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#### HAYDOCK URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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COUNCILLOR MRS. S. PIMBLETT, C.C., J.P.

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R. MAIN, A.I.A.S. (To 1st October)

P. A. MAJOR, M.I.Mun.E., M.Inst.H.E., M.R.S.H. Chartered Municipal Engineer (From 1st October)

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Chairman:

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Vice-Chairman:

COUNCILLOR J. PARR

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Councillor W. Dixon

Councillor R. Finney, J.P.

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R. ELLIS JONES, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Public Health Inspector:

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TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE, HAYDOCK URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

I have the honour of presenting for your consideration, the Annual Report on the health and sanitary conditions of the Urban District of Haydock for the year ending 31st December, 1963.

The number of births in 1963 was 239, 23 more than in 1962, giving an adjusted Birth Rate of 18.2 per 1,000 population, exactly equal to the rate for England and Wales. The proportion of male to female births was 127 male to 112 female; in 1962 the figures were 127 to 89. The percentage of births which were illegitimate was very low at 1.7%. There were no maternal deaths. Eight deaths occurred in infants under 1 year, of which 5 were under 4 weeks old.

Deaths due to accidents totalled 6, of which I was a motor vehicle accident. Of the 4 accidental deaths in people over 65, 2 were due to falls on the stairs and 2 due to burns. A special housing scheme with the services of a warden might help to prevent some deaths of this kind in the future. Six deaths, all male, occurred due to cancer of the lung and a further 12 deaths were due to bronchitis. These figures emphasise the importance of taking action on the questions of cigarette smoking and clean air.

In 1953, 14 cases of respiratory tuberculosis were notified; in 1963 it is most pleasing to record that there were none. The Quinquennial mean figure for notified cases of respiratory tuberculosis for the period 1953 to 1957 was 10; that for 1958-62 was 3. These figures show the wonderful improvement that has taken place during the last 10 years in the treatment and prevention of tuberculosis. There is is no reason why this progress should not be maintained.

I should like to take this opportunity to thank 'embers of the Council for their interest, and Mr. R. V. Watkin and other members of the staff for their loyal support during the year.

I am,

Your Obedient Servant,

R. ELLIS JONES.

Medical Officer of Health.

#### SECTION 1.

#### GENERAL STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS

Area (acres)		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	2,395
Population (Census 1961)			12,074
Population (Registrar-General's estimate	e for mid-1963	5)	12,440
Number of inhabited houses (Census 1961	)	30	3,700
Number of inhabited houses at end of 196 Rate Books			3,809
Rateable Value	C 15.60 20		302,565
Sum represented by 1d rate	a simpless		1,238

The Township of Haydock extends from St. Helens C.B. in the West to the Urban District of Golborne in the East, a distance of approximately 34 miles. It is bounded on the North side by the Urban District of Ashton-in-Makerfield and on the South side by the Urban District of Newton-le-Willows.

The district is without any marked undulation of surface, the height above mean sea-level varying from 65 feet at the bottom of West End Road to 200 feet at the top of Millfield Lane.

The sub-soil consists of clay and marl with occasional beds of sand. Surface water gravitates via the various brooks and streams in the district to Sankey Brook.

The occupations of the working population are principally coal mining, engineering in connection with the Collieries and general light engineering.

#### SECTION 2. VITAL STATISTICS

LIVE BIRTHS:				
Illegitimate - O Male, 4 Female	:::	:::	Total	
CRUDE BIRTH RATE PER 1,000 POPULATION ADJUSTED BIRTH RATE PER 1,000 POPULATION		:::	ZINONE SA	19.2
STILLBIRTHS:				
2 Male, 2 Female RATE PER 1,000 TOTAL BIRTHS				
DEATHS:				
75 Male, 59 Female CRUDE DEATH RATE PER 1,000 POPULATION ADJUSTED DEATH RATE PER 1,000 POPULATION	:::		Total	10.8
MATERNAL MORTALITY: RATE PER 1,000 TOTAL BIRTHS	- TOT	Roctor	the popul	NIL
DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE RATE PER 1,000 LIVE BIRTHS				8 33.5
NEO-NATAL MORTALITY: DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER 4 WEEKS OF AGE MORTALITY RATE PER 1,000 LIVE BIRTHS	•••			5 20.9
EARLY NEO-NATAL MORTALITY: RATE PER 1,000 LIVE BIRTHS		0,1 200	4.SI 020	16.7
PERINATAL MORTALITY: RATE PER 1,000 TOTAL BIRTHS	10	000000	STAG COST	32.9

POPULATION: At the Census in 1961 the population enumerated was 12,074. The Registrar-General's estimate for mid-1963 was 12,440 and this figure has been used in calculations of statistics in this report.

BIRTHS: During the year there were registered 239 live births, being 127 males and 112 females, to Haydock parents, representing a crude birth rate of 19.2 per 1,000 of the population and an adjusted birth rate of 18.2; the birth rate for England and Wales was 18.2

There were 4 stillbirths giving a rate per thousand <u>TOTAL</u> Births of 16.5; the rate for England & Wales was 17.3.

<u>DEATHS</u>: The total number of deaths of Haydock residents whether within or without the district was 134, comprising 75 males and 59 females. The crude death-rate for 1963 was therefore 10.8 per 1,000 of the population and the adjusted rate 12.4 as compared with a death rate of 12.2 per 1,000 for England and Wales as a whole.

It will be noticed that the increase of births over deaths - the "natural increase" - for Haydock during the year was 105.

Of the 134 deaths, 12 were of patients in Haydock Lodge Hospital.

INFANT MORTALITY: Deaths of infants under one year of age numbered 8 giving a rate per 1,000 live births of 33.5. The rate for England and Wales was 20.9.

There were no deaths from Measles or Whooping Cough.

MATERNAL MORTALITY: There was no "Maternal death, i.e. death due to or associated with pregnancy or parturition.

COMPARABILITY OF CRUDE LIVE BIRTH AND DEATH RATES: If the populations of all areas were similarly constituted as regards the proportions of their sex and age groups, their crude rates for live births and deaths (per 1,000 population) could be accepted as valid for purposes of comparison with other areas and with the country as a whole.

As the population of the areas are not thus similarly constituted the Registrar-General supplies "comparability factors" to each area, by which the crude live birth and death rates of the area are "weighted" to give the "adjusted" rates, which are truly comparable with the adjusted rates of other areas.

For this area the live birth rate comparability factor is 0.95 and the adjusted Live Birth-rate becomes 18.2 per 1,000. The Death-rate comparability factor is 1.15 and the adjusted Death-rate is therefore 12.4 per 1,000.

COMPARISONS OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, ETC. The tables on the following pages give comparisons of the Births, Deaths, etc., for the year 1963 and for the preceding 5 years; also the causes of death in the Haydock Urban District for the year 1963.

VITAL STATISTICS - COMPARATIVE TABLE

	-		-									-
	Live	Live Births	Deaths	hs	Still	Stillbirths	Maternal	al	INFA	INFANT MORTALITY	PALITY	
			(all causes,	auses)			Mortality	ıty	Total		Neo-Natal	tal
HAYDOCK U.D.	No. regis- tered	Rate per 1,000 pop'n.	No. regis- tered	Rate per 1,000 pop'n.	No. regis- tered	Rate per 1,000 total births	No. of deaths regis- tered	Rate per 1,000 total births	No. of Rate deaths per regis-1,00 tered live birt	o o	No. of Rate deaths per regis- 1,000 tered live births	Rate per 1,000 live births
Year 1963	239	*19.2	134	*10.8	4	16.5	Lin	Nil	8	33.5	5	20.9
Year 1962	216	17.5	138	2.11	7	31.4	1	84*4	5	23.1	2	13.9
Year 1961	213	17.5	153	12.6	9	27.4	Lin	LiN	4	18.8	2	4.6
Year 1960	222	18.2	131	10.7	9	26.3	1	4.39	5	22.5	2	0.6
Year 1959	228	18.9	132	10.9	10	45.0	N£1	Lin	7	30.7	7	30.7
Year 1958	197	16.5	132	11.0	5	24.8	Lin	Nil	00	9.04	9	30.5
Average 5 years 1958-1962	1	17.7	1	11.3	1	30.4	2 24	371.1	T de	27.1	1.	18.7
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18.2 per 1,000. 11 11 Adjusted (live-birth rate comparability factor, 0.95) (death-rate comparability factor, 1.15)

## COMPARATIVE TABLES

# GENERAL VITAL STATISTICS

# Rates per 1,000 Population

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- 0 2 0	Haydock U.D.		England and Wale	
Live Births Rate adjusted	18.2	2	18.2	SYNE
Still Birth Rate (a)	16.5		17.3	(a)
Neo-natal Deaths (b)	20.9		14.2	(b)
Total Infant Deaths (b)	33.5		20.9	(b)
Maternal Mortality (a)	Nil		0.28	(a)
Total Death Rate adjusted	12.4		12.2	Total Page
(a) Per 1,000 TOTAL Births. (b) Per 1,000 LIVE Births.		2,8,5	100 A	Total dive

# NOTIFICATION RATES AND DEATH RATES OF THE PRINCIPAL NOTIFIABLE - AND OTHER IMPORTANT DISEASES AND CONDITIONS All rates are shewn per 1,000 population

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Disease	Haydoc	k U.D.	England	& Wales
	Notific- ations	Deaths	Notific- ations	Deaths
Typhoid Fever Para-typhoid Fever Dysentery Food Poisoning Diphtheria Scarlet Fever Whooping Cough Measles Meningococcal Infection Acute Poliomyelitis Paralytic Acute Encephalitis Infective Pneumonia (Primary) Tuberculosis: (Respiratory) (Non-respiratory) Total DISEASES OF HEART AND CIRCULATION Coronary Disease Angina Strokes Hypertension Other Total - All Forms CANCER: Lungs and Bronchus Other Total - All Forms VIOLENCE: Accidents (motor vehicle) (other)	0.000 0.000 1.000 0.000 0.000 0.804 0.402 24.678 0.080 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.080 0.080	0.080 0.000 0.080 1.45 1.93 0.16 2.33 5.87 0.48 0.88 1.37	0.005 0.007 0.675 0.125 0.001 0.739 12.783 0.013 0.001 0.003 0.301 0.348 0.055 0.403	0.063 0.007 0.070 0.152 1.67 2.18

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CAUSES OF DEATH - HAYDOCK U.D. 1963

Cause of Death	Sex	The second secon	-Under 4 Wks.	4 Wks and under
Tuberculosis, Respiratory  Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus  Malignant Neoplasm, Breast  Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms  Leukaemia, Aleukaemia  Diabetes  Vascular Lesions of Nervous System  Coronary Disease, Angina  Hypertension with Heart Disease  Other Heart Disease  Other Circulatory Disease  Influenza	M F M F M F			and under
Pneumonia Bronchitis Other Diseases of Respiratory System Nephritis and Nephrosis Congenital Malformations Other Defined and Ill-Defined Diseases Motor Vehicle Accidents All other Accidents	M F M F M F M F M F M F M F	4 2 9 3 2 - 1 - 3 - 6 4 1 - 3 2	1	2
TOTAL ALL CAUSES	M F	75 59	5 -	2

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			1	1	4	)	13	54

# SECTION 3. INFECTIOUS DISEASES - PREVENTION AND CONTROL

The increase in the number of infectious disease cases notified was due solely to the epidemic of Measles which occurred in the early months of the year. 307 cases were notified; 287 more than in 1962.

It is noteworthy to record that, for the first time, no notification of respiratory tuberculosis was received.

#### ISOLATION AND DISINFECTION

The Infectious Diseases Hospital at Peasley Cross, St. Helens, is available for the treatment of Haydock cases.

8 cases of infectious disease from Haydock were admitted during 1963.

The use of the steam disinfector at the hospital is also available for the disinfection of bedding and clothing as and when required.

NOTIFICATIONS IN RESPECT OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES NUMBERED 324. THE SUB-JOINED TABLE GIVES THE CORRECTED FIGURES AND THE TOTAL DEATHS

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HAYDOCK URBAN DISTRICT NOTIFIABLE DISEASES-COMPARATIVE TABLES

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	Quinquennial Mean 1958-1962	Deaths	-		-	1	1	1	-		-
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	69	Deaths	1	'	'	'	1	'	1	•	1
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TAT	1960	Deaths	1.	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	1 4
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ות ייו	. 0	Deaths	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
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	Topological section	Disease	Scarlet Fever	Diphtheria	Measles	Whooping Cough	Enteric Group Fevers	Dysentery	Food Poisoning	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Puerperal Pyrexia

(Table continued on Page 12)

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	Quinquennial Mean 1958-1962		1	0.5 -	0.4 0.2			3 0.6	an la	164 1.0
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	1963	Cases	1	1	1	,	•	1	1	324
		al acts	Acute poliomyeletis and polio-encephalitis	Acute Encephalitis- Post-infectious	Meningococcal Infections	Primary and Influenzal Pneumonia	Erysipelas	Tuberculosis, Respiratory	Tuberculosis, non- Respiratory	Total

#### SECTION 4.

#### SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

#### WATER SUPPLY

The supply of water to the district is the responsibility of the St. Helens Corporation who, by agreement with the Council, assumed control of the undertaking in April, 1958.

The bulk of the water consumed in the district comes from the Rivington reservoirs belonging to the Liverpool Corporation.

During the year 3 samples of the public supply were examined at the Public Health Laboratory, Liverpool; both were satisfactory.

#### INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD SUPPLIES

#### MILK

Samples of milk as under were taken periodically from milk producers and retailers in the area and tested by the Public Health Laboratory Service for keeping quality.

#### "HEAT TREATED" MILK

Methylene Blue reduction test.	No of samples 8
No. satisfactory 8. No unsatis	factory Nil.
Phosphatase test.	No. of samples 8
Turbidity test.	No. of samples 4
No. satisfactory 12. No. unsati	sfactory Nil.

#### MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

There are no slaughter-houses in operation in the area. Four persons are licenced by the local authority to slaughter animals under the Slaughter of Animals Acts, 1933 to 1958.

The number and types of food premises in the area at the end of 1963 were as hereunder:-

Grocers and Provision Dealers		Milder of		42
Greengrocers and Fruiterers				7
Meat Shops				7
Bakers and/or Confectioners		100		4
Fried Fish Shops				9
Shops, selling mainly Sweets, M	inerals, I	ce-Cream	, etc.	19
Licensed Premises, Clubs, Cante	ens, Resta	urants,	Snack-	
Bars and similar Catering Es	tablishmen	ts		25
Others				3

All were inspected systematically during the year, in addition to special visits.

The following foodstuffs were condemned as unfit for human consumption and destroyed by means of incineration or burial.

#### Foodstuff

Canned Meat	89	1bs
Canned fruit and vegetables	83	lbs
Miscellaneous Canned Food	26	lbs
Cheese Slices	6	lbs

No cases of food poisoning have occurred.

34 shops and one ice-cream Storage and Distribution Depot in the district are registered under the Lancashire County Council (Rivers Board and General Powers) Act, 1938, for the sale of icecream. In each shop a refrigerator is installed and the ice-cream is sold wrapped as delivered to the shop.

There are no ice-cream manufacturers in the district.

The local authority is not a Food and Drugs Authority and sampling of food (under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955), for adulteration etc., is carried out by County Council inspectors.

A total of 44 samples was obtained, consisting of 31 samples of milk (5 of which were samples of Channel Islands milk) and 13 others, comprising:-

1 Pork sausages	2 Fish paste
1 Coffee	1 Potted fish
4 Dried fruit	1 Coffee and chicory
1 Plain flour	1 Suet
1 Vinegar	

The County Analyst has reported all the above samples to be genuine with the exception of one sample of plain flour which was deficient in Creta praeparate and Nicotinic acid. In connection with this sample the Miller was notified.

#### DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

With the exception of a few out-lying premises all property is connected to the public sewers.

The western half of the district is served by the Parr Sewage Works, St. Helens, which is situated partly in the Haydock district and which came into operation early in 1958.

The new sewerage scheme for the eastern portion of the district, -part of the Sankey Valley Sewerage Scheme, came into operation in November, 1959. This means that only one small sewage disposal works situated in the central part of the district now remains in operation.

The work of laying a new trunk sewer throughout the district has been in progress during the year.

#### SANITARY ACCOMMODATION (HOUSES AND SCHOOLS)

The numbers of the various types of conservancy measures in the district at the end of 1963 are as follows:-

Privy Middins 1
Pail Closets 1
Trough Closets Nil
Waste-water Closets Nil
Fresh-water Closets 4171
Dry Ashpits Nil
Ashbins 3971

All the schools in the district now have reasonably satisfactory sanitary accommodation and are connected to the public mains for water supply and to the public sewers for sewage disposal.

#### PUBLIC CLEANSING AND SALVAGE

The collection of refuse is carried out under the control of the Council's Surveyor. Two motor vehicles are in operation and all dustbins are emptied weekly. Refuse is disposed of by means of controlled tipping; paper, cardboard etc., is collected separately and sold as salvage.

#### RODENT CONTROL

Although infestations of rats and mice in the district are generally of a minor nature, the sewers, sewage works and refuse tips are subject to constant observation and treatment in accordance with the methods recommended by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries Infestation Control Division.

Annual contracts were renewed for rodent destruction at 3 farms in the district.

Occupiers of dwelling houses are encouraged to report infestations of rats and mice, no charge being made for disinfestation work carried out by the local authority at this type of property.

One rodent operative is employed part-time.

Total inspections (including reinspections) carried out, and number of infestations found and treated were as follows:-

	TYPE OF PROPERTY				
est all out at a rest a point out of the	Non-Agricul	Non-Agricultural			
	Dwelling- house	All other	Agricultural		
No. of properties in district	3686	497	16		
No. of properties inspected	357	71	16		
Total inspections carried out (incl. re-inspections)	1281	187	111		
No. of properties inspected which were found to be infested by: Rats - major	of the Act	anolatvo	organistation		
minor	167	21	7		
Mice - major	-	-	-		
minor	29	5	(SA) MURALORIA		
No. of infested properties treated	195	19	3		
Total treatments carried out (incl. re-treatments	231	41	36		

#### DISINFESTATION

Infestations of houses with insect pests were dealt with by the use of D.D.T. insecticide and powder, with good results.

The number and types of infestations of houses dealt with during the year were as follows:-

Ants	52 houses
Cockroaches	24 houses
Flies	9 houses
Silverfish	2 houses
Woodbeetles	1 house
Bedbugs	1 house

In addition, infestations of cockroaches and ants at two Canteens, of black beetles at a school kitchen; and of flies at one school were cleared.

The refuse tip was treated at intervals to reduce infestations of flies.

#### MOVABLE DWELLINGS

Five caravans, all permanently occupied, were in use in the district during the year.

SHOPS ACT, 1950

The Shops Authority in this area is the Lancashire County Council, but inspectorial duties are carried out by the Public Health Inspector who, for that purpose, has been appointed Shops Inspector by the County Council.

There are 148 shops in the district and inspections during the year numbered 293.

The provisions of the Act relating to ventilation, temperature and sanitary accommodation are the concern of the local sanitary authority, and in this regard, several minor contraventions were noted and remedied by informal action.

### PETROLEUM (REGULATION) ACTS, 1928 AND 1936

16 premises were licenced to keep petroleum spirit and 3 to keep petroleum mixtures. Visits of inspection to new and existing installations numbered 27.

Income from licence fees amounted to £14.19. 2d

#### SECTION 5.

#### HOUSING

At the end of 1963, according to the Rate Books, the total number of houses in the area was 3809.

Of these, 1422 are Council houses and 439 have been built in the post-war period by private enterprise. The majority of the remainder are of terrace type, 60 years of age and upwards, whose general standard may be described as "fair". Little overcrowding exists.

During 1963, 36 traditional permanent houses were erected by private enterprise; none was built by the Local Authority.

1.	Inspection of dwelling-houses during the year:-	
	(1) (a) Total No. of dwelling-houses inspected formally or informally for housing defects (under ?ublic Health or Housing Acts)	370
	(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	830
	(c) Number of dwelling houses in (a) above found to be not in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation but capable of being rendered fit	317
	(2) Total No. of dwelling houses existing at the end of the year considered to be unfit for human habitation and not capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit	41
2.	Houses Demolished:-	
	(1) In Clearance Areas:	
	Houses unfit for habitation	Nil
	(2) Not in Clearance Areas:	
bevio	As result of formal or informal procedure under Section 17(1) Housing Act, 1957	Nil
3.	Unfit Houses Closed:-	
	Under Section 17(1), Housing Act, 1957	1

4.		it Houses made Fit and Houses in which Defects e remedied:-		
	(1)	After informal action by local authority	3	310
	(2)	After formal notice under Public Health Act:		
		by owner	talahzo	15
		by local authority		1
			dinvirg	
5.	Hous	ses Improved:-		
	(1)	By Discretionary Grant:		
		(a) Applications submitted		4
		(b) Applications approved		4
		(c) Work completed		3
	(2)	By Standard Grant:		
		(a) Applications submitted	•••	8
		(b) Applications approved		8
		(c) Work completed		4

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One application for a Certificate of disrepair was received during 1963, in respect of which an Undertaking to carry out the repairs was received from the landlord.

# SECTION 6 INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL HYGIENE

There are 28 registered factories in the district comprising 23 factories in which mechanical power is used, and 5 without mechanical power.

he types of factory are:-		
Engineering	,	6
Bakehouses		4
Brick-making		1
Boot and Shoe Repairs		1
Joinery		2
Pre-cast concrete goods		1
Laundry		2
Hinge-making and Electro-plating		1
Scrap-yard		1
Cycle and Radio Repairs	•••	1
Road Roller Repairs		1
Motor Vehicle Repairs		4
Agricultural Machinery Repairs		1
Cement Mixing		1
Radio & T.V. Valve Assembly	***	1

Six sites of building operations and one main sewerage scheme were registered under Section 127 of the Factories Act, 1961.

# Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act, 1937

#### PART I OF THE ACT

#### 1 - INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

paret	on in the district coup.	Number Number of			
	Premises	Register	Inspections		
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	prosecuted (5)
(i)	Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4, and 6 are to be enforced by		2	Dage with	ez.
	Local Authorities	5	10	Nil	Nil
(ii)	Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	23	ns, ii.	Nil	Nil
	Local Rathority		29	1111	WII
(iii)	Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	all	oog ederened	Janores	
	(excluding out-workers' premises)	7	8	Nil	Nil
	Total	35	47	Nil	Nil

#### 2 - Cases in which DEFECTS were found

I	Number of cases in which defects were found				No. of cases in	
Particulars	Found	Remedied	Refer To H.M. Inspector		which prosecu- tions were instituted	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	2	2	-2	-77	-	
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-	
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	-		NAT NEED N	. au-776		
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	05 300	-		on solve	ostrace ost sas	

into a	Number of cases in which defects were found				No. of cases in
Particulars	Found	Remedied	Referre To H.M. Inspector		which prosecu- tions were instituted
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	(emp	noberopa	1-9 <u>2</u> 1-91	ano Tongs	ligger roll
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7) (a) Insufficient				00200 0	no lider License ne mai_ropp
(b) Unsuitable or defective	2	2		- 1 is	- VALESON
(c) Not separate for sexes	noi ros	tabala be	20,510,2		Andrews Control
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Out-work)		Paoro	en control		agoda ber benia zed asizota arecytos alcona as
Total	4	4	Nil	Nil	Nil

## SECTION 7.

## PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTION

### SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS, VISITS, ETC.

Re-inspections and re-visits to above	370 460 19 s) 4 ) 23 53 109 11
	1579
	104
	2
	208
	121
	47
	29
	12
	4
	27
Miscellaneous	106
Total	3306
No. 1 C. N. J D. C L	1.0-
	483
	103
	154
	15
	241
Number of Nuisances or defects abated	389

Type of Defect	No. discovered	No. remedied
Water Closets	102	87
Drains	41	38
Water Supply	20	19
Sinks	The late of	ount Plons
Waste Pipes	10	7
Dustbins	84	85
Washboilers	TANOLESS SON	STEVELL)
Roofs	28	15
Chimneys and Flues	3	4
Eavesgutters	14	16
Downspouts	5	7
Brickwork and/or Pointing	24	17
Plastering	23	14
Floors	13	6
Windows	24	19
Doors	22	18
Firegrates	3	3
Dampness	14	4
Yard Paving	6	2
Miscellaneous	46	28
Total	483	389

#### SECTION 8.

# PROVISION OF GENERAL HEALTH AND ANCILLARY SERVICES IN THE DISTRICT

#### (1) LABORATORY ARRANGEMENTS

(PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY SERVICE, AND COUNTY ANALYST'S DEPAREMENT)

Pathological specimens, samples of milk, foodstuffs, "swabs", etc. for bacteriological investigation are dealt with by the Public Health Laboratory Service either at the Public Health Laboratory, Mount Pleasant, Liverpool, or at the Public Health Laboratory, Monsall Green, Monsall, Manchester. The chemical analysis of water samples, and of samples of food and drugs, is undertaken at the County Analyst's Department, County Offices, Preston.

#### (2) HOSPITAL ARRANGEMENTS

(LIVERPOOL REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD, ST. HELENS AND DISTRICT HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, AND WARRINGTON AND DISTRICT HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE)

The Haydock Cottage Hospital is the only hospital situated in the district; it is a General Hospital with a nominal establishment of 13 beds, but in view of its small size it is not equipped to deal with major surgical cases. The district is mainly served, for general cases by the St. Helens Hospital, and also by the Providence Hospital, St. Helens. Maternity cases requiring hospital treatment are admitted either to the County Hospital, Whiston, the St. Helens Maternity Hospital, the General Hospital, Warrington, or to the Warrington Maternity Home, Victoria Park, Latchford, Warrington. Cases requiring isolation on account of Infectious Disease are normally admitted to the Peasley Cross Isolation Hospital, St. Helens.

In addition to the above, cases requiring highly specialised treatment for pediatric, orthopaedic, ophthalmic, ear, nose, throat, and gynaecological disabilities may be admitted, by arrangements, to any of the 'teaching hospitals' attached to the Universities of Liverpool or Manchester, and situated within, or in close proximity to those cities.

#### (3) AMBULANCE ARRANGEMENTS

Full responsibility for the Ambulance Service (provided under Section 27 of the National Health Service Act, 1946) rests with the Lancashire County Council - the "Local Health Authority" - under the Act, and the Urban District is serviced by staff and vehicles maintained at the County Ambulance Station, Silverdale Road, Earlestown, Telephone No. Newton-le-Willows 2013 (for emergency calls 3323).

This service deals with all types of cases where such transport is required by reason of illness (including mental illness or mental subnormality), whether accident, other emergency, general illness or infectious disease. In cases of emergency any person having reason to do so may summon an ambulance: in other cases the calls for this service are made either by a doctor, dentist, midwife, nurse or other duly qualified person.

Three Stretcher-carrying ambulance vehicles and three "Sitting case" cars are stationed at the Newton-le-Willows Depot, and manned by an appropriate staff, all qualified in First Aid.

#### (4) TREATMENT CENTRES AND CLINICS

(i) SCHOOL HEALTH-School Clinic, Station Road, Haydock.

Assistant Divisional Medical Officer, Dr. J. E. Jolley,

School Nurse/Health Visitors, Mrs. A. Boyes, & Miss P. Broadhurst.

SESSIONS, MINOR AILMENTS AND MEDICAL INSPECTION
Doctors Sessions: Weekly - Tuesday a.m. (during School term).

Nurses Re-Dressing Sessions: Weekly-Friday a.m. (during School term).

#### OPHTHALMIC

Ophthalmic Surgeon-Mr. E. Allan. Health Nurse in Charge-Mrs. A. Boyes. Sessions: Fortnightly-Thursday a.m. (by appointment only).

#### ORTHOPAEDIC

Orthopaedic Surgeon-Mr. Almond.
Orthopaedic Physiotherapist-Mrs. Garrett.
Sessions: Surgeon's sessions-monthly, morning of the first Monday (by appointment only).
Physiotherapist-weekly (by appointment only).

#### DENTAL

Mr. A. C. Crawford, ably assisted by
Miss Leather, the Dental Attendant, has continued the
periodic inspection and treatment of school children,
the treatment of expectant and nursing mothers and of
children of "pre-school" ages.

(ii) ANTE-NATAL CLINIC (Held at School Clinic, Station Road, Haydock)

Obstatrician-Mr. V. Corbett

Obstetrician-Mr. V. Corbett.

Health Visitor-Mrs. A. Boyes.

Sessions: Fortnightly-alternate Thursday afternoons.

These sessions are attended whenever possible by the local County Midwives, who assist at the examination of their patients.

Where hospital confinement is advisable, either on obstetrical or social grounds, the necessary arrangements are made for admission.

During the current year a total of 64 expectant mothers made 288 attendances at the Clinic.

(iii)MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE CLINIC (Held at the School Clinic, Station Road, Haydock). Assistant Divisional Medical Officer-Dr. J. E. Jolley. Health Visitors-Mrs. A. Boyes, Mrs. H. Evans & Mics P. Broadhurst Sessions: Weekly-each Wednesday-morning and afternoon. The purpose of these Clinics is to facilitate the medical examination and general supervision of infants and small children up to the age of 5 years, and to advise the mothers regarding their nurture and welfare. As an ancillary service, in order to help the parent to implement the advice received regarding feeding methods, a number of artificial infant foods and of vitamin preparations etc., are available at cost price to those regularly attending. and Ministry of Health "Welfare Foods", i.e. cod liver oil, orange juice and vitamin tablets are also dispensed at these sessions. In addition, expectant mothers who attend with infants or other young children are advised regarding the maintenance of their general health, and on other problems

The following figures show the use made of the Child Welfare Centre during the year:-

connected with their pregnancy: and are of course referred for special obstetrical advice to the Ante-Natal Clinic.

No of indivi	idual children	No of attende	ances
Born in 1963		.77 3227	bling
an administrative	Total 5	92 4951	

#### (5) MIDWIFERY ARRANGEMENTS

Two whole-time salaried Midwives are employed by the County Council-the "Local Health Authority" and "Local Supervising Authority"-for the purpose of conducting domiciliary confinements, either as midwives, (when assuming sole responsibility for the delivery, etc.), or as maternity-nurse, (when assisting at delivery in conjunction with a Doctor). The general policy is that each midwife should use a car, in order to enable her to respond speedily to urgent calls, and to transport analgesia apparatus.

The names and addresses of these midwives are: Miss W. Stirrup, 2, Folds Road, Haydock. Telephone - St. Helens 27135, and Mrs. M. A. McGhee, 31, Pimblett Road, Haydock. Telephone-Ashton-in-Makerfield 77477.

No private midwife practises within the district, nor is there any private Maternity Home so situated. These ladies were therefore responsible, either as midwives or maternity-nurses, for the 77 domiciliary confinements which took place during the year.

#### (6) HEALTH VISITING ARRANGEMENTS

The scope of this work is steadily expanding; the responsibility now rests on Health visitors to advise on general health matters relating to the family as a whole, also on the welfare of the aged and handicapped, and not solely in relation to infants, young children, and school children. Furthermore, they have a specific responsibility to advise on immunisation against Diphtheria and Whooping Cough, and on the importance of vaccination.

These domiciliary visits, so necessary as regards not only supervision but also health education, are complementary so far as pre-school children are concerned, to the work carried out at the Child Welfare Centre.

During the year this area has been covered by two Health Visitors, Mrs. A. Boyes, and Miss P. Broadhurst.

#### (7) MENTAL HEALTH ARRANGEMENTS

The District is covered for this purpose by three Mental Welfare Officers of the Local Health Authority, No.10 Health Division, one of whom is a woman. These officers deal with all aspects of mental health, including cases for which investigation, supervision and appropriate action is required under the Mental Health Act, 1959.

The names and addresses of these officers are:-

No.10 Divisional Health Offices, The Old Rectory,

Winwick, Nr. Warrington. ditto

ditto ditto

Mr. F. L. S. Griffin, Mr. B. Sumner, Mrs. K. Meeks,

The services of a Mental Welfare Officer may be obtained in emergency at any time: during normal office hours, by communicating with the Divisional Health Office. (Tel. Warrington 33144): outside these hours, and at week-end, by telephone to the Newton-le-Willows Ambulance Station, (Newton-le-Willows 2013).

#### (8) HOME HELP ARRANGEMENTS

This is a permissory service provided by the County Council through its Divisional Health Scheme. (No.10 Divisional Health Committee), and is one which is not necessarily provided free of cost to the public. It aims to provide domestic help where required by reason of the presence in a household of sickness, pregnancy, a parturient woman, children under compulsory school age or a mentally subnormal person. A steadily increasing demand for such help has been satisfied during the current year, most of the help being given in the homes of the aged and disabled. In some cases also, "night helps" are made available to meet the urgent need for night attendance of people seriously ill.

The "Home Helps" engaged are all part-time workers; none is full time, but all must undertake a minimum of 22 hours per week if required.

During the current year 139 cases in the district have been helped by a staff of 35 part-time home-helps.

#### (9) HOME NURSING ARRANGEMENTS

Nursing help in the home is now provided by the Local Health Authority, which employs fully trained and registered Home Nurses for this purpose. The public demand for this onerous work has grown considerably, and in view of this, a State Enrolled Nurse was appointed in June, 1962 to assist.

The "Home Nurse" for the District is:-

Miss V. M. Dunn, 99, Central Drive, Haydock. Tel. St. Helens 27302, and the State-enrolled nurse, Mrs. A. Robinson, 298, Fleet Lane, Parr, St. Helens. Tel. St. Helens 27939.

(10) ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE PREVENTION OF ILLNESS, CARE AND AFTER CARE OF SICK PERSONS, (INCLUDING THOSE SUFFERING FROM TUBERCULOSIS), THE PROVISION OF CONVALESCENT ACCOMMODATION, AND OF EXTRA NOURISHMENT WHERE RECOMMENDED.

Responsibility for the above rests with the Local Health Authority partly on an obligatory, and partly on a permissive basis: 'illness' also includes mental defectiveness. The scope of such arrangements is very wide, and includes all the methods of "Health Education" and propaganda relating to health matters, health-visiting in the homes, (including those of persons suffering from Tuberculosis) the provision of ancillary nursing equipment, the after-care of patients who have suffered from illness, whether at home or in hospital, and the provision of convalescent accommodation and rehabilitation measures where these are required to enable those recently sick to regain full health and strength. Extra nourishment may also be provided where necessary for cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis, on the recommendation of the Chest Physician.

The Tuberculosis Health Visitor for the District is Mrs. H. Evans. She maintains supervision of patients in their homes, and arranges for their examination and re-examination, also for that of "contacts" (including X-ray investigation), at the Chest Clinic at St. Helens, administered by the St. Helens and District Hospital Management Committee of the Liverpool Regional Hospital Board.

As regards Health Education - a very important and essential factor in the prevention of illness - it is emphasised that although some responsibility for this side of preventive medicine is accepted by the County Council as Local Health Authority, the permissive powers of the District Council (as a Local Sanitary Authority), to carry out measures of health education under Section 179 of the Public Health Act, 1936, are still extant, particularly in respect of the dissemination of information relating to the control of infectious diseases.

#### (11) VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION ARRANGEMENTS

Vaccination, and immunisation against Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus, are available free of cost to all who desire it, either through the family doctor, who carries it out as part of his duty to his patients, or by attendance at one of the Immunisation Sessions held at approximately monthly intervals at the School Clinic, Station Road, where the work is carried out either by one of the local doctors or by the Assistant Divisional Medical Officer. Infants and young children may also be immunised at the normal Child Welfare sessions on Wednesdays.

During the year a total of 220 children under 15 years of age completed the full course of immunisation against diphtheria of which 211 were under 5 years. In addition, 237 children received re-inforcement or booster injections.

In accordance with the Ministry of Health Circular 27/62 issued in November, 1962, routine smallpox vaccination is recommended during the first two years of life, preferably during the second year of life instead of during the first few months as in previous practice. The number of children under two vaccinated during 1963 was 35 and the percentage based on the number of live births during 1962 is 11.6.

During the year 229 persons up to the age of 40 received primary vaccination against poliomyelitis, 222 being under the age of 15. In addition, 374 re-enforcement doses were given.

(12) THE CHILDREN ACT, 1948. THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS ACT, 1953. THE ADOPTION ACT, 1950.

In the main, the Children Act of 1948 provides for the care and welfare of children and young persons up to the age of 18 years who for one reason or another are deprived of a normal home life, and it thus has an important bearing on the mental and physical health and development of such children.

The County Council, which is the Local Authority for the purposes of this Act, exercises its functions through its Children's Committee and the Children's Officer, who is responsible to the Committee for the efficient administration and day to day operation of the Service which is carried out on a regional area basis.

The Haydock Urban District lies administratively within the purview of the Area Children's Officer of the Leigh Area, who is assisted by Children's Visitors, and is responsible for all matters relating to "deprived" children, e.g. the provision of accommodation, the inspection of and report on prospective foster homes, infant life protection, supervision of adopted children during the probationary period, and the care and conveyance to suitable "places of safety" of children committed by the Courts to the care of the Authority as a "fit person", under the provisions of the Children and Young Persons Act, 1933, and so on.

The Area Children's Officer and her visitors work in close liaison with the Divisional Medical Officers and their staffs, and I am happy to say that in this district (included in No.10 Health Division) the co-operation is excellent.

The Area Children's Officer is:-

Miss J. L. Edwards, Area Office, William Deacon's Bank Chambers, Market Street, Leigh, and the Children's Visitor for the Urban District is:Miss A. Taylor, Area Office, as above.

## (13) NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACTS, 1948 (AND 1951)

The Local Authority carrying responsibility for the implementation of Parts III and IV of this Act is the County Council, and the administrative machinery, in this case also, is on the divisional basis. The main provisions of Part III relate to residential accommodation for the disabled and aged, to temporary accommodation for persons who, by virtue of circumstances which could not reasonably have been foreseen, are without lodging, and to welfare services in general, for persons handicapped by infirmatives such as blindness, deafness, dumbness, crippling physical defects and other disabilities of a permanently handicapping character.

The approved scheme of the County Council in regard to Welfare utilises very fully the services rendered by various voluntary agencies already in existence prior to this legislation. The scheme opens up a tremendous field of activity for all, both voluntary and salaried workers.

Section 47 of this 1948 Act prescribes the procedure whereby aged or inform persons, if not receiving adequate care and attention in their own homes may, by Court Order, be removed to a suitable hospital following a hearing by the Court of evidence in support of a certificate issued by the Medical Officer of Health, after due consideration of all the circumstances of the case: the 1951 Act prescribes emergency procedures on similar lines. No cases were admitted to hospital under this section during the year.

Section 50 of the Act places on each County District Authority the duty of arranging for the burial or cremation of the body of any person who has died or been found dead within the district, when it appears to the Authority that no suitable arrangements for the disposal of the body have been or are being made otherwise than by the Authority. No action under this section was required during the year.



