syphilis.

The advantage of the Rhesus typing is that it will avoid the risk of transfusing the mother with Rh. incompatible blood which might lead to a severe, if not fatal reaction. Sometimes an incompatible transfusion will sensitise the mother, and this might lead to the development of erythroblastosis foetalis, which is a haemolytic disease in the newborn. If the Rh. typing is carried out, the possibility of this occurring will be recognised in advance, and so remedial action may prevent a neo-natal death.

I have been informed by the Regional Transfusion Officer that Derbyshire was the first County in the Sheffield Region, and possibly the first in the whole Country, to attempt to have all mothers Rh. typed.

The arrangements in Derbyshire have a further advantage in that they provide not only for Rh. typing, but also for serum tests for syphilis, which means in effect that two pieces of preventive medical work have been combined without splitting the blood sample or making a second vene-puncture.

GAS AND AIR ANALGESIA.

The Derbyshire County Council commenced training four of their Domiciliary Midwives in the use of Gas and Air Analgesia as long ago as October, 1944, and the scheme for providing analgesia for maternity patients in their own homes was implemented in the early part of December, 1944, after the delivery of the Minnitt's apparatus. I believe, therefore, that the Derbyshire County Council was one of the first County Councils in the country to provide analgesia for maternity patients in their own homes. Since then there has been an increasing demand for this service, and at the end of December, 1947, of the 67 County Domiciliary Midwives, 60 had been trained in its use and had administered it to 627 patients during the year.

The County Council also offered to the District Nursing Associations, who were undertaking midwifery on their behalf, the provision of Analgesia units and to be responsible for their maintenance, providing that the Associations met the cost of the refill cylinders. Many Nursing Associations took advantage

of this offer, and during the year analgesics were administered to 63 cases by Association Midwives, 23 of whom had been trained in the special technique by the end of the year. It will be seen, therefore, that a total of 690 patients benefited from this form of analgesia during 1947. This figure compares with a figure of 397 cases for the year 1946. In all cases where Gas and Air Analgesia is administered by a Midwife in domiciliary practice, a "second person" must be present. A fee of £1 ls. 0d. per case is paid to persons who undertake this duty.

DENTAL TREATMENT FOR EXPECTANT AND NURSING MOTHERS.

Number	of	Cases treated	 a set		42
,,	,,	Extractions	 		213
,,	,,	Conservations	 of Loin	8	27
al ,	,,	Scaling Treatments	 1,4.	1	69
A		Dentures supplied	 		21

HOME HELP AND DOMESTIC HELP SCHEME.

A Home Help Organiser has been appointed in connection with the extension of the above scheme. She commenced duty on September 8th, 1947. The rate of payment to Home and Domestic Helps is 2s. 0d. an hour up to 44 hours weekly, plus travelling expenses and a retaining fee of 5s 0d. per week when not continuously employed. As the Organiser did not commence duty until the latter part of the year and most of her time was spent re-organising the scheme, the number of Home and Domestic Helps and cases attended does not show any appreciable difference from last year, but it is hoped that during next year a considerable number of Home Helps will be recruited.

There were five part-time Home Helps on the Council's Roll at the end of the year and 13 cases were provided with the services of a Home Help.

THE CARE OF PREMATURE INFANTS

(i.e., Babies weighing 51 lbs, or less at birth).

The total number of premature babies notified during 1947 was 673. The mothers of 672 of these cases normally resided in Derbyshire, 264 were born in Hospital outside the Administrative County and 409 were born in Derbyshire (327 at home and 82 in hospital). Of the 327 who were born at home, 283 were nursed entirely at home, 30 died during the first 24 hours, and 274 survived at the end of the month. Of the 346 born in Hospital, 29 died during the first 24 hours and 290 survived at the end of one month.

The Council's Home and Domestic Help Scheme is available to include Premature Infants provided the need is certified by the doctor attending the case.

MEDICAL TREATMENT OF CHILDREN UNDER FIVE YEARS OF AGE.

The number of children who received treatment during the year was as follows:—

Ear, Nose and Th	roat	condition	ons		3
Eye conditions					108
Dental conditions				4.1.	474
Orthopædie Treat	ment	-			
In-patients					15
Out-patients		1	2	100	529

INFANT WELFARE CENTRES.

The Maternity and Child Welfare area of the County comprises the whole of the Administrative County with the exception of the four Boroughs of Buxton, Chesterfield, Glossop and Ilkeston. At the end of 1947 there were 57 Infant Welfare Centres maintained by the Council, 22 in Urban Districts and 35 in Rural Districts. A Health Visitor attends each Centre, which is generally under the supervision of a doctor. There are also nine voluntary Infant Welfare Centres situated in Rural areas.

During the year under review a new Infant Welfare Centre was opened at the Working Men's Club and Institute, Station Road, Langley Mill.

CHILD LIFE PROTECTION.

There were 201 children on the register at the end of 1947. These include 136 children in Private Boarding Schools and 31 in a voluntary institution, which are exempt from inspection on a certificate given by the Authority which is usually in force for two years. After this period an inspection is made and the question of further exemption considered. Six children were boarded-out in a voluntary institution which at the end of the year had not been exempted from periodical inspection, and 28 were in the care of individual foster-parents.

Of the latter, there was one death during the year, which was reported to the Coroner as required by the Public Health Act, 1936. The child had been suffering from a congenital form of illness for many years and a special inquiry was not required.

TABLE XIV.

		H	IOMES,	INSTI	TUTION	S, ETC	2.	
con Pt lebeling comments of the street of th	ual	Section of the Health 2 or Section of the Health (Public	Section of the Health A or Section of the Health (under 219(3) Public	Not Exempted.		Total.
and are against and a fair in the land of	Foster Mothers.	Volun- tary.	Private and Others.	Volun- tary.	Private and Others.	Volun- tary.	Private and Others.	
(a) Receiving children under 9 years for reward (apart from their parents) at the end of the year	26	1	9	Nil	Nil	in Syria	Nil	37
(b) Number of children under 9 years:— (i) Received during the	Dear and	in the se	i katan	ed fill	10000	rate la	SERVER STATE	
year (ii) At end of the year	17 28	34 31	Varies 136 (at last	Nil* Nil	Nil Nil	6	101-	57 201
(iii) Who died during the year (iv) On whom inquests	1	Nil	Insp'tn Nil		Nil	Nil	Nil	1
were held during the year	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil *	Nil	Nil

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

In November, 1945, Circular 194 was received from the Ministry of Health placing on Welfare Authorities the responsibility for the immunisation of infants and children under school age. It was thought that this might bring about a more uniform and intensive effort to secure and maintain the immunisation of as many young children as possible about the time when they reach one year of age, or, failing this, at least before school age is reached. While this responsibility was placed upon the County Council as a Welfare Authority, it was stated that existing schemes which were working satisfactorily need not be disturbed.

As mentioned in my last Annual Report, the separate County Sanitary Districts were approached in order that a picture of the facilities already available for diphtheria immunisation in the area of the County Council as a Welfare Authority could be viewed as a whole. The facilities were deemed to be sufficient to provide the basis of a satisfactory scheme, but they were reinforced by providing all Medical Officers working at infant welfare centres with portable sets of equipment to enable them to carry out diphtheria immunisation on demand at the centres. Medical

Officers were particularly asked not to arrange special immunisation sessions, as this would mean that cases would be postponed until the next session, but that the facilities should be immediately available if requested.

The question of propaganda was also considered It was appreciated that much of this was being done by the Ministry of Health in a national campaign consisting of press advertising, posters and films. It was decided in Derbyshire to supplement this by concentrating on personal contact through the Health Visitors, reinforced by suitable cards provided free of charge by the Ministry of Information. The "Birthday Card Scheme," which was already used by some District Councils, was recommended for general use throughout the county, and arrangements were made with Local Medical Officers of Health for the Birthday Cards to be sent to parents of children on their first birthday, informing them of the value of immunisation.

The County Health Visitors were informed of the revised arrangements and that the Minister of Health desired that each Health Visitor should be responsible for securing immunisation of children under school age in her district. Each Health Visitor is required to submit quarterly returns showing the number of children in her area who have attained the age of one year during the quarter, and also the number of children whose parents have been approached by her concerning diphtheria immunisation. Statistical details are given in the following Table:—

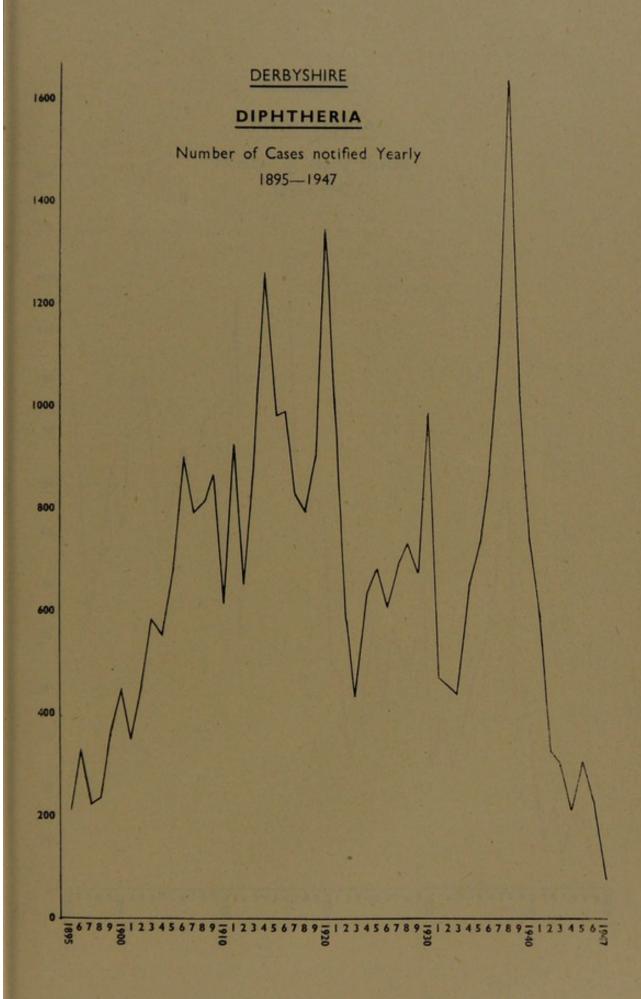
TABLE XV.

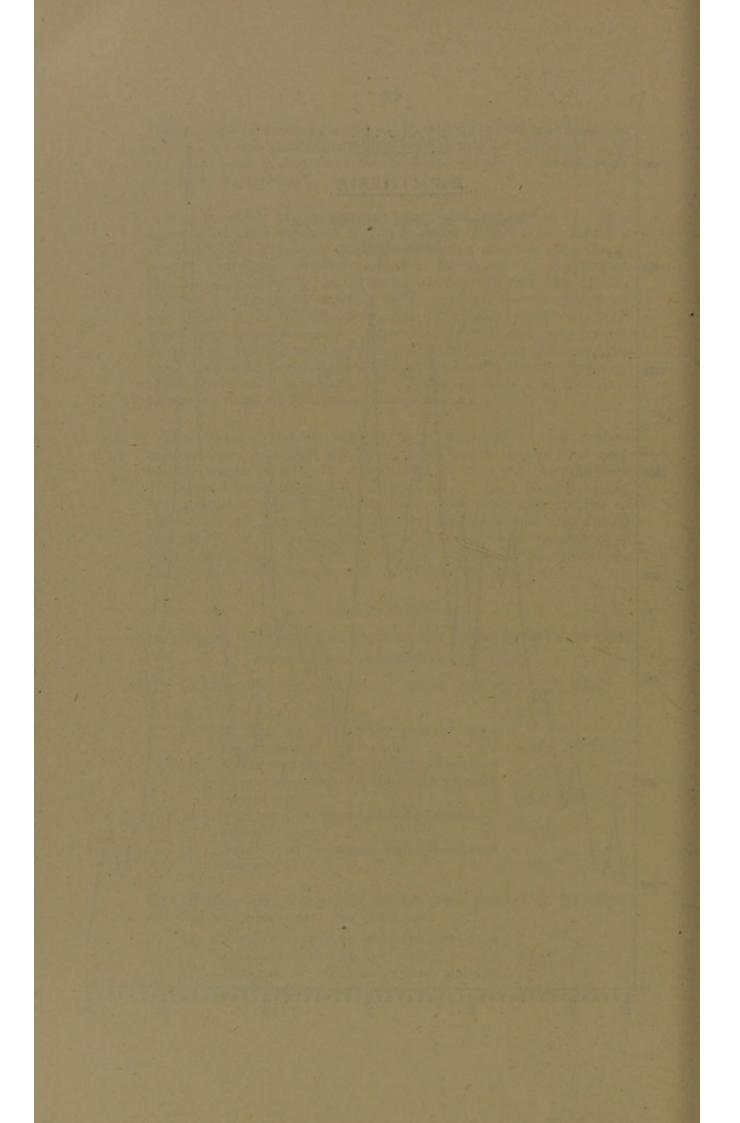
DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION OF CHILDREN UNDER FIVE YEARS OLD. YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1947.

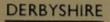
(1)	Children	who	attained	the	age	of	one	year	during	the	year	:
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(a)	Number						6,170	
(b)	Number							
	approache						4,544	(73.7%)
(c)	Number o							Service Allegan
	to immun	isation	or w	vho we	re alre	ady		
	immunise						3,561	(78.4%)
(d)	Number o	f(b) w	hose pa	rents	"defer	red"		
	consent .	7.1					822	
(e)	Number of	of (b)	whose	paren	ts refi	ised		
JY B	consent .						161	

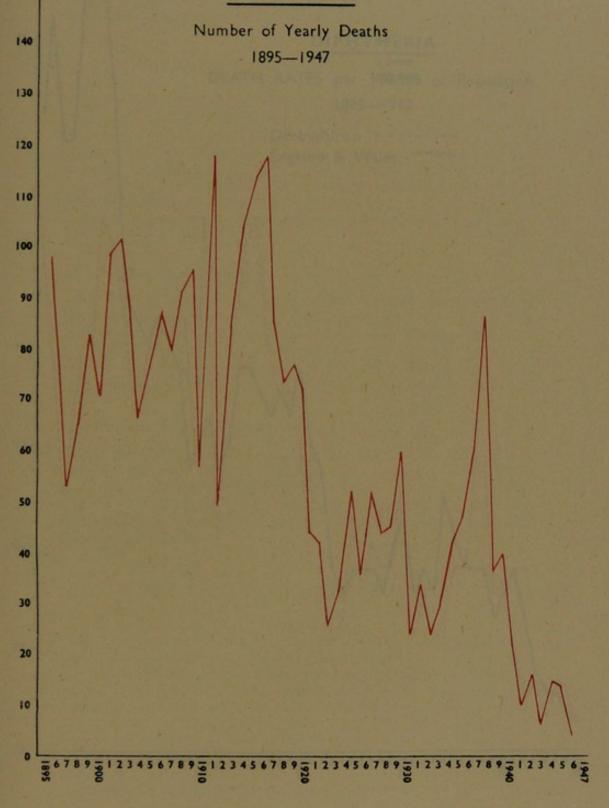
- (2) Children who had passed the age group covered by (1) above, but who were under five years old:
 - (a) Number of children whose parents were approached during the year ... 5,569
 - (b) Number of children whose parents consented to immunisation ... 4,473







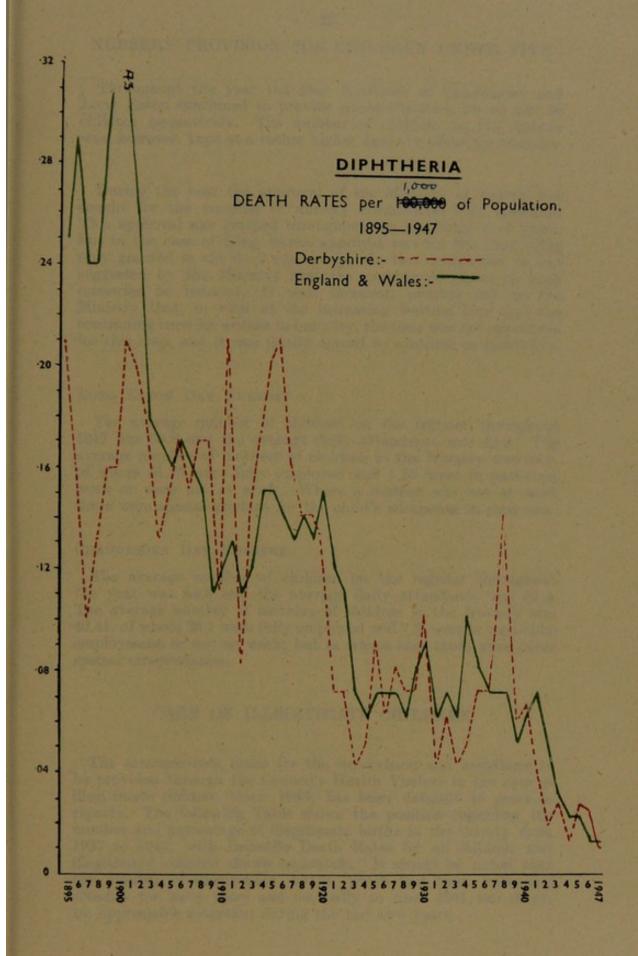
DIPHTHERIA



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Number of Yearly Deaths



NURSERY PROVISION FOR CHILDREN UNDER FIVE

Throughout the year the Day Nurseries at Chaddesden and Long Eaton continued to provide accommodation for 40 and 50 children respectively. The number of children on the register was, however, kept at a rather higher figure to allow for absences.

During the year the approval of the Ministry of Health was sought for the training of nursery students at both nurseries. This approval was granted throughout the age range 2—5 years, but in the case of Long Eaton approval was for the time being only granted in the 0—2 age group. In this connection, it was suggested by the Ministry that the number of places at both nurseries be reduced. It was, however, pointed out to the Ministry that, in view of the increasing waiting lists and the continuing need for women in industry, the time was not opportune for this step, and it was finally agreed to continue as heretofore.

LONG EATON DAY NURSERY.

The average number of children on the register throughout 1947 was 55.8 and the average daily attendance was 42.3. The average number of mothers of children in the Nursery was 53.0, of whom 51.75 were fully employed and 1.25 were in part-time work or were not at work. Where a mother was not at work there were special grounds for the child's admission in each case.

CHADDESDEN DAY NURSERY.

The average number of children on the register throughout the year was 44.8 and the average daily attendance was 32.4. The average number of mothers of children in the Nursery was 40.41, of whom 33.1 were fully employed and 7.3 were in part-time employment or not at work, but in whose case there were other special circumstances.

CARE OF ILLEGITIMATE CHILDREN.

The arrangements made for the supervision and assistance to be provided through the Council's Health Visitors in the case of illegitimate children since 1945, has been detailed in previous reports. The following Table shows the position regarding the number and percentage of illegitimate births in the County from 1937 to 1947, with Infantile Death Rates for all children and illegitimate children shown separately. It should be noted that the number of illegitimate births, which had been increasing steadily for some years and markedly so since 1941, has shown an appreciable reduction during the last two years.

TABLE XVI.

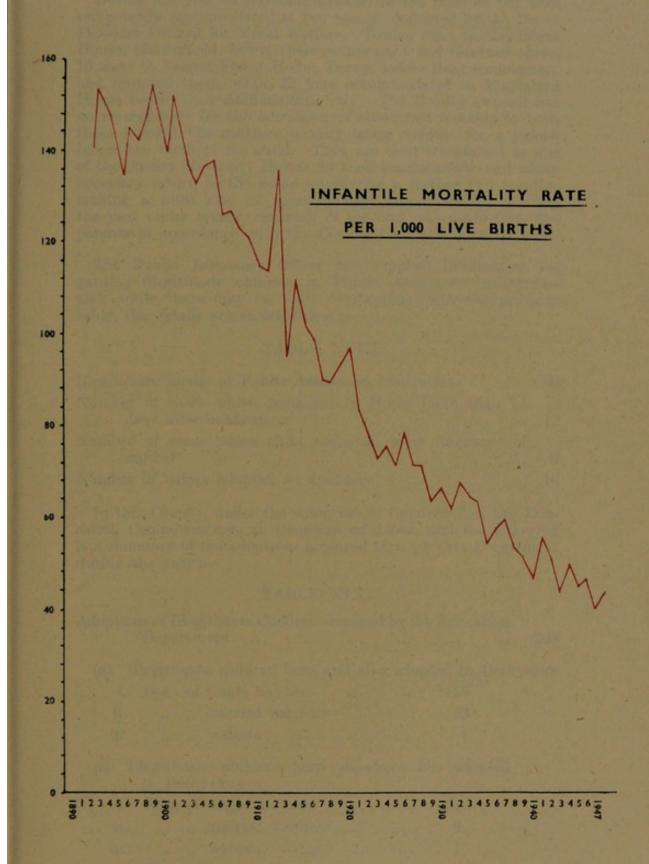
	Han mine	all moon blive	Infantile Death Rate.		
Year.	Illegitimate Births.	Percentage of Total Births.	All Children.	Illegitimate Children.	
1937	319	3.28	52.12	97.14	
1938	332	3.28	51.10	90.36	
1939	351	3.57	47.43	65.50	
1940	341	3.44	55.43	76.47	
1941	398	3.95	51.04	50.00	
1942	431	3.91	42.24	66.28	
1943	525	4.48	48.11	70.47	
1944	704	5.35	42.13	55.39	
1945	819	7.19	44.50	58.60	
1946	699	5.50	38.95	44.34	
1947	609	4.44	42.81	59.10	

The following Table shows the way in which illegitimate children were cared for in the County during the year under review.

TABLE XVII.

ILLEGITIMATE CHILDREN

· ILLEGITIMATE CHILDREN.	
(1) The number of illegitimate births known to the Welfar Authority for the period 1st January, 1947, to 31s	
December, 1947	265
(tr) Oligio motitoro 222	
$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	
(2) The number in which the mother and child	
(a) returned to live with mother's parents	88
(b) returned to live with other relatives	. 2
(c) found, or were helped to find, lodgings when they could live together	. 3
they could have together	To all of
(3) The number of illegitimate children who had been or were being, legally adopted	n, 150
(4) The number of mothers who have married since the birth of the child	. 3
(5) The number of mothers who, with their babies, ar	ė
living with the father of the child, though not marrie	
to him	. 12
(6) The number of mothers in domestic service who have	6
their children with them	. 1
(7) The number of neo-natal deaths	. 4
8) The number of other deaths of children	. 2
of the number of other deaths of children	
Total	. 265
	No. of Street, or other Persons



During the year 44 mothers included in the total of 265 were temporarily accommodated at two homes conducted by the Derby Diocesan Council for Moral Welfare. Twelve went to Magdalene House, Chesterfield, before their confinement and returned there, 10 went to Vernon Street Home, Derby, before their confinement and returned there, while 22 were accommodated in Magdalene House before their confinements only. The County Council has an arrangement for the admission of unmarried mothers to both these homes; the mothers usually being resident for a month before the birth of the child. They are then transferred to one of the County Maternity Homes for their confinements, and where necessary return to the home usually for a further two months, making a total stay of approximately three months. During the year under review, recovery of the cost was made from the parents in accordance with the County Council's financial scale.

The Public Assistance Officer has supplied information regarding illegitimate children in Public Assistance Institutions and, while there may be some overlapping with the previous table, the details are shown below:—

TABLE XVIII.

Illegitimate births in Public Assistance Institutions	80
Number of cases which remained in Home more than 14 days after confinement	12
Number of cases where child remained after discharge of mother	0
Number of babies adopted on discharge	10
In this County, under the Adoption of Children Act, the Edication Committee acts as Guardian ad Litem, and the following is a summary of the adoptions arranged through that Department during the year:—	ng
TABLE XIX.	
Adoptions of Illegitimate Children arranged by the Education	08
Adoptions of Illegitimate Children arranged by the Education	

Born of single mothers ... 51

" " married mothers ...

widows.

in Derbyshire-

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CLEANLINESS OF MOTHERS AND YOUNG CHILDREN.

All Health Visitors have been instructed to impress on expectant mothers the importance of cleanliness and freedom from vermin, to include the examination of children's heads as part of their work both in homes and clinics when dealing with children under five, and to concentrate on those homes known to be in most need of help. A return of the work done in 1947 is shown in the Table below.

TABLE XX.

1.—Number of visits paid by Health Visitors relating to cleanliness of children under 5 years	77
2.—Number of visits paid by Health Visitors relating to cleanliness of mothers of children under 5 years	20
3.—Number of children under 5 years found to be verminous	30
4.—Number of children under 5 years with nits in hair	9
5.—Number of children under 5 years, having been found to be verminous or having had nits in hair during the year, who were reported clean by the end of December, 1947	28
6.—Number of children cleansed by Local Sanitary Authority	0
7.—Number of children cleansed by Health Visitor in the presence of mothers	5
8.—Applications for Lethane or D.D.T. I mulsion	39
9.—Number of Derbac combs loaned to mothers	12
0.—Detailed instructions and advice relating to cleansing given to mothers of children under 5	39
1.—Number of talks on personal hygiene given at Infant Welfare Centres	30

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD. MILK SUPPLY.

At the end of the year 186 Tuberculin Tested Licences were in force, an increase of 47 over the previous year. 20 of these producers previously held Accredited Licences. The number of Accredited Producers was 971. The following table shows that the annual increase in the number of Tuberculin Tested producers is not only maintained but increased.

29 TABLE XXI.

Year.	Accredited.	Tuberculin Tested.	Total.
1936	795	7	802
1937	818	. 5	823
1938	900	18	918
1939	1,004	19	1,023
1940	1,034	22	1,056
1941	1,021	21	1,042
1942	1,014	26	1,040
1943	1,050	43	1,093
1944	1,017	75	1,092
1945	1,020	109	1,129
1946	996	139	1,135
1947	971 .	186	1,157

The County Sanitary Inspectors and Sampling Officers took 4,514 samples of milk as shown in the following Table:—

TABLE XXII.

Grade of Milk.	Satisfactory.	Unsatisfactory.	Total.
Tuberculin Tested	222	125	347
Accredited	2,357	1,722	4,079
School Milk	63	25	88
Raw milk submitted to biological test for Tuberculosis	94	1	95

In the cases where raw milk is supplied to schools, the milk is submitted to the biological test for tubercle bacilli as a safeguard. Positive samples are referred to the Veterinary Inspectors of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries for immediate action.

The sampling records of all graded producers are reviewed at the end of each year, and at the end of 1947 the re-issue of licences to 77 producers (nine Tuberculin Tested and 68 Accredited) was refused by reason of consistently unsatisfactory sample results. Of these 77, eight Tuberculin Tested and 48 Accredited producers subsequently re-applied and were granted licences on reaching the required standard.

WATER SUPPLIES.

The following is a brief summary of new schemes and extensions completed or projected during the year:—

URBAN DISTRICTS.

ALFRETON.

1,250 yards of main have been laid to the new housing site at Bolton Street, Swanwick.

ASHBOURNE.

A new seven-inch main was laid to increase the volume of water delivered to the higher parts of the district. The whole supply is now softened by the base-exchange process.

BELPER.

In addition to the extension of mains to serve new development, 112 houses and business premises on the Strutt Estate were connected to the public supply.

BUXTON.

New mains totalling 1,012 yards were laid to four housing estates.

CHESTERFIELD.

The Chesterfield and Bolsover Water Board took over the supply to parts of the parishes of Calow and Sutton-cum-Duckmanton.

ILKESTON.

The construction of the new Croft Yard storage reservoir was commenced and alterations of various mains carried out.

MATLOCK.

A scheme for re-organising the water supplies for the whole area has been submitted to the Ministry of Health for approval.

NEW MILLS.

A new six-inch pumping main from Goytside to the Ball Beard service reservoir was provided.

RIPLEY.

Work was commenced on a new six-inch main to Cross Lane Stiles to feed the Street Lane area which has previously suffered from water shortage.

SWADLINCOTE.

A supply of water was arranged for Albert village (Ashby Woulds U.D.C.) from the Council's mains.

WHALEY BRIDGE.

All service reservoirs were cleared out during the year and the Taxal supply was improved by the provision of new collecting chambers.

WIRKSWORTH.

Some concern was experienced regarding the Wirksworth supply and a scheme for the augmentation of the supply is being prepared. Repairs were carried out to the Wigwell pumping engine.

RURAL DISTRICTS.

ASHBOURNE.

A reservoir has been constructed on Parwich Moor to bring a main supply to 24 moorland farms. Water mains to the villages of Mapleton, Thorpe, Fenny Bentley, Ballidon, Kniveton, Carsington and Clifton are under construction.

BAKEWELL.

Emergency pumps were installed at Froggatt, and owing to drought conditions were in use until Christmas.

BLACKWELL.

Tenders have been accepted and submitted to the Ministry of Health for the construction of two additional reservoirs each of 300,000 gallons at Stoney Houghton and six additional each of 500,000 gallons at Whiteborough. Mains have been extended on Whaley Moor, Shirebrook, and at new housing estates at Pinxton, Blackwell and Hillstown.

CLOWNE.

Extensions of mains have been made at Creswell, Clowne, Whitwell and Barlborough.

RIVER POLLUTION AND SEWAGE PURIFICATION.

A brief summary of the extensions and additions to Local Authorities' sewerage systems is set out below.

BOROUGHS AND URBAN DISTRICTS.

ASHBOURNE.

The sewage from Clifton parish is now taken to the Sewage Disposal works.

BELPER.

A small disposal works and sewers to deal with the village of Broadholme were completed. At the main disposal works one filter has been replaced.

BUXTON.

New sewers were laid in connection with the Harpur Hill sewerage scheme and the Ferney Dale housing estate.

CHESTERFIELD.

Alterations to the Bio-aeration plant involving the speed and depth of the paddle wheels were commenced, and it is hoped that a considerable improvement in the performance of the works will result.

NEW MILLS.

Nine-inch sewers were installed to Jubilee Street and at Wirks-moor Road.

RIPLEY.

Extensions to sewers, mainly in connection with new housing estates, were completed.

WIRKSWORTH.

The filter beds at the disposal works have been relaid, and a scheme for the extension of the works is under consideration by the Ministry of Health.

RURAL DISTRICTS.

ASHBOURNE.

Schemes for the sewerage of Brassington, Parwich, Hulland Ward, Clifton villages, and the extension of the Brailsford works have been drawn up.

BAKEWELL.

The sewer at Curbar was extended to serve additional properties.

BLACKWELL.

Work is in progress at the Shirebrook disposal works following the receipt of approval by the Ministry of Health to the extensive reconstruction of the works. The approval of the Ministry of Health was also received to the provision of two pumping stations to replace the existing unsatisfactory works at Westhouses. Sewage will be treated at the Primrose Hill works. Work has been commenced on the construction of a nine-inch sewer at Pinxton to divert the sewage from Town Street to the main outfall works at Pinxton Wharf.

CLOWNE

A new sewer is under construction at High Common, Barlborough.

202 visits of inspection have been paid to sewage works during the year by the County Sanitary Inspectors, and 178 samples of effluents have been taken with the following results:—

Good.	Satisfactory.	Unsatisfactory.	Bad.	Total.
38	70	22	48	178

RIVERS POLLUTION.

During the year much time was spent in an effort to improve the condition of the rivers in the County, and the following brief descriptions of some of the major works completed during the year will be of interest:—

DENBY COAL-WASHERY.

Serious pollution of the Bottle Brook, and consequently the River Derwent, which had occurred following the commencement of coal-washing operations on a large scale at Denby was prevented by the installation of a Froth-flotation plant, followed by settlement of the tailings in thickeners and a re-arrangement of lagoons behind the slag-tips.

NOTTS. & DERBY COKE AND BY-PRODUCTS PLANT, PINXTON.

A series of tanks to intercept oil was recommended and, together with a re-arrangement of the settling lagoons, affected considerable improvement in the wastes discharged into the River Erewash.

PILSLEY COLLIERY.

Modifications to the existing system of disposal of waste water from the washer were recommended and proved successful when completed.

HARDWICK COLLIERY.

A new settling tank was constructed to deal with the washery waste, and a culvert through the slag-heap was reconstructed.

MENTAL DEFICIENCY ACTS, 1913-38.

The Mental Deficiency Acts in this County are administered by the Mental Deficiency Acts Committee.

NEW ORDERS.—During the year 1947, 12 cases were placed on Order and dealt with as follows:—

Admitted to Certified Institutions	 Males. 8	Females.	Total.
Placed under Guardianship	 Sales A.		State of
tondo poem SII bells vermousling the	8	4	12
			- June

Supervision.—On December 31st, 1947, 1,369 cases were under supervision at home as shown in the following Table:—

Males.	Females.	Total.
344	381	725
311	267	578
23	38	61
1	4	5
679	690	1,369
	344 311 23 1	311 267 23 38 1 4

CASES REPORTED BY LOCAL EDUCATION AUTHORITIES.

During the year 1947, the following cases were reported by Local Education Authorities and dealt with as shown:—

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Sent to Institutions by Order	1 -10	- 1	
Placed under Statutory Supervision.	. 12	15	27
	-	100	
	12	15	27
	-		THE MAIN

CASES IN INSTITUTIONS ON DECEMBER 31ST, 1947.

Males, Females, Total, 221 290 511

Makeney House.—During the year 1947, three cases were admitted, two discharged from Order and four transferred to other Institutions. On December 31st, 1947, there were 91 patients on the register of the Institution.

OCCUPATION CENTRES.—The Ilkeston Occupation Centre reopened on October 22nd, 1947, and at the end of the year there were 32 patients on the register. Six cases attended the Derby Borough Occupation Centre.

TUBERCULOSIS SCHEME.

STATISTICS.

NOTIFICATIONS.

During the year 1947, 529 new cases of Tuberculosis were reported to the Authority, compared with 542 in 1946. This figure of 529 is made up of 411 pulmonary and 118 non-pulmonary cases.

The total number of notifications (pulmonary and non-pulmonary), which reached a peak of 633 in the year 1941, has shown a continuous decrease from that time up to the present year. It should be mentioned, however, that 411 pulmonary cases were notified as compared with 407 in 1946.

Details of the types of cases notified are shown in the following Table:—

TABLE XXIII.

Pulmonary 411 Non-pulmonary— ...

118

529

DEATHS FROM TUBERCULOSIS.

Total Non-Pulmonary

Grand Total ...

The number of deaths occurring in the County during 1947 as recorded by the Registrar-General as attributable to tuberculosis was 242 (202 pulmonary and 40 non-pulmonary).

The death rates per 1,000 of the population are as follows:-

Pulmonary	 	 0.31
Non-pulmonary	 	 0.06
Total	 	 0.37

While the number of deaths during 1947 was 242 as compared with 222 for 1946, it should be borne in mind that the latter figure was the lowest on record for the County.

The Table below shows the notifications and deaths during the last 10 years:—

TABLE XXIV.

Year.	New Cases.	Deaths.	Year.	New Cases.	Deaths.
1938	583	277	1943	612	244
1939	523	272	1944	595	245
1940	527	280	1945	581	227
1941	633	295	1946	542	222
1942	621	259	1947	529	242

DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT.

The diagnosis and treatment of tuberculosis within the Administrative County is carried out by the Tuberculosis Medical Officers. Their work is based on the nine Dispensaries which operate under the scheme with regard to all non-orthopædic tuberculous conditions. The diagnosis of tuberculous bone and joint disease is carried out by the Council's Orthopædist at the ten Orthopædic Clinics which serve the whole of the County. Treatment for pulmonary cases is provided at the Council's Sanatorium at Walton, near Chesterfield, and for non-pulmonary cases at the Bretby Hall Orthopædic Hospital, near Burton-on-Trent, which is also a certified school approved by the Ministry of Education.

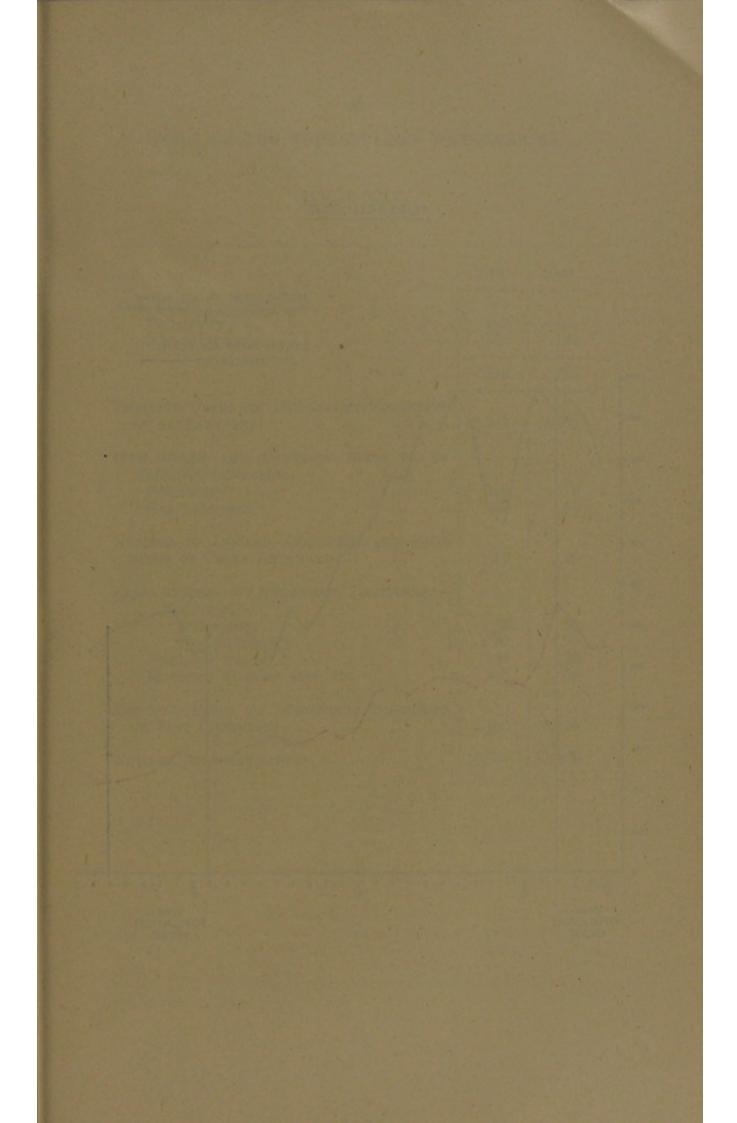
DISPENSARIES.

The number of new cases examined at the Dispensaries was 1,994 as compared with 2,212 during the previous year.

The increased use made of X-ray examinations at the Dispensaries is shown in that 6,652 examinations were carried out at the Dispensaries in 1947 as compared with 1,681 in 1938. This increase has been continuous throughout the intervening years, the figure for 1946 being 6,452.

The examination of contacts, which in 1945 had decreased to 344, rose in 1946 to a figure of 1,020. The attention paid to this important work was maintained throughout the year, when 1,019 contacts were examined at the Dispensaries.

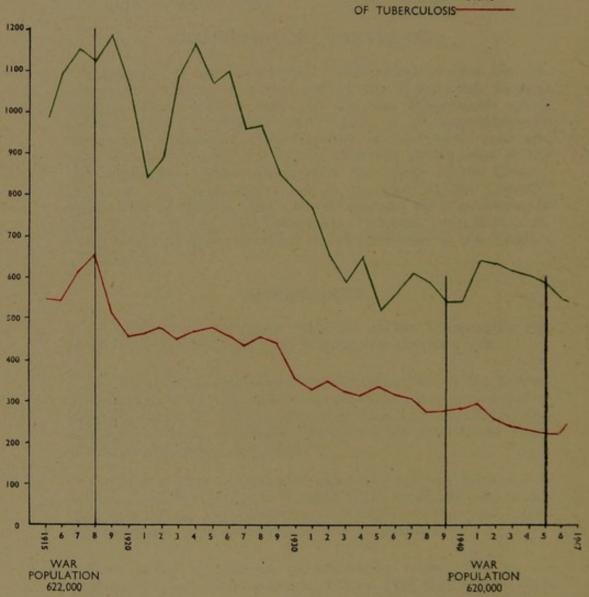
The number of artificial pneumothorax refills given at the Dispensaries has increased from 513 in 1938 to 1,869 in 1947. The number of pneumo-peritoneum refills given was 249 as compared with 19 in the previous year, but it should be borne in mind that this form of treatment was only introduced at the Dispensaries towards the end of 1946.



TUBERCULOSIS

NOTIFICATION OF ALL FORMS OF TUBERCULOSIS

DEATHS FROM ALL FORMS



WORK OF THE TUBERCULOSIS DISPENSARIES.

TABLE XXV.

					1946.	1947.
NEW CASES REPORTE	D :				A COLUMN	A Par
Pulmonary	E				407	411
Non-pulmonary					135	118
					542	529
DEFINITE CASES ON	DISPENS	SARY	REGIST	ERS		qi
on January 1st	1				2,947	3,100
NEW CASES AND C	CONTACT	s fou	nd to	be		- respired
definitely tubercul						
Pulmonary					350	318
Non-pulmonary					89	65
NUMBER OF INWARD	Thurs					
NUMBER OF INWARD	TRANS	FERS	AND L	OST ;		
Sight of Cases R			AND L	OST	12	20
SIGHT OF CASES R.	ETURNEI	D			12	20
SIGHT OF CASES RECASES WRITTEN OFF DERCOVERED :—	ETURNEI ISPENSA	RY RE				
Sight of Cases Ri Cases written off D Recovered :— Pulmonary	ETURNEI ISPENSA:	RY RE			32	63
SIGHT OF CASES RECASES WRITTEN OFF D. Recovered:— Pulmonary Non-pulmona	ETURNEI ISPENSA 	RY RE	 GISTERS	:-	32 64	63
SIGHT OF CASES R. Cases written off D. Recovered:— Pulmonary Non-pulmona Dead (all causes)	ETURNEI ISPENSA 	RY RE	GISTERS	···	32	
SIGHT OF CASES RECASES WRITTEN OFF D. Recovered:— Pulmonary Non-pulmona	ETURNEI ISPENSA 	RY RE	GISTERS		32 64	63 70 192
SIGHT OF CASES RECASES WRITTEN OFF DESCRIPTION OF PURPOSE NON-pulmonary Dead (all causes)	ispensa ary er area,	RY RE	GISTERS		32 64 136	63 70 192
Sight of Cases Range Cases written off D. Recovered:— Pulmonary Non-pulmonary Dead (all causes) Removed to other	ispensal ary er area,	RY RE	GISTERS		32 64 136	63

ORTHOPÆDIC CLINICS.

A Table showing the statistics for the Clinics is appended.

TABLE XXVI.

(a) TUBERCULAR CASES.

Situation of Lesion.	Alfreton.	Chesterfield.	Chinley.	Derby.	Heanor.	Ilkeston.	Long Eaton.	Matlock.	Shirebrook.	Swadlincote.	Total.
Spine Hip Knee Other Joints Peripheral Glands	3 - 1 -	19 21 11 14 —	3 5 2 1 —	11 14 4 7	1 7 —	6 2 1 —	5 1 3 1	3 -2 -	1 2 2 -	5 3 7 3	57 58 32 27
Total	7	65	11	36	8	9	10	5	5	18	174

(b) Non-Tubercular Cases.

80 Lesion.8 07 40 201 821	Alfreton.	Chenterfield.	Chinley.	Derby.	Heanor.	Ilkeston.	Long Eaton.	Matlock.	Shirebrook.	Swadlincote.	Total.
Rickets	2		4	17	2	9	9	140	4	8	62
Infantile Paralysis	15			13	10	6		9	3	4	99
Spastic Paraplegia	6			19		2	3	3	1	6	55
Scoliusis	9		23	32		2		14	3	12	120
Cong. Deformity	12	34	7	16	11	16	13	8	8	24	149
Torticollis K. Knees and Flat	4	-	1	6	1	8	1	2	-	4	27
Feet	82	103	36	212	23	45	50	90	48	33	722
Unclassified.	12	13	18	49	12	20	14	22	9	21	190
Total	142	206	99	364	68	108	101	148	76	112	1424
Total Attendances	1045	1539	285	1385	439	597	546	743	432	811	7822
No. of Plasters Applied	78	125	14	71	12	27	20	23	26	30	426

Clinics at Clay Cross, Staveley and Bolsover were opened during 1947 to relieve the pressure on the Chesterfield Clinic, but statistics are only available for the group for this year.

During the year 418 Home Visits were made by the Orthopædic Nurses.

DERBYSHIRE SANATORIUM, CHESTERFIELD.

STATISTICS.

	Males.	Females.	Children.	. Total.
Patients Admitted	. 89	71	2	162
Patients Discharged	. 86	74	3	163
Average number of bed	is occupied .	99		
Average gain in weight (20 patients lost we				weight).
Average length of stay	of the patie	nts 218	3 days (31	weeks, 1 day).

PATIENTS DISCHARGED.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH CLASSIFICATION.

Const				M.	F.	C.	TOTAL.
PULMONARX							A. ARTIE
	A. 1	***		3	4	3	10
	A. 2			6	9	allential -	15
	A. 3			1	-	-	1
	B. 1			2	2	A DOLLAR	4
	B. 2			42	23	-	65
	В. 3			32	36	o bunda	68
Non-Pulmon	NARY		·	-	to the	- Idates	-
Non-Tubero	ULOSIS		*	-	italia.	140	1 102
DOUBTFULLY	TUBERO	ULOSIS	m	-		All and	-
34	Тотац			86	74	3	163

RESULTS OF TREATMENT.

Quieso	ent		200			41
Non-q	uiesce	nt—im	proved		43.NP	86
No ma	aterial	l impro	vement		TOTAL T	6
Died	a		***	aber :	30	
		[otal		saucho.	VIVE OF	163

X-RAY WORK.

The total number of X-ray examinations made during the year was 5,214, including 1,511 films and 3,703 radioscopic examinations. This total includes 131 staff X-ray examinations. In addition, about 1,841 films were processed for the Tuberculosis Officer, Chesterfield Clinic.

LABORATORY WORK.

1,959 urine examinations, 56 examinations of centrifugalised urinary deposits, 1,475 sputum examinations, 85 concentration tests of sputum and 17 miscellaneous examinations were made during the year.

MASSAGE TREATMENT.

Number of patients				 	90
Average weekly tre				 	76
Average length of t	reatm	ent—w	eeks	 	6
Total treatments	***			 	3,050

The total number of treatments is increased compared with 1946, though the number of patients treated is less.

SURGICAL TREAT	TMENT.		-	M.	F.	TOTAL.
A. ARTIFICIAL PNE	UMOTHORAN	-	800			The state of the s
Induct	ion			21	22	43
Failed				5	4	9
Aband	oned			6	6	12
Establi	shed			10	12	22
Old ca	ses maintai	ned		32	24	56
Refills	given			934	698	1,632
B. PNEUMO-PERITO	NEUM-					
Inducti	ions			14	20	34
Failed				-	3	3
Abando	oned			2	5	7
Establi	shed			12	12	24
Refills	given			369	383	752
C. OTHER OPERATI	ions—		1500			
Gas rej	placement			12	9	21
Pressur	e readings			5	7	12
Aspirat	ion—Chest			7	1	8

Of artificial pneumothorax cases, the total numbers of inductions attempted was 43, of which 10 failed and 12 were abandoned as ineffective because of pleural adhesion and other causes. Treatment was continued in 22 new cases and in 56 old cases. Of pneumo-peritoneum cases, 34 inductions were attempted, of which

three failed, seven were abandoned, and 24 were established. Treatment was continued in eight old cases. Of the patients for whom artificial pneumothorax was induced, five had negative sputum at the commencement of treatment. In 16 patients with artificial pneumothorax and in 11 patients with pneumo-peritoneum, sputum previously positive became negative during the course of treatment.

In the totals above of refills given, A.P. and pneumo-peritoneum, are included 932 refills which were given to patients attending Chesterfield Dispensary and to casuals from other areas.

PATIENTS TRANSFERRED TO OTHER HOSPITALS FOR OPERATIVE TREATMENT.

Adhesion Section		slot.	aport.	otlo.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Thoracoplasty					1	1	2
					1	4a	5
a-Inch	iding	four m	embers	of the	Nursing	Staff.	
Gastritis		4.20	1000		CHEST .	16	1
Rheumatic Fever			***		-	1c	1
Protein Shock					1	0.00	14
b Wa	rd O	rderly.			0-1	Nurse.	

OPERATIONS DONE AT THE SANATORIUM.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Phrenic Crush or Avulsion	 14	21	35

Ten patients were transferred to the care of Mr. A. W. Fawcett at Sheffield Royal Infirmary for adhesion section. The results were successful. Four patients developed pleural effusion after the operation. One was a hæmothorax, the remaining three simple effusions which cleared up rapidly. Two patients were transferred to Sheffield Royal Infirmary for thoracoplasty. One male patient has activated disease in the opposite lung. The female patient was discharged to her home after treatment of a sinus with penicillin. Her operation was undertaken for a tuberculous empyema, after drainage had failed to assist healing.

Thirty-three phrenic crush operations and two phrenic avulsion operations were performed at the Sanatorium by Mr. G. Herbert. Most of the operations were done preparatory to pneumo-peritoneum.

CLOSURE OF WARD.

Owing to shortage of Nursing Staff, the Barwise Male Ward has remained closed throughout the year. One verandah of 20 beds of the Women's Ward had to be closed in March because of shortage of Staff. The beds became available again in July, when the Staff conditions improved somewhat.

CHANGES OF STAFF.

Miss Christina Clark resigned her appointment of Matron, and left on 3rd May. Miss Elizabeth Driver commenced duty as Matron on 4th May.

Dr. Francis J. Burke was appointed Acting Medical Superintendent on 15th April, because of the illness of Dr. H. P. Fernandes. Dr. H. P. Fernandes left on 15th November, having obtained an appointment in his native country, British Guiana. Dr. F. D. Honneyman, Assistant Medical Officer, left on December 31st.

DIVERSIONAL THERAPY.

Leather work, e.g., handbag making, glove making, work in Perspex, embroidery on material supplied by "Penelope," has been begun during the year. The work has been impeded by the lack of a trained Occupational Therapist, but some progress has been made. The patients have learnt from those who have had already some training in other hospitals.

DENTAL TREATMENT.

January-December, 1947.

Attendances					226
Extractions			- Circles	bu'll	50
Fillings	MINIST	West.	A	V W	97
Scalings and	Dressi	ngs			128
Number mad	e Dent	tally	Fit		19
Dentures			assetting.		8
Repairs	·	2003	main	1	2

BRETBY HALL ORTHOPÆDIC HOSPITAL.

Mr. Lennane, Medical Superintendent, resigned and terminated his duties on 24th September, 1947, having obtained an appointment in New Zealand. He served the County Council for 18 years, during which time many advances took place in the treatment of orthopædic conditions. He now occupies an important post as an Orthopædic Surgeon, and I feel sure that his wide experience of orthopædics before and after coming to this County will be of considerable assistance to him in treating his patients.

The County Council was fortunate in obtaining the services of Mr. R. Lunt as his successor, and he commenced duty on September 24th, 1947. Mr. Lunt has had a wide experience in the treatment of orthopædic conditions, both of civilians and members of the Armed Forces during the war.

The Matron, Mrs. M. G. Pitstow, resigned and left the Hospital in January, 1947, and the Hospital was without a Matron until Miss F. M. Hyett's services were obtained in September, 1947. In addition, from the end of December, 1946, until April, 1947, the Hospital was without an Assistant Matron. Miss P. Broadbent came as Assistant Matron, but retired sick at the end of the year.

The staff shortage was intensified through the year 1947, and the average number of occupied beds was about 70 (50 per cent. of the available total). This is reflected in the figures seen below:—

TABLE B.1.

					Males.	Females.	Total.
No. of Patients in 31st December			midn	ight,	In trice.	remates.	1 otat.
Tubercular		***			32	23	55
Non-Tubercular		***	***		6	9	15
		-			- 75 17	The state of	-
		Total	***		38	32	70
					-	SEE FEE	-
Admissions during	1947						
Tubercular	1041.				30	23	53
Non-Tubercular					27	38	65
					-	-	
		Total			57	61	118
					2002	1	-
No. of Patients tre	atad .	during	1047				
Tubercular	arcu ·		1341.	- 1	62	46	108
Non-Tubercular					33	47	80
					100		
		Total			. 95	93	188
					10 ft 1	-	
No of Delients di		. d . d					-
No. of Patients dis Tubercular	cnarge	ea auri	ng 18		33	27	60
Non-Tubercular					26	39	65
rior raioteurar	1000	7			_	-	- 00
		Total	***	116.	59	66	125
					-	-	1

There were three deaths during the year, the causes of which are shown in the following Table:—

TABLE B.II.

Lesion.	Cause of Death.	М.	F.	Total
Tubercular Spine	 Miliary Tuberculosis	-	1	1
Tubercular Spine	 Generalised Tuberculosis	1	-	1
Tubercular Spine	 Generalised Tuberculosis	1	1	1
ALTO ACT MATERIAL		2	1	3

Average length of stay of patients :-

Tubercular Cases			179	days.
Non-Tubercular Cases	5 mins		74	39
All Cases	are coir	de Maria	136	molot

During the year the following operations were performed :-

TABLE B.III.

Exploration of Hip				2
Correction of Deform	nities			13
Manipulation				6
Stabilisation		lastigen H		7
Removal of nail				4
Amputation of toe				1
Tendon Sling				1
Bone graft				1
Skin graft				2
Mastoidotomy				1
Varicose veins				1
Tenotomy				3
T.P.F. and Wrenchin	ng			6
Incision of abscess				5
Decompression of sp	ine			.1
Stoeffels operation	THE THE	State In	(10) H	1
Osteotomy				1
Amputation of finger	r			1
Laparotomy	100			1
Biopsy of glands				2
	P. Pa			1
Des programme	Total	***		60
				-

Consulting Surgeons.—Mr. F. G. Allan visited the Hospital on eight occasions and performed 25 operations.

Mr. W. G. Rose and Mr. R. L. Flett each visited the Hospital once and performed one operation.

MASSAGE.—During the year 1947 the services of a Masseuse were available only during the first six months. Treatment was as follows:—

TABLE B.IV.

Massage		 	611
Exercises		 	1,473
Medical Electricity		 	198
Ultra-Violet Light		 	95
Radiant Heat		 	167
AND MACHINES	Total	 	2,544

X-RAYS.—388 X-rays were taken in the Hospital, and 227 films taken at the Clinics were developed here.

DENTAL WORK.—The following work was carried out by the Dental Staff:—

		TAE	BLE 'B	.V.		
Attendances					Children. 87	Adults.
Extractions					74	15
Fillings					52	54
Scalings and	Dress	ings			2	7
Dentally Fit					47	18
Dentures					Nil	2
Repairs					Nil	1
General Anæ	sthetic	s			17	Nil

SPLINT WORK.—The workshop staff was increased by the addition of a leather worker during part of the time, the work showing a corresponding improvement in quality.

FERM	The Co.	STATE OF THE OWNER, WHEN	-	VI.
		100 100	- 14	V/ I

			Hospital.	Clinics.
Calipers		 	9	24
Thomas' Bed Splints		 	4	_
Thomas' Walking Spl.	ints	 	7	6
Pattens		 	11	14
Frames		 	18	The section
Boots raised		 	15	160
Other alterations to h	poots	 	32	755
Crutches (pairs) .			8	5
K.K., Side and Doub			2	144
Other metal splints .				4
Repairs and alteration			47	102
Back Supports .		 	7	12
Miscellaneous		 	53	101
Totals .		 	213	1,327

OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

During 1947, 20 cases (16 pulmonary and four non-pulmonary) were admitted to institutions outside the Administrative County under the Council's scheme for the treatment of tuberculosis.

NURSING OF BED-RIDDEN CASES.

During the year, 132 visits were paid by the District Nurses to three cases.

EXTRA NOURISHMENT.

On the recommendation of the Tuberculosis Medical Officers, 212 patients were granted extra nourishment. The number of persons granted extra nourishment has decreased during the recent years owing, in all probability, to the increased wages earned.

SHELTERS.

Number of shelters sold during th	ne ye	ear	 2
Number in use at end of year			 23
Number in store at end of year			 8
Sets of bed and bedding supplied			 2
Shelters available but not in use			 7
Shelters available for use at Insti	tutio	ons	 10

TREATMENT ALLOWANCES FOR PERSONS SUFFERING FROM PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS (Memo. 266/T).

This Scheme, which was introduced by the Ministry of Health in 1943 with the object of providing assistance to persons suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis who fulfilled certain medical requirements and who had to give up remunerative work in order to undergo treatment recommended by the Tuberculosis Medical Officers, was explained in some detail in the Annual Report for 1944. Briefly the scheme provided for three classes of payment, as follows:—

- (i) Maintenance Allowances based on a standard scale and without any test of means.
- (ii) Discretionary Allowances, on proof of need, towards meeting standing charges—such as high rent or rates, hire purchase instalments, insurance premiums and school fees—in cases where the patient would be unable to meet these liabilities.
- (iii) Special payments to meet special circumstances.

The following is a summary of the cases dealt with under the scheme during 1947:—

TABLE XXVII.

Number of persons in receipt of allowances on 1st January, 1947 125
Number of cases pending investigation on 1st January, 1947 22
Number of applications received during the year 122
Number of new cases granted allowances during the year 112
Number of applications disallowed or grants discontinued 110
Number of persons in receipt of allowances on 31st December, 1947 145
Number of applications pending investigation on 31st December, 1947 14

DISCRETIONARY ALLOWANCES.

Grants were made in 49 cases to enable payments to be maintained on life assurance premiums and hire purchase agreements in respect of furniture.

SPECIAL PAYMENTS.

Payments in the form of pocket money, were granted to 25 patients, who were undergoing approved treatment in an Institution, and who had no income.

EXPENDITURE ON THE SCHEME.

The expenditure during the year ended 31st March, 1948, which is repayable to the County Council by the Ministry of Health, was as follows:—

		£
Maintenance Allowances	 	 10,759
Discretionary Allowances	 	 725
Special Payments	 	 150
Total	 	 £11,634

BLIND PERSONS ACTS, 1920 AND 1938.

Seventy-three persons were registered as blind during the year and, in addition, 21 persons, who were already registered as blind, transferred into the county from other areas.

90 blind persons were reported as having died during the year, 26 transferred to other areas, and eight were certified as being no longer blind within the meaning of the Blind Persons Acts.

At the end of 1947 there were 974 blind persons on the register, 499 being males and 475 females.

The total cost of domiciliary financial assistance granted by the County Council during the year ended 31st March, 1948, was £23,055 0s. 0d., and on that date there were 600 blind persons in receipt of such assistance.

The following Table shows the number of registered blind persons, arranged in age groups over a period of years.

TABLE XXVIII.

NUMBER OF REGISTERED BLIND PERSONS.

Year.	Age Period 0-5	Age Period 5-16	Age Period 16-21	Age Period 21-40	Age Period 40-50	Age Period 50-70	Age Period 70-	Total.
March 31st, 1938	2	18	22	95	96	442	388	1,063
1939	3	13	25	104	104	458	368	1,075
1940	3	14	25	104	95	468	369	1,078
1941	1	10	31	97	102	441	451	1,133
1944	3	11	10	94	99	400	438	1,055
1945	3	11	9	95	100	400	408	1,026
1946	1	17	9	92	90	338	479	1,026
1947	14-	17	10	94	87	332	462	1,00
1948	3	16	10	91	81	317	456	97

The Tables in Appendix II. are copies of the statistics required by the Southern Regional Association for the Blind, showing the position of the blind persons on the 31st March, 1948.

SUMMARY OF WORK DONE BY HEALTH VISITORS DURING 1947.

TABLE XXIX.

1. MATERNITY AND CHILD WE	ELFARE.
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	(a)	Ante-Natal Clinics:— Number of Sessions Attendances:—		927
		Ante-Natal Post-Natal	19,578	19,715
	(b)	Visits to Homes:— Expectant Mothers:— First Visits Subsequent Visits	742 573	1,315
		Infants:— First Visits Other Visits (under 1 year) Visits to Children (1 to 5 year		
	(c)	Infant Welfare Centres:— Number of Sessions		2,805
		Attendances:— Expectant Mothers Infants under 1 year Children over 1 year	135 53,447 16,615	2,000
			110,010	70,197
	(d) (e) (f)	Child Life Protection Visits Boarded-out Visits Mothercraft—Number of Lectures		369 1,052 50
2.	TUB	ERCULOSIS DISPENSARIES,		
		Number of Sessions attended Number of Visits to Homes		1,023 2,805
3.	Miso	cellaneous Visits	11 2.1	1,544

4. SCHOOL NURSING SERVICE.

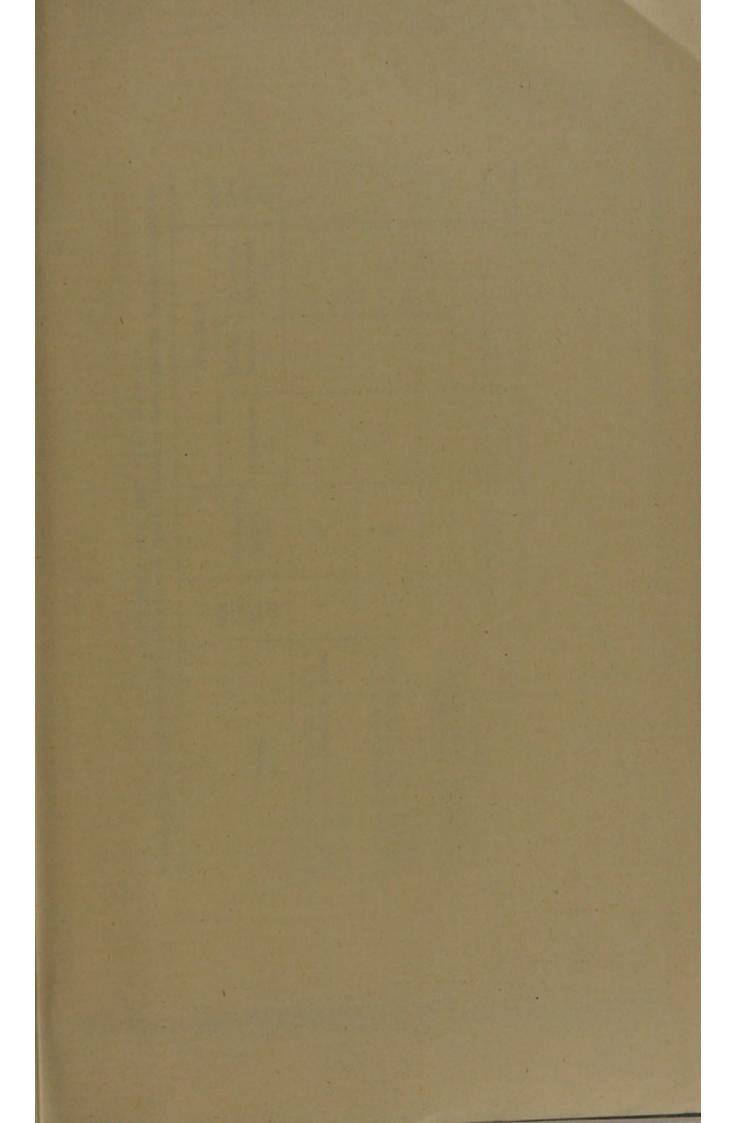
Every Health Visitor in this County is also a School Nurse and has, therefore, carried out a great deal of work in addition to that enumerated above in connection with School Medical Inspections at both primary and secondary schools, examinations of children in schools for verminous conditions, and the following up of cases referred for treatment or observation.

TABLE XXX.

Oases of Notifiable Diseases notified during 1947

as reported by the Local Medical Officers of Health.
(Civilians only)

	Tuber	culosis	1 3	1		-		1	7	-	-
Urban Districts.	Pulmo- nary.	Other.	Small-Pox.	Scarlet Fever.	Diphtheria	Typhoid Fever.	Puerperal Pyrexia.	Cerebro- Spinal Fever.	Erysipelas.	Ophth. Neon.	Enceph.
Alfreton	10 4 1 8 6 10 42 2 3 13 14 19 19 5 3 10 6 14 	3 2 1 1 4 3 2 1 6 3 5 4 5 1 1 1 3 2 1		10 6 3 11 31 9 172 6 2 12 60 33 32 9 2 13 42 55 9	4 	1 1 4	1 1 1 2 20 - 2 6 1 - 1 - 1 - 1	- - 1 1 2 - - 1 1 1 - - - - - - - - - -	2 4 -1 1 3 14 -2 6 4 2 2 2 -1 1 2	- - - 1 - 2 1 - - 2 - - 2 - - 2	
Urban Districts	192	48	-	521	43	6	40	12	45	9	-
Rural Districts	Pulmo- nary.	other.	Small-Pox.	Scarlet Fever.	Diphtheria	Typhoid Fever.	Puerperal Pyrexia.	Cerebro- Spinal Fever.	Erysipelas.	Ophth. Neon.	Enceph.
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Whole County	374	100	V 19	.975	72	7	54	18	105	11	-



LIBRARY

FACTORIES ACT, 1937 Part 1 of the Act
1—Inspections for purposes of Provisions as to Health (including those made by Sanitary Inspectors).

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Premises (1)	M/c. Line No. (2)	Number on Register (3)	Inspections (4)	Written Notices (5)	Occupiers Prosecuted (6)	M/c Line No. (7)
Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	1	27	25	1		1
Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	2	66	63	-100		2
Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority (exclud- ing out-worker's premises).	3	3		1 100		3
TOTAL		96	63	7	Towns or the	

2-Cases in which Defects were found.

(If defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more "cases".)

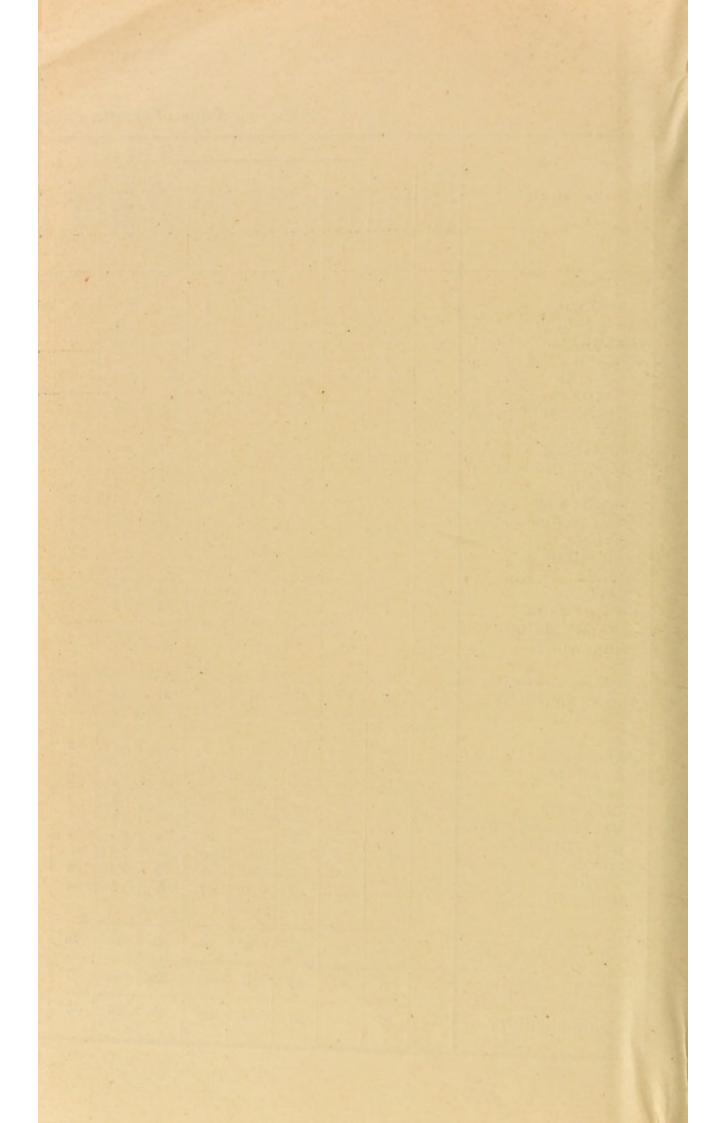
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Particulars	M/c Line	the substitute	and others	Re	ferred	prosecutions were	M/c Line
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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Want of Cleanliness (S.1)	4		-	-04	_	- Louis T	4
Overcrowding (S.2)	5	-	-	-10	_	(7	5
Unreasonable temperature			1		1		
(S,3)	6	-	-	_	14-4	HOOR CHANN DI	6
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	7	2	-	_	1000	10 10 TO 10	7
Ineffective drainage of floors						1	- Colones
(S.6)	8	_	-	-	plantage are set of	a Padrolani con	8
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)		13.0	The same		TAX TAX	the section of the	The same of
(a) Insufficient	9	2	2	-	1	-	9
Unsuitable or Defective	10	3	3	-	-	_	10
(c) Not separate for both sexes	11	-	-	-		plife - com	11
Other offences against the Act (not) including offences relating to Outwork.	12	-	_	-	- 1-1-1	And Trapping	12
TOTAL	60	5	5		1	_	60

COUNTY OF DERBY.

Appendix I.

Table of Deaths during the year 1947 in each of the Sanitary Districts, Classified according to Diseases.

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DISTRICTS.	Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers.	Cerebro Spinal Fever.	Scarlet Fever.	Whooping Cough.	Diphtheria.	Tuberculosis of Respira- tory System.	Other Forms of Tuberculosis	Syphilitie Discases.	Influenza,	Meades.	Acute Polis- myclitis and Pelio-morphalitis	Acute Infectious Rocephalitis.	Cancer.	Diabetes.	Intra-cranial vascular	Heart Dicease,	Other Diseases of Circulatory System.	Bronchitis.	Paramonia	Other Respiratory Diseases.	Uter of Stomsteh or Duodenum.	Diarrhoes, (under 2 yrs.)	Appendicitis.	Other Digestive Diseases.	Nephritis.	Post-abortion Sepsis.	Other Maternal Causes.	Premature Birth.	Congenital Malor- mation, birth Injury, Infançüe Diseases.	Suicide,	Road Traffic Accidents.	Other Violent Camer	All	All Causes.
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RURAL DISTRICTS	-	2	-	5	-1	97	19	13	30	4	6	6	450	24	379	972	100	159	131	52	22	29	11	71	74	1	10	71	83	43	44	72	339	3,319
URBAN DISTRICTS	-	.5	-	12	3	105	21	13	27	7	7	1	603	45	513	1108	156	231	164	51	21	24	8	91	106	2	3	64	133	37	35	84	350	4,070
WHOLE COUNTY	-	7		17	4	202	40	26	57	11	13	6	1053	69	892	2080	256	390	295	103	53	53	19	162	180	3	13	135	216	80	79	156	719	7,389



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		Agents, Collectors, etc.	Basket Workers	Mattress Makers	Machinists Ochunists	Tomans stering leaves	Boot Repairers	Braille Copyists and Proof Readers	Brush Makers	Carpenters and Woodworkers	Chair Seaters	Clerks and Typists	Coal Bac Makers	8, N. S.	Shopkeepers	Gardeners	Hawkers, News,	vendors, etc.		Band	Machine	Labourers	dassage	Mat Makers	Ministers of Religion	Musicians and Music Teachers	Netting Makers	Porters, Packors, Cleanors	Poultry Farmers	School Teachers	Ships Fender (Fendoff) Makers	Telephone Operators	libers	Weavers	Miscellaneous	In Sighted Industry	TOTAL
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(b) In approved Workers' Scho	d Honsemes	10	3	-	-	-	7	-	_	_	1	_	-		-	-				_	9		_	_		_		-		-		-	- 6	-	-	-	6
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