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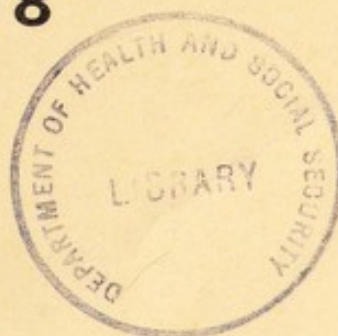
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KNARESBOROUGH URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

as at 31.12.68

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Vice-Chairman:
Councillor A. J. Dyer

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,,	A. J. Dyer	,,	W. Emmett
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,,	J. A. Smith		

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Councillor N. Farmer

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE COUNCIL

Medical Officer of Health:
N. V. Hepple, M.D., B.S., B.Hy., D.P.H.

Deputy Medical Officer of Health:
Isobel B. Alexander, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Public Health Inspector:
J. D. Andrews, M.A.P.H.I.

Pupil Public Health Inspector
H. Cooper

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Knaresborough House,
Knaresborough.

To the Chairman and Members of the
Knaresborough Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present for your consideration the Annual Report for the year 1968. The report as usual deals with the general health of your area and the work of your public health department.

Apart from measles, infectious diseases gave little trouble, and the absence of notifications of gastrointestinal illness is particularly pleasing. This is certainly due to the painstaking routine work on the inspection of food and food premises by your Public Health Inspectors over a period of years.

The Nurseries and Child Minders legislation has recently been strengthened, the effect being to subject to registration by the County Council many playgroups, etc., which were not previously registerable under the Act. The improvement of standards here has meant a lot of work for the Divisional Health staff.

At the time of writing, the Maud Report on the future of local government is causing a good deal of discussion. One must hope that the outcome will be a retention of local democratic control of the health services.

I am greatly indebted to the members of the Council and their officers for much help readily given.

I have the honour to be,

Mr. Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

N. V. HEPPLÉ,

Medical Officer of Health.

STATISTICS

Registrar General's estimate of population (mid 1968) ..	10,780
Area (in acres)	2,488
Number of inhabited houses, March 31st, 1968..	3,609
Rateable value, March 31st, 1968.. .. .	£311,736
Sum represented by a penny rate, March 31st, 1968 ..	£1,238

SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Knaresborough is an inland holiday resort on the banks of the Nidd. It is a centre for the Yorkshire Dales and its Castle and boating facilities have a special attraction for the day visitor. It has one of the largest weekly open-air agricultural produce and general markets in the North of England.

During the summer, catering is one of the principle trades in the town. There are also a number of small industries including the manufacture of plastic goods, raincoats, shirts, and sports clothes, two linen and cotton weaving mills, a saw mill, and a boat building and repair factory.

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1968

Live Births				<i>Total</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>
Legitimate	..	..	..	164	86	78
Illegitimate	..	..	..	8	3	5
Total ..				172	89	83
Crude birth rate per 1,000 population ..				..	..	16.0
Adjusted birth rate .. .. .				..	..	16.8
Comparability Factor .. .. .				..	..	1.05
Still Births				<i>Total</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>
Legitimate	..	..	..	1	1	—
Illegitimate	..	..	..	—	—	—
Still birth rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births						6.0
Deaths				<i>Total</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>
				144	64	80
Crude death rate per 1,000 population ..				..	..	13.4
Adjusted death rate .. .. .				..	..	9.1
Comparability Factor .. .. .				..	..	0.68

Maternal Mortality

				<i>Deaths</i>	<i>Rates per 1,000 total births</i>
Puerperal Sepsis	..	..	..	—	—
Other Maternal Causes	..	..	..	—	—
Infant Mortality				<i>Total</i>	<i>Male Female</i>
Legitimate	..	..	..	—	— —
Illegitimate	..	..	..	—	— —
Death rate of infants under 1 year of age:					
All Infants per 1,000 live births	..	..	..	..	—
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate births	..	..	..	..	—
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate births	..	..	..	..	—

NOTES ON VITAL STATISTICS**Births**

The birth rate of 16.8 was the same as in 1967 and again lower than the national rate which in 1968 was 16.9.

Deaths

The death rate of 9.1 showed a decrease from 11.4 the rate for the previous year. The rate for England and Wales was 11.9

The principal causes of death were as follows:—

Cerebrovascular disease	..	..	..	..	35
Ischaemic heart disease	..	..	..	..	28
Malignant neoplasms, leukaemia, including neoplasms of lymphatic and haematopoietic tissue	..	..	..	..	24
Pneumonia, bronchitis, emphysema and asthma	..	..	..	..	12
Heart diseases (excepting Ischaemic heart disease)	..	..	..	..	9

Together these groups accounted for three-quarters of the deaths from all causes.

Natural Increase of Population

The number of births exceeded the number of deaths by 28.

Infantile Mortality

No child under the age of one year died during 1968.

Maternal Mortality

No mother has died in Knaresborough as a result of childbirth for many years.

Causes of Death
Registrar-General's Return 1968

Cause		Male	Female	Total
1	Cholera	—	—	—
2	Typhoid fever	—	—	—
3	Bacillary dysentery and amoebiasis ..	—	—	—
4	Enteritis and other diarrhoeal diseases ..	—	—	—
5	Tuberculosis of respiratory system ..	—	—	—
6	Other tuberculosis, including late effects ..	—	—	—
7	Plague	—	—	—
8	Diphtheria	—	—	—
9	Whooping cough	—	—	—
10	Streptococcal sore throat and scarlet fever	—	—	—
11	Meningococcal infection	—	—	—
12	Acute poliomyelitis	—	—	—
13	Smallpox	—	—	—
14	Measles	—	—	—
15	Typhus and other rickettsioses	—	—	—
16	Malaria	—	—	—
17	Syphilis and its sequelae	—	—	—
18	All other infective and parasitic diseases	—	—	—
19	Malignant neoplasms, leukaemia, including neoplasms of lymphatic and haematopoietic tissue	14	10	24
20	Benign neoplasms and neoplasms of unspecified nature	—	—	—
21	Diabetes mellitus	—	—	—
22	Avitaminoses and other nutritional deficiency	—	1	1
23	Anaemias	—	—	—
24	Meningitis	—	—	—
25	Active rheumatic fever	—	—	—
26	Chronic rheumatic heart disease	—	—	—
27	Hypertensive disease	—	—	—
28	Ischaemic heart disease	20	8	28
29	Other forms of heart disease	2	7	9
30	Cerebrovascular disease	10	25	35
31	Influenza	—	1	1
32	Pneumonia	4	1	5
33	Bronchitis, emphysema and asthma ..	4	3	7
34	Peptic ulcer	—	—	—
35	Appendicitis	—	—	—
36	Intestinal obstruction and hernia ..	—	—	—
37	Cirrhosis of liver	—	—	—
38	Nephritis and nephrosis	—	—	—
39	Hyperplasia of prostate	—	—	—
40	Abortion	—	—	—
41	Other complications of pregnancy, childbirth and puerperium	—	—	—
42	Congenital abnormalities	—	—	—
43	Birth injury, difficult labour and other anoxic and hypoxic conditions	—	—	—
44	Other causes of perinatal mortality ..	—	—	—
45	Symptoms and ill-defined conditions ..	2	4	6
46	All other diseases	6	17	23
47	Motor vehicle accidents	1	—	1
48	All other accidents	1	2	3
49	Suicide and self-inflicted injuries ..	—	1	1
50	All other external causes	—	—	—
Total		64	80	144

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

1. Public Health Officers of the Authority

The names and qualifications are set out on page 3.

2. Health Services

(a) Laboratory Facilities.

The chemical analysis of the public water supply is carried out for the Claro Water Board by Messrs. T. Fairley & Partner, Leeds.

Specimens of milk and other food stuffs, including ice-cream, are taken for bacteriological examination to the Public Health Laboratory situated at Seacroft, Leeds. This laboratory also undertakes the bacteriological examination of the public water supply for the Claro Water Board.

Any special investigation into outbreaks of infection is undertaken at the Leeds Public Health Laboratory as well as the isolation and typing of viruses.

The routine bacteriological examination of clinical material, such as throat swabs, is undertaken at the laboratory of the Harrogate General Hospital.

REMOVAL TO SUITABLE PREMISES OF PERSONS IN NEED OF CARE AND ATTENTION

No action was taken during 1968.

HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL

REPORT OF DIVISIONAL MEDICAL OFFICER FOR 1968 DIVISION No. 7

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1. POPULATION

The estimated populations of the areas are as follows:—

Harrogate Borough	62,200
Ripon City	.. ..	11,720
Knaresborough Urban District	.. ..	10,780
Nidderdale Rural District	.. ..	17,640
Ripon and Pateley Bridge Rural District	.. ..	14,410
Total	.. ..	116,750

2. DIVISIONAL STAFF

Medical Officers:

N. V. Hepple, M.D., B.S., B.Hy., D.P.H., Divisional Medical Officer.

Isobel B. Alexander, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Senior Departmental Medical Officer.

Mary Polson, B.Sc., M.B., Ch.B., D.Obst., R.C.O.G., Senior Departmental Medical Officer.

P. A. G. M. Ashmore, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Departmental Medical Officer.

A. W. I. Hall, M.B., B.Chir., Departmental Medical Officer.

*P. C. N. Clarke, M.R.C.P., D.C.H., Paediatrician.

*P. A. I. MacLeod, M.B., Ch.B., F.R.F.P.S., Orthopaedic Surgeon.

*Rosemary Hawe, M.B., Ch.B., B.A.O., D.O., Ophthalmologist.

*W. S. Suffern, M.D., M.R.C.P., Cardiologist.

*Elizabeth Gore, M.D., D.P.M., Consultant Psychiatrist, Child Guidance Clinic.

Anastasia Holroyd, M.A., M.B., B.S.	} Clinic doctors working on a sessional basis
Katherine H. Odling-Smee, M.B., Ch.B.	
Marjorie Parsons, M.B., Ch.B.	
Isobel Critchley, M.B., Ch.B.	

**Part-time from Regional Hospital Board.*

Speech Therapist	1
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Child Guidance Staff (Part-time)

Clinical Psychologist	1
Psychiatric Social Worker	1
Remedial Teacher	1
Clerical	1

Mental Health Service

Senior Mental Welfare Officer	1
Mental Welfare Officers	3
Harrogate Training Centre	10
Harrogate Hostel	2

Dental Officers

Mr. K. Cowell, L.D.S.
 Mr. M. Hattan, L.D.S.
 Mr. G. A. Thompson, L.D.S. (Part-time, Orthodontic Consultant).
 Mr. R. F. Grainger, L.D.S. (Part-time)
 Mr. M. Hollings, L.D.S. (Part-time)
 Mr. J. W. Wills, L.D.S. (Part-time).

Nursing Staff

Divisional Nursing Officer	1
Health Visitors who are also school nurses	17
Health Visitor (part-time)	1
Health Visitor employed on Hospital Liaison Duties	1
Tuberculosis Health Visitor	1
Assistant Health Visitors	2
Assistant Health Visitors (Part-time)	5
Home Nurses	13
Home Nurses (part-time)	2
Home Nurse Midwives	11
Midwives	4

Administrative

Chief Clerk	1
Clerical	18

Sale of Food Assistants

Part-time	2
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Dental Assistants

Full-time	2
Part-time	4

Albany Avenue Day Nursery

Nursing Staff	6
Domestic Staff	..	..	..	..	..	3

Home Helps

Working whole-time	..	..	..	..	5
Working part-time	..	..	..	..	188

Domestic Staff, Etc.

Cleaners (part-time)	..	..	..	..	10
Gardener (part-time)	..	..	..	..	1
Cook, Harrogate Training Centre	..	..	..	..	1
Maids, Harrogate Training Centre	..	..	..	..	2
Escorts, Harrogate Training Centre	..	..	..	..	3
Caretaker, Harrogate Training Centre	..	..	..	..	1

3. SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE

A. School Medical Inspections

There was a slight increase in the number of medical inspections carried out during 1968, with a corresponding increase in the number of defects. Defective vision requiring treatment formed 32.4% of the total.

Age Groups born	No. of pupils who have received a full medical examination	Physical Condition of Pupils Inspected		No. of Pupils found not to warrant a medical examination	Pupils found to require treatment (excluding dental diseases and infestation with vermin)		
		Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory		For defective vision (excluding squint)	For any other condition recorded at Part II	Total Individual pupils
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
1964 and later	7	7	—	—	—	—	—
1963	945	942	3	—	34	171	199
1962	1,046	1045	1	—	50	162	207
1961	407	406	1	219	22	74	92
1960	365	362	3	201	34	73	104
1959	181	181	—	—	17	33	47
1958	186	186	—	—	18	33	45
1957	193	191	2	267	29	40	65
1956	107	107	—	196	14	20	34
1955	67	66	1	—	10	15	23
1954	76	76	—	4	11	12	22
1953 and earlier	707	706	1	57	108	91	199
TOTAL	4,287	4275	12	944	347	724	1,037

B. Other Inspections

Number of Special inspections	685
Number of re-inspections	637
Total	1,322

C. Infestation with Vermin

- (a) Total number of individual examinations of pupils in schools by School Nurses or other authorised persons 26,083
- (b) Total number of individual pupils found to be infested 416
- (c) Number of individual pupils in respect of whom cleansing notices were issued (Section 54(2), Education Act, 1944) 15
- (d) Number of individual pupils in respect of whom cleansing orders were issued (Section 54(3), Education Act, 1944) —

1.5% of the children examined were found to have dirty heads, compared with 1.4% in 1967, and 1.2% in 1966.

D. Periodic and Special Inspections

Defect or Disease	Entrants		Leavers		Others		Total		Special Inspections	
	(T)	(O)	(T)	(O)	(T)	(O)	(T)	(O)	(T)	(O)
Skin ..	42	40	19	11	49	35	110	86	5	16
Eyes										
(a) Vision ..	84	84	119	63	144	176	347	323	50	139
(b) Squint ..	34	32	7	2	30	26	71	60	7	9
(c) Other ..	3	2	7	3	6	13	16	18	—	7
Ears										
(a) Hearing ..	13	13	2	10	12	88	27	111	13	43
(b) Otitis Media ..	14	13	7	1	18	17	39	31	—	3
(c) Other ..	4	4	1	1	1	3	6	8	2	—
Nose and Throat ..	33	32	5	7	32	64	70	103	4	5
Speech ..	31	33	8	3	11	40	50	76	1	5
Lymphatic Glands	2	1	4	—	3	2	9	3	1	—
Heart ..	6	7	1	2	1	33	8	42	8	18
Lungs ..	37	38	4	4	35	28	76	70	3	7
Developmental:										
(a) Hernia ..	2	1	—	—	4	4	6	5	—	5
(b) Other ..	38	37	5	9	19	47	62	93	1	8
Orthopaedic										
(a) Posture ..	1	1	—	2	4	5	5	8	—	4
(b) Feet ..	56	51	9	16	34	46	99	113	8	20
(c) Other ..	6	6	5	14	10	16	21	36	2	4
Nervous System:										
(a) Epilepsy ..	4	4	1	3	10	1	15	8	—	—
(b) Other ..	40	39	9	5	31	69	80	113	7	25
Psychological:										
(a) Development ..	2	—	3	3	22	21	27	24	2	6
(b) Stability ..	5	3	1	1	5	24	11	28	4	7
Abdomen ..	3	3	—	—	4	9	7	12	—	—
Other ..	11	11	3	3	11	7	25	21	—	3

(T) Treatment.

(O) Observation.

Eye Diseases, Defective Vision and Squint

	Number of Cases known to have been dealt with
External and other, excluding errors of refraction and squint	27
Errors of refraction (including squint)	744
Total	771
Number of Pupils for whom spectacles were prescribed	457

Diseases and Defects of Ear, Nose and Throat

	Number of Cases known to have been dealt with
Received operative treatment—	
(a) for diseases of the ear	—
(b) for adenoids and chronic tonsillitis	87
(c) for other nose and throat conditions	1
Received other forms of treatment	53
Total	141

Total number of pupils in schools who are known to have been provided with hearing aids:—

(a) in 1968	4
(b) in previous years	11

Orthopaedic and Postural Defects

Number of pupils known to have been treated at clinics or out-patient departments	4
Pupils treated at school for postural defects ..	—

E. Handicapped Pupils

These are children who, by reason of physical or mental disability, need special educational treatment in ordinary or special schools.

236 children were on the register at the end of the year and the following table gives details:—

	In ordinary school	In special school	Not attending school	Home tuition
Blind	—	4	—	—
Partially sighted	4	4	—	—
Deaf	—	9	—	—
Partially deaf	9	6	—	—
Educationally sub-normal	62	56	1	—
Epileptic	3	—	—	—
Maladjusted	13	7	—	—
Physically handicapped ..	33	14	2	—
Delicate	1	1	—	—
Double defect	*3	*4	—	—
Total	128	105	3	—

*2 ESN/Physically Handicapped

*1 ESN/Partially Hearing

*3 ESN/Physically Handicapped

*1 ESN/maladjusted

F. Audiometry

Routine testing of six to seven year olds was continued during 1968. Health visitors who have received special training in the use of the pure-tone audiometer visited schools in the Division. 1,244 school children in this group were tested and 15 were referred for further investigation.

Health visitors are also trained in the methods of testing the hearing of the pre-school child, from the age of six months onwards.

4. SPEECH THERAPY

The Speech Therapist attends Dragon Parade, Harrogate, and Ripon Clinics. 127 new cases were treated during the year and the treatment of 30 others was continued.

12 visits were paid to schools and 39 domiciliary visits were made.

5. CARDIAC CLINIC

At the beginning of the year Dr. P. C. N. Clarke, Paediatrician, replaced Dr. L. J. Prosser who had retired.

33 cardiac clinic sessions were held in 1968 during which 143 children made 177 attendances. 8 of the children were new cases,

comprising 5 from the Harrogate area, 2 from the Wetherby area and 1 from the Horsforth area. No special clinics were held at the Harrogate Hospital but 6 children needing further investigation were referred to Dr. Olive Scott at Killingbeck Hospital, Leeds.

22 children over school age were transferred to Dr. Suffern's Adult Clinic at the Harrogate Hospital and 12 children were referred back to the care of their family doctor.

6. CHILD GUIDANCE CLINIC

During the year 104 new cases were seen. 80 boys and 24 girls. 93 of these were referred from Division 7, as follows:—

Divisional Medical Officer	..	..	31
General Practitioners	..	..	20
Head Teachers	..	..	16
Parents	..	..	12
Paediatrician	3
Probation Officer	1
Peripatetic Teacher of the Deaf	5
Other sources	5

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Dr. E. Gore, the Consultant Psychiatrist, reports as follows:—

We are hoping to follow up the idea of a close liaison with Miss Griffin's department, and the Health Visitors, particularly with a view to studying the minor problems which the mothers may be having with their babies and toddlers, in the hope that we might plan some preventive work.

The number of students using this clinic has increased considerably. As well as students on courses from York and Leeds, we have had for shorter periods, students from the Institute of Education, Leeds, and also visits from groups: for example, Assistant Medical Officers and students from Training Colleges.

In June, 1968, a remedial reading group intended for seven to eight children was established in a separate large room, where there is opportunity for creative and imaginative play of all kinds. The children attending have serious emotional disturbance as well as considerable retardation. This group attends each morning, the children returning to their own schools for lunch.

The afternoon sessions at the clinic are principally for older, less overtly disturbed children, who attend once a week.

7. CARE OF MOTHERS AND YOUNG CHILDREN

(a) Births

Return of Births Notified in the Divisional Area during the Year

DETAILS	BIRTHS				TOTAL
	Domiciliary		Institutional		
	Live	Still	Live	Still	
(a) Primary notifications	104	—	2,165	24	2,293
(b) Add Inward Transfers	—	—	82	—	82
(c) Total Notifications received	104	—	2,247	24	2,375
(d) Deduct Outward Transfers	2	—	542	6	550
(e) Total adjusted births	102	—	1,705	18	1,825
ANALYSIS OF INSTITUTIONAL BIRTHS					
Born in					
(a) Hospitals			1,651	18	
(b) Maternity Homes			53	—	
(c) Nursing Homes			1	—	
TOTAL			1,705	18	

The proportion of births taking place at home was only 7%, which was 2% less than for the previous year.

(b) Ante-Natal and Post Natal Clinics

Name and Address of Ante-natal/Post-natal Clinic (whether held at Infant Welfare Centre or other premises)	No. of separate sessions held during year					No. of women in attendance (including those seen at combined infant welfare & ante-natal sessions)		Total No. of attendances (including those seen at combined infant welfare and ante-natal sessions)	
	Local Health Authority Medical Officers	Midwives (excluding mother-craft & relaxation)	General practitioners employed on sessional basis	Hospital Med. Staff	Total	A/N	P/N	A/N	P/N
2, Dragon Parade, Harrogate	28	—	—	—	28	26	—	50	—
" " "	—	49	—	—	49	49	—	216	—
Fysche Hall, Iles Lane Knaresborough	—	51	—	—	51	41	—	198	—
Totals	28	100	—	—	128	116	—	464	—

(c) Ante-Natal Mothercraft and Relaxation Classes.

Name and Address of Centre	No. of sessions held during the year		No. of women who attended during the year		Total number of attendances made during the year		
	Separate Sessions	Combined with normal ante-natal clinic sessions	Institutionally booked	Domiciliary booked	Institutionally booked	Domiciliary booked	Total
Central Clinic, 2 Dragon Parade, Harrogate	187	—	190	2	944	7	951
217A Skipton Road, Harrogate	49	—	88	3	523	11	534
Fysche Hall, Iles Lane, Knaresbro'	46	—	55	1	306	3	309
All Saints' Church Hall, Upper Poppleton	6	—	3	1	16	3	19
Alma House, Ripon	34	—	28	—	190	—	190
Claro Barracks, Ripon	15	—	14	—	52	—	52
Menwith Hill	33	—	30	—	95	—	95
Health Centre, Pateley Bridge	14	—	14	1	66	2	68
Totals	384	—	422	8	2,192	26	2,218

(d) Infant Welfare Centres

Name and Address of Centre	No. of Infant Welfare Sessions held during year by				No. of children who attended for the first time during the year and who were born in			Total No. of children who attended during the year			No. of attendances during the year made by children who were born in			Total attendances during the year	No. of children referred elsewhere
	Local Health Authority Medical Officers	Health Visitors only	General practitioners employed on sessional basis	Hospital Medical Staff	Total	1968	1967	1963/1966	1968	1967	1963/1966	1968	1967	1963/1966	
Central Clinic, Dragon Parade, Harrogate	102	—	—	—	102	156	144	81	938	997	272	2,207	—	2,207	—
St. John Ambulance H.Q., Starbeck	51	—	—	—	51	135	94	80	1,194	1,219	251	2,664	—	2,664	—
Skipton Road, Harrogate	—	53	48	—	101	267	260	193	2,702	2,101	451	5,254	—	5,254	—
Penny Pot Lane, Harrogate (Army premises)	—	23	—	—	23	25	15	14	118	54	18	190	—	190	—
St. Mark's Parochial Hall, Harrogate	—	—	26	—	26	53	45	46	382	236	189	807	—	807	—
Pannal Memorial Hall, Pannal, Harrogate	—	—	11	—	11	15	7	11	69	41	37	147	—	147	—
Methodist Buildings, College Rd., Harrogate	24	—	—	—	24	65	50	33	493	344	79	916	—	916	—
Fysche Hall, Iles Lane, Knaresborough	96	—	—	—	96	256	189	256	1,291	1,050	875	3,216	—	3,216	—
Health Centre Boroughbridge	33	—	—	—	33	12	24	30	66	149	50	265	—	265	—
Village Hall, Whixley	24	—	—	—	24	13	3	11	97	17	31	145	—	145	—
Church Hall, Upper Poppleton	23	—	—	—	23	49	48	55	277	384	118	779	—	779	—
Alma House, Ripon	50	—	—	—	50	60	48	35	757	566	142	1,465	—	1,465	—
Claro Barracks, Ripon	—	12	—	—	12	26	9	5	211	210	22	443	—	443	—
Pateley Bridge Health Centre	5	—	—	—	5	2	31	22	6	58	24	88	—	88	—
Summerbridge	—	—	12	—	12	18	18	29	61	74	75	210	—	210	—
Mobile Clinic	182	—	212	—	394	162	185	185	752	843	601	2,196	—	2,196	—
Totals	590	88	309	—	987	1,314	1,170	1,086	9,414	8,343	3,235	20,992	—	20,992	—

In addition, the Mobile Clinic provides infant welfare centre services in the rural parts of the area as follows:—

Aldfield	Tuesday	Monthly
Birstwith	Monday	„
Bishop Monkton	Friday	„
Bishop Thornton	Monday	„
Burnt Yates	Monday	„
Burton Leonard	Friday	„
Cattal	Wednesday	„
Copt Hewick	Tuesday	„
Darley	Monday	Fortnightly
Follifoot	Wednesday	Monthly
Glasshouses	Monday	„
Galphay	Tuesday	„
Grafton	Wednesday	„
Grantley	Tuesday	„
Green Hammerton	Wednesday	„
Grewelthorpe	Tuesday	„
Great Ouseburn	Wednesday	„
Hampsthwaite	Friday	Fortnightly
Heyshaw Lane End	Monday	Monthly
Hunsingore	Wednesday	„
Killinghall	Friday	Fortnightly
Kirby Malzeard	Tuesday	Monthly
Kirk Hammerton	Wednesday	„
Lead Lane, Ripon	Friday	„
Little Ouseburn	Wednesday	„
Lofthouse	Monday	„
Markington	Monday	„
Mickley	Tuesday	„
Moor Monkton	Wednesday	„
North Leys	Tuesday	„
North Stainley	Tuesday	„
Nun Monkton	Wednesday	„
Ramsgill	Monday	„
Ripon Army Camp	Tuesday	„
Rufforth	Wednesday	„
Sawley	Tuesday	„
Scotton	Friday	„
Shaw Mills	Monday	„
Skelton	Tuesday	„
Studley	Tuesday	„
Winksley	Tuesday	„

(e) Routine Tests on Young Babies

The urine of young babies is tested routinely to eliminate the possibility of phenylketonuria, a metabolic abnormality which can produce mental defect if it is untreated.

1,593 children were tested, all with a negative result.

The health visitors and midwives also test young infants for congenital dislocation of the hip by the Ortolani test.

One confirmed case was discovered during the year.

(f) Dental Care

The arrangements for dental treatment of expectant mothers and nursing mothers continue as before.

(g) Care of Unmarried Mothers and their Children

The unmarried girl who is having a baby is often desperately in need of expert help and advice. She needs to make arrangements for the confinement, and for her own rehabilitation and the care of her child afterwards.

Valuable work in this field is done by the Social Workers of the Ripon Diocesan Social Responsibility Council who work in close co-operation with the general practitioners, the health visitors, and the health department.

The County Council makes grants in approved cases towards the cost of institutional care before the confinement.

136 cases were dealt with by the Department during the year, 53 were between the ages of fifteen and nineteen, 47 between twenty and twenty-four, 16 between twenty-five and twenty-nine, 16 between thirty and thirty-nine, and 4 were over forty.

(h) Care of Premature Infants

Special portable incubators with electrical heating are available for the transport of premature babies to hospital. These prevent injury from chilling.

(i) Albany Avenue Day Nursery

This nursery is open from 8.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. from Monday to Friday. It accommodates the young children of mothers who are obliged to maintain themselves and their families by going out to work. The health of these children is supervised by the medical staff of the Department.

(j) Inspection of Children at Residential Nurseries and County Children's Homes

Medical inspections were carried out at the residential nurseries and County children's homes by the medical staff of the department. In addition, all children were examined on admission and discharge and any medical problems dealt with.

8. MIDWIFERY

Four whole-time domiciliary midwives and eleven home nurse-midwives were working in the Division at the end of 1968. They attended 103 home confinements during the year. In addition, 2,094 patients were delivered in hospital and 71 in private nursing homes.

The practice of allowing women to go home twenty-four or forty-eight hours after having their babies in hospital is increasing and the closest possible liaison is maintained between the staff of the hospital maternity departments and the local health authority midwives in order that the mother may be under continuous care. 295 patients were sent home at forty-eight hours; 332 patients after forty-eight hours but up to and including the fifth day and 425 patients after the fifth but before the tenth day.

Applications for maternity beds on social grounds are investigated by the domiciliary midwives. This has proved necessary owing to the shortage of accommodation in the maternity units of the Harrogate and Ripon Hospitals and the York Maternity Hospital.

The Obstetric Flying Squad was called out on 2 occasions during the year.

Medical Aid Notices

3 medical aid notices were issued by midwives during the year, all in respect of domiciliary cases. The following summary gives the conditions for which medical aid was sought:—

Pregnancy	..	..	—
Labour	..	..	—
Lying-in	..	..	2
The child	..	..	1

Analgesia

Analgesia was administered by County Council midwives to domiciliary patients as follows:—

Trilene	..	..	29
Pethidine	..	..	10
Trilene and Pethidine			44

9. HEALTH VISITING

19 full-time health visitors, 1 part-time health visitor, 2 full-time assistants to health visitor and 4 part-time assistants to health visitor were employed in the Division at the end of the year. Two of them did tuberculosis visiting and maintained liaison between the Health Department and the Chest Physicians. One was largely occupied with the admission and discharge of elderly people to hospitals, old people's homes and Part III accommodation, working closely with the Geriatric Unit at Knaresborough Hospital. Like the rest of the nursing staff, the health visitors work under the general direction of the Divisional Nursing Officer.

The following table shows categories of visits made:—

	No. of cases i.e., first visits
1. Total number of cases	10,187
2. Children born in 1968	1,891
3. Children born in 1967	1,398
4. Children born in 1963-66	2,927
5. Total number of children in lines 2-4	6,216
6. Persons aged 65 or over (excluding "domestic help only" visits)	1,629
7. Number included in line 6 who were visited at the special request of a general practitioner or hospital ..	813
8. Mentally disordered persons	69
9. Number included in line 8 who were visited at the special request of a general practitioner or hospital ..	45
10. Persons, excluding maternity cases, discharged from hospital (other than mental hospitals)	56
11. Number included in line 10 who were visited at the special request of a general practitioner or hospital ..	37
12. Number of tuberculous households visited (i.e., visits by health visitors not employed solely on tuberculosis work)	125
13. Number of households visited on account of other infectious diseases	5
14. Other cases	2,534

10. HOME NURSING

12 home nurses, 2 part-time home nurses, and 11 home nurse-midwives were nursing in the Division at the end of the year.

The following table gives classification of the work carried out:

Classification	No. of cases attended by Home Nurses during the year	No. of visits paid by Home Nurses during the year
Medical	1597	45750
Surgical	399	10064
Infectious diseases	11	201
Tuberculosis	17	724
Maternal complications ..	112	856
Other	22	241
TOTALS ..	2,158	57,836

11. VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION

Protection is offered against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus, poliomyelitis, and smallpox.

(a) Vaccination of Persons under 16 years completed during 1968 Completed Primary Courses

Type of vaccine or dose	Year of Birth					Others under age 16	Total
	1968	1967	1966	1965	1961-1964		
Triple (Diphtheria/Tetanus/Whooping Cough)	237	641	35	17	48	18	996
Diphtheria/Tetanus	—	2	—	—	31	—	33
Diphtheria	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tetanus	2	—	—	2	7	—	11
Poliomyelitis	177	855	91	34	64	59	1,280

Reinforcing Doses

Type of vaccine or dose	Year of Birth					Others under age 16	Total
	1968	1967	1966	1965	1961-1964		
Triple (Diphtheria/Tetanus/Whooping Cough)	—	2	14	12	247	18	293
Diphtheria/Tetanus	—	5	11	8	506	61	591
Diphtheria	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tetanus	—	—	—	—	20	30	50
Poliomyelitis	—	5	15	9	828	175	1032

(b) Vaccination Against Smallpox

The numbers in different age groups vaccinated or re-vaccinated during the year are shown below:—

Age at Date of Vaccination	Under 1	1	2—4	5—15	Total
No. Vaccinated ..	106	811	297	115	1329
No. Re-vaccinated ..	—	6	16	30	52

(c) B.C.G. Vaccination

B.C.G. Vaccination was again offered to all children 13 years of age and over attending schools in the area.

The following are details of work carried out:—

1. No. of Medical Officers (including Divisional Medical Officer) approved to undertake B.C.G. Vaccination 5
2. Acceptances
 - (a) No. of children offered tuberculin testing and vaccination if necessary (whether the offer was made during the year or previously) 1,465
 - (b) No. of (a) found to have been vaccinated previously —
 - (c) No. of acceptances 957
 - (d) Percentage of acceptances 65.32%

3. Pre-Vaccination Tuberculin Test

(a) No. of children 2(c) tested	920
(b) Result of Heaf Test: (i) Positive	127
(ii) Negative	772
(iii) Not ascertained	21
(c) Percentage positive	14.13%
4. Vaccination	
No. vaccinated following negative Heaf Test ..	772

12. MENTAL HEALTH

(a) Mental Welfare

Harrogate Therapeutic Centre

During 1968 the Therapeutic Club was open on five days a week, excluding Bank Holidays. 53 names appeared on the register during the year and 6 are no longer attending. The average daily attendance was 16, excluding the people who came solely to see the psychiatrist and did not join in the activities of the club.

Care/Maintenance Group

Although 6 members required in-patient treatment during the year, their stay in hospital was short and they quickly returned to the club. It appears as though most of the members of this group will need the support of the club for quite a long time.

Rehabilitation

The members of this group have suffered long illnesses and all are so impaired that it is unlikely they will enter paid employment—one lady is over seventy years of age. They are patients who formerly would have remained in hospital for life.

Crisis Group

It is gratifying to find that admissions to hospital precipitated by social crisis do not have to take place when adequate support can be provided in the community. The crises encountered were as follows:—

	Male	Female
Loss of employment	3	2
Illness of guardian	—	1
Eviction	2	—
Death of landlady	1	—
Alcoholic collapse	—	1
Temporary inadequacy of competent housewife	—	1
Family crisis (adolescent patient)	—	1
Hospital refusal	—	1
Illness in residential work	—	1

All except three patients returned to their former status in a very short time but they are still in touch with the club. One of the three died, one entered hospital, and one remains unemployed.

Psychiatric Follow-up of Discharged Patients

Dr. D. E. Munro saw patients every Thursday afternoon and Dr. W. Kerr was in the club every Wednesday. An average of 20 patients per week were seen, half of them being club members and the rest were patients who were in employment or fully occupied as housewives.

Membership of the Therapeutic Club during 1968

		<i>Care/ Maintenance Group</i>	<i>Rehabilitation Group</i>	<i>Help in Crisis Group</i>
Schizophrenic	..	17	3	6
Ep. Subnormal	..	2	1	—
Paraphrenic	..	2	—	—
Depressive	..	6	1	1
Phobic Anxiety	..	1	—	1
Psychopathic	..	4	—	1
Subnormal	..	2	—	3
Alcoholic	..	—	—	2
		<hr/> 34	<hr/> 5	<hr/> 14

Marital Status of Groups

Married	..	7	—	1
Single	..	19	5	10
Widowed	..	4	—	1
Divorced	..	4	—	2
		<hr/> 34	<hr/> 5	<hr/> 14

Former Members

6 members are no longer attending. 2 of them are married, 2 are lapsed members, 1 recovered and 1 is resettled.

Psychiatric Social Club

The Club has met at the Training Centre on each Tuesday evening throughout the year, with an average attendance of 20. Club activities include whist, dominoes, beetle drives, bingo, table tennis, darts, records, dancing, and occasional shows of colour slides.

Outings were organised to places of local interest including York, Wetherby, Ilkley, Yeadon Airport, Pateley Bridge, Studley Park, Brimham Rocks and Fountains Abbey. On these outings, as well as having the use of a mini-bus belonging to the Happy Wanderers which is available each club night, additional help was given by a member of the Harrogate Lions Club who owns a mini-bus.

The Harrogate Amateur Film Society gave an excellent show one evening to which members of the Wetherby/Tadcaster Club were invited.

The York Social Club's Christmas Dance was held at Bootham Park Hospital and the members were invited back to the Harrogate Christmas Party which was again a great success with an attendance of about 60.

Mrs. Lynes held a successful barbecue in her garden during a summer evening.

In May, a week's holiday was organised in Bridlington using the same hotel as in previous years. 21 members had an enjoyable time, together with a party of six from the Skipton Division. We were again fortunate in having the use of the Happy Wanderer's mini-bus.

Two short stays were arranged at Youth Hostels in Scarborough and the Lake District. The small parties were accompanied by a Mental Welfare Officer on each occasion.

(b) Harrogate Training Centre

Staff

Junior Wing:	Class 1	Miss McCall
	Class 2	Miss Reynolds
	Class 3	Mrs. Barker
	Class 4T	Mrs. Higgins
Special Care Unit:		Miss Craven
Adult Female Wing:		Mrs. Mawson
Adult Male Wing:		Mrs. Rattray—up to Sept.
		Mr. Read—from Sept.
		Mr. Roebuck
General Duties Assistant:		Mrs. Musgrave
On January 29th Miss Harrison commenced duty as a Cadet.		

Refresher Courses

6 members of the staff attended four-day courses at Grantley Hall.

Meetings

4 members of the staff attended a Conference for Teachers of the Mentally Handicapped at Bodington Hall, Leeds University.

Visits of Observation

Visits of observation were made by staff members to Rawcliffe Training Centre, and Botton Hall, Nr. Whitby—a Rudolf Steiner establishment—for a day's observation.

W.R.C.C. Holidays for Trainees Scheme

Mr. Roebuck went to Whitby to help with the trainees.

Trainees

Numbers on Roll

	1.1.68	31.12.68
Junior Wing	43	38
Special Care Unit	6	6
Adult Female Wing	17	18
Adult Male Wing	17	18
	<hr/> 83	<hr/> 80

During 1968 one adult girl left after obtaining employment at the Majestic Hotel; five trainees, two of whom were Special Care, were transferred to hospitals; one boy was transferred to Guiseley Assessment Centre; two trainees removed—one of them to Germany; one girl died; one boy was excluded and two children were transferred to the new E.S.N. School in Knaresborough.

Outings

A full programme was planned as usual and included the following outings:—

- Jan. 10—Over fifty trainees went to see "The Sound of Music".
- „ 19—Class 3—"The Grove" Aged Persons Home with a gift.
- Mar. 29—Class 2—St. Wilfrid's Hall to a Brownie tea party.
- April 8—Class 1—Sykehouse Farm, Barwick-in-Elmet.
- „ 24—Class 4T—Otley.
- May 15—Class 3—Pateley Bridge.
Class 2—Pilmoor.
- June 11—Adult Wings—Hornsea.
- July 17—Class 2—Knaresborough.
- July 30—Adult Wings—"Greenfields" Adult Training Centre, nr. Rochdale, for inter-Centre sports.
- Oct. 8—Class 2—Oulton Hall Hospital School—Harvest Festival.
- „ 22—Class 4T—York—by train.
- Dec. 17—Class 2—Oulton Hall Hospital School, Nativity Play.

Public transport was used whenever possible and emphasis placed on smaller groups of children so that much more individual teaching could be given. In addition to specific outings, trainees often go out locally.

Special Occasions

- Jan. 1—Adult Wings. New Year Party.
„ 16—Puppet Show.
June 13—Coffee Morning for Mental Health Week.
Sept. 25—Harvest Festival, St. Andrew's Church.
Oct. 29—Coffee Morning.
Nov. 5—Bonfire Party.
Dec. 16—Carol Service—Starbeck Methodist Church.
„ 18—Junior Wing and S.C.U. Party with patients from Oulton Hall Hospital.
„ 20—Adult Wings' Party with patients from Oulton Hall Hospital.

Students

From time to time, students on training courses in Leeds, Sheffield and Hull for Teachers of the Mentally Handicapped spend varying lengths of time on teaching practice. Students from Ripon Training College come to observe and collect material for an essay or thesis.

Meadow Bank Hostel

Eight children attending the Training Centre reside in the Hostel from Monday tea-time to Friday morning. It is felt that more parents would welcome facilities for emergency or short-stay care, possibly for a few days only, to give a much needed rest.

Contract Work

Mrs. Mawson and Mr. Rattray (from September Mr. Read), as Senior Instructor and Instructor respectively, are responsible for the output of contract work in the adult workrooms. Overcrowding is a problem—38 trainees in a space allowed for 25.

Dental Inspection

All trainees are inspected and treated periodically.

Medical Examinations.

All junior trainees were examined during the year.

Payments to Trainees

The present system appears to work well and trainees look forward eagerly to pay day.

Speech Therapy

Mrs. Pedley, a Speech Therapist from Harrogate Hospital, visits once weekly. It would be of benefit to have much more specialist speech therapy.

Special Care Unit

This continues to be unsatisfactory in many ways:—

- (i) No outer door. All the children have to be wheeled through corridors to be taken outside.
- (ii) Storage facilities practically nil for large equipment.
- (iii) One toilet only for six children, and that small for the older children, any of whom could require it for a fairly lengthy time.
- (iv) General area of the Unit too small to allow for large apparatus and ungainly movement of children.

Toileting arrangements are becoming increasingly difficult as the children become older.

In spite of all this, Miss Craven does a splendid job in the Unit.

Record Lending Library

We continue to be members of the Harrogate Record Lending Library and records are changed fortnightly.

Television

Selected school programmes are viewed by the trainees.

Fire Drill

This is held periodically.

Exhibition

The whole of the Harrogate Art Gallery was used to stage an art exhibition in connection with Mental Health Week. All exhibits were done by children in the Training Centre. It was opened by the Mayor and members of the staff and other interested persons attended and refreshments were provided.

(c) Meadow Bank Hostel

The Hostel saw many changes during the year. Four children left, including three of the more active ones. One reached the age of sixteen years, one was recommended for a school for psychotic children, one was discharged due to behaviour difficulties and one was admitted to hospital for permanent care.

Three new children were admitted, one very obese who was unable to help himself in any way other than feeding, another very obese child who was unable to help himself in any way, and a "special care" child who was admitted on a temporary basis while he was awaiting admission to hospital for permanent care.

The presence of these three children curtailed the numerous outings for the more active children who were in the Hostel during the Autumn term, but the situation was eased by the regular visits of several normal school children of ten to sixteen years of age. They

helped to keep the Hostel children in touch with the outside world. A wonderful bonfire night celebration was held, however, when members of the local Association for the Mentally Handicapped were invited for refreshments. Most of the fireworks were provided by the Warden's husband.

There were no staff changes during the year, although in many ways it proved to be a trying time for all.

13. HOME HELP SERVICE

This service has shown a slight increase in the number of cases over the previous year, but a decrease of 5,238 in the number of hours worked.

5 full and 188 part-time home helps were employed, equivalent to 76.25 whole-time workers.

The following table gives details of the work undertaken for various categories of user:—

Category	No. of Cases	Hours Employed
Aged 65 or over	983	136,857
Under 65 years:—		
(a) Chronic Sick and tuberculous ..	91	15,454
(b) Mentally disordered	1	98
(c) Maternity	46	1,340
(d) Others	52	4,864
Totals ..	1,173	158,613

14. PREVENTION, CARE AND AFTER-CARE OF TUBERCULOSIS

The Chest Physicians hold sessions once a week at Scotton Banks Hospital, twice a week at Harrogate General Hospital and once a week at Ripon and District Hospital. The health visitors who do tuberculosis visiting attend the clinics at the Harrogate and Ripon Hospitals.

The Chest Physician reports as follows:—

“During the year 15 new cases of tuberculosis were notified. One died within one week of notification and one notification was posthumous. Six were of an infectious type and none of them were

children. Five new cases were transferred in from other areas and three of them left the area again.

155 cases were removed from the register during 1968. 98 of these were recovered cases, 45 left the area, and 12 died.

256 contacts were seen as a result of the new cases. The M.M.R. Unit visited a large institution where a case of tuberculosis occurred but no other cases were found. 19 contacts were also seen at a large research establishment and one of these received treatment for a minimal lesion.

Most of the cases of tuberculosis are able to return to their previous employment.

No special case finding surveys in the old people have been carried out but particular attention has been paid to encourage the elderly contacts to attend for examination.

The Care Committee has, as usual, given valuable assistance in supplying grocery parcels, cod liver oil and malt, and extra milk in needy cases".

15. CERVICAL CYTOLOGY

A screening test for the detection of cancer of the cervix is offered to all married women. Sessions were held twice weekly at Dragon Parade Clinic, Harrogate, monthly at Alma House Clinic, Ripon, and as required at The Health Centre, Pateley Bridge.

911 women attended the Harrogate sessions and 192 women attended the Ripon sessions. There were 3 positive smears at both these clinics. 88 women attended the Pateley Bridge sessions where there was 1 positive smear.

16. CHIROPODY

This service continued to be provided for old age pensioners, expectant mothers and handicapped people.

A direct service is in operation in Harrogate and Ripon. Owing to the increased number of applications in Harrogate, the waiting time is approximately six months before new patients can be taken by one of the chiropodists.

Indirect services, provided in conjunction with voluntary bodies, are worked in Knaresborough, Boroughbridge, Nun Monkton, Whixley, Upper Poppleton, Pateley Bridge, Burton Leonard, Kirby Malzeard, Grewelthorpe, and Bishop Monkton.

17. REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES

There were 15 registered nursing homes in the Division at the end of the year. 20 visits of inspection were made.

18. REGISTRATION OF OLD PEOPLE'S HOMES

The 23 old people's homes registered in the area were visited by the Divisional Medical Officer in conjunction with the Divisional Welfare Officer.

19. CHILDREN NEGLECTED OR ILL-TREATED

7 meetings of the Co-ordinating Committee were held in Harrogate during the year. At the June meeting it was resolved to hold the meetings at three-monthly intervals, not monthly as previously.

Representatives of the Local Authority Health, Education, and Welfare Departments, the N.S.P.C.C., the Ministry of Social Security, the Guild of Help, the Ripon Diocesan Social Responsibility Council, the Medical Social Workers and the Probation Officers are on the Co-ordinating Committee.

During the year 3 families were removed from the list, one having left the district and the other two being no longer considered "problem families". 20 families remained under review.

4 families have their rent guaranteed. One family is improving—at the last two meetings no rent arrears have been reported. One of the other families shows no sign of improvement despite all the help they have been given.

20. MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF STAFF, ETC.

Medical examination of new staff is only carried out on those who have a significant medical history or who are over 45 years old, thus avoiding some unnecessary work for the medical staff.

Medical examinations were carried out as follows:—

West Riding County Council	..	..	..	..	264
District Councils in the Division	..	..	..	..	115
Other authorities	..	..	..	..	11
Applicants for Teachers Training Colleges	..	..	..	..	151
Children for employment (including entertainment)	..	..	..	..	55

21. HEALTH EDUCATION

Health Education continues to take up a fair amount of the health visitors' and midwives' time.

Four to six relaxation classes are held each week at Dragon Parade, and two a week at the Skipton Road, Harrogate, Clinic. The Knaresborough one is now well attended and is held weekly. The Poppleton class continues on Tuesday, the Alma House and Army Camp at Ripon are well attended and the class at Menwith Hill is much appreciated, although it is only held when needed.

The first relaxation class was started at the Health Centre, Pateley Bridge, in October, and the midwife was very satisfied with the result.

Health Education teaching in schools continued as usual.

Classes on first aid and home safety have been given to Girl Guides and Brownies by Miss Blott and Mrs. Massey. First aid, home nursing, and welfare courses were given to senior and junior members of the St. John Ambulance and the Red Cross by various members of the staff. All the examinations were taken and a very high standard of passes was achieved.

I am very pleased we have continued our contact with the Youth Clubs. We have again shown films on smoking, V.D., narcotics, etc., followed by discussion, and these were well received by the young people. These films have also been shown at Granby Park School at the request of the Youth Club Leader and the film on narcotics was shown to the Army Apprentices School and to the second-year students at Ripon Teachers' Training College.

Talks on various aspects of Welfare and Health have been given to young wives, friendship clubs, etc., and films were shown to the parents at Western School, illustrating the type of films we would like to show to their children, but so far there has been no result from this.

The electrically operated puppets were displayed at the Spring Fair in March and then again at the Festival of Arts and Science in August and September.

A very interesting year—especially the association with the Youth Clubs.

AMBULANCE SERVICE

In the West Riding this is a separate service. The Ambulance Station is at Harrogate under the charge of a Superintendent Ambulance Officer. In both Ripon and Pateley Bridge there are sub-depots which are manned by members of the respective divisions of the St. John Ambulance brigade who give sterling service. Short wave wireless control is held throughout the West Riding area.

HOSPITALS UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF THE REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD

Name	Situation	Purpose	Beds	
			Adults	Children
Harrogate & District General Hospital	Knaresborough Rd., Harrogate	Medical, Surgical, Maternity	234	25
Carlton Lodge Maternity Home	Leeds Road, Harrogate	Maternity	13	—
Royal Bath Hospital	Cornwall Road, Harrogate	Rheumatic Diseases	130	—
White Hart Hospital	Cold Bath Road, Harrogate	do.	130	—
Yorkshire Home	Cornwall Road, Harrogate	Chronic Sick Cases	77	—
Heatherdene Convalescent Hospital	Wetherby Road, Harrogate	Convalescent Cases	38	—
Dunelm Hospital	Cornwall Road, Harrogate	Temporarily closed	22	—
Ripon & District Hospital	Firby Lane, Ripon	Medical, Surgical, Maternity	48	7
St. Wilfrid's Hospital	Princess Road, Ripon	Chronic Sick	32	—
Thistle Hill Hospital	Thistle Hill, Knaresborough	Geriatrics	34	—
Scotton Banks Hospital	Ripley Road, Knaresborough	Paediatrics	—	21
Do.	do.	General Surgery	27	—
Do.	do.	Gynaecology	26	—
Do.	do.	Diseases of Chest	96	—
Do.	do.	Young Chronic Sick	34	—
Do.	do.	Medical	22	—
Do.	do.	Private Wing Sect. 5	16	—
Do.	do.	do. Sect. 4	8	—
Knaresborough Hosp.	Stockwell Road, Knaresborough	Chronic Sick	132	—

Prevalence and Control over Infectious and Other Diseases.—1968

	Measles (excluding rubella)		Dysentery (amoebic or bacillary)		Scarlet fever		Whooping cough		Infective Jaundice		TUBERCULOSIS			
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	Respiratory	Meninges and C.N.S.	M	F
Under 1 year ..	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1 year ..	9	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2 years ..	19	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3 years ..	20	19	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
4 years ..	21	28	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5—9 years ..	33	41	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10—14 years ..	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
15—19 years ..	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20—24 years ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25—34 years ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
35—44 years ..	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
45—54 years ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
55—64 years ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
65—74 years ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
75 and over ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Age unknown ..	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total (all ages)	104	127	—	—	2	4	1	2	—	1	1	—	—	—

Prevalence and Control over Infectious and Other Diseases—cont.

	Diphtheria		Tetanus		Acute meningitis		Acute encephalitis		Ophthalmia neonatorum		Acute poliomyelitis	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	Paralytic	Non-paralytic
Under 1 year
1 year
2 years
3 years
4 years
5—9 years
10—14 years
15—19 years
20—24 years
25—34 years
35—44 years
45—54 years
55—64 years
65—74 years
75 and over
Age unknown
Total (all ages)

Prevalence and Control over Infectious and Other Diseases—*cont.*

	Lepto- spiro- sis	Para- typhoid fever	Typhoid fever	Food poisoning (excluding Dysentery, para-typhoid fevers)	Malaria					
					Contracted naturally		Induced			
					In Great Britain	Abroad	Accident- ally	Therap- eutically		
					M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1 year	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2 years	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3 years	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4 years	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5—9 years	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10—14 years	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15—19 years	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20—24 years	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25—34 years	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35—44 years	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
45—54 years	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
55—64 years	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
65—74 years	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
75 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Age unknown	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total (all ages)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Prevalence and Control over Infectious and Other Diseases—*cont.*

	Plague		Cholera		Anthrax		Smallpox		Typhus fever		Relapsing fever		Yellow fever	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year
1 year
2 years
3 years
4 years
5—9 years
10—14 years
15—19 years
20—24 years
25—34 years
35—44 years
45—54 years
55—64 years
65—74 years
75 and over
Age unknown
Total (all ages)

Scarlet Fever

6 notifications were received during the year, compared with 25 for 1967, which gave a notification rate of 0.56 per thousand population.

Whooping Cough

There were 3 notifications for 1968 compared with 2 for the previous year; a notification rate of 0.28 per 1,000 population.

Measles

231 cases were notified in 1968 compared with 207 in 1967. This gave a notification rate of 21.43 per thousand population.

Infective Jaundice.

1 case occurred during the year, giving a notification rate of 0.09 per thousand population.

Poliomyelitis

No notifications were received for the sixteenth year in succession.

Tuberculosis

1 new pulmonary case was notified, in an adult male. The notification rate was 0.09 per thousand population.

The following table gives details from the Tuberculosis Register:

	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Total
	M	F	M	F	
Number on Register at 1st January 1968	15	12	—	3	30
New notifications in 1968	1	—	—	—	1
Number restored to Register	—	—	—	—	—
Number added to Register otherwise than by notification	1	—	—	—	1
Number removed from Register in 1968	9	8	—	2	19
Number on Register at 31st December, 1968	8	4	—	1	13

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR FOR THE YEAR 1968

To the Chairman and Members of the
Knaresborough Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Madam and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting my Annual Report on the Public Health and Cleansing Services for the year 1968.

During the year the Gracious Street/Windsor Lane Compulsory Purchase Order was made and was confirmed by the Minister after a public enquiry. This leaves mainly individually unfit properties to be dealt with in the Slum Clearance Programme.

Refuse disposal continues to be a problem; negotiations are proceeding for use of another part of the gravel quarries when the existing tip is filled, and planning permission is being sought for the use of a disused railway cutting just outside the town. I hope that by this means the disposal of the ever-increasing volume of refuse will be ensured for some time to come.

My gratitude is due to the members of the Council and the Medical Officer of Health for their help during the year and to the staff for their assistance.

I am Mr. Chairman, Madam and Gentlemen,

Yours faithfully,

J. D. ANDREWS,
Public Health Inspector.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

Total number of inspections and visits made	..	..	2,256
Complaints reported to the Public Health Department	..	..	208
Contraventions found after complaint	..	..	170
Contraventions discovered	..	..	72
Contraventions in hand at 31.12.67	..	..	17
Number abated during 1968	..	..	112
Contraventions outstanding at 31.12.68	..	..	11
Informal notices served	..	..	106
Formal notices served	..	..	2
Formal notices complied with	..	..	1

DETAILS OF INSPECTIONS

Public Health Acts, 1936—1961:			
Obstructed drains and sewers	..	..	27
Drainage and sewer inspections	..	..	96
Drains tested:—			
Colour Test	..	..	16
Water Test	..	..	—
Nuisances and sanitary defects	..	..	170
Cleanliness of houses	..	..	1
Keeping of animals	..	..	4
Insect infestations	..	..	28
Rivers, streams and ditches	..	..	1
Infectious diseases	..	..	5
Disinfestations	..	..	28
Knackers Yard	..	..	8
Unsewered premises	..	..	7
Re-inspections—Public Health Acts	..	..	186
Public Cleansing Services:—			
Refuse Collection	..	..	55
Refuse Disposal	..	..	90
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949	..	..	310
Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960	..	..	50
Clean Air Act, 1956	..	..	2
Noise Abatement Act, 1960	..	..	2
Factories Act, 1937:—			
Part I	..	..	30
Outworkers	..	..	—
Pet Animals Act, 1951	..	..	3
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963	..	..	227
Hairdressers and Barbers	..	..	5

Housing Acts, 1957-1961:—						
Survey and Inspection	..	..	..	..	..	150
Overcrowding	..	..	..	..	..	2
Miscellaneous visits	..	..	..	..	..	110
Improvement Grants	..	..	..	..	..	86
Council House Inspections	..	..	..	..	..	9
Food & Drugs Act, 1955:—						
Fried Fish Shops	..	..	..	..	..	8
Butcher's Shops	..	..	..	..	..	17
Bakehouses	..	..	..	..	..	5
General Provisions	..	..	..	..	..	86
Hotel, Cafe & Canteen Kitchens	..	..	..	..	..	30
Ice Cream Premises and selling	..	..	..	..	..	15
Hotel and Licensed premises	..	..	..	..	..	8
Unsound Food	..	..	..	..	..	23
Miscellaneous Food Visits	..	..	..	..	..	—
Food Hawkers, Food Hawkers' premises and vehicles	..	..	..	..	..	1
Slaughterhouse	..	..	..	..	..	150
Market Inspection	..	..	..	..	..	34
Food Stalls	..	..	..	..	..	60
Meetings and Interviews	..	..	..	..	..	50

SUMMARY OF WORK CARRIED OUT TO ABATE NUISANCES, 1968

Eavesgutters and fallpipes repaired or renewed	..	..	..	..	..	4
Defective roofs repaired	..	..	..	..	..	5
Defective floors repaired	..	..	..	..	..	3
Wall and ceiling plaster repaired	..	..	..	..	..	28
Defective drains cleared, repaired or re-laid	..	..	..	..	..	37
Defective windows repaired	..	..	..	..	..	1
Defective doors repaired	..	..	..	..	..	2
New sinks provided	..	..	..	..	..	11
Cleanliness of houses improved	..	..	..	..	..	1
Natural lighting improved	..	..	..	..	..	4
Food stores provided	..	..	..	..	..	11
Accumulation of refuse removed	..	..	..	..	..	6
Defective W.Cs repaired	..	..	..	..	..	7
New dustbins provided	..	..	..	..	..	58
External walls rendered or pointed	..	..	..	..	..	4
Cesspools cleaned	..	..	..	..	..	12
Works to remedy dampness carried out	..	..	..	..	..	33
Insect nuisances abated	..	..	..	..	..	28

CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA WATER SUPPLY.

The Claro Water Board, of which the Council is a constituent member, is responsible for the supply and distribution of water throughout the area.

The following table shows details of water samples taken in the area and submitted for bacteriological analysis:—

Source of Supply	No. of Samples	Probable No. per 100ml.		Result
		Coliform bacilli	Bact-Coli (Type 1)	
Public Supply	22	Nil	Nil	Satisfactory

During the year mains extensions were provided to the following sites:—

Aspin Park Crescent.

Briggate.

York Road

SEWERS AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

As I reported last year, the necessary extensions to the sewage works have been postponed, and more and more difficulty is being experienced in dealing with the sewage in a satisfactory manner.

KNACKERS YARD

The premises have now changed hands. No complaints have been received in the past year.

HAIRDRESSERS AND BARBERS

5 visits were paid to hairdressers' premises registered under the West Riding (General Purposes) Act. They were found to be satisfactory.

NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960

6 visits were paid in respect of 2 alleged noise nuisances. No statutory action was necessary.

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

Registrations and General Inspections

Class of Premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	1	29	10
Retail Shops	5	70	26
Wholesale shops, Warehouses	—	3	1
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	2	19	6
Fuel Storage Depots	—	1	—
Total	8	122	43

Total number of visits of all kinds to registered premises under the Act 227

Analysis of Persons Employed in Registered Premises by Workplace:

<i>Class of workplace</i>	<i>Number of persons employed</i>
Offices	186
Retail Shops	259
Wholesale departments, warehouse	28
Catering establishments open to the public	114
Canteens	—
Fuel Storage depots	2
Total	589
Total Males	216
Total Females	373

Analysis of Contraventions

Section	Number of Contraventions found
4 Cleanliness	27
5 Overcrowding	—
6 Temperature	8
7 Ventilation	7
8 Lighting	12
9 Sanitary conveniences	21
10 Washing Facilities	4
11 Supply of Drinking Water	—
12 Clothing Accommodation	3
13 Sitting Facilities	—
14 Seats (Sedentary workers)	—
15 Eating Facilities	—
16 Floors, Passages and Stairs	16
17 Fencing exposed parts machinery	3
18 Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery	—
19 Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	—
24 First Aid—General Provisions	7
49 Registration of premises	6
50 Information for employees	13
Total	127

Reported Accidents

During the year only one accident was reported. This involved a female shop assistant who slipped on the linoleum floor covering and bruised her wrist in attempting to recover. On investigation it was found that the accident was partly the fault of the injured person who was attempting to 'slide' on what proved to be a rather slippery surface. Advice was given to the shop manager with a view toward minimising this hazard.

The fact that only one accident was reported during the year may appear to be an excellent record but I think it likely that many more accidents occurred and went unreported, mainly no doubt due to ignorance on the part of managers, etc. who are not made aware of their duty to report all accidents, involving more than three days off work, immediately, either to ourselves or to their head office who in turn must pass on this information to us.

FACTORIES

At the end of 1968, there were 41 premises on the Factory Register. Details of these premises are shown below:—

(a) Factories without power—

Hand Knitwear ..	1	Parachute Frames ..	1
Slaughterhouse	1	Upholstery and Cabinet Making	1
		Total ..	4

(b) Factories with power—

Bakeries	1	Motor Vehicle Repairs ..	10
Boot & Shoe Repairs ..	2	Plastic Goods	2
Brickworking Machinery	1	Poultry Killing	1
Cotton Sewing	1	Printing	1
Electricity Generation ..	1	Pumping Station ..	1
Joinery, Wheelwright & Plumbing	4	Raincoat Manufactures ..	1
Knackers Yard	1	Sausage Making	1
Laundry	1	Skin Curing	1
Light Engineering ..	1	Sports Clothes	1
Linen & Cotton Weaving	2	Timber Sawing	2
		Ulon Manufacture ..	1
		Total ..	37

(c) Other Premises—

Building and Civil Engineering Operations 7

8 Inspections were carried out during the year and contraventions noted were remedied by the persons responsible.

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act, 1937
Part 1 of the Act

1. Inspections for the purposes and provisions as to health (including inspections made by the Public Health Inspector):—

Premises (1)	No. on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written notices (4)	Occupiers prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	4	30	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	37	8	—	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	7	8	—	—
Total ..	48	46	—	—

2. Cases in which Defects were found.

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred To H.M. Inspector (4)	Referred By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	—	—	—	1	—
Overcrowding	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective draining of floors (S.6)	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	—	—	—	—	—
Total ..	—	—	—	1	—

RODENT CONTROL TABLE

Properties other than Sewers	Type of Property	
	Non-Agriculture	Agriculture
1. Number of properties in district	4278	86
2. (a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	39	1
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	30	1
(ii) Mice	9	—
3. (a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	20	—
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	—	—
(ii) Mice	1	—

DISINFESTATION

During 1968 a total of 28 premises was cleared of insects (mainly wasps) by this Department. Visits were also paid to 6 other premises to give advice to householders regarding other types of infestation.

MOVEABLE DWELLINGS

56 routine visits were paid to caravan sites during year. The following shows the sites licensed:—

The Close, Manse Lane	1 Caravan
Dropping Well Farm Caravan Site	42 Caravans
Homestead Camping Site, Wetherby Road	35 Caravans
Lido Camping Site, Wetherby Road	200 Caravans
Lorrisholme Camping Site, York Road	45 Caravans
Nidderdale Camping Site, York Road	30 Caravans
Riversmead, York Road	7 Chalets
Stoneface Farm, Forest Moor	1 Caravan

During 1968 one operator was prosecuted for contraventions of the conditions attached to his site licence. He pleaded guilty, and a fine of £65 was imposed.

SMOKE ABATEMENT

2 observations were made of Industrial Chimneys, but there were no contraventions of the Clean Air Act, 1956. Daily readings were taken with the Volumetric Sampling Machine as part of the National Survey of Smoke and Sulphur Dioxide and in the second full year of operation average concentrations of 64 microgrammes/cubic metre of smoke and 65 microgrammes/cubic metre of sulphur dioxide were recorded.

It is of interest to report that the average concentrations for Knaresborough during 1967 were approximately half those for the West Riding as a whole (excluding County Boroughs).

HOUSING

During the year a Public Enquiry was held with reference to the Gracious Street/Windsor Lane Compulsory Purchase Order.

The Order was confirmed without modification.

I feel that, while being pleased at this decision, it makes doubly unfortunate the fact that the Windsor Lane (No. 2) Compulsory Purchase Order was not confirmed, leaving, as it does an 'island' of sub-standard houses in this area.

HOUSING STATISTICS

Houses Demolished during the year:

Persons displaced from unfit houses	19
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Unfit Houses Closed during the year:

No. of Houses	4
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Persons Displaced	6
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Families Displaced	5
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Parts of buildings closed (Persons Displaced)	Nil
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Unfit Houses Made Fit:

After informal Action by Local Authority—by owner	Nil
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After formal notice under Public Health Acts—by owner	Nil
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After formal notice under Housing Act, 1957—by owner	Nil
--	----	----	----	----	----	----	-----

Families Re-housed into Council Owned Dwellings:

Clearance Areas	15
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Overcrowding	16
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Number of New Dwellings completed during the year:

Local Authority	16
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Private Enterprise	157
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Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1958

House Purchase and Housing Act, 1959

Standard Grants—7 applications were received during the year.

Discretionary Grants—8 applications were received and approved.

9 properties were completed and £1,559 was given in respect of these houses.

This was the largest number of applications since 1964, but with the new Housing Act expected soon there will probably be less in the early part of 1969.

FOOD INSPECTION AND HYGIENE

The following table gives the types and numbers of the food premises in the district:—

Description of Premises	Total number of Premises (i)	No. of Premises which comply with Reg. 16 (ii)	No. of Premises to which Reg. 19 Applies (iii)	No. of Premises which comply with Reg. 19 (iv)
Bakeries	1	1	1	1
Butchers	8	8	8	8
Catering	37	37	37	37
Clubs	4	4	4	4
Confectioners	25	25	25	25
Fish & Chip Shops	9	9	9	9
Fish, Greengrocery & Fruit	9	9	9	9
Food Hawkers	8	8	—	—
Food Preparation Room	1	1	1	1
Greengrocery & Fruit	6	6	6	6
Grocers	37	37	37	37
Hospital Kitchens	3	3	3	3
Ice Cream Manufacturers	9	9	9	9
Licensed Premises	23	23	23	23
Market Food Traders	15	—	—	—
Pork Butchers	2	2	2	2
Poultry Dealers	6	6	6	6
Preserved, Pickled Meat, &c.	19	19	19	19
Residential Homes	2	2	2	2
Sale of Ice Cream	78	78	78	78
School Canteens	3	3	3	3
School Canteens (consumption only)	4	4	4	4
Slaughterhouses	1	1	1	1

LIST OF IMPROVEMENTS AND UNSATISFACTORY CONDITIONS REMEDIED IN FOOD PREMISES IN 1968

(a) Structural

Walls and ceilings repaired	..	..	..	..	3
Floors repaired	..	..	..	..	3
Sanitary Accommodation improved or repaired	..				1
Washing Facilities	..	..	..	..	3
Cleanliness, etc.	..	..	..	..	2

(b) Equipment and Practices

Floors cleaned and/or recovered	..	..	..	..	2
Others	..	..	..	..	4

MEAT

Butchers' Shops

17 inspections of Butchers' Shops were made during the year. There are 22 premises registered for the preparation or manufacture of sausages and other "made up" foods.

Slaughterhouse

Routine inspections were carried out at the slaughterhouse during the year. These small premises served only one butcher and during the year some minor improvements were made.

Slaughter of Animals Act, 1958

10 Slaughterman's licences were issued during the year.

Meat Inspection

150 visits were made to the slaughterhouse for this purpose and 100% inspection was carried out.

950 lbs. of meat was condemned as unfit.

Ice Cream

78 premises are registered for the manufacture, storage and sale of ice cream. 37 inspections were carried out.

APPENDIX

Carcases and Offal Inspected and Condemned in Whole or in Part

	Cattle (Excluding cows)	Cows	Calves	Sheep & Lambs	Pigs	Total
Number killed	208	—	4	814	180	1206
Number Inspected	208	—	4	814	180	1206
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	—	—	1	1	—	2
Whole carcases condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	47	—	1	34	6	88
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis or Cysticerci	22.59	—	50	4.29	3.33	7.46
Tuberculosis only						
Whole carcases condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	—	—	—	—	3	3
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	—	—	—	—	1.66	0.24
Cysticercosis						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	—	—	—	—	—	—
Generalised and totally condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—

Produce Market

The market was visited 34 times during the year.

Unsound Food

545 lbs. of Food was voluntarily surrendered and condemned as unfit for human consumption. This comprised 401 lbs. canned meat and 144 lbs. other foods. In addition 4,250 packets of frozen foods were condemned due to freezer breakdown.

PUBLIC CLEANSING

1st April, 1968 — 31st March, 1969

Collection of Refuse

Refuse was collected from 5,026 properties within the town, an increase of 162 over the previous year.

Collection Vehicles

A new 35 cubic yard vehicle was purchased during the year, and the department is now well-equipped in this respect.

Frequency of Collection

Due to the absence through illness of both driver loaders for periods totalling six months, great difficulty was experienced at times in maintaining a weekly collection, and only by making much use of Saturday overtime were we able to keep delays down to a reasonable level.

Refuse Disposal

The Bar Lane Tip is expected to be full by the middle of 1969, and negotiations are proceeding for the use of another section of the gravel quarry for this purpose.

The Drott loader has performed well this year and maintenance costs have been kept low. However, it will be five years old in July, 1969, and we can expect it to become more expensive to keep in good repair.

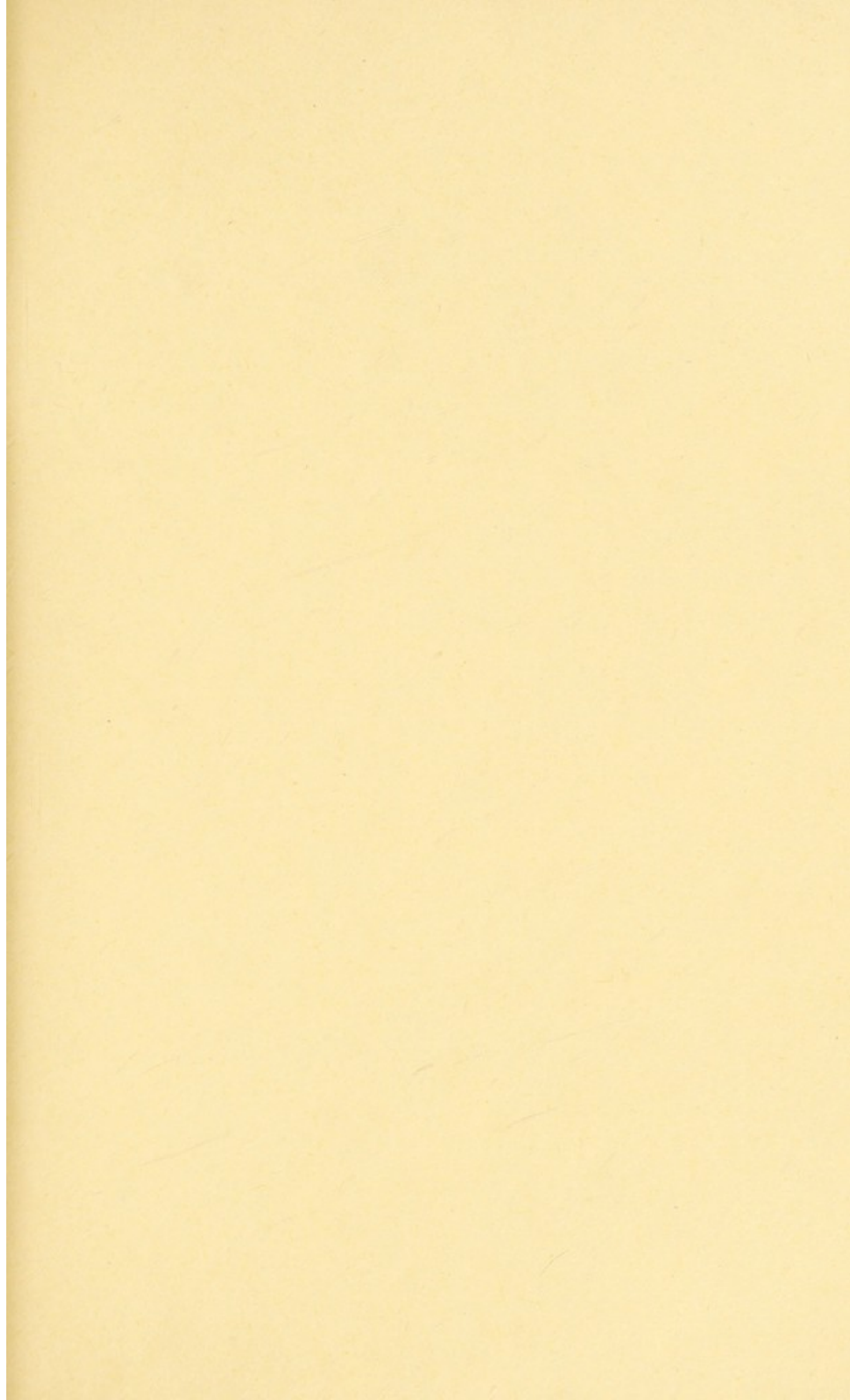
Public Cleansing Costs for the Year ending 31st March, 1969

The table below shows the cost of the Public Cleansing Services during the financial year ending 31st March, 1969.

Item	Particulars 1	Collection 2	Disposal 3	Total 4	Percentage of gross expenditure 5
		£	£	£	
1	Revenue Account				
	Gross Expenditure				
	(i) Labour	7961	610	8571	64.2
	(ii) Transport	3513	743	4256	31.9
	(iii) Plant, equipment, land and other buildings	180	276	456	3.4
	(iv) other items	60	—	60	0.5
	(v) Total gross expenditure	11714	1629	13343	100.0
2	Gross income	350	60	410	
3	Net Cost	11364	1569	12933	
4	Capital expenditure met from revenue (including above)	—	—	—	
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
5	Unit Costs				
	Gross cost per ton, labour only	1 12 6	2 6	1 15 0	
6	Gross cost per ton, transport only	14 5	3 1	17 6	
7	Net cost (all expenditure per ton)	2 6 8	6 5	2 13 1	
8	Net cost per 1,000 population	1054 3 5	145 10 10	1199 14 3	
9	Net cost per 1,000 premises	2261 0 9	310 2 0	2571 2 9	

OPERATIONAL STATISTICS

10	Area (statute acres)—land and inland water . .	2,488
11	Population at 30th June, 1968 (Registrar General's Estimate)	10,780
12	Total refuse collected (tons) estimate . .	4,877
13	Weights (cwts.) per 1,000 population per day, 365 days per year	24.7
14	Number of premises from which refuse is collected	5,026
15	Premises from which collections are made at least once weekly	100 per cent.
16	Average haul, single journey to final disposal point	2.00 miles
17	Kerbside collection expressed as estimated percentage of total collection	Nil
18	Total refuse disposed of	5,040 tons
19	Methods of disposal (salvage excluded) controlled tipping	100 per cent



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