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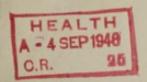
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### BOROUGH OF LOUGHBOROUGH.

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

AND

SANITARY INSPECTOR

FOR THE

YEAR

1945

### REPORT OF MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

### 1945.

To The Mayor, Aldermen & Councillors of the Borough of Loughborough.

Your Worship, Ladies & Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present herewith my 9th Annual Report on the health of your Borough.

The high light of this year's report is the complete absence of Diphtheria in the Borough. We are now, in common with most other areas, reaping the benefit of the intensive immunisation campaign which has been carried on in the past few years. No doubt cases will again occur in the future, but it is reasonable to expect that the large scale epidemics, which have previously given rise to anxiety, will not recur. In no other field of medicine is the old adage "prevention is better than cure" more amply borne out. Constant effort is necessary, however, to keep the resistance of the population high by the immunisation of every child on attaining the age of 12 months.

The infant mortality figure also is encouragingly low, but here too there is no room for complacency. Unlike the prevention of diphtheria, there is no clear cut procedure which will reduce this mortality. Continuous action against the many adverse factors involved must be maintained.

The Council's decision to obtain an additional Health Visitor is a wise one which will help to cover the increasing demands on the Maternity & Child Welfare Service.

I wish to thank the Health and Maternity & Child Welfare Committees and all members of the staff for their co-operation and support during the year.

I have the honour to be, Ladies & Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant.

R. CAUTLEY HOLDERNESS

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### HEALTH COMMITTEE (9th November 1944 - 9th November 1945)

Chairman:

Alderman J.W.Barker

Vice-Chairman:

Councillor Miss H. Dormer

Alderman F.A.Stenson Councillor C.R.Coulthard

Councillor Mrs.S.H.Lambley Councillor W.Pennington

Councillor E. Thornton

Councillor S.C. Potter

Councillor G.Read

Councillor D.Smalley

### MATERNITY & CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE

Chairman:

Mrs.J.A.Sherriff J.P.

The whole of the members of the Health Committee and

Mrs.S.Shawyer

Mrs.M.Tucker

Mrs.A.M.Wallis

Mrs.D. Van der Feltz.

### STAFF OF PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

R.CAUTLEY HOLDERNESS, M.B., B.S., D.P.H., L.R.CP., M.R.C.S. Medical Officer of Health and Divisional Medical Officer.

H. BINTCLIFRE.

Sanitary Inspector and Cleansing Superintendent. Inspector under Shops Acts. Cert. of R.S.I. as Sanitary Inspector. Cert.of R.S.I. as Inspector of Meat & Other Foods. Cert. San.Inspector's Assocn. Examination Board as Sanitary Inspector. Mem.Inst.of Public Cleansing. Fellow of Sanitary Inspector's Association.

J.S.BIRD.

Samitary Inspector. Inspector under Shops Acts. Cert. R.S.I. & San. Inspector's Joint Examination Board. Member of Sanitary Inspector's Association.

W.J.MUNTON.

Assistant Sanitary Inspector.

NURSE E.C.AGAR,

S.R.N., S.C.M., Health Visitor's Cert.

NURSE E.M. FOXLEY.

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NURSE R. GRAY,

NURSE W.HUNT, S.C.M. Municipal Midwife

NURSE O. HAGAN.

NURSE M.H.MOSS.

S.R.N., S.C.M.,"

K.W.BREWIN.

Chief Clerk

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MISS J.KIRCHIN.

Senior Clerk

MISS M.E.LEE

Clerk.

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### GENERAL STATISTICS - 1945.

Area 9211 acres
Resident Population (estimated) 32640
Population according to Census of 1931 26945
Number of inhabited houses according to Rate Books 9500
Rateable Value (December 1945) £215,647
Sum represented by 1d rate £865

### WATER SUPPLY.

The water supply of the area is derived from the uplands of Charnwood Forest, a sparsely populated district, most of which is grassland. The water is collected from the sources of supply of the Blackbrook and the Woodbrook, each stream having a separate reservoir in which water is stored. The Blackbrook is the larger, as also is the reservoir, and stands on a higher altitude, so that water gravitates therefrom to the Woodbrook Reservoir at Nanpantan. The water is purified by passage through primary pressure filters, followed by slow sand filtration, and finally by treatment with chloramine, thus giving a supply of satisfactory organic quality and a high degree of bacterial purity.

The water has no plumbo-solvent action.

Regular chemical and bacterial examinations of both raw and treated water are made, and the results have been consistently satisfactory. Two examinations of the raw water and twelve of the treated water have been made during the year.

The Corporation also supply the inhabitants of Belton, Long Whatton, Sutton Bonington and East Leak as direct consumers, and the Township of Shepshed with a bulk supply. During the war an extension was made to supply the R.A.F. Station at Wymeswold - this supply is likely to be determined in due course.

In view of the fact that the increased demand on the undertaking had reached a point when it was clear that additional sources of supply would shortly be necessary, consideration was given during the early war years to the possible additional water resources which might be made available to the undertaking. During the war years an abnormal increased demand had, in fact, taken the consumption to a point well in excess of the safe yield. Surveys were made of the whole of the resources in the immediate environs of the town, and a Bill was promoted in 1943 for the construction of an additional reservoir at Nanpantan. The Bill received the Royal Assent on 27th July 1944.

A Bill was promoted in Parliament by the Leicester Corporation for a supply to Leicester and the adjoining County Districts from the Manifold Valley. The Bill was rejected by the House of Lords, but, in view of the obligations on the Minister of Health under the 1945 Water Act, the Ministry are considering the matter and have promised to submit their suggestions within a period of 12 months. In the meantime, the whole question of additional supplies is in abeyance.

The proportion of dwelling houses and of the population supplied from public mains in the Borough is 98% by direct supply and 0.5% by standpipes.

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### EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS.

Live Births: Legitimate Illegitimate	Total. 571 59	Male. 306 36	Female. 265 23
Still Births:	16	11	5
Deaths:	362	202	160
Deaths from Puerperal Causes:	Deaths.		per 1000 Births.
No.29. Puerperal Sepsis	1		1.55
No.30. Other puerperal causes	2		3.10
Death Rate of Infants under 1 year: All infants per 1000 live births Legitimate infants per 1000 legitimate live births			4.92
Illegitimate infants per 1000 illegitimate live births		5	0.85
Deaths from Cancer (all ages)			63
Deaths from Measles (all ages)			-
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all age	s)		-
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 year	s)		3

### REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS.

The Registrar General's Returns give the number of births registered, modified by Inward and Outward Residence Transfers. These are classified as Live Births or Still Births, Legitimate or Illegitimate.

The following table gives a comparison of the figures:-

	Legitimate	Illegitimate
Live Births	Male 306 Female 265	Male 36 Female 23
Still Births	Male 11 Female 5	Male - Female -
% Still births of total	2.48	-

Live Birth Rate per 1000 of estimated population 19.03
Still Birth Rate per 1000 of estimated population 0.49

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### INFANT MORTALITY.

The number of deaths of infants under the age of 1 year was 22, 16 males and 6 females. This is 5 less than the previous year and 6 less than the average for the past 5 years, giving an Infant Mortality Rate of 34.92. The rate for England & Wales was 46.

### Infant Mortality for the past 5 years.

1941	49.9
1942	49.9
1943	31.6
1944	40.8
1945	34.9

### Infant Deaths - 1945

Prematurity	7
Broncho-pneumonia	2
Gastro-enteritis	4
Congenital defects	6
Other causes	3
Total	22

### Neo-natal Mortality.

The Neo-natal Mortality Rate is the number of deaths of infants under 1 month per 1000 live births. Of the 22 infant deaths, 11 were under 1 month, giving a rate of 17.46.

Neo-natal deaths are, to a great extent, due to the same causes as operate in the case of still births, and the solution of the problem of their prevention is to be sought in more extensive and intensive ante-natal and obstetric care.

### MATERNITY & CHILD WELFARE.

AND DE ANGELLES DE LA CONTRACTOR DE LA C	1945	1944
Number of Births Notified	695	746

### Maternity Services.

The number of cases attended by the Municipal Midwives during the year fell considerably. This was in part due to the lower birth rate, but also to an increased number of admissions to hospital for confinement. This has eased the position with regard to the domiciliary midwifery service, which last year was reaching saturation point. It will be noted that, in consequence of the lessened work in other respects, the number of ante-natel visits has increased, despite the fewer number of patients. The number of visits during the puerperium has naturally decreased.

Work of Municipal Midwives	:-	1945	1944
Number of cases delivered -	Midwifery Maternity	142 62 204	152 126 278
Number of visits -	Ante-natal During puerperium	1571 3680 5251	1438 4709 6147

Ante-natal Clinics:

The number of attendances at the ante-natal clinics of London mothers was less during the year owing to the smaller numbers arriving in the town. On the other hand, despite the smaller number of births, the number of Loughborough mothers attending increased.

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Ante-natal Clinic (cont.)	1945.	1944.
Number of women attending for the first time: Loughborough patients		
first time:- Loughborough patients Evacuees	190 461	166 1015
Total attendances:-		
Loughborough patients Evacuees	786 1576	719 2874
Cases referred to Dental Clinic	12	9

The percentage of total domiciliary deliveries attending the ante-natal clinic was 84.

### Child Welfare.

The total number of attendances at the Child Welfare Centres during the year was only some 500 less than in the previous year, which was the highest figure ever recorded. The drop was mainly due to the return to London of children who came out during the flying bomb evacuation.

The number of first attendances at the Welfare Centres of children under 1 year represents 76.2% of the corrected number of births, compared with 84.1% in 1944.

Attendances at Welfare Centres.	1945.	1944.
First attendances under 1 year over 1 year	480	566
Other attendances under 1 year	41 9927	10568
" over 1 year	7020 17468	6 <b>796</b> 17960
Attendances at Minor Ailments Clinic etc.		
Number of children referred to clinic	111	126
Total number of attendances	851	876
Children referred to Dental Clinic	33	14
Children referred to Eye Clinic	11	12
Children referred to Cripples Guild	9	33

### Home Visits by Health Visitors.

This important part of the Health Visitor's work shews an all round increase on the previous year. The present Health Visiting staff is now insufficient to deal adequately with the work, particularly in view of the increasing calls upon their time in connection with special surveys, e.g. Diphtheria Immunisation, visits in connection with proposed adoptions, etc. — work which quite properly falls within the scope of their duties.

#### Visits.

To children under 1 year:-	First Visits	. 622	643
	Re-visits	2509	2179
	Visits	5112	4457
To expectant mothers -	First Visits	150	130
	Re-visits	65	55
		8458	7464

### Wartime Day Nurseries.

Three wartime day nurseries were in operation during the year and provided 115 places for children of mothers in employment.

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In accordance with the joint arrangements between Leicester City, Leicestershire County Council, Market Harborough and Loughborough, information on illegitimate births in those areas is exchanged, and cases requiring assistance are referred to the Moral Welfare Association.

### Premature Infants.

During the year a record has been kept of premature infants born in or transferred to the district under a reciprocal arrangement with the City and County of Leicester. For this purpose, a premature infant is defined as one weighing  $5\frac{1}{2}$  lbs or less at birth.

Number of Notifications

Number surviving at the end of one month

32

### Infestation.

The measures to combat infestation outlined in the Report for 1943 have been continued during the year. There is no evidence of any undue prevalence of this condition.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (see also table at end of report)

Diphtheria. No cases of this disease occurred during the year.

Scarlet Fever. 77 notifications of this disease were received, 11 more than in 1944. Of these 68 were removed to Isolation Hospital. In two cases the diagnosis was not confirmed. There were no deaths and the disease was of a mild type.

Measles. There were 254 notifications of this disease, mainly during the early part of the year.

Other notifiable diseases call for no special comment.

#### DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

The measures previously reported for stimulating the early immunisation of children have been continued during the year, and the acceptances have been satisfactory. While a certain number of firm refusals to have children immunised are still met, the chief factor in keeping the under 5 acceptance rate below the maximum is the parent who intends to have the child immunised, but puts it off for various reasons.

No. of children immunised under the Council's scheme :-

	1945	1944.
0 - 5 years	466	470
5 - 15 years	25	39
	491	509

The small number of children immunised in the 5 - 15 age group is what is expected, as all children should have been immunised before reaching this group.

In addition some 12% of the children in the age group 0 - 5 years were immunised privately.

Percentage of child population immunised:-

0	-	5 y	rears	62.3	58.0
5		15	years	82.5	83.0.

It should be noted that the highest possible percentage of children under 5 years of age that can be immunised is 80, since children under 1 year of age are not immunised. In other words 77.9% of the "possibles" in this group have been immunised.

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Birth Rates, Civilian Death Rates, Analysis of Mortality, Maternal Mortality and Case Rates for Certain Infectious Diseases in the Year 1945. Provisional figures based on weekly and Quarterly Returns

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	Lough- borough	England & Wales	126 C.B .s & great towns, in- cluding London	148 smaller towns. Resident Population 25,000 to 50,000 at 1931 Census	London Adm. County
	R ate	s per 1000	Civilian Pop	ulation	
Live Births	19.03	16.1 ≠	19.1	19.2	15.7
Still Births Deaths :-	0.49	0.46 ≠	0.58	0.53	0.40
All causes	11.09	11.4 #	13.5	12.3	13.8
Typhoid and Para- typhoid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Scarlet Fever Whooping Cough	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Diphtheria	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.02
Influenza	0.12	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.07
Smallpox Measles	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Monaroa	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01
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Deaths under 1 year Deaths from Diarrhoea	35	46	54	43	53
· & Enteritis under	4.76	5.6	7.8	4.5	7.6
2 years					
	Rates	per 1000 C	ivilian Popul	ation	
Notifications:- Typhoid Fever	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Paratyphoid Fever	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00
Cerebro-spinal Fever Scarlet Fever	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.06
Whooping Cough	0.91	1.89	2.02 1.65	2.03	1.57
Diphtheria	0.00	0.46	0.52	0.56	0.31
Erysipelas	0.12	0.25	0.28	0.24	0.31
Smallpox Measles	7.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 9.03
Pneumonia	0.52	0.87	1.03	0.72	0.78
	Rates per	1000 Total	Births (Live	& still)	
Notifications :-		1			
Puerperal Fever	4.64	9.93	12.65	8.81	3.60
Puerperal Pyrexia) Maternal Mortality:-					15.87
Abortion with sepsis	-	0.25			
Abortion without sepsis		0.08			
Puerperal Infections Other puerperal	1.54 3.09	1.22			
causes					
Abor	tion mortal	ity per mi	llion women a	ges 15-45	
With Sepsis	-	18			
Without sepsis	-	6			
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# NEW CASES & MORTALITY - 1945.

N ew Cases

Deaths

	T				-		Deaths			
Age Per- iods	Respir	atory	Non- Respir	atory	Respi	ratory	Non- Respin	Non- Respiratory		
-	Malo	Female	Male	Male Female		ale Female		Female	1	
0-	-	-	-			-	-	-	-	
1-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
5	4	-	-	3	-	1	-	1	-	
15-	2	3	-			1	-	-	-	
25-	3	3	-	1	3	-	-	-	-	
35-	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
45-	4	2	-	-	3	2	-	_	-	
55-	3	1	1	-	1	-	-	_		
over 65	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-		
Totals	19	10	1	4	11	4	-	1		

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# NOTIFIABLE DISEASES - 1945 Analysis of notified cases and deaths according to age groups.

		-0	1	7-	2-	10-	15-	25-	45-	-69-	Totals	Admitted to Hospital
Dinhthaut	Cases										-	
Diphtheria	Deaths										-	-
Scarlet Fever	Cases			6	37	13	13	6			75	68
	Deaths										-	
Pneumonia	Cases	4	3	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	17	-
1 TOTAL DILLA	Deaths		1		1				1	3	6	
Erysipelas .	Cases	1				1	1	1			4	3
	Deaths										-	
Puerperal	Cases							3			3	2
Pyroxia	Deaths							1			1	
Cerebro-	Cases			1					1		2	2
fever	Deaths											
Dysentery	Cases										-	-
	Deaths										-	
Whooping	Cases	4	9	8	11						32	1
Cough	Deaths										-	
Measles	Cases	10	32	42	121	22	18	9			254	3
Moderne	Deaths											
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Cases										-	-
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LOUGHBOROUGH.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SANITARY INSPECTOR.

# FOR THE YEAR 1945.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Loughborough Your Worship, Ladies and Gentlemen.

I have the honour to present to you my thirty-seventh Annual Report on the operations of the Sanitary Inspector's and Public Cleansing Department, for the year ending December 31st 1945.

I regret that paper restriction is still in operation and that I am unable to present a more concise report, but I trust that the details, although compressed, will convey to the Committee the progress that has been made during the year.

With regard to Salvage, a steady decline appears to be taking place. Our sales figure of £1825. 2s. 5d compared with £2843. 1s. 4d for the previous year, illustrates the general decline which is now taking place throughout the Country. However, I would like to assure the Council that every effort is being made to improve this position.

During the year steady progress has been maintained in spite of the many obstacles that have to be surmounted, such as the shortage of materials and the difficulty of getting repairs carried out owing to so many of the tradesmen being engaged, quite rightly, on building houses and I would like to take this opportunity of thanking the Health Committee, my assistants and clerical staff for their able support.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

### H.BINTCLIFFE.

#### DESCRIPTION OF WORK CARRIED OUT. Number of notices issued " complied with 437 house to house inspections -434 houses re-inspected infected houses visited 708 houses re-inspected 12 376 12 rooms fumigated 112 11 " sprayed 126 11 11 lots of infected beds stoved at Farm 121 12 24 " destroyed at Farm -11 drains and other inspections -54 12 9019 complaints received 17 communications re dust removals 109 11 dairies, cowsheds and milkshops inspected 85 11 265 factories inspected 12 outworkers inspected 185 11 151 offensive trades 11 109 drains tested 11 11 40 smoke observations samples of milk taken for bact.examination - slaughterhouses inspected during office hours -12 22 17 11 11 97 12 90 evenings & Sundays - 107 12 11. meat stalls and stores inspected 11 11 248 samples of water taken for analysis 3 12 11 food stores insp.other than where meat is kept -249 11 inspections under the Housing Overcrowding Act - premises inspected for vermin -92 64 83 17 11 rooms treated for vermin 11 shops inspected 258 canal boats inspected

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# SUMMARY OF WORK CARRIED OUT.

New drains laid

new drains laid _	
Drains taken out _	4
" unstopped and cleansed	9
" ventileted and disamsed	52
The nection about and disconnected	2
Inspection chambers built	2 8
New gullies provided -	0
Waste pipes of sinks disconnected	4
outh waste pipes renewed on nancinca	1
Waste channels repoined	49
New sink stones provided	27
Bath and wachbasing at	6
Bath and washbasins disconnected	6 2
Drains tested by smoke, water or colour test -	68
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New water closets provided	(5
Pail Closets converted to water commis-	75 15 5 2 18
	5
Yard surface repaired or proced	2
Rain water conductors repaired or fixed	18
Soft water cisterns cleansed	61
Window cords repaired -	5
Floors populated -	5 51
Floors repaired or concreted	31,
Dirty houses cleansed -	34 8 1 3 95
Cellars " _	9
Water or sewage removed from cellars	1
and renaired	2
ventilators repaired -	95
Damp walls remedied -	- 1
Damp courses provided -	11
Plaster ceilings repaired	-
	24
General intermed -	31
Water service nines and external defects remedied-	89
"" BOLVICO DIDER PEDRIPAN	25
Wells closed _	20
creansed and repaired	25 2 - 5
houses connected to public sewer	
Damp courses repaired -	5
-	-
CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.	
Total number in district at end of 1945 - 1. Privies	23
2. Pails	
3. W.C.'s	172
J. W. U. S	12,069
SANIPARY INSPECTION.	
STATEMET INGENOTION.	
Total number of inspections	
" " defect	11,699
" defects or nuisances discovered-	4,018
" (GACIUGING SHOKE nuisances) -	The state of the s
complaints received	109
" notices served	109
(a) Formal	0.4
(b) Informal	21
" defects remedied after comming of mate	437
" defects remedied after serving of noti	
The above inspections include those under the following	- h21
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The above inspections include those under the following headings:Housing inspection under Housing Act,1936.
Inspection of drains, Factories and Bakehouses.
Inspection of Dairies, Cowsheds, Milkshops, Tents, Vans,

Slaughterhouses, Offensive Trades, treatment of premises

Markets, Meatstalls, and Foodstores, other than where meat is kept, and inspections under the Shops Act

# INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD SUPPLIES

### MILK.

Total number of retail Purveyors on Register Number of Retail Purveyors residing outside the district Total number of producers on register including producer	39 6
who retail their own milk	42

# THE MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS) ORDERS.

### 1923 & 1936.

Number of Certified Tuberculin Tested Producers Number of Accredited Retailers in the district		istrict- 2
Number of Certified Tuberculin Tested Retailers	nociding	
side the district retailing in the Borough Total inspections for all purposes	_	NIL 265

### BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF MILK.

97 samples of milk have been submitted during the year for bacteriological examination and 69 were recorded as satisfactory. In the case of unsatisfactory results, frequent inspections have been made to the farms and dairies concerned and advice given to the farmer and dairymen.

The milk supplied to the schools in the Borough is submitted monthly for bacteriological examination and every three months for fat content, and the standard of the milk has reached a high level.

	No.of samples taken	Satisfactory.	Not satis- factory.	% Satis- factory.
1945 1944 1943 1942 1941	97 75 59 32 48 39	69 63 50 24 43 35	28 12 9 8 5	71.1 84.0 84.4 75.0 89.5 89.7

### MEAT & FOOD CONTROL.

197 pigs were slaughtered in the Borough slaughterhouses during the year. These were slaughtered by local people for their own consumption. 16 stone of pork was destroyed after examination of these animals, as unfit for human consumption. 197 visits and inspections were made.

### KNACKERS YARDS.

21 inspections were made of the one registered knackers yard in the district and the conditions were found at all times to be satisfactory.

### INSPECTION OF FOODSTORES, ETC.

Number	of	meat stores etc. inspected -	-	119
11		shops, meat stalls etc.inspected	-	248
· ·	- 11	premises where food (other than meat)	is kept	
		or prepared for sale-	-	140

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### HOUSE DISINFECTION.

Number	of	infected how			-		_	112
11	11	" ro		gated	-			126
11	11	lots of infe	spra	yea ding at	oom diei-	0	-	121
11	11	11 11	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	de de	stroyed	rected		14
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The usual practice of dealing with infected cases has been continued and disinfectants supplied free to householders when such cases have been notified.

### DISINFESTATION.

64 premises were inspected for vermin, which necessitated 83 rooms being treated. Effective results were obtained after treatment.

### OFFENSIVE TRADES.

20 trades are registered with the Local Authority and during the year under survey, 109 visits were made and conditions found to be satisfactory, no serious infringements were found.

# RATS AND MICE (DESTRUCTION) ACT, 1919.

### & INFESTATION ORDER, 1943.

Good progress has been maintained under the Infestation Order. The Rodent Operator has been responsible for some very effective treatments. Although his time has been divided between three authorities, 549 inspections and visits have been made in the Borough and 2778 baits laid. The continuance of paying 2d per carcase brought to the department resulted in 296 rats being killed at a cost to the Council of £2. 9s. 4d.

# SHOPS ACTS, 1912,1913,1928,1934 & 1936.

258 shops in the Borough were inspected under the above Acts, dealing with sanitary and washing accommodation, ventilators and the working conditions of the shop assistants and hours of employment of the young persons.

No legal proceedings were taken during the year.

## FACTORIES ACT, 1937.

Routine inspections of Factories have been carried out in the district. 185 inspections having been made and alterations and improvements affected in the sanitary conditions of several factories.

# SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS.

Factories with mechanical	power	-	-	44
without "	"	-	_	195
Bakehouses inspections		-	-	81

### OUTWORKERS.

151 Outworkers were inspected during the year and it is pleasing to note that the improvement of the working conditions continues. No cases of infectious disease were found.

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### SALVAGE.

As stated in my opening remarks, there has been a further decline in salvage figures and whilst constant appeals are being made to the public, there appears that apathy that the war is over and the need for continued salvage has ceased to exist and added to this the falling market has not improved the position.

Wastepaper Scrap Metals Bones Rags Kitchen Waste Tins Rubber Tyres	Tons. cwts. qrs.  207 16 3 8 5 1 3 17 0 7 8 1 279 16 2 9 5 3 1 5 2	1327 21 19 100 344 9 2	3 18 5 15 11	7 8 3 11 90
Total receipts for	year ending December/45	£1825	2	5
Total receipts for	corresponding period of previous year	£2843.	1	4.

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DEPR	SUMMARY OF	FOODS	CONDEMNED.		
BEEF PORK SAUSAGE & SAUSAGE TINNED MEATS TINNED FISH FRESH FISH SMOKED FISH FRESH VEGETABLES TINNED VEGETABLES EVAPORATED MILK CHOCOLATE SPREAD & CHEESE SOUP JAM DATES KELLOGGS FLAKES SUGAR LARD SUET PRUNES & SULTANAS BEANS TOFFEES CARROTS POTATOES BISCUITS SAUSAGE RUSK	MEAT		CONDEMNED	110 tins & 77 lbs: 26 pies & 16 stone. 34 tins,1 carton,348 l1 247 tins & 48\frac{3}{4} lbs: 457 tins 9 stn, 2 boxes & 3 tins 44 lbs: 13 bags 75 tins 1921 tins 12\frac{1}{2} lbs: 1 cwt: 7 lbs: 12 tins 132 jars,48 tins & 7 l 1 cwt: 1 qr: 4 lbs: 2 pkts. 26 lbs: 11 lbs: 72 pkts. 49\frac{1}{2} lbs: 27 tins,19 boxes & 6 b 48 lbs: & 27 doz: bars. 10 tins 2 cwts: 33 lbs:	s.
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