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To the Chairman and Members of the Haydock
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COUNCIL OFFICES,

HAYDOCK.

MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Report upon the health of the District, including that of the Sanitary Inspector, for the Year 1945, in accordance with the instructions of the Ministry of Health.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

S. K. APPLETON,

Medical Officer of Health.

HEALTH STAFF—

Medical Officer of Health (Part time):

Dr. S. K. APPLETON, M.D., D.P.H., D.T.M.

Sanitary Inspector:

J. EVANS, A.R.San.I., Cert. R.S.I., San. Sc. & Meat (L'pool)

Area (acres)	-	-	-	-	-	2395
Estimated population	-	-	-	-	-	10880
Number of inhabited houses	-	-	-	-	-	2760
Rateable Value	-	-	-	-	-	£37,560
Sum represented by a 1d. rate	-	-	-	-	-	£137

The occupation of the working population is principally coal mining and engineering in connection with collieries.

VITAL STATISTICS.

	M.	F.	Total.
Live Births—Total	102	109	211
Still Births—Total	7	1	8
Deaths—Total	63	56	119

There was one death from maternal causes.

There were 12 deaths of infants under one year of age—8 males and 4 females.

HAYDOCK U.D.

Per 1,000 of estimated population,				Maternal mortality rate		Rate of	
Live birth-rate	Crude death-rate	Death-rate from tuberculosis of respiratory system	Death-rate from cancer	Per 1,000 live births	Per 1,000 total (live and still) births	deaths under one year per 1,000 live births	
Population—							
For birth-rate	} 10,880						
For death-rates							
1945.	19.3	10.9	0.64	1.19	4.73	4.56	56
1944.	21.9	9.6	0.27	1.67	nil	nil	46
Mean of 5 years, 1940-1944.							
	20.5	10.2	0.35	1.19	2.81	2.67	70

HEALTH SERVICES.

GENERAL HEALTH SERVICES AND SANITATION—

The Child Welfare Centre and School Clinic in Haydock are under the Lancashire County Council. They are both well attended.

HOUSING.

No houses were built during the year.

408 Sanitary inspections were made for housing defects and other matters.

218 preliminary notices were served. No statutory notices were required.

FOOD INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION.

Cowsheds and Dairies.

Number of Cowkeepers	...	...	...	...	13
„ Purveyors of Milk	...	...	...	...	2
„ Inspections made	...	...	...	...	52
„ Milch Cows in the district	...	...	...	...	212

36 samples of milk were examined for tuberculosis with one positive result.

Animals intended for human food are examined at the time of slaughter, and shops, vans and premises are inspected frequently.

Animals examined :—

Pigs	...	...	31
Meat Condemned	...	...	Nil

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

There was a marked reduction in notifiable Infectious Diseases to 286 cases of which 180 were measles.

Scarlet Fever was still above average although notification fell 50% on 1944 figures.

Diphtheria was mild in type, no complications or deaths.

There were no notifications of cerebro-spinal meningitis.

DIPHTHERIA. 11 cases of Diphtheria were notified. When the final diagnosis was made, however, it was found in 6 cases that the disease was not true Diphtheria. The correct number therefore is 5.

IMMUNISATION AGAINST

DIPHTHERIA.

Sessions were continued at which injections were given by Private Practitioners to children of school age and under. Each child had two injections of A.P.T. prophylactic.

No. IMMUNISED
DURING 1945.

Pre-school children	...	162
School children	...	26
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		188
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At the end of 1945, it was estimated that about 73 per cent. of schoolchildren and 67 per cent of children under school age had been immunised.

Total for all children between the ages of 1—15 is 71 %

Causes of Death				Males	Females	Total.
All causes	...	...	....	63	56	119
Typhoid and paratyphoid fevers	...		...	—	—	—
Cerebro-spinal Fever	...		...	—	—	—
Scarlet Fever	...		...	—	—	—
Whooping Cough	...		...	—	—	—
Diphtheria	...		...	—	—	—
Tuberculosis of Respiratory system	...		...	3	4	7
Tuberculosis—Other forms	...		...	2	—	2
Syphilis	...		...	—	—	—
Influenza	...		...	—	—	—
Measles	...		...	1	—	1
Poliomyelitis and Polio Encephalitis	...		...	—	—	—
Acute Inf. Encephalitis	...		...	—	—	—
Cancer—all forms	...		...	8	5	13
Diabetes	...		...	—	3	3
Intra-Cran: Vasc: lesions	...		...	4	4	8
Heart Disease	...		....	16	16	32
Other Circulatory Diseases	...		...	1	1	2
Bronchitis	...		...	2	2	4
Pneumonia	...		...	5	5	10
Other Respiratory Diseases	...		...	—	1	1
Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum	...		...	2	—	2
Diarrhoea, &c. (under 2 years)	...		...	1	1	2
Appendicitis	...		....	1	—	1
Other Digestive Diseases	...		...	3	2	5
Acute and Chronic Nephritis	...		...	3	1	4
Puerperal Sepsis	...		...	—	—	—
Other maternal causes	...		...	—	1	1
Congenital Debility, Premature Birth, Malformations, &c.	...		...	4	2	6
Suicide	...		...	—	—	—
Road Traffic Act	...		...	1	—	1
Other Violence	...		...	4	4	8
All Other Causes	...		...	2	4	6

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES DURING 1945.

There were 286 cases notified during the year excluding Tuberculosis. This table shows the number of infectious diseases notified and the number of cases removed to hospital. There was one death.

DISEASE	Total cases at all Ages	CASES NOTIFIED													Total Deaths	Total cases removed to Hospital
		YEARS														
		Under 1	1	2	3	4	5	10	15	20	35	45	65 & over			
Scarlet Fever	59	...	2	3	10	9	27	4	3	...	1	...	...	...	52
Diphtheria	5	...	...	...	1	...	3	1	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	..	...
Measles	180	7	19	34	33	19	66	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	2
Whooping Cough	21	3	3	2	3	1	8	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Dysentery	9	...	2	3	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	6
Pneumonia	6	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	3	...	3
Erysipelas	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	..	1	3	...	...	1
TOTALS...	286	11	26	42	48	29	105	8	3	3	3	5	3	1	69	

TUBERCULOSIS.

Under the Tuberculosis Regulations 11 new cases of respiratory and // of other forms of Tuberculosis were notified. There were 7 deaths from Tuberculosis of the respiratory system and 2 from non-respiratory. The figures shewing number notified and number of deaths are tabulated below :—

Age Periods	New Cases				Deaths			
	Pulmonary		Non- Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non- Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Years								
0	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	...	...	3	3	..	...	...	...
5	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...
10	1	1
15	1	1
20	...	1
25	2	2	...	1	1	2
35	1	2
45	...	1	1	1
55	1	1	1
65
and upw'rds								
	5	6	5	6	3	4	2	...
TOTALS...	11		11		7		2	



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