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MEDICAL INSPECTION OF SCHOOL
CHILDREN.




SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF

School Medical Officer

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I present herewith the Seventeenth issue of the Annual Report of the School Medical Officer for the year ended 31st December, 1924.

The Report is compiled in accordance with the requirements of the Board of Education, and the Tables are constructed on the models supplied. Matter which has been dealt with in previous Reports has been omitted, and a reference made to the appropriate paragraph and Report.

There are no exceptional features in connection with the year's work calling for special comment, and I have, as in former years, to acknowledge the ready assistance given by other members of the School Medical Service as well as the teachers in carrying out the prescribed work.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Yours faithfully,

James J. Paterson.

M.D., (Lond.)
School Medical Officer.

Guildhall,
Maidenhead,
February, 1925.

Maidenhead School Medical Officer's Report for the year, 1924.

1. **Staff.** Considerable changes have been effected in the personnel of the School Medical Service during the past year, but the full effect of these changes will not be apparent until the end of the current year, as the additional officers do not commence duties until the 1st January, 1925. Miss Eveline Impey, School Nurse, resigned her position on the 1st May, 1924 and was succeeded in Office by Miss K. J. Speirs, (formerly Matron of Ray Mead Childrens' Hospital, Maidenhead), on 30th May, 1924. During the interval, valuable assistance at the Minor Ailments Clinic was rendered voluntarily by certain members of the Local V.A.D. In December, Miss M. Gregory White (formerly Sister of the Shadwell Childrens' Hospital, London) was appointed as Additional Assistant School Nurse and Enquiry Officer for School attendance purposes. Two additional local Dental Surgeons were appointed as part-time School Dentists, now making a total of three. Their duties will commence in 1925.

A full statement of the members of the School Medical Service for 1925 will be found on the first page of the Appendix.

2. **Co-Ordination.** As the newly appointed Assistant School Nurse acts as Enquiry Officer (Attendance), and both Nurses share the work of the Welfare Centre, while the School Medical Officer is also Medical Officer of Health, there is no need for any special arrangements to secure co-ordination of the other services.

3. The School Medical Service in relation to Public Elementary Schools.

(a) *School Hygiene.* With the exception of the undermentioned repairs, cleansing, etc. no material alteration has been made in the schools in the Borough during the past year. The general remarks on this subject made in the corresponding paragraph of the Report for 1920 still hold good.

Church of England Infants' School.	Interior decoration of whole School.
Boyn Hill School, Girls' Department.	Whole interior distempered and varnished, & Lavatories cleansed.
St. Mary's R.C. School, Mixed Department.	Whole interior cleansed and re-decorated.

4. Medical Inspection. The routine inspections carried out at the Schools are conducted on the lines prescribed by the various Circulars issued by the Board. In four departments, the inspection takes place in the teachers' room. In all other cases the inspections are conducted in an ordinary class room from which a class has to be displaced to provide accommodation. The groups inspected are (1) Entrants, (2) Intermediates, (3) Leavers, (4) Specials. i.e. children not due for routine group inspection, but to whom the teacher desires to direct the attention of the School Medical Officer, (5) Re-inspections, i.e. children inspected at the former routine inspection and found to require treatment, or, if not requiring treatment, are referred for observation.

5. Findings of Medical Inspection. The number of children examined in the Routine Groups and Special Inspections are recorded in Table I, and the number of defects found in Table II (b). The number of children due for inspection in their appropriate group, but who were absent on the day of inspection were: Entrants 26, Intermediates 14, Leavers 7. As has been the custom for several years past, the cards of such children are included with those due for the inspection next following, and in most cases they are then examined. In one or

two instances, members of certain families habitually avoid the routine inspections, but such children are caught in the course of a casual visit to the school at a later date. In one instance, written notice of objection was sent by parents.

(a) *Uncleanliness.* Although gross cases of personal uncleanliness are very rarely met with now-a-days, there is still a considerable portion of children who cannot yet be classed as free from all traces of vermin and dirt. The figures under this head come out much the same as in the previous year, except that there appears to be somewhat of an increase in the number of heads in which nits were found. This however may be due to stricter observation. The position of affairs is recorded by the following figures: Amongst the 313 boys examined in the routine groups, none were found with live vermin in the head, but 50 showed the presence of nits. Amongst the 343 girls, 2 showed live vermin, and 100 with nits. With regard to clothing, 62 children were marked as untidy, 5 as ragged and dirty, 1 with insufficient clothing, and 44 with bad footwear.

(b) *Minor Ailments.* As will be seen from Table II (b), a considerable number of minor ailments and defects are met with which require treatment, the proportion being very nearly 20 per cent. or 1 child in every 5. Many of these ailments are of almost a trivial nature, which yield readily to the application of simple remedies applied at home or at the School Clinic. Those of a more serious nature, such as defects of the sense organs, e.g. eyes, ears, throat, etc., are referred to the special Clinics, and it is gratifying to note that there is now very little objection raised to children being treated at these Clinics, in fact, in most cases, the parents express their gratitude.

(c) *Tonsils and Adenoids.* Enlargement of one or both tonsils, next to decayed teeth, is the commonest defect met with. Unless such enlargement is accompanied by a marked growth of adenoids, or there are other accompaniments such as deafness, frequent colds or sore throats, operative treatment is not insisted upon. Thirty-eight cases amongst the routine groups and 12 in the special groups received notices advising operative

treatment. In the course of the year, 38 cases received the treatment recommended, with only three refusals. This statement however does not take into account the number of children who had already, either as a result of a previous examination or on the parents' own initiative, been operated upon. Amongst the routine groups, it was found that 79 children had had tonsils removed, 65 had adenoids removed, and 65 with both tonsils and adenoids removed. In this connection, due acknowledgement should be made to the work which has been done in the past and still continues to be done gratuitously, at the Ray Mead Childrens' Hospital, in addition to the Authority's Scheme at the Maidenhead Hospital. The statistical account of the treatment under this head is given in Table IV, Group 3.

(d) *Tuberculosis.* With regard to Tuberculosis, 4 definite cases and 6 suspected cases of the pulmonary type were found amongst the routine groups, also, 3 definite cases, and 3 suspected cases were found at the special examinations. All these cases were referred to the County Tuberculosis Officer, and were dealt with at his monthly Clinic. In addition to these, 2 definite cases and 1 suspected case were marked for observation, these having already been dealt with in the way mentioned. As for other forms of Tuberculosis, the only other form found was that of glands of the neck, of which there were four cases, two in the routine groups and two in the special examinations group. These also received attention at the Clinic.

(e) *Skin Disease.* Very few cases of Ringworm of the Scalp are now met with. During the past year, only two cases of the kind and two cases of Ringworm of the body required treatment. As mentioned under this head in the Report for 1923, X-Ray treatment is provided by the Local Education Authority for those whose parents are willing to adopt this effective form of treatment. Scabies has also largely disappeared and the fact that only two actual cases and four suspected cases came to the notice of the School Medical Officer in the course of the year, indicates that this disease is now practically disappeared from

the schools. The bulk of the other skin diseases dealt with is made up by Impetigo and Septic sores, and occasionally a case of Eczema or Psoriasis.

(f) *External Eye Disease.* As has been the custom in the past, the majority of cases of Blepharitis and Conjunctivitis and such like are dealt with at the Minor Ailments Clinic, and occasionally a severe or complicated case is referred to the Oculist for further advice and directions as to treatment. One case of Keratitis is receiving treatment at a London Eye Hospital, and two other cases of external affections of the eye received treatment in the Eye Department of the local Hospital.

(g) *Vision.* Details of the arrangements for providing spectacles for cases dealt with at the School Eye Clinic are given in the previous year's Report and need not be repeated. These arrangements have worked very well throughout the year, and in every case in which glasses were prescribed by the Oculist, these have been obtained through the Local Authority's Scheme, except in two cases where they were got privately. The difficulty of providing glasses is not so much in obtaining them in the first instance, but in seeing that they are worn continuously and kept in good repair by the recipient. From time to time, the School Nurse follows up the cases, where glasses have been prescribed, at School, and if the patient is found to be not wearing them, steps are taken to see that they are replaced if lost or damaged, or, if they are simply laid aside through unwillingness to wear them, an effort is made to impress upon the parents the importance of this matter, and the teacher is invited to co-operate in seeing that the glasses are at least worn during school hours.

(h) *Ear Disease and Hearing.* The commonest form of Ear disease is that of discharging ears. Most of these cases are dealt with in the first instance by syringing. The teachers help considerably in sending up cases as soon as noticed in school, and many of them improve materially by simple syringing. Persistent cases of ear discharge are generally associated with the enlargement of tonsils and the presence of adenoids; these of course, are referred to one or other of the Hospitals for operative treatment,

and in most cases a successful result is obtained. No case requiring a mastoid operation came to the notice of the School Medical Officer during the past year. Several minor cases of deafness arising from obvious causes such as accumulation of wax in the ears, adenoids, etc. have been dealt with with satisfactory results. One or two grosser defects of hearing have been submitted for examination by an expert and his instructions have been followed out at the Clinic.

(i) *Dental Defects.* A statistical account of the work done by the School Dentist is given in Group 4, Table IV. With the extension of the Dental Staff as mentioned in the first paragraph of this report, it is hoped that during the ensuing year, much greater progress will be made in this direction than has been possible in the past. In addition to the routine work done by the Dentist, a considerable number of casual cases, e.g. toothache, loose primary teeth, gum-boils and so on are dealt with at the Minor Ailments Clinic.

(i) *Crippling Defects.* There are comparatively few cripples attending the Maidenhead Elementary Schools. Most of these however have been fitted with appropriate surgical boots or instruments, through the assistance given by one or other of the local charities. It is likely however that when more accurate survey is made, both of children attending school and those not at school, as is contemplated in the ensuing year, several missed cases will be discovered. These will be dealt with in a manner described in previous reports.

6 **Infectious Diseases.** During the year 1924, the Borough of Maidenhead was remarkably free from Scarlet Fever and Diphtheria, there being only two cases of the former and none of the latter, none of which affected school children. Other infectious diseases such as Mumps, Measles, Whooping Cough, Chicken-pox etc. were very few in number, and in no case was it found necessary to close a school on account of their prevalence. The

following is a list of the cases for which the School Medical Officer gave a certificate of temporary exclusion from attendance at school :

Abscess ...	1	Osteomyelitis ...	1
Bronchitis ...	4	Otitis media ...	1
Blepharitis ...	2	Pleurisy ...	1
Conjunctivitis ...	2	Septic Sores ...	5
Chorea ...	1	Sore Throat ...	5
Chicken Pox ...	2	Scabies ...	4
Debility ...	2	Synovitis (knee) ...	1
Deafness ...	1	Tonsilitis ...	1
Eczema ...	1	Tuberculosis ...	2
Eyesight (defective) ...	3	Verminous head ...	9
High Myopia ...	1	Whooping Cough ...	4
Impetigo ...	3	Other ...	2
Injuries ...	5		

Total Exclusions for Year 1924 . 64.

7. **Following Up.** The methods adopted for following up children who have been recommended for treatment, have been described at length in paragraph 7 of the Report for 1920. No change in these arrangements has taken place. As the additional School Nurse appointed for 1925 is required to devote approximately half her time to school attendance work, close co-operation between these two branches of school work will be effected, and it will be possible to keep children under observation until the prescribed treatment has been carried out.

8 **Medical Treatment.** The arrangements for securing medical treatment which have been described in previous Reports, remain as before, and no material alteration has taken place. A tabular Statement of the Clinics now in operation is given on the front page of the Appendix.

9. **Open Air Treatment.**

10. **Physical Training.**

11. **Provision of Meals.**

12. **School Baths.**

The Local Education Authority does not undertake any special work under these heads.

13. Co-operation of Parents.
14. Co-operation of Teachers.
15. Co-operation of School Attendance Officer.
16. Co-operation of Voluntary Bodies.
17. Blind, Deaf, Defective and Epileptic Children.

The arrangements remain the same as detailed in the corresponding paragraphs of previous Reports.

18. Nursery Schools. None in this Area.

19. Secondary Schools. There are two secondary schools in the Borough namely: The County School for Boys and the County School for Girls. The medical inspection of pupils attending these two schools is undertaken by the County Authority.

20. Continuation Schools. These have not yet been established in the Borough.

21. Employment of Children and Young Persons

Mr. W. E. Harding, Sanitary Inspector and Inspector under the Shops' Act, was appointed in 1921 to act as Enforcement Officer with regard to the Employment of Children and Young Persons: The following is his Report upon the year's work.

No. of children registered and Employment Cards issued ...	62
„ „ medically inspected and granted Certificates	35
„ „ „ „ „ rejected ...	1
„ „ who have reached the age limit or left their employment and surrendered cards ...	66
„ „ on Register 31st Dec., 1924 and engaged in the following occupations:—	
Delivering Newspapers ...	43
Delivering Milk ...	4
Golf Caddies ...	19
Errand Boys ...	11
Helping Wood Cutters ...	1
	<hr/> 78
Minor Contraventions ...	26

Employment of Young Persons in Street Trading

No. of Young Persons medically examined and granted

	Certificate, License and Badge	...	3	
"	"	Medically examined and rejected	...	0
	Details of Employment : Selling Newspapers	...	1	
	"	Race Cards	...	2
"	"	on Register 31st December, 1924	...	1

22. **Special Enquiries.** No special Enquiries were conducted during the year under review, but in accordance with a circular from the Board of Education, a special watch was kept for children of school age suffering from goitre. Only one case, and that of a very slight degree, was met with in a girl of 12 years of age. In this connection it may also be mentioned that two cases of Encephalitis lethargica have come under the notice of the School Medical Officer. Both have received treatment at a local hospital without any material improvement. One is at present attending school and doing fairly well, the other was in school on probation but it was found undesirable to allow him to remain there.

23. **Miscellaneous.** Six persons have been examined by the School Medical Officer as to fitness for employment as teachers in the Local Elementary Schools ; these include :

- 4 Student Teachers.
- 1 Female Certificated Teacher.
- 1 Female Uncertificated Teacher.

24. **Payments by Parents.** The cost of spectacles supplied during the year by Messrs. Kirby & Son, Reading, amounted to £14 8s. 6d., of this amount, £9 1s. 7d. was collected from Parents of the children supplied. Other sums as shown below were collected from Parents in respect of treatment at the Clinics:

1	Spectacles	...	£9	1	7
2	Minor Ailments	...		13	8
3	Dental Treatment	...		1	17 6
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			£11 12 9		
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25. **Statistical Tables.** The four statistical Tables required by the Board as set out in their Circular dated 27th Dec., 1923, are included at the end of this Report.

Staff.

- J. J. PATERSON, M.D., D.P.H., Medical Officer of Health and
School Medical Officer
- R. S. CHARSLEY, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Ophthalmic Surgeon
- T. CAMPBELL DYKES, L.D.S. Part-time Dental Surgeon
- HAROLD NORMANDALE, L.D.S. " " "
- ROBERT THOMPSON, L.D.S., D.D.S. " " * "
- Miss K. J. SPEIRS, S.R.N., A.R. San. I., Health Visitor and
School Nurse
- Miss M. GREGORY WHITE, S.R.N., C.M.B., Assistant School
Nurse and Enquiry Officer
- R. A. J. Walton, Clerk (part-time)

Clinics.

Minor Ailments. Town Hall at 10 a.m. every morning except
Tuesdays.

Dental. Town Hall every Tuesday at 9.30 a.m.

Eye. Town Hall every fourth Thursday of the month at 2.30 p.m.

Nose, Ear and Throat. Maidenhead Hospital, time and
date by arrangement.

Ringworm : X-Ray Treatment by arrangement with
Dr. D. G. Arthur at 5, North Common Road, Ealing, W. 5.

Tuberculosis. Town Hall, on the fourth Monday of the
month at 1.30 p.m. (Dr. A. Richmond, County Tubercu-
losis Officer).



APPENDIX.



Table I. Return of Medical Inspections.

For the Calendar year ended Dec. 31st, 1924.

A. Routine Medical Inspections.

Number of Code Group Inspections:—

Entrants	...	...	...	...	195
Intermediates	...	...	...	...	227
Leavers ...	...	...	...	...	234
Total	...	...	...	...	656

Number of other Routine Inspections ... Nil.

B. Other Inspections.

	School	Clinic	Total
Number of Special Inspections	54	203	257
Number of Re-inspections	150	—	150
Total ...	204	203	407

Number of Attendances at Minor Ailments Clinic ... 1440

TABLE II. Return of Defects found by Medical Inspection in the year ended 31st December, 1924.

Defect or Disease.		Routine Inspections.		Special Inspections.	
		Number of defects.		Number of defects.	
		Requiring treatment.	Requiring to be kept under observation, but not requiring treatment.	Requiring treatment.	Requiring to be kept under observation, but not requiring treatment.
(1)		(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Malnutrition		5	72	11	—
Unclean- liness	{ Head	2	150	6	—
	{ Body	6	11	2	—
	{ Clothing	5	54	4	1
Skin ...	{ Ringworm :				
	{ Scalp	—	—	2	1
	{ Body	—	—	2	1
	{ Scabies	—	—	2	4
	{ Impetigo	1	—	23	—
	{ Other Diseases (non-Tuberculous)	5	5	26	—
Eye ...	{ Blepharitis	11	6	8	—
	{ Conjunctivitis	—	1	6	—
	{ Keratitis	—	—	1	—
	{ Corneal Opacities	—	—	1	—
	{ Defective Vision (excluding Squint)	17	6	6	—
	{ Squint	9	1	2	—
	{ Other conditions	—	2	—	—
Ear ...	{ Defective Hearing	1	6	5	1
	{ Otitis media	12	1	11	—
	{ Other ear diseases	—	5	2	2
Nose & Throat	{ Enlarged Tonsils only	25	45	1	1
	{ Adenoids only	2	2	—	—
	{ Enlarged Tonsils and Adenoids ...	4	30	7	—
	{ Other conditions	7	6	4	5
Enlarged Cervical Glands (Non-Tuberculous)		—	10	1	2
Defective Speech		3	9	—	—
Teeth; Dental Disease		28	141	19	1
Heart and Circula- tion.	{ Heart Disease :				
	{ Organic	2	—	—	—
	{ Functional	—	1	—	—
	{ Anaemia	4	4	—	—

(1)		(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Lungs ...	Bronchitis	1	—	2	—
	Other non-Tuberculous disease	—	1	—	1
Tuber- culosis	Pulmonary :				
	Definite	4	2	3	—
	Suspected	6	1	3	—
	Non-Pulmonary :				
	Glands	2	—	2	—
	Spine	—	—	—	—
	Hip	—	—	—	—
	Other Bones and Joints	—	—	—	—
	Skin	—	—	—	—
	Other forms	—	—	—	—
Nervous System	Epilepsy	—	—	—	—
	Chorea	—	1	3	—
	Other conditions	—	3	3	1
Deform- ities	Rickets	—	4	—	—
	Spinal Curvature	—	—	1	—
	Other Forms	—	5	2	2
Other defects and diseases.....		5	5	12	2

B. Number of individual children found at Routine Medical Inspection to require treatment (excluding Uncleanliness and Dental Diseases).

Group.	Number of Children.		Percentage of children found to require treatment.
	Inspected	Found to require treatment.	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Code Groups:			
Entrants ...	195	37	18.9
Intermediates ...	227	42	18.5
Leavers ...	234	47	20.0
Total (Code Groups)	656	126	19.20
Other Routine Inspections ...	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.

Table III. Numerical Return of all Exceptional Children in the area in 1924.

		Boys Girls Totals			
Blind. (Including partially Blind).	Suitable for training in a School or class for the totally Blind.	Attending Certified Schools or Classes for the Blind ...	—	—	—
		Attending Public Elementary Schools ...	—	—	—
		At other Institutions ...	—	—	—
		At no School or Institution ...	—	—	—
	Suitable for training in a School or Class for the partially Blind.	Attending Certified Schools or Classes for the Blind ...	—	1	1
		Attending Public Elementary Schools ...	—	2	2
		At other Institutions ...	—	—	—
		At no School or Institution ...	1	1	2
Deaf (including Deaf and Dumb), and partially Deaf.	Suitable for training in a School or Class for the totally Deaf or Deaf and Dumb.	Attending Certified Schools or Classes for the Deaf ...	—	—	—
		Attending Public Elementary Schools ...	1	—	1
		At other Institutions ...	—	—	—
		At no School or Institution ...	—	—	—
	Suitable for training in a School or Class for the partially Deaf.	Attending Certified Schools or Classes for the Deaf ...	—	—	—
		Attending Public Elementary School ...	2	1	3
		At other Institutions ...	—	—	—
		At no School or Institution ...	—	—	—
Mentally Defective.	Feeble Minded (Cases not notifiable to the Local Control Authority).	Attending Certified Schools for Mentally Defective Children ...	—	—	—
		Attending Public Elementary Schools ...	—	1	1
		At other Institutions ...	—	—	—
		At no School or Institution ...	2	1	3
	Notified to the Local Control Authority during the year.	Feeble Minded ...	—	—	—
		Imbeciles ...	—	—	—
		Idiots ...	—	—	—

			Boys	Girls	Total
Epileptics	Suffering from severe Epilepsy.	Attending Certified Schools for Epileptics	—	—	—
		In Institutions other than Certified Special Schools ...	—	—	—
		Attending Public Elementary Schools	—	—	—
		At no School or Institution ...	—	—	—
	Suffering from Epilepsy which is not severe.	Attending Public Elementary Schools	1	—	1
		At no School or Institution ...	—	—	—
Physically defective.	Infectious Pulmonary & Glandular Tuberculosis.	At Sanatoria or Sanatorium Schools approved by the Ministry of Health or the Board ...	—	—	—
		At other Institutions	—	—	—
		At no School or Institution ...	—	—	—
	Non-infectious but active Pulmonary and Glandular Tuberculosis.	At Sanatoria or Sanatorium Schools approved by the Ministry of Health or the Board ...	1	1	2
		At Certified Residential Open-Air Schools	—	—	—
		At Certified Day Open Air Schools	—	—	—
		At Public Elementary Schools ...	8	15	23
		At other Institutions	—	—	—
		At no School or Institution ...	—	—	—
	Delicate Children (e.g. pre or latent tuberculosis, malnutrition, debility, anæmia, etc.	At Certified Residential Open-Air Schools	—	—	—
		At Certified Day Open-Air Schools	—	—	—
		At Public Elementary Schools ...	7	3	10
		At other Institutions	—	—	—
		At no School or Institution ...	—	—	—
	Active non-pulmonary tuberculosis.	At Sanatoria or Hospital Schools approved by the Ministry of Health or the Board ...	1	—	1
		At Public Elementary Schools ...	2	1	3
		At other Institutions	1	—	1
		At no School or Institution ...	1	—	1
	Crippled children (other than those with active tuberculous disease), e.g. children suffering from Paralysis, etc., and including those with severe heart disease.	At Certified Hospital Schools ...	—	—	—
		At Certified Residential Cripple Schools	—	—	—
		At Certified Day Cripple Schools	—	—	—
		At Public Elementary Schools ...	3	4	7
		At other Institutions	—	—	—
		At no School or Institution ...	1	1	2

Table IV. Return of Defects treated during the Year ended 31st December, 1924.

Treatment Table.

Group 1. Minor Ailments (excluding Uncleanliness, for which see Gp. 5.)

Disease or Defect.	Number of Defects treated, or under treatment during the Year.		
	Under the Local Authority's Scheme.	Otherwise.	Total.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Skin—			
Ringworm—Scalp ...	2	—	2
Ringworm—Body ...	2	—	2
Scabies	2	—	2
Impetigo	24	—	24
Other skin diseases ...	26	5	31
Minor Eye Defects—			
(External and other, but excluding cases falling in Group II.)	26	1	27
Minor Ear Defects— ...	20	6	26
Miscellaneous—			
(e.g. Minor Injuries, Bruises, Sores, Chilblains, etc. ...	118	—	118
Total	220	12	232

Group 2. Defective Vision and Squint (excluding Minor Eye Defects treated as Minor Ailments—Group 1.)

Disease or Defect	Number of Defects dealt with.			
	Under the Authority's Scheme.	Submitted to refraction by private practitioner or at Hospital, apart from the Authority's Scheme.	Otherwise.	Total.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Errors of Refraction (including Squint),	35	4	4	43
Other Defects or Disease of Eyes (excluding those recorded in Group 1.) ...	3	—	—	3
Total	38	4	4	46

Total number of children for whom Spectacles were prescribed :—

(a) Under the Authority's Scheme	...	...	28
(b) Otherwise	...	...	—

Total number of children who obtained or received Spectacles :—

(a) Under the Authority's Scheme	...	...	26
(b) Otherwise	...	...	2

Group 3. Treatment of Defects of Nose and Throat.

Received Operative Treatment.			Received other forms of treatment.	Total number treated.
Under the Authority's Scheme, in Clinic or Hospital. (1)	By private Practitioner or Hospital, apart from the Authority's Scheme. (2)	Total. (3)		
19	15	34	4	38

Group 4 Dental Defects.

(1) Number of children who were—				
(a) Inspected by Dentist:				
	Aged	5	...	51
	"	6	...	48
	"	7	...	36
	"	8	...	32
Routine Age Groups.	"	10	...	—
	"	11	...	—
	"	12	...	4
	"	13	...	5
	"	14	...	—
	Total	...	...	176
Specials	...	...	...	28
	Grand Total	...	...	204
(b)	Found to require treatment	...	...	124
(c)	Actually treated	...	...	111
(d)	Re-treated during the Year as the result periodical examination			15
(2)	Half-days devoted to Inspection	5		
	" " Treatment	21		
		—		26
(3)	Attendances made by children for treatment	176		
(4)	Fillings: Permanent Teeth	...	52	
	Temporary Teeth	...	15	
(5)	Extractions: Permanent Teeth	27		
	Temporary Teeth	186		
				280
(6)	Administrations of general anæsthetics for extractions	..		Nil
(7)	Other Operations: Permant Teeth	9		
	Temporary Teeth	5		

Group V.**Uncleanliness and verminous conditions.**

(1).	Average number of visits per school made during the year by the School Nurses	...	...	6.3
(2).	Total number of examinations of children in the Schools by School Nurses	...	...	1842
(3).	Number of individual children found unclean			296
(4).	Number of children cleansed under arrangements made by the Local Education Authority	...		1
(5).	Number of cases in which legal proceedings were undertaken :--			
	(a) Under the Education Act, 1921	...		Nil
	(b) Under School Attendance Byelaws			Nil

