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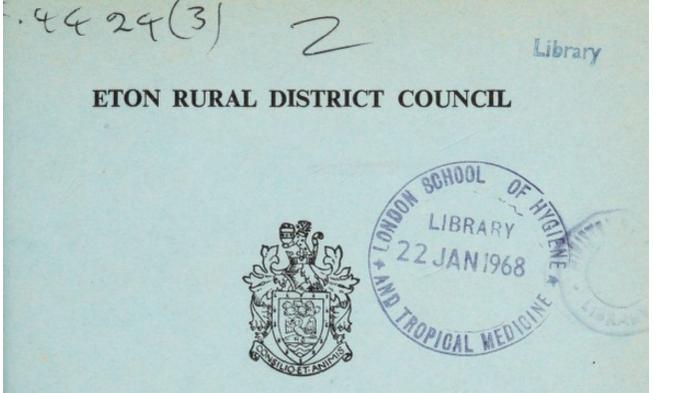
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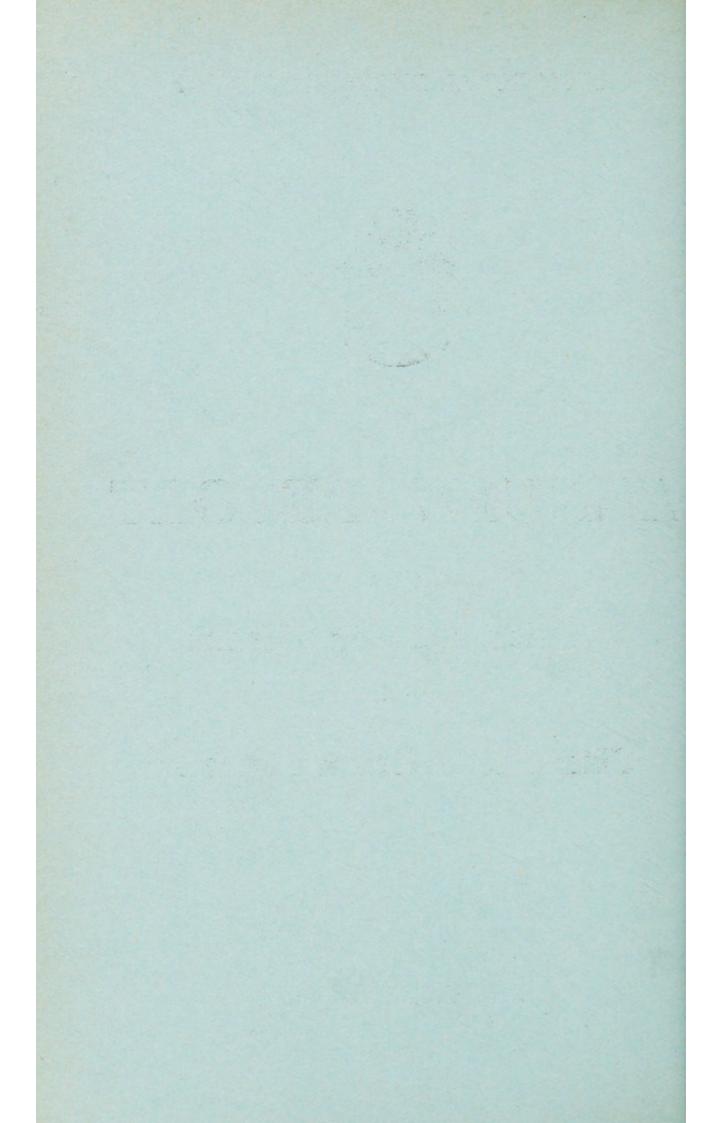
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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

For the Year 1964

To the Chairman and Members of the Council:

MR. CHAIRMAN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I have pleasure in submitting herewith my annual report for 1964.

The statistics show that the population of the district increased by 780 while the total live births and total deaths both fell slightly. Although the total deaths of infants under one year of age remains at 20 which is the same as last year the infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births has increased from 16.8 last year to 17.1 this year. In this case the actual figure is of more importance than the calculated rate.

The year 1964 is one during which most members of the public became at least temporarily very conscious of the subject of food hygiene and as the subject is one of such importance I should like to comment on it. Unfortunately it usually takes some sort of disaster somewhere in the country to bring about this awareness and again unfortunately the effects are not sufficiently lasting. An outbreak of disease a long distance from our district had its repercussions here and for months every member of our department was on the alert and engaged in some way in checking up on the purity of foods and cleanliness of premises or the reliability from the health point of view of food handlers. A long warm summer made this all the more necessary and although our efforts appear to have been rewarded by the prevention of any major incident the impression gained on reflecting is that there is still room for improvement regarding the standards of food hygiene generally. The Press has quite rightly drawn attention on occasions to certain defects, e.g. that too much food lies unwrapped on counters to be picked up by assistants whose hands, clothing and hair may be none too clean. Also it has been pointed out that while food handlers are strictly forbidden to smoke while handling unwrapped foods,

customers are permitted to smoke as much as they wish in food shops. Further, although the management of all food shops is encouraged to debar dogs on the grounds of hygiene by displaying suitable notices, cats are frequently seen sitting on shop counters or basking in the sun in shop windows among goods on display, while flies crawling on rashers of bacon in shop windows is something that everyone has seen. It is things such as these that discredit our efforts to achieve better standards and the public themselves could play a very important part in rectifying such defects. From the point of view of many people public health legislation is too permissive and should be more definite and precise, e.g. food handlers are required to keep themselves and their clothing as clean as may be reasonably practicable. This, it is argued leaves too much to the individual judgement and too much latitude as to what is practicable or even acceptable in varying circumstances. Again it is noticed that machines such as slicers must be clean but they need not be sterilized, and this leads me to another point which I must mention. Investigation of outbreaks of disease have revealed some important factors in their causation and one such established factor is that a primarily infected article may contaminate equipment and lead to secondary infection of other food products. This is a factor which I am sure has become inculcate in the minds of most Medical Officers of Health as the result of advice on the subject by the Minister of Health in his Memorandum 188. Med. 1958. This sounds all very elementary but in practice how often are these principles observed? Among other important factors in the causation of food poisoning we must remember in the course of our investigations that a foodstuff or one of its ingredients may be primarily infected and the infection may survive the cooking or other preparation of the food. The amount of noxious material which survives cooking may be so small that no harm would result from immediate consumption but delay in consumption, inappropriate storage, including misuse of refrigeration, and bad handling can lead to such growth of organisms sometimes with the formation of enterotoxin, that disease would almost certainly follow. An infection introduced by food handlers can survive and multiply in such products as cream, imitation cream, custard and table sweets, cold meat, meat products, soups and gravies. These foods can easily become dangerous under certain conditions of domestic storage although they would remain sound and comparatively free of risk if stored under ideal conditions in well equipped premises.

The Public Health Inspectors have found many bad foods during the year in the course of their duties and it is by taking samples and following these cases up promptly and taking appropriate action against the vendors of such foods that outbreaks of the disease have been prevented. The Food and Drugs Act, 1955, does not give power to Local Authorities to order a temporary closing of food premises to prevent the sale of food which may be infected. Powers are available to stop the sale of suspected food under the Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations, 1953 to require the exclusion from work of food handlers who are suffering from or are known carriers of certain food poisoning organisms.

The keen interest of our department in the subject of food hygiene led me once again to report in my annual report for 1963 on the subject of Public Health Laboratory Services. In a previous year I had also reported on this and commented that it was rather unsatisfactory from our point of view. In the 1963 report my comments were similar and I pointed out more precisely where our difficulties lay. In this district we are almost equidistant from 2 or 3 laboratories and the difficulty of collecting specimens and getting them to the Laboratory the same day has often presented us with a great problem and has sometimes precluded us from getting samples from ice-cream vans during the later part of the afternoon when they are most active. The whole problem was considered by the Council and in co-operation with several surrounding Authorities who gave full support an effort was made to get a small branch laboratory established somewhere locally even if it had to be linked with the laboratory service at the new Wexham Hospital now being built. We were anxious to have a service more accessible and if possible one which could deal with cooked meats etc., which we have long felt was one of the main dangers during the summer months. At length however after the matter had been duly considered at top level we were informed that no improvement could be anticipated as it would not be practicable to establish another laboratory in this area. Therefore we are now back where we started and have had to resolve (reluctantly) to use private cars or Council cars as necessary to convey specimens to the Reading Laboratory. I think it would be fair to mention that we were at no time dissatisfied with the quality of the service at Reading Laboratory and that our difficulties arose mainly from our geographical position.

During the year the subject of Health Education has occupied our minds following the stimulus of the Report of the Joint Committee of the Central and Scottish Health Services Council on this subject. The development of "health sense" is not in the first instance a matter of learning factual data but is much rather a matter of developing subconscious attitudes and the time for this is the early years of childhood. In fact, pre-school life and Primary School is probably the opportune time for this attitude to be founded. A child's formation of subconscious attitudes develops rapidly during the first few months of life and it is believed by many people to have reached its peak before the age of five. Social training in infancy is health education in its early stages. The influence of parents at this early stage of health education is obviously paramount and the home environment can have a profound and lasting influence on the subsequent development of this attitude. The influence however is not confined to the home but extends throughout school life. If a school child comes from a good home the influence of the school will reinforce that of the parents, but in the course of our work we have encountered unsatisfactory homes and then the school has a difficult and delicate task to perform so far as this

subject is concerned. A planned programme of health education should not be aimed only at schools but must include all the available. opportunities of working with and through the parents. In this sphere the School Nurse/Health Visitor is part of the health education team. The School Nurse/Health Visitor visits the homes to advise on child care and nursing and also meets parents at the Maternity and Child Welfare Clinics. She is able to follow a child's life from infancy right through his school career. Her specialised training is nowadays more and more designed to teach others the basic and essential factors of health. It is the health visitor working in co-operation with the Health Education Organiser who is specially trained in this subject who will be the hub of any team for developing this work. During recent months the Chief Public Health Inspector and his deputy have both helped in this field of work by giving talks to one or two senior schools and I arranged for the Health Education Organiser to give some instruction on the National Health Service at a Comprehensive School. addition we have continued throughout the year to further our efforts by distributing propaganda posters to those who have the facilities to display them.

During the year a number of cases of aged persons living in unsatisfactory conditions have been brought to my notice and happily I have been able to help in some way in most cases even if my duties in this respect amount to nothing more than a liaison officer. It has not been necessary in any case to invoke Section 47 of the National Assistance Act 1948 which I am sure is a matter of great relief not only to the suffering patient but to our department and myself as I for one have no longer any faith in the value of this section. The Welfare Services do a great deal to help these aged persons and to make it possible for them to remain at home instead of going into institutions. Many have to accept institutional care but this should in all cases be accepted voluntarily by the person concerned. The only exception to this is of course those who are no longer capable of deciding for themselves. As regards our local Home Help Services I am led to believe that it is much too expensive for many old people to accept. The information passed to me from time to time would indicate that there must be something wrong with the scale of charges. The service in the opinion of many people should be free to all old age pensioners who can produce a medical certificate to confirm that it is required because of a medical condition or due simply to age and infirmity and this should not be subject to a means test which appears to be the case at present.

The early detection of cancer of the uterus is a subject on which the Minister of Health has been advised by his Standing Advisory Committee and it has been recommended that the provision of cytological facilities in hospital pathology departments should be accelerated. It is further advised that for the present, expansion of the cytology services should be organised to meet the needs of hospital clinics and of general practitioners. The Minister has asked the Regional Hospital Boards to treat this service as one of recognised importance for the future and to decide the degree of priority to be given to hospital cytology services. It is the intention that the service should ultimately provide for the examination of all women between the ages of 35 to 60 at five yearly intervals and also provide facilities for all gynaecological out-patients. This Council was asked by a neighbouring authority to support their efforts to get a better service at their local general hospital which also serves this district. Our Council rightly gave full support but eventually we were informed that financial considerations precluded any immediate improvement, and later it was pointed out that the difficulty of getting properly trained staff for this specialised work would undoubtedly be a further cause of delay.

The support we have always received from Members in all matters of public health is greatly appreciated, and I wish to thank the staff of the department who have worked hard and shown keen interest in maintaining our present high standard.

I am,

Your obedient servant,

G. M. HOBBIN, Medical Officer of Health

SECTION 1

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area (Land and Inland Water) Number of inhabited houses Rateable value Product of Penny Rate 1963/64 Population (Registrar General's es year 1964)		20,013 £4,259 £17,47	9,042 72
VITAL ST	ATISTICS		
Live Births	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	590	531	1,121
Illegitimate	30	22	52
	620	553	1,173
Live birth rate per 1,000 popu	ulation		16.7
National rate			18.4
Comparability Factor			0.93
Illegitimate live births per cen	t of total liv	e births	4.43
Still Births	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	7	8	15
Illegitimate	i	1	2
	8	9	17
Still birth rate per 1,000 total	births .		14.29
Still birth rate per 1,000 popu			0.24
National rate per 1,000 total			16.3
Total live and still births			1,190
Infant Mortality (Deaths of Infant			
	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	1	12	19
Illegitimate	I	-	1
	8	12	20
Infant Mortality Rate per 1,0 Legitimate infant deaths per 1 Illegitimate infant deaths per 1 National Rate	,000 legitima	te live births	

		Male	Female	Tota
Legitimate		6	11	11
Illegitimate		1	-]
		7	11	18
Neo-Natal Mortality F	Rate per 1	,000 live bi	irths .	. 15.3
Early Neo-Natal Mortality	(Deaths o	of Infants u	nder 1 week)
		Male	Female	Tota
Legitimate		5	10	15
Illegitimate		-	-	
		5	10	15
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		s and death		
Peri-Natal Mortality Rate (Number of stillbirths a Peri-Natal Mortality I births	and death	s and death	s under 1 we live and stil	eek) . 32
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CAUSES OF DEATH in the Eton Rural District during 1964

Male Female Total

		and three	r contaite	10141
Tuberculosis, respiratory		-		-
		-	-	_
Syphilitic disease		1	-	1
Diphtheria		-	-	-
			-	-
		-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis		-	-	-
Measles		1000 L	1000-000	-
Other infective and parasitic diseases	S	1	_	1
		2	6	8
	S	29	6	35
		1	13	14
		-	4	4
		29	36	65
Leukaemia, aleukaemia		1	-	1
D' I		2	2	4
		29	37	66
				116
			1	4
		23	26	49
		11	11	22
T O		1	-	1
		15	19	34
D 11:1		10	11	21
		1		1
		3	_	3
		_	2	3 2 5
		4	1	5
		1	-	1
			1	1
		3	1	4
			23	42
				16
		7	6	13
~		4	1	5
		-	1	-
All Causes: Totals:		284	255	539
	Tuberculosis, other	Tuberculosis, other Syphilitic disease Diphtheria Whooping Cough Meningococcal Infections Acute Poliomyelitis Measles Other infective and parasitic diseases Malignant neoplasm, stomach Malignant neoplasm, breast Malignant neoplasm, uterus Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasm plasm Leukaemia, aleukaemia Diabetes Vascular lesions of nervous system Coronary disease, angina Hypertension with heart disease Other circulatory disease Influenza Pneumonia Bronchitis Other diseases of respiratory system Ulcer of stomach and duodenum Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea Nephritis and nephrosis Hyperplasia of prostate Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion Congenital malformations Other defined and ill defined diseases Motor vehicle accidents All other accidents All other accidents <	Tuberculosis, other-Syphilitic disease1Diphtheria-Whooping Cough-Meningococcal Infections-Meningococcal Infections-Acute Poliomyelitis-Measles-Other infective and parasitic diseases1Malignant neoplasm, stomach2Malignant neoplasm, breast1Malignant neoplasm, breast1Malignant neoplasm, uterus-Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasm29Leukaemia, aleukaemia1Diabetes-Vascular lesions of nervous system29Coronary disease, angina-Other heart disease3Other circulatory disease11Influenza1Pneumonia15Bronchitis10Other diseases of respiratory system1Ulcer of stomach and duodenum3Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea-Nephritis and nephrosis4Hyperplasia of prostate1Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion-Congenital malformations3Other defined and ill defined diseases10All other accidents10All other accidents7Suicide-4Homicide and operations of war-	Tuberculosis, otherSyphilitic disease1-DiphtheriaMeningococcal InfectionsMeningococcal InfectionsAcute PoliomyelitisMeaslesOther infective and parasitic diseases1-Malignant neoplasm, stomach26Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus296Malignant neoplasm, breast113Malignant neoplasm, uterusQother malignant and lymphatic neoplasm22Vascular lesions of nervous system2936Leukaemia, aleukaemia1-Diabetes22Vascular lesions of nervous system2937Coronary disease, angina7442Hypertension with heart disease31Other circulatory disease1111Influenza1-Pneumonia1519Bronchitis1011Other diseases of respiratory system1-Ulcer of stomach and duodenum3-Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea-2Nephritis and nephrosis41Hyperplasia of prostate1-Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion-1Congenital malformations31Other defined and ill defined diseases1923Motor vehicle accidents-4Hyperplasia of porsta

TABLE I

Deaths and Death Rates per 1,000 Population from Principal Causes 1960-1964

AND CONTRACT ON THE		19	0961	19	1961	19	1962	19	1963	19	1964
Disease		No. of deaths	Death rate								
T.B. Respiratory	:	3	0.05	2	0.03	3	0.04	5	0.02	I	1
Malignant diseases of all types .	:	127	1.98	125	1.87	127	1.76	140	2.01	126	1.79
Diseases of heart-all types	:	180	2.81	190	2.84	220	3.25	190	2.74	169	2.41
Pneumonia	:	30	0.48	21	0.31	34	0.49	29	0.40	34	0.48
Bronchitis	:	21	0.33	18	0.27	27	0.38	19	0.27	21	0.30
Suicide	:	2	0.03	4	0.05	10	0.14	5	0.07	5	0.07
Diabetes	:	5	0.05	I	I	3	0.04	5	0.07	4	0.06
Vascular lesions of the nervous system	ystem	63	0.99	75	1.09	67	0.098	76	1.09	99	0.94

TABLE II

Comparison of Local and National Birth Rates, Death Rates and Infant Mortality Rates from 1954-1964

Year		per 1,000	Birth Rates per 1,000 Population	1	Death per 1,000	Death Rates per 1,000 Population	In. (i.)	fant Mor e. under 1 per 1,000	Infant Mortality Rates (i.e. under 1 year of age) per 1,000 Live Births
	Eton Ru	Eton Rural District	England and Wales	Eton Rural District	District	England and Wales	Eton Rural District	District	England and Wales
1954	16.8	(732)	15.2	8.9	(405)	11.3	27.2	(20)	25.5
1955	16.2	(269)	15.0	9.24	(436)	11.7	26.0	(20)	24.0
1956	18.5	(931)	15.7	8.6	(435)	11.7	22.6	(21)	23.8
1957	18.6	(966)	16.1	9.4	(502)	11.5	25.1	(25)	23.0
1958	17.6	(6001)	16.4	8.5	(485)	11.7	15.9	(16)	22.5
1959	19.5	(1189)	16.5	8.1	(491)	11.6	24.4	(29)	22.0
1960	18.5	(1186)	17.1	8.5	(546)	11.5	22.8	(27)	21.7
1961	17.3	(1157)	17.4	7.9	(528)	12.0	19.0	(22)	21.4
1962	18.4	(1261)	18.0	8.7	(296)	11.9	23.8	(30)	21.4
1963	17.2	(1191)	18.2	8.8	(613)	12.2	16.8	(20)	20.9
1964	16.7	(1173)	18.4	7.7	(539)	11.3	17.1	(20)	20.0

NOTE: The actual numbers are given in parenthesis for the purpose of clearer comparison.

TABLE III

Causes of Death of all Infants under 1 year of age, and Analysis of Age at Death

(From local returns before correction to place or residence)

1	Cause		0-1 day	1-7 days	1-4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	4 weeks- 3 months	3–6 months	6–9 months	9–12 months	Total under 1 year
15	Pneumonia	:	I	I	2	2	I	1	I	I	3
0	Congenital Malformations	:	I	1	1	1	I	1	1	1	-
E .	Prematurity	:	25	4	1	29	1	I	I	I	29
0	Other developmental conditions	:	1	T	I	I	1	1	1	L	I
-	All other causes	:	I	1	5	3	1	I	I	3	7
1	Totals	:	25	6	4	35	1	-	1	3	40

SECTION II TUBERCULOSIS - TABLE IV

				1	Vew Cases an	New Cases and Hospital Admissions	Imissions			
Age Periods			Pulmonary			Non-Pu	Non-Pulmonary		Number	Number Admitted to Hospital
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Combined Totals	New Cases	Previously Notified
0- 1 year	:	1	1	1	1	I	I	I	I	I
1- 5 years	:	-	1	1	I	I	I	-	I	1
5-15 years	:	-	1	1	I	1	I	Ι	1	I
15-25 years	:	2	1	3	I	I	I	3	I	1
25-35 years	:	-	-	2	I	Ι	-	3	7	1
35-45 years	:	1	I	2	I	I	I	2	1	I
45-55 years	:	1	I	1	I	I	1	1	I	1
55-65 years	:	I	I	2	I	I	10 2000	2	5	I
65 and over	:	1	1	1	-	1	1.	1	I	1
Totals	:	7	4	П	1	-	-	12	4	2

NOTIFICATION REGISTER - TABLE V

1966 30710		Pulmonary			Non-Pulmonary	ry	Combined
1967	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Totals
Number on register at 1st January, 1964	43	48	16	89	75	164	255
Number entered by Primary Notification	7	4	II	1	1	1	12
Number entered other than by Primary Notification	13	9	19	1	1	I	19
Number removed from register due to:-							
(a) Death	1	1	1	I	1	1	1
(b) Removal from district	9	4	10	ī	I		10
(c) Denotification	21	20	41	61	52	113	154
Number on register at 31.12.64	35	34	69	28	24	52	121

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MORTALITY - TABLE VI

Comparison of Deaths from Tuberculosis during 1964 with Previous Years

Von	Donulation		Pulmonary			Non-Futmonary	<i>Y</i>	Combined	Death Kate per
	uoimmdo r	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Totals	1,000 Fopmation
1954	45,240	-	1	1	1	-	-	2	0.44
1955	47,190	I	I	I	I	I	I	1	ĩ
1956	50,460	Ι	2	3	1	I	I	4	0.08
1957	53,500	3	ł	3	1	1	1	3	0.05
1958	57,300	2	1	3	1	I	I	3	0.05
1959	60,920	4	I	5	1	I	I	5	0.08
1960	63,960	3	I	3	1	I	1	3	0.05
1961	66,840	1	-	2	1	I	1	2	0.03
1962	68,630	3	I	3	1	I	I	3	0.04
1963	69,330	7	1	2	I	I	I	2	0.03
1964	70,110	I	1	I	I	I	1	1	I

Site of Infection - Glands of Neck

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SECTION III

PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY SERVICE

During the year the following samples and specimens were sent to the Public Health Laboratory.

Water		 	 	206
Ice Cream		 	 	84 (including lollies)
Faeces		 	 	53
Urine		 	 	1
Nasal swat	os	 	 	2
Throat swa	ıbs	 	 	4

Authentication of International Certificates Number of certificates authenticated	 	 170
Staff Examinations Number of staff medically examined	 	 73

SECTION IV

TABLE VII

Prevalence of Notifiable Diseases Showing cases notified during 1964, numbers admitted to hospitals and deaths.

Also notifications 1954 - 1963.

Disease	Cases	Cases Admitted Deaths	Deaths					Notifications	tions				
	1964	Hospital		1963	1962	1961	1960	1959	1958	1957	1956	1955	1954
Dysentery	9	1	1	10	10	12	4	3	5	9	10	14	8
Erysipelas	1	I	I	1	1	2	4	3	-	5	4	2	4
Food Poisoning	9	1	I	I	1	2	4	9	9	6	14	9	2
Measles	172	5	1	796	172	1,352	27	1,003	126	663	12	711	29
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	9	9	I	Г	1	1	7	4	2	1	F	1	1
Pneumonia	4	2	34	14	14	6	4	27	22	19	19	26	33
Puerperal Pyrexia	39	39	I	32	47	53	79	68	80	92	<i>LL</i>	57	42
Scarlet Fever	19	2	1	19	5	17	84	102	44	39	18	28	39
Tuberculosis (Pulmonary)	Ξ	4	1	18	17	31	22	27	26	26	30	32	23
(Non-Pulmonary)	Ι	1	I	1	2	6	Ш	3	7	9	7	9	5
Whooping Cough	36	I	I	27	16	30	8	32	96	53	43	32	72

TABLE VIII

Analysis of Notifiable Diseases in Age Groups

Disaasa					Ages i	n Years o	Ages in Years of Cases Notified	otified				
Disease	Under 1 year	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-10	10-15	15-25	25-35	35-45	45-65	Over 65
Dysentery	I	1	I	I	I	3	e	1	1	I	I	1
Erysipelas	I	I	T	1	1	1	I	1	1	1	-	1
Food Poisoning	-	ī	-	i -	I	-	I	I	1	1	3	I
Measles	7	13	14	21	24	83	2	4	4	I	I	I
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	9	I	ı	I	ľ	I	F	I	I	I	I	I
Pneumonia	ı	1	I	I	1	I	I	I	I	ſ	4	I
Puerperal Pyrexia	r	I	I	I	i.	í.	I	12	25	2	I	L
Scarlet Fever	1	I	-	3	3	10	2	I	ı	I	1	I
Whooping Cough	9	I	2	7	4	6	4	3	I	1	I	I

N.B.--Tuberculosis is shown in a separate table.

TABLE IX

Showing Monthly Incidence of Notifiable Diseases

Disease	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Dysentery	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	-	I
Erysipelas	1	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
Food Poisoning	I	1	1	I	1.	1	i	4	I	T	-	I
Measles	7	19	17	24	3	8	12	18	5	1	13	48
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	I	2	1	I	-	1	I	I	Ι	1	I	I
Pneumonia	1	1	2	1	I	I	I	1	1	1	1	I
Puerperal Pyrexia	7	4	3	5	-	4	1	5	I	3	4	5
Scarlet Fever	2	2	1	I	1	1	2	1	1	1	3	5
Tuberculosis (Pulmonary)	1	I	I	2	1	I	1	1	1	1	ю	1
Tuberculosis (Non-Pulmonary)	I	1	1	1	1	I	1	1	1	I	1	1
Whooping Cough	2	3	1	8	2	9	6	3	ю	I	2	4

TABLE X

Showing Cases of Notifiable Diseases occurring in each Parish

Disease	Burn- ham	Datchet	Datchet Denham	Dorney Royal	Farnham Royal	Fulmer	Gerrards Hedger- Cross ley	Hedger- ley	Horton	Iver	Stoke Poges	Taplow	Wexham	Wrays- bury
Dysentery	I	I	5	1	1	1	I	1	1	1	I	I	1	I.
Erysipelas	I	I	1	1	I	1	I	1	I	1	I	I	1	ı
Food Poisoning	I	I	4	ı	I	I	I	1	I	I	I	2	I	1
Measles	102	9	20	I	1	1	23	2	1	9	з	5	2	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	I	I	I	ī	\$	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	ı
Pneumonia	I	1	I	1	1	1	1	I	I	4	I	I	I	1
Puerperal Pyrexia	I	ı	1	1	31	I	I	1	1	I	I	~	L	1
Scarlet Fever	ю	1	4	I	I	L	I	1	I	9	1	3	3	ī
Tuberculosis (Pulmonary)	7	I	I	I	1	I	1	I	1	ŝ	5	I	6	I
Tuberculosis (Non-Pulmonary)	1	I	I	I	1	I	I	I	I	1	I	I	I	ı
Whooping Cough	10	I	2	1	I	I	6	1	1	15	I	I	1	ı

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∞	1	1	1	1	I	-	5	2	1	-	-	1	1	I	I	I	I	Jiphtheria	Primary Diphtheria
Total	15+	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1963 1962 1961 1960	1962	1963	1964	Year of Birth	Ye

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SECTION V

WATER

The following details have been supplied by the Water Undertakings:-

The Burnham, Dorney and Hitcham Waterworks Co. Ltd.

Mains laid-

Clonmel Site, Gore Road, Burnham	112 yds. of 3-in.
	666 yds. of 4-in.
Minnicroft, Gore Road, Burnham	18 yds. of 4-in.
Vicarage Site, Burnham	324 yds. of 4-in.
Long Drive, Stage 2, Dropmore Road,	
Burnham	261 yds. of 4-in.
Off Kingsway, Farnham Common	86 yds. of 3-in.
Langtons Cottage, Templewood Lane,	-
Farnham Common	100 yds. of 3-in.
Penns Folly, Church Road, Taplow	194 yds. of 4-in.
School, Rectory Road, Taplow	80 yds. of 3-in.
Recreation Ground Site, Burnham	619 yds. of 4-in.
Sospel Site, Beaconsfield Road, Farm	
Royal	232 yds. of 4-in.
Mead Farm Site, Farnham Common	99 yds. of 3-in.

In addition 396 yds. of 12-in. trunk main was laid in Taplow.

An ample supply of water has been maintained throughout the year, 546 million gallons having been consumed.

The treatment consists of super-chlorination to 0.5 ppm for 30 minutes and dechlorination automatically controlled to leave a residual of 0.15 ppm.

If the final chlorination residual exceeds 0.4 ppm or falls to 0.02 ppm the whole station automatically closes down.

BACTERIOLOGICAL AND CHEMICAL ANALYSIS OF WATER

CHEMICAL RESULTS IN PARTS PER MILLION (Mg./L)

Appearance: Bright with a f		Turbidity (A.P.H.A. units): less tl	
	Nil	Odour:	Nil
	7.3	Free Carbon Dioxide:	24
Electric Conductivity:	580	Dissolved Solids dried at	
Reciprocal Megohms per cm		180°C.:	390
Chlorine present as Chloride:	30	Alkalinity as Calcium Carbonate:	245

Hardness: Total:	310	Carbonate:	245
Nitrate Nitrogen:	5.8	Non-carbonate:	65
Ammoniacal Nitrogen	* 0.01	Nitrite Nitrogen:	Absent
Albuminoid Nitrogen:		Oxygen Absorbed:	0.10
Metals: Iron, Zinc,		Residual Chlorine:	0.03
Copper, Lead:	Absent		

* to convert to Ammonia multiply by 1.21

BACTERIOLOGICAL RESULTS

Sampling bottles are treated to remove residual chlorine if present.

	1 day at 37*C.	2 days at 37°C.	3 days at 20–22°C.
Number of Colonies developing on Agar		0 per ml	. 0 per ml.
Presumptive Coliform reaction Bact. coli (Type I) Cl. welchii reaction	Present in -per ml. -per ml. - per ml.	<i>Absent</i> <i>from</i> 100 ml. 100 ml. 100 ml.	Most probable number 0 per 100 ml. 0 per 100 ml.

This sample is practically clear and bright in appearance, neutral in reaction and free from iron and other metals. The water is very hard in character but not excessively so, it contains no excess of mineral constituents and it is of the highest standard of organic and bacterial purity.

These results are indicative of a pure and wholesome water suitable for public supply purposes.

Borough of Slough

Mains laid -

Farthing Green Lane, Stoke Po	oges	 70 yds. of 3-in.
Duffield Lane, Stoke Poges		 110 yds. of 4-in.
,, ,, ,, ,, ,,		 88 yds. of 3-in.
Ditton Park Road, Datchet		 440 yds. of 3-in.
Broom Hill, Stoke Poges		 42 yds. of 3-in.
Chapel Lane, Stoke Poges		 50 ins. of 3 in.
Church Lane, Wexham		 70 ins of $1\frac{1}{2}$ in.

The water is treated with chlorine and sulphur dioxide before passing into the mains.

Quantity and pressure were adequate for all purposes and no restrictions were imposed during 1964.

RESULTS IN PARTS PER MILLION (Mg./L)

Appearance: Bright wit	h a few	Turbidity: le	ss than 3
p p	articles	Odour:	Nil
Colour:	Nil	Free Carbon Dioxide:	14
pH:	7.5	Dissolved Solids dried a	t
Electric Conductivity:	655	180°C.:	470
Chlorine present as		Carbonate:	240
Chloride:	38	Non-carbonate:	80
Hardness: Total:	320	Alkalinity as Calcium	
Nitrate Nitrogen:	3.0	Carbonate:	240
Ammoniacal Nitrogen:*	0.01	Nitrite Nitrogen:	Absent
Albuminoid Nitrogen:*	0.00	Oxygen Absorbed:	0.10
Metals: Iron, Zinc,		Residual Chlorine:	Absent
Copper, Lead:	Absent	Silica :	20
Fluoride (F):	0.7		

* to convert to Ammonia multiply by 1.21

MINERAL ANALYSIS (after filtration if necessary)

(Parts per million and milliquivalents per litre)

Catio	ons	Anie	ons
p.p.m.	mEq./1	p.p.m.	mEq./1
Ca 113	5.6	CO ₃ 144	4.8
Mg 9	0.75	SO ₄ 90	1.9
Na 37	1.6	C1 38	1.05
K 6	0.15	NO ₃ 13	0.2
Total	8.1		8.0

Hypothetical Combinations

	p.p. ⁱⁿ .	mEq./1
Calcium carbonate	240	4.8
Calcium sulphate	54	0.8
Magnesium Sulphate	e 45	0.75
Sodium sulphate	25	0.35
Sodium nitrate	18	0.2
Sodium chloride	54	0.9
Potassium chloride	11	0.15
Silica	20	
Total	467	8.0

BACTERIOLOGICAL RESULTS

Sampling bottles are treated to remove residual chlorine if present.

Number of colonies developing	1 day at 37°C.	2 days at 37°C.	3 days at 20–22°C.	
on Agar per ml. in	0	0	0	

		Present in	Absent from	Probable number
Presumptive Coliform r	eaction	– ml.	100 ml.	0 per 100 ml.
Bact. coli (Type I)		– ml.	100 ml.	0 per 100 ml.
C1. welchii reaction		– ml.	100 ml.	Colour:

The above sample of water is bright and clear in appearance and of a high degree of bacterial purity and may be considered fit for drinking and domestic purposes.

Rickmansworth and Uxbridge Valley Water Company

Mains laid -

Oxford	Road	, Ger	rards	Cross		 194 yds. of 6-in.
Thorn	oridge	Road	, Iver.			 86 yds. of 4-in.
Off Ho	wards	Thick	cet,G	errards	s Cross	 86 yds. of 2-in.
Ridge	Way, I	ver				 185 yds. of 6-in.
	,,					 10 yds. of 4-in.
Off Sa	vay La	ne, D	enhan	n		 108 yds. of 4-in.
North	Orbita	l Roa	d, De	nham		 304 yds. of 36-in.
,,	"	,,	,,			 550 yds. of 30-in.
,,	,,	,,	,,			 81 yds. of 24-in.
Off Du	ikes Ri	dge, (Gerran	rds Cro	DSS	 90 yds. of 2-in.
Cheyn	e Park,	Gerr	ards (Cross		 179 yds. of 4-in.

CHEMICAL EXAMINATION OF A SAMPLE OF WATER

Colour:	Nil (Hazen)	Chloride (C1):	19 ppm.
Turbidity (Si0 ₂):	Nil ppm.	Alkalinity (CaC0 ₃):	260 ppm.
Odour:	Nil	Hardness (CaC0 ₃):	
Taste:	Normal	Carbonate:	260 ppm.
pH:	7.5	Non-carbonate:	20 ppm.
Electrical Conductiv	ity:	Total:	280 ppm.
	(20°) 540	Residual Chlorine (C	$C1_2):$
Total Solids (180°C)	: 365 ppm.		.08 ppm.
Nitrate (N):	3.2 ppm.	Copper:	.02 ppm.
Nitrite (N):	.006 ppm.	Iron:	Nil ppm.
Ammonia (N):	.006 ppm.	Zinc:	.1 ppm.
Albuminoid Nitroger	n (N):		
and a second profile	.004 ppm.		

BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF A SAMPLE OF WATER

Colonies per ml. 2 days 37°C		 1
Colonies per ml. 3 days 20°C		 0
Coli-aerogenes, probable number per 100	ml.	 0
E.Coli I. probable number per 100 ml.		 0

This water is moderately hard in character but contains no excess of mineral or saline constituents in solution. It conforms to the highest standards of bacterial and organic purity. BACTERIOLOGICAL SAMPLES COLLECTED FROM SWIMMING POOLS AND BATHING PLACES

(1) Name of Swimming pool or Bathing Place	(2) Controlled by	(3) Date	(4) Result	(5) Remarks
Canadian Red Cross Memorial Hospital (Outlet)		22.1.64	Satisfactory	
Farnham Park Rehabilitation Centre (Outlet)		29.1.64	Satisfactory	
Warren Fields School, Burnham (Inlet) Canadian Red Cross Memorial Hospital (Outlet)	Eton Divisional Executive Committee Windsor Group Management Comm.	25.2.64	Unsatisfactory Satisfactory	
Farnham Park Rehabilitation Centre (Outlet) Warren Fields School. Burnham (Outlet)		5.3.64	Satisfactory	
Warren Fields School, Burnham (Inlet)		8.4.64	Satisfactory	
Farnham Park Rehabilitation Centre (Outlet)	Windsor Group Management Comm. Windsor Group Management Comm	8.4.64	Satisfactory	
Canadian Red Cross Memorial Hospital (Inlet)	Windsor Group Management Comm.	7.5.64	Satisfactory	
Warren Fields School, Burnham (Outlet) Burnham Grammar School (Outlet)	Eton Divisiona Executive Committee	7.5.64	Satisfactory	
Burnham Beeches (Kiddies Pool) (Inlet)	Privately owned	14.5.64	Satisfactory	
Burnham Beeches (Kiddies Pool) (Outlet)	Privately owned	14.5.64	Satisfactory	
Burnham Beeches (Main Pool) (Inlet)	owned	14.5.64	Satisfactory	
Burnham Beeches (Kiddies Pool) (Inlet)	Privately owned	28.5.64	Satisfactory	
Burnham Beeches (Main Pool) (Inlet)	Privately owned	28.5.64	Satisfactory	
Burnham C. of E. School (Inlet)		28.5.64	Satisfactory	
Burnham C. of E. School (Outlet) Fron Wick School (Inlet)	Eton Divisional Executive Committee	28.5.64	Satisfactory	
Eton Wick School (Outlet)		10.6.64	Satisfactory	
Farnham Park Rehabilitation Centre (Inlet)	-	10.6.64	Satisfactory	
Woodside Secondary School (Inlet)		8.7.64	Satisfactory	
Woodside Secondary School (Outlet)		8.7.64	Satisfactory	
Canadian Ked Cross Memorial Hospital (Inlet) Burnham Reeches (Main Pool) (Inlet)	Windsor Group Management Comm.	8.7.64	Satisfactory	
Burnham Beeches (Kiddies Pool) (Inlet)	Privately owned	8.7.64	Satisfactory	
Warren Fields School, Burnham (Outlet)	Eton Divisional Executive Committee	8.7.64	Satisfactory	

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Name of Swimming Pool or Bathing place	Controlled by	Date	Result	Remarks
Burnham Grammar School (Outlet) Burnham C. of E. School (Inlet) Farnham Park Rehabilitation Centre (Inlet) Canadian Red Cross Memorial Hospital (Outlet) Burnham Beeches (Main Pool) (Inlet) Farnham Baeches (Main Pool) (Inlet) Farnham Park Rehabilitation Centre (Outlet) Burnham Berches (Main Pool) (Inlet) Farnham Park Rehabilitation Centre (Outlet) Burnham Berches (Main Pool) (Inlet) Warren Fields School, Burnham (Inlet) Burnham Beeches (Kiddies Pool) (Inlet) Warren Fields School, Burnham (Inlet) Warren Fields School, Burnham (Dutlet) Warren Fields School, Burnham (Dutlet) Warren Fields School, Burnham (Deep End) Warren Fields School, Burnham (Inlet) Warren Fields School, Burnham (Deep End) Farnham Park Rehabilitation Centre (Inlet) Warren Fields School, Burnham (Deep End) Farnham Park Rehabilitation Centre (Inlet)	Eton Divisional Executive Committee Eton Divisional Executive Committee Windsor Group Management Comm. Privately owned Windsor Group Management Comm. Windsor Group Management Comm. Windsor Group Management Comm. Privately owned Eton Divisional Executive Committee Windsor Group Management Comm. Privately owned Eton Divisional Executive Committee Eton Divisional Executive Committee Eton Divisional Executive Committee Privately owned Privately owned Eton Divisional Executive Committee Eton Divisional Executive Committee Eton Divisional Executive Committee Eton Divisional Executive Committee Privately owned Privately o	$\begin{array}{c} 8.7.64\\ 8.7.64\\ 8.7.64\\ 14.7.64\\ 11.8.64\\ 11.8.64\\ 11.8.64\\ 11.8.64\\ 16.9.64\\ 16.9.64\\ 16.9.64\\ 16.9.64\\ 23.9.64\\ 23.9.64\\ 23.9.64\\ 23.9.64\\ 23.9.64\\ 23.9.64\\ 23.9.64\\ 16.1.64\\ 14.10.64\\ 14$	Satisfactory Satisfactory Satisfactory Satisfactory Satisfactory Satisfactory Satisfactory Satisfactory Unsatisfactory Sat	

(1) Parish	(2) Water Undertaking	(3) Date	(4) Result	(5) Remarks
WRAVSBURY	Rickmansworth & Uxbridge Vallev Water Co.	18.3.64	Satisfactory	
ATCHET	Slough Borough Water Department	18.3.64	Satisfactory	
APLOW	Burnham. Dornev & Hitcham Water Co.	20.5.64	Satisfactory	
DATCHET	Slough Borough Water Department	21.5.64	Satisfactory	
TULMER	Rickmansworth & Uxbridge Valley Water Co	10.6.64	Satisfactory	
GERRARDS CROSS	Rickmansworth & Uxbridge Valley Water Co	10.6.64	Satisfactory	
FARNHAM ROYAL	-	10.6.64	Satisfactory	
STOKE POGES	Slough Borough Water Department	14.7.64	Satisfactory	
DATCHET	Slough Borough Water Department	11.8.64	Unsatisfactory	
WRAYSBURY	S	11.8.64	Satisfactory	
WRAYSBURY	3	11.8.64	Satisfactory	
WRAYSBURY	3	11.8.64	Satisfactory	
DATCHET	Slough Borough Water Department	11.8.64	Satisfactory	
DATCHET	-	18.8.64	Satisfactory	
DATCHET	Slough Borough Water Department	18.8.64	Satisfactory	
GERRARDS CROSS	Rickmansworth & Uxbridge Valley Water Co	23.9.64	Satisfactory	
BURNHAM	Burnham, Dorney & Hitcham Water Co.	14.10.64	Satisfactory	
TAPLOW	Marlow Water Co	14.10.64	Satisfactory	
TAPLOW	Burnham, Dorney & Hitcham Water Co.		Satisfactory	
DATCHET	Slough Borough Water Department	-	Satisfactory	
STOKE POGES	Slough Borough Water Department	Ξ.	Satisfactory	
GERRARDS CROSS	S	Ξ	Satisfactory	
FARNHAM COMMON	Burnham, Dorney & Hitcham Water Co.	18.11.64	Satisfactory	
HORTON		26.11.64	Satisfactory	
HORTON	& Uxbridge Valley Water	26.11.64	Satisfactory	
IVER	Rickmansworth & Uxbridge Valley Water Co	16.12.64	Satisfactory	
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Total number examined = 27

The result of the unsatisfactory sample taken from a drinking fountain on the waterfront at Datchet was submitted to the water undertaking and further samples taken by them on examination proved to be satisfactory.

WATER SUPPLIES USED FOR DRINKING AND DOMESTIC PURPOSES

Samples Taken Other Than From Mains

Type of Sample Taken	Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Doubtful	Total
acteriological	23	95	3	121
	5	36	4	45

- (a) Apart from a comparatively small number of shallow wells, principally in the Parish of Wraysbury, supplying drinking and domestic needs to dwellinghouses and which either on bacteriological or chemical examination or both have been found unsatisfactory, the water supply of the area generally and of its several parts has been satisfactory in quality and quantity.
- (b) The data set out in this Report in relation to piped water supply, i.e. mains supply, indicates the scale of routine sampling for bacteriological examination carried out of water going into supply. Reports on the analyses of raw and treated water are included.
- (c) The results of analyses of mains water supply do not indicate any liability to have plumbo-solvent action.
- (d) Contamination of mains supply did not arise consequently no action was found necessary. However in the case of domestic supplies from shallow wells where examination revealed contamination the first step taken was to advise dwellinghouse occupants of the necessity of boiling water before use for drinking. Secondly, the taking of check samples and if still unsatisfactory an approach to the owner of the property involved was made suggesting, depending upon circumstances, means of removing the sources of contamination or alternatively deepening the well or bore.
- (e) The following table sets out the approximate number of dwellinghouses and the estimated population, broken down into parishes, supplied from public mains direct to houses and the number on wells supplies. So far as is known there are no dwellinghouses supplied from communal water standpipes.

Parish	(a) Estimated No. of dwelling- houses in each parish	(b) Approx. No. of dwelling- houses on private well	(c) Dwelling- houses on Public Mains	(d) Estimated popu- lation served by dwelling- houses in column (c)
Burnham	4,654		4,654	16,210
Datchet	1,350	8	1,342	4,660
Denham	2,114	_	2,114	7,465
Dorney	275	-	275	800
Farnham Royal	1,286	-	1,286	3,780
Fulmer	234	8	226	600
Gerrards Cross	1,745	2	1,743	6,310
Hedgerley Horton and	282	1	281	750
Wraysbury	1,470	130	1,340	4,575
Iver	3,133	-	3,133	11,750
Stoke Poges	1,230	2	1,228	4,380
Taplow	590	21	569	1,870
Wexham	1,650		1,650	6,960

SECTION VI

GENERAL SANITATION

(a) Sewer Construction in progress during the year.

- Burnham, Taplow and Dorney Main Drainage. The first stage of this Scheme, which includes the majority of Taplow Parish, has proceeded during the year. About 80% of the sewers have been laid and at December, 1964, none were in use.
- (2) Burnham Sewage Works Reconstruction. The reconstruction of this works was virtually completed and in use by December, 1964.
- (3) Wraysbury and Horton Main Drainage. The first stage of this Scheme, Wraysbury Road, Gloucester Drive and Lammas Drive, was completed and put in use during the year.
- (4) Linkswood Road Main Drainage. This Scheme was completed and put in use during the year.
- (5) Stoke Poges and Wexham Main Drainage. Stage 3 of this Scheme, Hockley Lane area, has been completed and put in use during the year. Stage 4, Park Road area, has been 90% completed.

(b) Schemes proposed for 1965.

- Wraysbury and Horton Main Drainage.
 Stage 2 of this Scheme, the Hythe End area, is expected to start in the Spring.
- (2) Camp Road Main Drainage. This Scheme is being submitted to the Ministry and may start during the year.
- (3) Datchet Main Drainage. This Scheme is being submitted to the Ministry but will not start during 1965.
- (4) Stoke Poges and Wexham Main Drainage. Stages 5 and 6 of this Scheme will be submitted to the Ministry during the year.
- (5) Gerrards Cross Sewage Works Reconstruction. This Scheme may be submitted to the Ministry during the year.
- (6) Fulmer Main Drainage (Park Springs only). This Scheme may be submitted to the Ministry during the year.

SECTION VII

CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES Maternity and Child Welfare

Centre	I ocation	Sessions	Sessions with Medical Officer
Burnham	Village Hall, Gore Road	Each Wednesday	1st & 3rd Wednesday
Burnham (Lent Rise)	Methodist Hall, Lent Rise	2nd & 4th Thursday	2nd & 4th Thursday
Burnham	Health Centre, Wentworth Avenue, Britwell Estate	Each Tuesday and Friday	Each Friday
Colnbrook	Assembly Rooms	2nd & 4th Tuesday	4th Tuesday
Datchet	Village Hall, Churchmead School	2nd & 4th Wednesday	Each Session
Denham	Health Centre, Oxford Road	Each Wednesday	1st, 2nd and 4th Wednesday
Dorney	Village Hall	1st & 3rd Tuesday	1st Tuesday
Farnham Common	Village Hall	2nd & 4th Monday	4th Monday
Farnham Royal	Village Hall	Each Thursday	2nd, 3rd & 4th Thursday
Gerrards Cross	British Legion Hall	1st & 3rd Friday	3rd Friday
Horton	Champneys Hall	1st & 3rd Wednesday	1st Wednesday
Iver	Church Institute Thorney Lane	1st & 3rd Wednesday	3rd Wednesday
Iver (Richings Park)	St. Leonards Church Hall	2nd & 4th Monday	2nd Monday
Iver Heath	Village Hall	2nd & 4th Wednesday	4th Wednesday
Stoke Poges	Village Hall	2nd & 4th Tuesday	2nd & 4th Tuesday
Wraysbury	Village Hall	2nd & 4th Thursday	2nd Thursday
Wexham	Health Centre Knolton Way, Wexham Court Estate	Every Friday	Every Friday

CLINICS

Tuberculosis

The Chest Clinic is at Upton Hospital, Slough where appointments can be made with the Physician in Charge. Telephone No.: Slough 23261.

Venereal Diseases

King Edward VII Hospital, Windsor. Hillingdon Hospital. Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading.

Family Planning Clinics

Slough	Upton Hospit	tal, Slough
		6 p.m.—7.30 p.m. 6 p.m.—7.30 p.m. 9 a.m.—10 a.m.
Slough		
High Wycombe	Health Centre The Rye. Tuesday:	e, 2 p.m.

Ante and Post Natal Clinics

King Edward VII Hospital, Windsor	Ante-Natal	Monday mornings
King Edward VII Hospital, Old Windsor Unit	Ante- and Post- Natal	Wednesday and Friday mornings
Canadian Red Cross Memorial Hospital, Taplow	Ante-Natal	Thursday and Monday mornings. (Held at Upton Hospital, Slough)
Colinswood Maternity Home, Farnham Common	Ante- and Post- Natal	Clinics every day except Saturday and Sunday
Upton Hospital, Slough	Ante-Natal	Monday, Wednesday, Thursday at 1.45 p.m. onwards
	Post-Natal	Friday afternoon 2 p.m.

Registered Nursing Homes

Location and further particulars of registered nursing homes in the district may be obtained from the Medical Officer of Health.

HOSPITALS

The area is served by the following hospitals:-

General Hospitals

Canadian Red Cross Memorial Hospital, Taplow, Maidenhead, Berks.
King Edward VII Hospital, Windsor, Berks.
Old Windsor Hospital, Crimp Hill, Old Windsor, Berks.
Upton Hospital, Slough, Bucks.
Maidenhead General Hospital, Maidenhead, Berks.

Infectious Diseases Hospitals

Maidenhead General Hospital, Maidenhead. St. John's Hospital, Uxbridge, Middlesex.

Chronic Sick

St. Mark's Hospital, Maidenhead. Old Windsor Hospital, Old Windsor, Berks.

Part III Accommodation

Upton Hospital, Slough. Old Windsor Hospital, Old Windsor, Berks.

Maternity Accommodation

Canadian Red Cross Memorial Hospital, Taplow. Colinswood Maternity Home, Farnham Common, Bucks. Old Windsor Hospital, Crimp Hill, Old Windsor, Berks. Upton Hospital, Slough.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

For the Year 1964

MADAM CHAIRMAN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I am pleased to present my contribution to the Annual Report for 1964. As will be noted every aspect of the Department's statutory duties was covered and routine inspections of premises well maintained.

Some items call for comment. The number of consumer complaints relating to unfit and alien matter in food increased considerably. It is of some significance that this increase was markedly so at the time of and following the Aberdeen typhoid outbreak. The publicity given to that outbreak undoubtedly stimulated public conscience as to food hygiene. Experience shows that public alertness to bad habits and practices, their being reported and the investigation that follows secures improved standards in the production, distribution and handling of food. Complaints received were all reported to the Public Health & Cleansing Committee who variously decided either to take no action, send a warning letter or institute legal proceedings, usually depending upon the apparent degree of negligence involved. It should be recorded that on the whole the food trade co-operated wholeheartedly in the investigation of complaints and were keen to find and remedy the cause of troubles found. In this connection one particularly gratifying case was dealt with during the year which underlined the value of close co-operation with food manufacturers. Following a complaint of unfit canned corned beef a survey of stocks in shops in the district revealed that there was a weakness in the opening strip allowing easy rupture when subjected to pressure or damage. Also a high proportion of cans was found to be arriving at shops in a damaged condition. Representations were made to the manufacturers who, with the help of the can and cardboard case manufacturers and an independent research laboratory, carried out many highly technical tests which resulted in a complete change of can opening strip and a much stronger, redesigned case.

A notable achievement during the year was the opening up of the Council's Mansion Lane Caravan Site set up to habilitate "travellers" and their kin. This step was the culmination of the Council's policy of adopting a positive approach to the many problems, social, public health and amenity, which over a long period of years had plagued the Council. Inevitably at the start there was some bad behaviour on the site but most traveller families responded and respected their new environment. As the months progressed there was a marked improvement and one felt that all the hard work that had been put into this Authority's contribution to what is a national problem had been worth while. "Travellers" are still attracted to the district and until other authorities in England with comparable problems set up sites there will still be seen from time to time throughout the Council's district on laybys and road verges colonies of "travellers" from other areas.

In previous Annual Reports there has been reference to nuisances created at refuse disposal tips within the district where large quantities of material are received from London boroughs. Regretfully there were nuisances from time to time throughout 1964 and much officer time was occupied in securing improvements. Added to the fly, dust and smell nuisances there arose further problems following the tipping of semi-solid toxic industrial wastes and pollution of ground springs. It is relevant to mention that the Ministry of Housing and Local Government has formed a Technical Committee to investigate the problems associated with the disposal of solid and semi-solid toxic wastes and on invitation written evidence on this Council's experiences was supplied by the Department to the Ministry.

Again I wish to place on record my appreciation of the help and guidance given to me by the Clerk and other Chief Officers, also I want to take the opportunity of thanking the staff for their loyal services.

1 am,

Your Obedient Servant,

A. H. V. MARSDEN, Chief Public Health Inspector.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

Ice Cream

2 new applications were received for the storage and sale of ice cream making a total of 159 on the Register.

69 samples of ice cream and 13 samples of iced lollies were submitted for examination with the under-mentioned results:-

Ice Cream			
Grade I	 	 	59
Grade II		 	6
Grade III	 	 	4
Grade IV		 	-

At the premises where the Grade III samples were obtained the facilities for storing and handling were checked and further samples taken were subsequently placed in Provisional Grade I.

Iced Lollies

All were satisfactory.

No new applications were received during the year for the registration of premises for the preparation or manufacture of sausages or potted, pressed, pickled or preserved food intended for sale leaving a total of 32 on the Register.

Food and Drugs Act, 1955

25 complaints of unfit and alien matter in food were reported to the Department. The following action was taken:-

SECTION 2.		
Piece of wire in bread	Purchased in Burnham	Fined £20.0.0d.
Insect in loaf of bread	Purchased in Denham	Warning letter
Razor blade in bottle of Orange Juice	Purchased in Denham	Fined £20.0.0d.
Oily substance in bottle of milk	Purchased in Dorney	Warning letter
French Fried Potatoes (Mouldy)	Purchased in Burnham	Legal proceed- ings pending
Maggot in Chocolates	Purchased in Stoke Poges	Fined £50.0.0d.
Pork Pie (Mouldy)	Purchased in Datchet	Legal proceed- ings pending
Section 8		
Tin of Corned Beef	Purchased in Gerrards Cross	Warning letter
Steak and Kidney Pie (Mouldy)	Collected from mobile shop	Fined £30.0.0d.
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Meat (Unfit)	Purchased in Iver Heath	Fined £50.0.0d.
Steak and Kidney Pie (Strong smell)	Purchased in Horton	Fined £20.0.0d.
Frozen chicken	Purchased in Denham	Warning letter
Pack of pork sausages (Mouldy)	Purchased in Burnham	Fined £20.0.0d.

Two complaints regarding dirty milk bottles resulted in warning letters being sent to the bottlers.

In the remaining 10 cases there was no further action.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

(a) Meat

	Cattle except Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	4	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Number inspected	4	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci Whole carcases condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Percentage of the number in- spected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
<i>Tuberculosis only</i> Whole carcases condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Percentage of the number in- spected affected with Tuber- culosis	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cysticercosis Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

(b) Other Foods (Surrendered and Condemned)

262 lbs. Meat

165 lbs. Meat Preparations

3 lbs. Fish

164 lbs. Tinned Fruit and Vegetables 1 ton Potatoes

The Department was called in on several occasions to advise on the contents of refrigerated cabinets where there had been mechanical or electrical failures. The following foods were surrendered as a result:-

- 114 lbs. Meat and Fish Preparations
 - 30 lbs. Fish
 - 32 lbs. Fish Preparations
 - 52 lbs. Assorted Pastries
 - 2 Jars Cream

SLAUGHTERHOUSES AND KNACKER YARDS, ETC.

Slaughter of Animals Act, 1958

Renewals	 	 6
New Licenses	 	 -

Game Licences

Renewals	 	 13
New Licences	 	 1

The Slaughter of Animals (Prevention of Cruelty) Regulations, 1958

As required by Article 31 the following Annual Return for the year under review was received from the occupier of the knacker's yard operating in the District.

Horses slaughtered ... 3 Horse carcases received ... 33

Conditions found were satisfactory on each of the several visits made to the premises.

Slaughterhouses Act, 1958

There is one licensed slaughterhouse only in the District the bulk of the meat being received from London. As required by the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, the statutory inspection was carried out and the conditions were satisfactory. The licence was again renewed to the end of the year.

SECTION IX

RODENT INFESTATION AND DESTRUCTION, ETC.

Notifications of Infestations	 	 503
Visits to private premises	 	 1,368
Visits to business premises	 	 73
Visits to Local Authority premises	 	 62
Inspection of agricultural premises		 167

DISINFECTIONS AND DISINFESTATIONS

Disinfection of premises in respect of:-

T.B. 4 In addition there were two occasions where bedding was steam disinfected after cases of non-notifiable disease.

Disinfestations:-

Ants	 	 	1
Beetles	 	 	1
Bugs	 	 	9
Crickets	 	 	3
Fleas	 	 	4
Flies	 	 	1
Spiders	 	 	1

SECTION X

1. INSPECTIONS for Purposes of Provisions as to Health

(including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

			Number of	ſ	
	Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Inspections (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	19	14	1	10
(ii)	Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	156	191	8	1
(iii)	Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	18	81		
	Total	193	286	6	

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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					Referred	rred	which
Particulars (1)			Found (2)	Remedied (3)	To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	prosecutions were instituted (6)
Want of Cleanliness (S.1)	:	:	2	2	I	1	1
Overcrowding (S.2)			1	1	1	1	1
Inreasonable temperature (S.3)	:	:	I	1	1	1	1
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	•••	•••	1	1	1	1	1
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6) Sanitary conveniences (S.7)	:	:	1		1	1	1
	•••	:.	1	1	I	T	1
	:	:	6	7	1	9	ı
(c) Not separate for sexes	:	:		1	1	1	1
(not including offences relating to outwork)	ork)	:	1	1	1	I.	I
			Ш	6	1	7	1

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Workplaces inspections ...

SECTION XI

HOUSING

(a) New Houses

Houses completed during the years:-

		1961/4	1956/60
1.	By the Council	 433*	610*
2.	By Private Enterprise	 907	2,208

*Does not include those built by Slough Borough Council and/or London County Council.

(b) Unfit Houses

Returns continue to be submitted to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government relating to clearance areas, demolition and closing orders, undertakings and repair of houses under the Housing Acts, 1936 to 1961, Public Health Act, 1936, and the Rent Act, 1957.

The following is a brief summary of those returns:-

Houses demolished as a result of formal action	
under Housing Act	58
Houses closed in pursuance of Closing Orders	
and/or Undertakings	2
Parts of buildings closed	1
Houses made fit following formal action under	
Housing Act or Public Health Act	12
Houses made fit following informal action	
under Housing Act or Public Health Act	55

Following the established practice, the Unfit Houses Sub-Committee made a tour during which seven properties were seen.

The appropriate resolution was passed by the Council in respect of a Clearance Area (No. 125) to be dealt with by means of a Compulsory Purchase Order. 3 houses were involved.

Formal individual action was taken in respect of 13 properties as a result of which 9 Demolition Orders were made and 4 Undertakings accepted.

(c) Improvement Grants

Grants for the conversion or improvement of housing accommodation.

Applications received	(a)	for conv	ersion	n	1
		for impr			14
Applications approved	(a)	for conv	ersion	n	-
	(b)	for impr	ovem	ent	12
Standard Grants for improv	eme	nt of dwe	llings		
Applications received					24
Applications approved					19

SECTION XII

OTHER MATTERS

Petroleum (Regulation) Acts, 1928 and 1936

Licence Application	S				
Renewals					130
New					2
Total Licence Capa	city at 3	Blst De	cember	, 1963	
Petroleum Spin	rit				364,955 gallons
Petroleum Mix	tures				2,248 gallons

Pet Animials Act, 1951

No applications were received for a licence under this Act.

Rag Flock and Other Filling Materials Act, 1951

One premises registered.

Clean Air Act, 1956

846 visits were made during the year. Readings from the two volumetric instruments installed in the district were continued to be submitted to the Warren Spring Laboratory.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963

The notification of Employment of Persons Order, 1964, brought into operation Section 49 of this Act on 1st May, 1964. This Section makes it obligatory for persons employing or intending to employ persons in shop or office premises to which the Act applies to notify the Council by 31st July, 1964.

By the end of the year 453 notifications had been received representing approximately 95% of the total number of premises to which the Act applies. Systematic inspection of the premises has been commenced and is proceeding satisfactorily.

Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960

At the end of the year there were 645 caravans on licensed sites within the district. Of this total 167 were on sites owned and managed by the Council, of the remainder 301 were on 5 multiple sites the rest being on small or individual sites.

Miscellaneous Matters

The following were received for information and observations:-Local Land Charge search enquiries ... 1,880 Plans and Applications (Building Byelaws and Town and Country Planning) ... 2,101

SECTION XIII

VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

(a)	Public Health Acts							
	Primary Inspections.	. Ho	ouses					500
	Primary Inspections.		hers					187
	Deviate na chave							651
	Moveable Dwellings	. Sit	tes					570
	Moveable Dwellings		dividua	ls				579
	Moveable Dwellings		nerant					156
	Canal Boats							14
	Infectious Diseases a	and D	Disinfec	tion				129
	Places of Public Ent							4
	Schools							52
	Offices							60
	Workplaces							67
	Weter Compliant							383
	Curimaning Deals							66
	Watercourses and D							375
	Drainaga							591
	Sewage and Drainag							633
	Dirty and Verminou							29
	Insect Infestations .		mises	•••				111
	Offensive Accumulat							260
	Keeping of Animals						• •	167
	Fairgrounda				•••			4
	Public Conveniences			• •			• •	56
		,		•••			• •	454
	Refuse Disposal . Licensed Premises .		•••	•••	• •			26
		• •	••	••	• •	• •	•••	160
	Gypsies	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	85
	Litter	• •	••	•••	• •	• •	• •	193
	Miscellaneous .	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	•••	195
(b)	Housing Acts							
	Houses, Primary Ins	pectio	ons					351
								697
	Overcrowding .							19
	Miscellaneous .	•••	• •	••	• •	•••		39
	Rent Act							
	Certificates, etc.							8
	continoutes, etc.							0
(c)	Factories Act							
	Factories – Motive	(Denah						191
	Factories - Non-mot							14
	Outworkers Premise	S .						33
	Building Sites .							81

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Food and Drugs Ac	Food	and	Drugs	Ac
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Butchers				 	350
Fishmongers and Poulter				 	75
Greengrocers and Fruiter				 	84
Grocers				 	361
Confectioners, Flour and	l Sugar			 	80
Bakehouses				 	72
Licensed Premises				 	109
Restaurants and Cafes				 	203
Canteens				 	112
Street Food Vendors				 	46
Milk Premises and Samp	ling			 	4
Ice Cream Premises and	Samplin	ng		 	142
Knacker's Yard				 	39
Slaughterhouses				 	18
Food Inspection - Meat				 	17
Food Inspection - Other	Food			 	215
Retail Bakeries				 	13
Cattle Market				 	37
Shops Acts					
Inspections				 	59
Petroleum Acts					
Inspections				 	395
Pet Animals Act					
Inspections				 	2
Clean Air Act					
Visits and observations				 	846
National Assistance Act	1				
Visits				 	13
Bucks County Council A	ct				
Hairdressers - Visits				 	36
Water Abstraction Regul	lations				
Visits				 	26
Noise Abatement Act					
Visits				 	136
Licensing Act					
Visits				 	5
Offices, Shops and Raily	vay Pre	emises	Act		
Visits				 	310
Animal Boarding Establi	shments	Act			1999
Visits				 	48
Oil Heater Regulations					
Visits				 	3

NOTICES SERVED

Formal				
Public Health Acts	· · ·	 	 	 63
Informal		 	 	 463





