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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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For the Year

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Alderman L.C.OLD in place of Alderman Mrs. D.M.MAIN

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Councillors Sir W. AGNEW and A.M DIBLEY  
in place of

Councillors L. C.OLD (elected Alderman) and L. de C TURNER



SECTION A

INTRODUCTION and GENERAL COMMENTS

To The Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Gosport.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

1. I have the honour to present to you this ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1954. It refers to, and records, the work carried out under the administrative direction of Dr. G.W.Fleming who retired in February 1955 when I succeeded him.
2. This opportunity is taken to express my APPRECIATION to DR. FLEMING for the courteous assistance given to me in the transfer.
3. The GENERAL PRESENTATION of this Report has followed the model of those of previous years. Certain alterations and additions have been made to assist in the use of the publication as reference to our services. The Index at the end will explain the new arrangement.
4. Gosport is growing rapidly in many ways as can be noted from a study of the General Statistics. TABLE 3 records this GROWTH of POPULATION from 35,000 in 1921 to over 60,000 in 1954.
5. TABLE 3 also records that nearly 3,000 of the inhabitants are over 70 years of age. This problem of OLD AGE and the care of these OLD PEOPLE is increasing year by year as the proportion to the total population increases. There are about 20,000 young persons under 20 years of age so that some 23,000 inhabitants are mainly dependent on the efforts of the remaining 40,000. A large proportion of these are women who are not out at work. The situation is that more elderly people are in need of assistance in some form or other than before and in proportion there are fewer potential sources of contribution to the public purse to provide the necessary financial help.
6. From TABLE 4 it is noted that Gosport has a comparatively high BIRTH RATE.
7. TABLE 8 shows that Gosport is a healthy town judged by the DEATH RATE which is persistently much lower than that for England and Wales as a whole.
8. THE INFANT MORTALITY RATE, although not as good as for the whole country, is reasonably satisfactory.
9. TABLE 11 is of special interest in showing the changes which have taken place in our "HEALTH PICTURE" in the past 40 years. The comparison clearly shows that the Death Rate has fallen by over 30%, and that there has been a spectacular saving of lives of infants and young persons.
10. TABLE 12 deals with INFECTIOUS DISEASES. A comparison between 1954 and 1953 is made to assist you in your appreciation of the situation. The outstanding features are the marked drop in most of the notifications and the rise in deaths from notifiable Pneumonias.
11. Much interest has been demonstrated by you as a committee and the public of Gosport in DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION. The records of the situation have been set out in TABLES 14, 15 and 16. Whooping Cough protection has only been added to the official scheme in 1955 and there are no returns for any such immunisations which have been carried out by the family doctors.
12. TABLE 16 is a comprehensive survey of the STATE of PROTECTION AGAINST DIPHTHERIA among children of all ages up to school leaving age. This type of table is generally referred to as a "ladder". It records year by year, the numbers of children immunised in each age group. To appreciate the table it must be remembered that we have a natural increase of population by births over infant



deaths of about 1,000 children per year. Our aim is to have every baby immunised well before the first birthday with a full primary course and every child given a single booster or reinforcing dose at about school entry age. We are not reaching anywhere near our target. In 1954, dealing with primary courses, the protection was given to 57 babies born during that year and 537 babies born in 1953, the previous year. This is only about half of the potential number. Going a little further back to investigate a school entry age it is noted that in 1954, dealing with booster doses only, protection was given to 321 children born in 1949. This is less than one third of the potential approximate 1,000 children. At no stage is the picture reasonably safe. For safety for the community at large no less than 70% of children in any age group at any given time should be protected by immunisation as prescribed in the scheme. For absolute safety however, every child should be so protected.

13. TABLE 14 records Immunisation activity COMPARISONS WITH OTHER AREAS in the County. We are neither top nor bottom. Fareham and Winchester for example show much more successful interest in this problem, but we are more active than the average for the County.

14. TABLE 17 deals with VACCINATION AGAINST SMALLPOX. Our main concern is Primary Vaccination in Infancy and here Gosport is above the average for the Urban Areas of the County and the County itself.

15. TUBERCULOSIS is dealt with in Tables 18, 19 and 20.

16. TABLE 18 deals with the TUBERCULOSIS REGISTER. As each new case is notified it gets added to the Register. The natural tendency is for the numbers thereon to increase year by year.

17. TABLE 19 gives greater details of AGE and SEX DISTRIBUTION of incidence and deaths. The 48 Notifications of Pulmonary Tuberculosis and 8 of Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis are marked improvements on previous years. The year shows little change in the number of deaths.

18. TABLE 21 deals with NOTIFICATIONS of PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS from 1949 for several areas worked out to the Rate per 1,000 population. Gosport for 1954 has a higher incidence rate than the County as a whole or the larger Western Area of the South West Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board which includes Hampshire, Dorset and Wiltshire. It's rate is however better than Portsmouth, Southampton or Bournemouth. Looking back over this period Gosport has persistently had a higher incidence rate than the County or the Western Area. Bournemouth has always, with this 1954 exception, shown a much healthier record than our own. There has been no consistent superiority or inferiority in respect of Portsmouth or Southampton in these earlier years where the results have gone up and down.

19. TABLE 20 deals with the TUBERCULOSIS (ALL FORMS) DEATH RATE. Gosport has been persistently better than England and Wales as a whole since 1949. The Rate for the town has been as high as 0.99 in 1944, a War Year. Prior to 1939 it varied between 0.75 in 1934 to 0.50 in 1938. The table shows the unmistakable trend in improvement in the past few years. It has been reported elsewhere that Gosport is a "black spot" for Tuberculosis. This sweeping statement has no support in the facts as disclosed in Tables 20 and 21, nor is there any evidence of excessive incidence of, or mortality from, Tuberculosis in any particular occupation in the area.

20. SECTION D records the "SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES of the AREA." There is very little in that section which needs any special comment. The Sanitary Inspectors have carried out considerably more inspections in 1954 than previously and very much more "repair" or abatement work was carried out following informal and formal representations.

21. SECTION E deals with "HOUSING". Again the records show greater activity by the Sanitary Inspectors in their visits made and greater success in the results of their approaches.

22. SECTION F deals with the CONTROL OVER FOOD. Fewer samples were taken than in 1953. In my opinion it is necessary to carry out a comparatively high rate of sampling in order to maintain a safe level in respect of food as offered and sold to the public.

23. SECTION G Lists and briefly reviews some of the more important General HEALTH SERVICES in the area. These are mainly provided through the County Council. The information has been set out to serve as a reference.



25. In conclusion it is a pleasure to record the great help which the staff has given to me in my task of taking over this department and in preparing this Report.

Your obedient Servant,

Gerwat V. Pritchard

# EXAMPLES of STATISTICS ILLUSTRATED by ISOTYPES

<u>Approximate Population in 1921</u>			♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂
"	"	" 1931	♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂
"	"	" 1951	♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂
"	"	" 1954	♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂ ♂

(Each † represents approximately 5,000 persons)

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(Each † represents approximately 5 deaths)

Possible Number to be Protected	1111111111
Approximate Number Protected for Early Childhood Period only	111
" " " " School Life period	1111111

(Each † represents approximately 100 children)



## SECTION B

## GENERAL STATISTICS

Table 1 GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

The Borough of Gosport covers an area of 6,185 acres.

It is peninsular, being bounded on the land side to the north-west by Fareham U.D.C. and by the sea - the Solent (on the south-west from the western extremity of Lee-on-Solent past Stokes Bay and Browdown to Fort Gilkicker and on the south-east from Fort Gilkicker to Fort Blockhouse at the entrance to Portsmouth Harbour) and Portsmouth Harbour (on the north-east).

Its greatest length, east to west or south-east to north-west, is about  $4\frac{1}{2}$  miles.

Its greatest breadth, north-east to south-west, is about  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles.

Table 2 GENERAL INFORMATION

Estimated Mid-Year Home Population.....62,520 (decrease 430)

Number of Inhabited Houses (end of 1954 according to Rate Books).....15,594  
(apparent decrease 1,428 due to new analysis of all properties by the Rates Department)

Rateable Value.....£481,826 (increase £68)

Estimated Product of Penny Rate (Financial Year 1954/55).....£1,945 (increase £15)

Table 3 AGE and SEX DISTRIBUTION of POPULATION Census 1951

S....Single M....Married W....Widowed D....Divorced

Age	Males					Females					Total in Population
	S	M	W	D	Total	S	M	W	D	Total	
Under 1	506	-	-	-	506	526	-	-	-	526	1,032
1 - 4	2,460	-	-	-	2,460	2,414	-	-	-	2,414	4,874
5 - 9	2,598	-	-	-	2,598	2,345	-	-	-	2,345	4,943
10 - 14	2,034	-	-	-	2,034	1,835	-	-	-	1,835	3,869
15 - 19	3,230	26	-	-	3,256	1,682	117	-	1	1,800	5,056
20 - 29	3,185	2,483	5	16	5,689	1,163	3,066	14	9	4,252	9,941
30 - 39	494	3,505	19	36	4,054	388	3,696	108	63	4,255	8,309
40 - 49	275	3,395	51	40	3,761	296	3,215	235	48	3,794	7,555
50 - 59	192	2,352	87	20	2,651	255	2,132	409	34	2,830	5,481
60 - 69	112	1,509	187	6	1,814	239	1,376	811	6	2,432	4,246
70 - 74	34	462	111	-	607	88	337	413	2	840	1,447
75 - 79	15	259	122	-	396	58	148	304	1	511	907
80 - 84	3	77	66	1	147	25	42	184	-	251	398
85 - 89	5	23	36	-	64	16	12	92	-	120	184
90 - 94	-	2	10	-	12	1	2	19	-	22	34
94 plus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3	3
Totals	15,143	14,093	694	119	30,049	11,331	14,143	2,592	164	28,230	58,279

The Estimated Mid-Year Population for 1954 ... 62,520

Previous Census Population Figures .. 1921... 35,607 1931... 38,443

Table 4 LIVE BIRTHS

Year	Illegitimate			Legitimate			Total Live Births	Birth Rate per 1,000 Home Population	
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total		Gosport	Eng & Wales
1950	26	20	46	483	482	965	1,011	17.3	15.6
1951	19	22	41	527	480	1,007	1,048	17.8	15.5
1952	26	33	59	531	513	1,044	1,103	18.5	15.3
1953	23	23	46	524	485	1,009	1,055	17.6	15.5
1954	33	20	53	503	454	957	1,010	16.0	15.2

The Gosport Birth Rate Correction Factor (0.99 for 1954) has been applied above to make the comparison on a comparable population distribution as for the whole country.

Table 5 STILL BIRTHS

	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
Illegitimate	1	1	-	2	1
Legitimate	25	28	30	15	25
Total	26	29	30	17	26

A child which has issued forth from its mother after the twenty-eighth week of pregnancy and which did not at any time after being completely expelled from its mother breathe or show any other signs of life is said to be still-born.



Table 6 DEATHS BY AGE PERIODS AND SEX

Age last Birthday	Number of deaths		
	Males	Females	Total
Under 1 year	15	12	27
1 "	1		1
2 years	1		1
3 "			
4 "			
5 - 9 "	2		2
10 - 14 "			
15 - 19 "	2	1	3
20 - 24 "	1	5	6
25 - 29	1	3	4
30 - 34	5	1	6
35 - 39	5	3	8
40 - 44	5	3	8
45 - 49	11	7	18
50 - 54	15	9	24
55 - 59	18	10	28
60 - 64	25	22	47
65 - 69	39	16	55
70 - 74	42	29	71
75 - 79	45	20	65
80 - 84	21	24	45
85 - 89	11	22	33
90 - 94	3	10	13
95 & over		1	1
Totals	268	198	466

Table 7 CAUSES of DEATH in COSPORT during 1954

Causes of Death	Males	Females	Total
Tuberculosis : Respiratory	4	3	7
" Other Forms	3	-	3
Syphilitic Disease	-	1	1
Diphtheria	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	-	-	-
Meningococcal Infections	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-
Measles	-	-	-
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	-	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm: Stomach	4	3	7
" " Lung, Bronchus	12	1	13
" " Breast	-	8	8
" " Uterus	-	1	1
Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms	37	22	59
Leukaemia, Alkalemia	2	-	2
Diabetes	1	4	5
Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	25	41	66
Coronary Disease, Angina	53	13	66
Hypertension with Heart Disease	2	6	8
Other Heart Disease	33	26	59
Other Circulatory Disease	10	12	22
Influenza	-	-	-
Pneumonia	11	10	21
Bronchitis	10	4	14
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	-	1	1
Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	8	4	12
Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	3	-	3
Nephritis and Nephrosis	6	1	7
Hypertrophy of Prostate	2	-	2
Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion	-	2	2
Congenital Malformations	1	1	2
Other Defined and Ill-defined Diseases	29	22	51
Motor Vehicle Accidents	7	2	9
All Other Accidents	4	7	11
Suicide	1	2	3
Homicide and Operations of War	-	-	-
Totals All Causes	268	198	466

Table 8 DEATHS YEARLY COMPARISON NUMBERS and RATES

YEAR	ALL CAUSES			DEATH RATE	
	M	F	Total	Per 1,000 Home Population	
				Gosport	Eng & Wales
1950	285	254	539	11.5	11.6
1951	286	287	573	11.5	12.5
1952	276	237	513	10.2	11.3
1953	279	245	524	10.3	11.4
1954	268	198	466	9.1	11.3

The Gosport Death Rate Correction Factor (1.22 for 1954) has been applied above to make the comparison on a comparable population distribution as for the whole country.

Table 9 INFANT MORTALITY

No. of Deaths under 1 Year				Infant Mortality Rate		
All				All		
	Legitimate	Illegitimate	Infants	Legitimate	Illegitimate	Infants
Gosport 1950	30	-	30	31.1	-	29.6
" 1951	22	-	22	21.8	-	20.9
" 1952	20	2	22	19.1	33.9	19.9
" 1953	32	1	33	31.7	21.8	31.2
" 1954	25	2	27	26.1	37.7	26.7
England & Wales 1954	--	-	17,098	---	----	25.5

- Notes. (a) Infant Mortality Rate is the number of Deaths of Infants Under One Year of Age per 1,000 Live Births in the same category, i.e. Legitimate, Illegitimate or "All Live Births".  
 (b) The Rate of 25.5 for England and Wales is the lowest on record.

Table 10 MATERNAL MORTALITY

	Gosport		Eng & Wales
	Number	Rate	Rate
1950	1	0.96	0.86
1951	1	0.93	0.80
1952	1	0.88	0.72
1953	Nil	Nil	0.76
1954	2	1.93	0.69

Table 11 HEALTH PICTURE COMPARISON 1910-1914 and 1950-1954

	Yearly Average for 5 Years 1910-1914	Yearly Average for 5 years 1950-1954
Population	33,320	61,640
Total Deaths	434	523
Death Rate	14.6	10.5
Deaths under 1 Year	79	27
Deaths 1 - 4 Years	32	5
Deaths 5 -14 Years	15	3
Total Deaths of Children	126	35



## SECTION C

CONTROL over INFECTIOUS and OTHER DISEASESTable 12 NOTIFICATIONS and DEATHS

	1953		1954	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Acute Poliomyelitis (paralytic)	6	-	-	-
Dysentery	8	-	2	-
Erysipelas	20	-	12	-
Food Poisoning	1	-	-	-
Measles	1156	1	15	-
Meningococcal Infection	2	1	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1	-	2	-
Paratyphoid Fever	3	-	1	-
Pneumonia	110	16	36	21
Puerperal Pyrexia	6	-	3	-
Scarlet Fever	100	-	79	-
Whooping Cough	199	-	208	-
Enteritis & Diarrhoea under 2 yrs (not notifiable)	-	1	-	2

Table 13 ADMISSIONS TO INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL

Dysentery.....I	Nursing Mother.....I
Erysipelas... ..I	Observation.....9
Gastro Enteritis.....I5	Ophthalmia Neonatorum.....I
Glandular Fever.....I	Osteomyelitis.....I
Healthy Babies.....3	Para-typhoid Fever.....I
Infective Hepatitis.....5	Pneumonia.....2
Influenza .....I	Puerperal Pyrexia.....3
Laryngitis.....I	Scarlet Fever.....2
Measles.....I	Tonsillitis.....2
Meningism.....I	T.B.Meningitis.....I
Miliary T.B.....I	Whooping Cough.....10

Table 14 IMMUNISATION AGAINST DIPHTHERIA  
COMPARISON WITH OTHER AREAS

Area	Population	Births	Primary course				Booster Dose All Ages
			Under 1 Year	I-14	Total		
			Percent	No.	Years		
GOSPORT	62,520	1,010	34.8	351	491	842	615
Aldershot	39,630	602	13.5	81	372	453	488
Foreham	46,220	759	37.5	285	307	592	1,059
Winchester	27,150	399	40.6	162	99	261	372
County							
Urban Areas	385,100	6,164	27.5	1,695	3,517	5,212	6,307
Hampshire							
County	670,850	10,793	28.2	3,043	6,126	9,171	11,746

Table 15 DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION  
AGE AND OPERATOR

		Age at date of							
		Primary Course or Booster Dose							Total
		Under 1	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-10	10-14	All Ages
Primary Course	Private Doctors	300	314	46	14	17	28	3	722
	Div. School M.O.	-	11	5	2	1	2	-	21
	Ass. M.O.'s.	51	38	3	3	4	-	-	99
	Total	351	363	54	19	22	30	3	842
Booster Dose	Private Doctors	-	-	-	7	69	394	28	498
	Div. School M.O.	-	-	-	-	11	76	3	90
	Ass. M.O.'s.	-	-	-	-	12	15	-	27
	Total	-	-	-	7	92	485	31	615







Table 17 VACCINATION AGAINST SMALLPOX IN 1954

Area	Primary Vaccination					Revaccination		
	Under 1 Year		1-2	After 2	Total	Under 15	After 15	Total
	Per cent	No.	Years	Years				
GOSPORT	61.7	623	43	104	770	59	139	198
Aldershot	65.7	225	15	51	291	49	126	175
Fareham	53.2	404	25	52	481	42	74	116
Winchester	51.3	205	6	37	248	16	80	96
County								
Urban Areas	56.9	3,346	192	616	4,154	348	932	1,280
Hampshire								
County	56.9	5,838	335	1,118	7,291	648	1,668	2,316

Note - The number of babies vaccinated before their first birthday is shown in the first column as a percentage of the potential, that is of the number of babies born in the period.

Table 18 TUBERCULOSIS - THE REGISTER

	On Register			Attending Chest Clinic			Admitted to Sanatoria		
	1954	1953	1952	1954	1953	1952	1954	1953	1952
<b>Pulmonary</b>									
Adult Males	322	314	285	267	267	259	48	47	60
" Females	252	229	193	205	199	171	34	45	42
Children	39	35	25	39	33	23	3	5	-
Total	613	578	503	511	499	453	85	97	102
<b>Non-Pulmonary</b>									
Adult Males	28	23	22	15	11	10	2	3	1
" Females	40	40	33	23	22	18	1	2	3
Children	18	20	18	11	13	18	2	2	5
Total	86	83	73	49	46	46	5	7	9
<b>TOTAL ALL CASES</b>	<b>699</b>	<b>661</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>111</b>

Table 19 TUBERCULOSIS - AGE DISTRIBUTION (New Cases/Deaths/Register)

	New Cases				Deaths				Cases on Register at end of year			
	Pulm		Non-Pulm		Pulm		Non-Pulm		Pulm		Non-Pulm	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 5 Years	1	2		1					2	3		1
5-14 "	2	2		1					18	16	11	6
15-24 "	7	10	1	1	1	1			36	55	12	13
25-44 "	6	10	1		1	2	1		167	154	8	19
45-64 "	5	2	2	1	3		1		102	40	8	7
65 yrs & over	1								17	3		1
Totals	22	26	4	4	4	3	3	-	342	271	39	47
Totals for 1954	( 48		8		7		3		613		86	
	( 56				10				699			
Totals for 1953	( 86		12		7		2		578		83	
	( 98				9				661			
Totals for 1952	( 76		6		8		1		503		73	
	( 82				9				576			

Table 20 TUBERCULOSIS - DEATH RATE

	Gosport	Eng & Wales
1954	0.16	0.18
1953	0.18	0.20
1952	0.18	0.24
1951	0.22	0.31
1950	0.32	0.36
1949	0.54	0.45
1948	0.56	0.51

Note - Death Rates above are deaths from all forms of Tuberculosis per 1,000 Population corrected by our population factor.

Table 21

TUBERCULOSIS - NOTIFICATIONS of RESPIRATORY TUBERCULOSIS. (All Ages)  
Comparison with other Areas.

	1949		1950		1951		1952		1953		1954	
	No.	Rate Per 1000 Pop.	No.	Rate Per 1000 Pop.	No.	Rate Per 1000 Pop.	No.	Rate Per 1000 Pop.	No.	Rate Per 1000 Pop.	No.	Rate Per 1000 Pop.
GOSPORT	61	1.22	78	1.33	98	1.58	76	1.21	86	1.36	48	0.77
Hants County (incl. Gosport but excluding Portsmouth, Southampton & Bournemouth)	424	0.72	439	0.69	498	0.78	456	0.69	535	0.79	426	0.64
Portsmouth	324	1.48	288	1.20	256	1.08	210	0.86	252	1.02	194	0.80
Southampton	156	0.86	184	1.02	192	1.06	213	1.21	262	1.48	250	1.28
Bournemouth	109	0.78	80	0.57	127	0.91	141	1.01	98	0.70	136	0.96
Western Area of S.W.M.R. Hosp Bd. (ie. Hants, Dorset, Wilts & I.O.W.)	1,303	0.82	1,290	0.77	1,429	0.85	1,330	0.77	1,418	0.82	1,268	0.73

SECTION D

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES of the AREA

Table 22 WATER.

The main supply is a typical chalk water remaining practically constant in quality, neutral in reaction and free from deposit on standing. It has no plumbo-solvent action. It is hard in character but is much softened on boiling. The water is chlorinated before it reaches the mains.

The supply has been satisfactory in quality and quantity.

The following table shows the number of samples taken during the year and the results of analysis were all satisfactory:-

	<u>Chem.Exam</u>	<u>Bact.Exam</u>	<u>Total</u>
Water from Public Supply Mains	4	30	34
Water before chlorination	3	7	10

No action in respect of any form of contamination was required during the year. So far as it is known all except two of the dwelling houses in the borough have direct main supplies.

Table 23 DRAINAGE and SEWERAGE

No additional lengths of sewers were laid in the borough during the year.

Table 24 RIVERS and STREAMS

There was no pollution in the area requiring any action.



Table 25      CLOSET ACCOMMODATION

There were no conversions of pail closets to water closets during the year.

Number of water closets	18,162
Number of pail closets	25

Table 26      PUBLIC CLEANSING

Household refuse is collected once weekly by the Corporation.

Emptying of cesspools is carried out by Hants Cleansing Service under contract.

Table 27      SANITARY INSPECTIONS

Dwelling Houses:	
Inspections under Public Health Acts	929
"      "      Housing Acts	4,535
After Infectious Disease	240
Overcrowding	4
Complaints received and attended to	263
Drainage Inspections	79
Drains Tested	17
Houses Let in Lodgings	20
Common Lodging Houses	43
Offensive Trades	2
Tents, Vans and Sheds	26
Stables and Piggeries	198
Factories (Power)	109
"      (Non-Power)	20
Public Conveniences	839
Rats and Mice	183
Offensive Accumulations and Refuse Disposal (Corporation Tips etc)	77
Mosquito Control	4
Revisits to Premises under Notice	3,264
Interviews with Owners etc.	971
Verminous Premises	48
Council House Applicants - Inspection of Homes	46
Pet Animals	14
Swimming Baths	24
Miscellaneous Visits	387
Total Visits	<u>12,342</u>

Table 28      MEAT and FOOD CONTROL INSPECTIONS

Butchers Shops and Stalls	39
Bakehouses	33
Fishmongers and Poulterers	39
Greengrocers and Fruiterers	25
Grocers and Other Food Shops	48
Food Preparing Premises, Fried Fish Shops, etc.	43
Dairies and Milkshops	16
Ice Cream Premises	28
Preserved Food Premises	4
Cafes	44
Hawkers	2
Milk Samples	112
"      Detergent Samples	15
"      Bottles	36
Water Samples	6
Food and Drug Samples	171
Ice Cream Samples	139
Food Inspection Visits	157
Miscellaneous	95
Slaughterhouses	19
Total Visits	<u>1,057</u>

Table 29

SUMMARY of SANITARY WORK CARRIED OUT

(After Representation by this Department)

Houses

Roofs	216	Additional Ventilation	8
Wells (external)	43	" Lighting	5
Chimneys and Stacks	37	Stairs	6
Rainwater Pipes	57	Doors	32
Eaves Guttering	161	Vermin	6
Yards and Passages	1	Fireplaces	41
Coalhouses	3	Cooking Ranges	5
Dampness Abated	106	Sinks (Provision of)	7
Wallplaster	73	" (Repair and Renewal)	10
Ceilings	57	Sink Waste Pipes	12
Floors	69	Internal Water Supplies Provided	2
Windows	94	Repairs to Water Supplies	18
Sashcords	75	Food Stores Provided	2
		Miscellaneous	22

Drainage

Drains Cleared	88	New Drains	2
" Repaired	15	Other Defects	14

Water Closets

New Pans Provided	61	New Cisterns Provided	15
" Seats Provided	28	Repaired	6

Miscellaneous

Offensive Accumulations	6	Dustbins Provided	2
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Contraventions

Slaughterhouses	1	Factories	14
Food Premises	10	Other Premises	3
Stables and Piggeries	4		

Total Defects Remedied 1,437

Table 30

NOTICESInformal Notices Served

Under Public Health Acts	472
Under Food and Drugs Act	3
Under Factories Act	7
Total	482

Statutory Notices Served 229

Notices Complied With 554

Table 31

SHOPS ACT and YOUNG PERSONS (EMPLOYMENT) ACT

Visits Made	2,768
Informal Notices Served	3
" " Complied With	3
Statutory Notices Served	Nil

Table 32

CAMPING SITES

The only camping site in the Borough is that at Stokes Bay owned and administered by the Council. Regular inspections were made. Conditions were found to be satisfactory.



Table 33      SMOKE ABATEMENT

There is no serious smoke problem in the Borough. Four complaints of nuisance were received during the year and no formal action was necessary to secure abatement.

Table 34      SWIMMING BATHS and POOLS

The Gosport Bath is equipped with an efficient filtration and chlorination plant. Regular inspections and tests were made. Conditions were found to be satisfactory.

The Paddling Pool at Lee-on-the-Solent is filled from a fresh water spring. Regular visits were made during the summer and advice given when necessary.

The Swimming pool at Lee-on-the-Solent is filled at convenient tides from the sea. Visits were made during the summer months.

Table 35      DISINFESTATION

Fourteen premises were disinfested for Bugs, Lice Fleas or Flies during the year.

Table 36      RODENT CONTROL - General

One man was employed whole-time on rodent control throughout the year. In addition casual labour was employed when required on sewer treatment for lifting of manhole covers etc.

The following work was done during the year:-

Private Dwellings Inspected	2,329
" " Treated	306
Business Premises Treated (Costs recoverable)	17

Table 37      RODENT CONTROL - Sewer Section

Sewers in the borough are divided into sections and the following maintenance treatments were carried out during the year:-

Sewer Section	Number of Manholes Baited	
	10% tests	Treatments
Lee-on-Solent	15	
Town	6	40
Christchurch and Newtown	17	36
Mill Lane	10	
Lees Lane - Anns Hill	11	34
Beryton Road	8	
Avery Lane - B'hurst Rd - Frater	9	
Eastbourne Ave - Hastings Ave	9	
Chantry, Palmyra and Rydal Roads	8	
Grove Road and Hardway	8	24
Grange Estate	10	
Leesland and Whitworth Roads	6	30
Bury Rd - Anglesey Rd - The Avenue	9	
Fareham Road	8	
Privett Road - Vectis Road	9	
Clayhall	9	
Bridgeway Estate	30	
Total Manholes Baited	182	164

Complaints of Infestations received and attended to during the year.... 252

Table 38      MOSQUITO CONTROL

Regular spraying of breeding places was continued during the spring and summer and did much to lessen the nuisance.

Breeding grounds on private premises are not under our control but the public is warned of the importance of giving proper attention to these sources of mosquitoes.



Table 38 MOSQUITO CONTROL (Contd.)

The cost for wages, material and transport was £346 : 11 : 7d for the year ending December 1954.

Arrangements were made with the A.D.A.H. Southern Command, for mosquito control by Army Sanitary Squads on the Browdown Marshes and adjoining land occupied by the War Department. The filling in by household refuse of marshy land at Hasler Golf Links and now in progress on the Browdown Marshes should help considerably in mosquito control by cutting down their breeding grounds. The filling in of all such land should be encouraged as it is the best way to suppress mosquitoes.

Table 39 PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

These are administered by the Public Health Department. There is a special Sub-Committee. There are 15 Conveniences in the Borough.

Table 40 FACTORIES ACTS 1937 and 1948

## INSPECTIONS for purposes of PROVISIONS as to HEALTH

Premises	No. on Register	Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
1. Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4,&6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	9	20	3	-
2. Factories not included in (1.) in which Sect.7 is enforced by the Local Authority	89	101	6	-
3. Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	3	8	1	-
TOTAL	101	129	10	Nil

## CASES in which DEFECTS were FOUND

Particulars	Defects		Referred		Prosecutions instituted
	Found	Remedied	To H.M.I.	By H.M.I.	
Want of Cleanliness (Sect.1)	2	3	-	1	-
Overcrowding (Sect.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable Temperature (Sect.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate Ventilation (Sect. 4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective Drainage of Floors (Sect.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (Sect.7):-					
(a) Insufficient	2	2	-	2	-
(b) Unsuitable or Defective	5	6	-	1	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other Offences against the Act (excluding offences relating to outwork)	1	1	-	-	-
TOTAL	10	12	Nil	4	Nil

## OUTWORK (Sections 110 and 111)

Nature of Work	Section 110			Section 111		
	Outworkers in August List	Cases of default in sending Lists to the Council	Prosecutions for failure to supply Lists	Work in unwholesome premises	Notices Served	Prosecutions
Wearing Apparel - Making etc.	21	-	-	-	-	-
Others	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	21	-	-	-	-	-



SECTION E

H O U S I N G

Table 41      INSPECTION of DWELLING HOUSES during the YEAR

1(a)	Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under the Public Health or Housing Acts)	2,859
(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	5,464
2(a)	Number of dwelling houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 and 1932	2,229
(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	4,535
3	Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	107
4	Number of dwelling houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	982

Table 42      REMEDY of DEFECTS during the YEAR - WITHOUT SERVICE of FORMAL NOTICE

	Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the local Authority or their officers	321
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Table 43      ACTION under STATUTORY POWERS during the YEAR

A.	Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 & 16 of the Housing Act 1936	Nil
B.	Proceedings under Public Health Acts:-	
1	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	229
2	Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:-	
	(a) By Owners	225
	(b) By Local Authority in default of owners	Nil
C.	Proceedings under Sections 11 & 13 of the Housing Act 1936	28

Table 44      HOUSING ACT 1936 - Part IV - OVERCROWDING

A(1)	Number of overcrowded dwellings on our register at the end of the year	4
(2)	Number of families dwelling therein	5
(3)	Number of persons dwelling therein	40
B	Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year	Nil
C(1)	Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	2
(2)	Number of persons concerned in such cases	13
D	Particulars of any cases in which dwelling houses have again become overcrowded after the L.A. have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding	Nil

Table 45      SLUM-CLEARANCE - POSITION at DECEMBER 31st 1954

Total Number of Houses Demolished	395
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Table 46

## HOUSING PROGRESS

<u>During 1954</u>	New Houses Built	(1) By Local Authority	
		(a) Permanent	43
		(b) Temporary (Prefab.)	Nil
		(2) By Private Enterprise	141
<u>Total Post-War</u>	New Houses Built	(a) Permanent	2,790
		(b) Temporary (Prefab.)	600
	War-Destroyed Houses Re-built		170

## SECTION F

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

Table 47

MILK SAMPLING

Testing to note compliance with the  
Milk (Special Designations) (Raw Milk) Regulations 1949  
and  
Milk (Special Designations) (Pasteurised and Sterilised Milk) Regulations 1949  
was carried out with the following results:-

Class of Milk	Number of Samples Examined	Tests	Number of Samples	
			Passed	Failed
Pastourised	99	Phosphatase	97	2
		Methylene Blue	97	2
T.T. Pastourised	25	Phosphatase	24	(1 Test void)
		Methylene Blue	24	1

The Phosphatase Test is for adequacy of heat-treatment and the  
Methylene Blue Test for keeping quality and bacterial count.

Table 48

TESTING of MILK BOTTLES

38 sample milk bottles were submitted for tests of sterility.  
30 of the bottles were satisfactory and 8 were unsatisfactory

Table 49

TESTING OF CLEANSING FLUIDS (MILK CONTROL)

9 samples of fluid used for cleansing of milk bottles, utensils etc,  
were submitted for examination and all were satisfactory

Appropriate action was taken on all unsatisfactory reports.

Table 50

REGISTRATIONS (MILK CONTROL)

Under Milk and Dairies Regulations 1949

Dairies (other than dairy farms)	5
Distributors	5

Table 51

LICENCES (MILK CONTROL)

(a) Under Milk (S.D.) ( P. and S.M.) Regulations 1949

Pastourisers	3
Dealers (Pastourised)	2
" " Supplementary	1
" (Sterilised)	1
" " Supplementary	1

(b) Under Milk (S.D.) (R.M.) Regulations 1949

Dealers (Tuberculin Tested)	5
" " " Supplementary	1



Table 52 MEAT and OTHER FOODS (CONDEMNATIONS)

Our meat - except for some pigs slaughtered at one private slaughterhouse in the Borough - came from Slaughterhouses outside the Borough under the Ministry of Food control.

1,174 lbs Beef,  $2\frac{3}{4}$  lbs Mutton,  $15\frac{1}{4}$  lbs Pork, Carcase of 1 Pig (103lbs), Heads, Trotters and Trimmings from 2 Pigs (52lbs) and 84 lbs Frozen Ox Kidneys were condemned.

Other foodstuffs condemned as unfit for human consumption were as follows:-

Government Victualling Establishment

Biscuits	364 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs	Rice	220 lbs
Celery Seed	12 "	Tea	25 "
Chocolate	54 "	Tinned Fish	158 tins
Dried Fruit	2,963 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	" Fruit	707 "
" Vegetables	524 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	" Meat	449 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs
Jams and Marmalade	91 "	" Meat & Vegetables	147 tins
Lard and Frying Oil	61 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	" Milk	10 "
Mustard	8 "	" Soup	434 "
Oatmeal	346 "	" Vegetables	2,370 "
Pickles	11 "	Yeast	134 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs

Others

Bacon	80 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs	Roasting Chickens (5)	13 lbs
Cheese	3 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	Sausages	42 "
Choose Spread	27 pkts	Tinned Baby Food	2 tins
Cooked Ham and Pork	77 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs	" Fish	8 "
Escallops	24 "	" Fruit	502 "
Fish	26 $\frac{1}{2}$ stone	" Jam	2 "
Fruit Squash	1 bott	" Meat	408 "
Imported Frozen Rabbit	116 lbs	" Milk	346 "
Pickles	1 jar	" Soup	54 "
Prunes	90 lbs	" Vegetables	432 "

Table 53 SAMPLES

Taken Under Food and Drugs Act 1938									
Genuine			Unsatisfactory			Total			
Formal	Informal	Total	Formal	Informal	Total	Formal	Informal	Total	
Milk	47	10	57	2(a)	-	2	49	10	59
Other Foods	3	86	89	-	2(b)	2	3	88	91
Drugs	-	7	7	-	1(c)	1	-	8	8
Total	50	103	153	2	3	5	52	106	158

Table 54 ACTION TAKEN re UNSATISFACTORY SAMPLES

- (a) (1) Milk Deficient 6% of Minimum limit of milk fat. ) Inefficient mixing of bulk supply.  
 (2) Milk Deficient 10% of minimum limit of milk fat. ) Dealers warned.  
 ) Subsequent samples satisfactory

(In addition, 1 Informal Sample of Milk (Fat 3.5%, Solids-not-Fat 8.4%, Freezing Point Depression 0.545) was found to be 1.1% Deficient of Solids-not-Fat but was reported genuine as freezing point indicated that this was due to the condition of the cows and not to the presence of added water)

- (b) 1 Pork Sausages Contained undeclared preservative (180 p.p.m. S.O<sub>2</sub>) Manufacturer-Vendor Warned. (Preservative traced to Binder taken from container from which label declaring presence of preservative had been lost)

Table 54 ACTION TAKEN re UNSATISFACTORY SAMPLES (Contd.)

(b)	(2)	Jelly Crystals	Contained 81% sugar whereas the Food Standard Order requires not less than 84% sugar.	Manufacturers alleged due to inadequate mixing (gelatine content of sample was high) Assurance given that "strong measures will be taken to obviate any repetition."
(c)	(1)	Compound Epsom Salts Tablets	Unsatisfactory designation. "Compound" printed in small type although the therapeutic value of the tablets depends upon Phenolphthalein rather than upon Epsom Salts.	Old Stock. Remainder of Stock withdrawn from sale. Labels of new stock changed to read "Laxative Tablets containing Epsom Salts etc".

Table 55 ICE CREAM. REGISTRATION OF PREMISES

For Manufacture only	4
For Sale only	160

Table 56 ICE CREAM SAMPLING

No. of Samples Taken.	Samples Reported				% in Grade 1	% in Grades 1 or 2	% in Grade 3	% in Grade 4
	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 1	1 or 2	Grade 3	Grade 4
97	79	13	4	1	81.4%	94.8%	4.1%	1.0%

The Public Health Laboratory Service advises that samples should be judged on results of a series and suggests that over a six-monthly period

	50% of Samples should fall into Grade 1
	80% " " " " " Grades 1 or 2
not more than	20% " " " " " Grade 3
and no	" " " " " Grade 4

In addition, 36 Iced Lolly Samples were examined and all except one were satisfactory.

In all cases of unsatisfactory reports the manufacturer and retailer were advised verbally and by circular letter re precautions to be taken to prevent contamination.



# SECTION G

## GENERAL PROVISION

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## HEALTH SERVICES for the AREA

Table 57      LABORATORY FACILITIES

Public Health Laboratory Service,  
Central Laboratory, Milton Road, Portsmouth (Port. 74785)  
Public Analyst's Laboratory,  
Trafalgar Place, Clive Road, Portsmouth (Port. 5482)

Table 58      AMBULANCE FACILITIES

The Ambulance Station in the Borough is situated in Privett Road and is one of the five stations (Fareham, Gosport, Havant, Hedge End, Petersfield) in the South-Eastern Division of the County Ambulance Service. The work of these Stations is co-ordinated at the Main Station at Fareham and it is there that all calls for ambulances are received. Written requests for transport should be sent to the County Ambulance Station, The Tannery, North Wallington, Fareham, and verbal requests telephoned to Fareham 2170.

The Local Health Authority is not under obligation to make arrangements for the conveyance of all persons suffering from illness but only of those for whom special transport such as the Ambulance Service provides is necessary. Under normal circumstances, therefore, transport can be provided only on the authority of a doctor but in an emergency an ambulance can be obtained by anyone using the "999" system provided by the Post Office telephone service.

Table 59      NURSING in the HOME

Nurses and Midwives, unless out on urgent cases, can normally be reached at their own homes before 9 a.m., between 1.0 and 2.0 p.m. and in the evening.

### District Nurses

Miss D. Barnsbury,	39, The Croft, Stubbington.	(Stubb. 295)
Mrs D. Cox,	78, Rothesay Road, Gosport	(Gosp. 88905)
Mrs E. Green,	25, Bay Road, Alverstoke.	(Gosp. 8533)
Miss B.M. Lawrence,	11, Fieldmore Road, Hardway	(Gosp. 89292)
Mrs H. Martin,	15, Dorrien Road, Elson.	(Gosp. 88495)
Miss V.M. Morgan,	96, Sydney Road, Gosport.	(Gosp. 88722)
Miss S.M. Pearce,	263, Forton Road, Gosport	(Gosp. 8039)

### Midwives

Miss M.E. Fisher,	89, Anns Hill Road, Gosport	(Gosp. 89330)
Mrs P. Fisher	146, Beauchamp Avenue, Bridgemary	(Gosp. 88513)
Mrs C. Gow,	1, Grove Road, Elson	(Gosp. 88540)
Miss G. Larcombe,	6, Elmore Close, Lee-on-Solent	(Lee 79479)
Mrs D.O'Neill,	34, Windsor Road, Gosport	(Gosp. 89974)
Mrs N.L. Pettigrew,	84, Privett Road, Gosport	(Gosp. 8047)
Mrs. F.M. Thompson,	21, Thorton Road, Elson	(Gosp. 89997)
Miss R. Topley,	1, James Close, Bridgemary	(Fareham 3237)

Table 60      HOME HELP SERVICE

The County Council has established a Home Help Service to give help to households where owing to sickness, pregnancy, lying-in, old age or other reason such help is necessary and cannot be obtained otherwise. Charges are made in accordance with the domestic circumstances. A leaflet on the service giving full particulars is obtainable from,

The local Home Help Organiser,  
Mrs. D. Moore, 145, High St. Gosport (Tel. Gos. 89131)



Table 61 MATERNITY and CHILD WELFARE CLASSES, CLINICS and CENTRES

- (a) ANTE-NATAL RELAXATION CLASSES are held at the Blake Maternity Home on Monday afternoons. The instruction is given by the County Midwives.
- (b) ANTE-NATAL CLINICS are held at the Blake Maternity Home on Thursday at 2p.m.
- (c) CHILD WELFARE CENTRES are held as under:-

<u>ELSON</u>	St. Thomas's Church Hall, Elson Road ( Blake Maternity Home from Oct. 1955)	Every Tuesday 2 p.m.
<u>FORTON</u>	Crossways Social Hall	Every Monday 9-30 a.m. to 12 noon 2 to 4 p.m.
<u>HOLBROOK</u>	Holbrook School, Fareham Road	Every Thursday 9-30 a.m. to 12 noon 2 to 4 p.m.
<u>STOKE ROAD</u>	Methodist Sunday School Room	Every Wednesday 9-30 a.m. to 12 noon 2 to 4 p.m.
<u>LEE-ON-SOLENT</u>	The Lowry Hut	1st and 3rd Tuesdays in each month from 2 p.m.

Table 62 COUNTY COUNCIL SPECIAL CLINICS The following Clinics are held at "The Gables" Spring Garden Lane (Tel Gosp.6032)

(a) CHILD GUIDANCE CLINIC

Dr. L. Rosenberg, Psychiatrist, holds a clinic every Wednesday, all day.  
Psychologist attends every Thursday, all day.  
Psychiatric Social Worker attends both clinics.  
Children are seen by appointment only.

(b) MINOR ORTHOPAEDIC CLINIC

This is attended by Dr. P.V. Pritchard every second Tuesday in the month in the mornings.  
Cases are seen by appointment only.

(c) SPEECH CLINIC

Attended by Miss K.M.L. Dickson, L.C.S.T.  
For treatment of speech disorders in children under school age and children attending maintained schools.  
Patients are seen, by appointment only, Mondays and Fridays all day.

Table 63 SCHOOL and MINOR AILMENTS CLINIC

This Clinic is held at the Divisional Health Office, 2, Stoke Road, (Tel Gosp. 69131)  
It is open daily, except Saturdays, at 9-30 a.m.  
It is attended by Dr. P.V. Pritchard, The Divisional School Medical Officer.  
Children are referred to it for treatment of minor ailments and injuries, for special medical examinations and supervision, and immunisation.  
It is also used by parents, teachers and doctors for consultations with the Medical Officer.  
Adults are also examined for superannuation and such like purposes.  
The County Audiometrician attends every second Wednesday afternoon in the month to test children only by appointment with the gramophone audiometer. These are cases referred to this Clinic because they have, or are suspected to have, defective hearing.



Table 64      DENTAL CLINIC

This clinic is held at the Divisional Health Office, 2, Stoke Road, (Tel Gosport 89131)  
 It is open daily and alternate Saturday mornings.  
 It is attended by one Full-time Dental Officer - Surg. Rear-Admiral (D)  
 F.R.P. Williams C.B.E. and two part-time Dental Officers- Mr. F.A. Penney and  
 Mr. W.J.A. Reed.

The whole of the Gosport area, with the exception of the two Holbrook  
 Schools, the two Bridgeman Schools and the Woodcot Primary School, is now  
 covered for routine inspection and treatment.

Emergency treatment for the relief of pain is available for children  
 attending the Schools in the "uncovered" area, and a clinic for such treatment  
 is held on Tuesday mornings.

On reference to the County Medical Officer by the Doctor booked or by  
 a doctor in charge of an ante-natal clinic, any expectant or nursing mother can  
 obtain any necessary dental treatment, including dentures, free.

Table 65      HOSPITAL BOARD SPECIAL CLINICS      The following clinics for our children  
 are held at "The Gables", Spring Garden Lane by arrangement with  
 the Regional Hospital Board:-

(a) MAJOR ORTHOPAEDIC CLINIC

Surgeon's Day      3rd Tuesday morning in the odd months of year.

Remedial Day      every Friday, all day.

(b) OPHTHALMIC CLINIC

Every Wednesday afternoon.

(c) THE TUBERCULOSIS or CHEST CLINIC

This Clinic is for patients of all ages.

<u>Mondays</u>	9-30 a.m.	Old Patients
	12 noon)	New Patients
	and 2 p.m.)	

<u>Tuesdays</u>	9-30 a.m.	By appointment only
	1-30 p.m.	Refill Session

<u>Monday</u>	5-30 p.m.	Every third Monday in month an evening clinic
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Table 66      EAR, NOSE and THROAT CLINIC

Cases for examination by an Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist are referred to  
 the Gosport War Memorial Hospital Special Department.

Table 67      VENEREAL DISEASES CLINIC

Clinics are held at St. Marys Hospital, Portsmouth (Tel Port. 2476)

For Males	Tuesdays	10 - 12 noon
	Thursdays	5 - 7 p.m.

For Females	Mondays	5 - 7 p.m.
	Wednesdays	2 - 4 p.m.
	Fridays	10 - 12 noon

Table 68      HOSPITAL and NURSING HOME Service for the Area is :-

War Memorial Hospital (General).....Tel. Gosport 8157

Infectious Diseases Hospital .....Tel. Portsmouth 2046

Blake Maternity Home... ..Tel Gosport 8535



Table 68      HOSPITAL and NURSING HOME Service (Contd.)

Haslar Hospital (Naval) .....Tel. Portsmouth 74571  
Ballard Lodge Nursing Home (Private)..... Tel.Gosport 8143  
Langdale Nursing Home (Private)..... Tel. Gosport89618

Table 69      DAY NURSERY Podd's House, 185, Brockhurst Road, Gosport (Tel.Gosport 89508)

Accommodates 70 children between the ages of 0 and 5 years.

A priority System is in operation in regard to admission to County Council Day Nurseries, and the Priority Cases are as follows:-

- (a) Children whose mothers are obliged to work as sole or main supporter of the family, i.e. unmarried mothers and widows, or cases where the husband is unable to follow full-time employment on account of ill-health.
- (b) Children whose mothers are ill or are unable, for some reason, to care for them themselves.
- (c) Cases of overcrowded or unsuitable home conditions, where it is necessary in the interests of the child on health grounds.

Children not coming within the above categories are admitted on the understanding that if the vacancy should be required for a priority case, the child will be withdrawn.

Table 70      OCCUPATION CENTRE FACILITIES St. Faith's Institute, Leesland Road, Gosport

Children if suitable for admission are admitted from Gosport, Fareham, Shedfield, Swarnmore and Wickham. Also from any place within reasonable distance having regard to transport facilities and age and ability of defective.

Table 71      VACCINATION Against SMALLPOX

This is normally carried out by the family doctor.  
From September 1955, Medical officers attached to Child Welfare Centres will also carry out this service on request.

Table 72      IMMUNISATION against DIPHTHERIA and WHOOPING COUGH

For 1954 the Official Scheme only covered action for Diphtheria.  
From the 9th May 1955, both diseases have been included.  
Parents have a choice of attention by the family doctor, the Medical Officer at the Child Welfare Centre or Nursery or at the School Clinic, Stoke Road.

Table 73      REMOVAL of PERSONS in NEED of CARE and ATTENTION

This is a Borough responsibility under Section 47 of the National Assistance Act 1948 and National Assistance (Amendment) Act 1951.

Successful applications were made for two Court Orders and the usual and subsequent quarterly Renewals. These Orders were in respect of two infirm females who were unable to make suitable arrangements for their own care in their own homes. They were sent to an institution which specifically cares for such cases



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