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# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR FOR THE YEAR 1967

Council Offices, Milnrow.

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# Annual Report of the Public Health Inspector

# for the year 1967

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have much pleasure in submitting to you my fourth Annual Report.

In February, Mr. R. Mills commenced duties as a full-time Meat Inspector. This appointment had been found necessary in order that 100% neat inspection could be maintained at the four slaughterhouses, the situations of which are widespread throughout the District. The introduction of controlled hours of slaughtering in August further assisted the maintenance of full inspection. Two objections were rade, to the Council's proposals to impose the hours of 8.00 a.m. to 5.30 p.n. Monday to Friday, in respect of the slaughterhouses at Fern and 82, Huddersfield Road and in considering these objections the Minister ruled that the hours proposed be extended to include 8.00 a.n. to 12.30 p.n. Sat. The owners of the slaughterhouses at Bridge Street and 106, Huddersfield Road not having lodged an objection adhered to the hours originally proposed. In my opinion, if adequate, temperature controlled storage space was provided, Saturday slaughtering would be quite unnecessary. Apart from emergency killing, which is permissible outside controlled hours, there have been very few requests for slaughtering to be carried on at times other than those enforced, the reasons given for the requests have been seasonal demands, e.g. Christmas, and the delay or breakdown of vehicles delivering animals, In every case the request was agreed to.

While I had hoped to be able to report a greater reduction in the number of pail closets in the District, there has at least been some reduction, there now being 100 such closets compared with 110 last year. None of these closets are situated within reasonable distance of a sewer, the provision of septic tanks would therefore be necessary. The number of enquiries received regarding the installation of septic tanks suggests that the rate of decrease of pail closets will be at least maintained and possibly accelerated.

There was some reduction in the mileage travelled by the refuse collection vehicles, this was the result of the replacement of the 11-15 cu. yard rear loading vehicle on one round by a larger capacity 20 cu. yard dual tip collection vehicle, this reducing the number of journeys to the tip. The introduction of this vehicle was also partly responsible for the improved service during the year when, during the latter part of the year, a weekly collection was maintained. credit for this improved service must however be mainly due to the collectors thenselves. The improvement dates back to the time when new crews were formed round the small nucleus of conscientious nen already employed, the new teams then maintained a high standard of collection often in atrocious weather conditions and took some pride in claims made by ratepayers that "you can set your clock by then". There has been an increasing number of residents taking advantage of the free service provided by the Council for the removal of bulky household waste, e.g. furniture, cookers, etc. I feel that this service has done much to reduce indiscriminate dumping throughout the District.

Since becoming responsible for the removal of abandoned vehicles in the second half of the year, the Department dealt with 20 such vehicles. 17 of these were removed by owners after requests from the Department and 3 by the Council. A great deal of time, and consequently ratepayers money, has been wasted by both the Health Department staff and the Police in tracing owners of abandoned vehicles, it is hoped that more car owners will be deterred from dumping their vehicles by the heavy fines now imposed by the Civic Amenities Act, and will take advantage of the removal and disposal service offered by the Council.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee for their help and consideration in carrying out my duties. I also wish to record my thanks to Mr. Evans, Mr. Mills and Mrs. Loriner for their valuable assistance during the year.

I an, Yours faithfully,

H. JOHNSON,

Senior Public Health Inspector.

# ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Sanitary Circumstances of the Area	
Housing	
Number of Houses erected during the year	
By other bodies	7.07
By Local Authority	181
	TC
Inspection of dwellinghouses during the year	
Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for housing	
defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	194
Number of inspections made for that purpose (incl. R.V's) Number of dwellinghouses found to be in such a state as	364
to be dangerous or injurious to health	8
Number of dwellinghouses (excluding those referred to	0
under preceeding sub-heading) found not to be in all	
respects reasonably fit for human habitation but	
capable of being rendered fit.	103
Remedy of defects during the year without the service of	
fermal notice	
Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in	
consequence of informal action by the Local	
Authority or its officers.	88
Action under Statutory Powers during the year	
Proceedings under Public Health Act.	
Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which formal	
notices were served requiring defects to be	200
Number of dwellinghouses in which defects were	16
remedied after service of formal notice.	
(a) by owner	15
(b) by Local Authority in default of owner	-
Proceedings under Housing Acts	
Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which	
Demolition Orders were made	8
Number of dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance	
of Demolition Orders	6
Housing Act, 1947 Part 1V - Overcrowding	
Number of dwellinghouses overcrowded at the end of the year.	****
Number of families therein	Nil Nil
Number of cases of overcrowding reported during year	Nil
Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during year	Nil
Houses in the district and their Sanitary Conditions	
	and the same of
Houses Farms	3602
Shops with dwelling accommodation	106
Factories, workshops, lock-up shops, etc.	171
Houses, back to back	130
Pail closets	100
Waste water closets	4
1-11-1	4121
ADDITUALIS.	4174

Council Houses	Pre-War	Post War
4 bedroom houses 3 " " 2 " " 1 bedroom bungalows 2 " " 1 bedroom flats 2 " " Single person flats Prefabricated bungalows	4 390 122 12 - -	126 136 97 32 18 18
Total Other dwellings purchased by Council	528 973 Souncil 973 1028	_

#### IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

	12 122 Smil	Housing Act 1949	House Purchase Housing Act, 1959
88		Discretionary Grants	Standard Grants
	Laurent Haller	No. of Dwelling houses or buildings affected	No. of Dwelling houses or buildings affected
Action	during year		Theoret .
ind	mitted by private lividuals to Local chority	7	46 5 Reduced
	proved by Local thority	2	46 4 Reduced
	abmitted by Local athority to Ministry	and the design	
	nally approved by	Interesting manufact.	to the suscential in the susce
(e) Wo	rk completed	11	42

## Water Supply

The water supply for the district is from Rochdale and Oldham Corporations. The statutory water undertaking being Rochdale. The water is from the Moorland gathering ground. Of the 3823 houses of the district 3660 are supplied from the mains. The houses not receiving mains water are those scattered throughout the outer fringe where there are no water mains and are farm houses and small hamlets. The supplies being from private wells and springs.

#### Sampling

12 samples were taken from public and private water supplies for bacteriological examination, of these, the water from five private supplies proved to be unfit, treatment of supply or alternate supply was arranged.

There are no stand pipes in the district.

#### Sewage Disposal

Most of the district is sewered and the sewage is treated at the sewage works at Uncouth.

The number of pail closets in the district is now 100. The night soil collection is carried out by a gully emptier fitted with night soil attachment and disposed of by discharging into the sewer for treatment at the sewage works.

## Public Cleansing

## Domestic Refuse

The cleansing service is operated by one 20 cu. yard dual tip vehicle with packer plate and one 12-cu. yard dual tip vehicle with packer plate which are staffed by two drivers and 6 men.

The refuse is emptied from 4174 ashbins.

The refuse collection vehicles covered 9,892 miles and collected 2,127 loads.

This represents approximately 18,000 cu. yards or 2,700 tons of refuse.

## Disposal

The refuse is disposed of by controlled tipping. The 2,700 tons of refuse were disposed of by levelling, covering with earth and consolidating with the mechanical shovel. Any nuisance arising has been quickly remedied.

#### Dustbins

The providing of dustbins under the minicipal bin scheme is still working very satisfactorily and during the year 220 ashbins have been renewed and 198 new ashbins provided.

#### Offensive Trades

There are no offensive trades in the district.

## Clean Air Act. 1956

42 observations, visits and inspections were made regarding the provisions of the Clean Air Act. Legal proceedings were taken in one case in respect of the emission of dark snoke. The defendant was found guilty and fined £5 with £5. 5. Od costs.

## Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

One rodent operator is employed full time.

	Type of Property			
	Non-agricultural	Agricultural		
(a) No. of properties in district	4632	66		
<ul> <li>(b) Total number of properties         (incl. nearby premises)         inspected following notification</li> <li>(c) No. of (b) infested by - rats</li> </ul>	123	3		
nice	30			
(d) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or nice for reasons other than notification	21	26		
(e) No. of (d) infested by - rats	17	18		

Other action or points of interest - Sewer treatment carried out by private contractors. Sewer infestation only slight due to surcharging of sewers particularly during heavy rainfall.

Particulars of other infestations under the Act (as defined in Section 28) - 5 cockroach infestations dealt with.

#### Factories

There are 51 factories in the district made up as follows :-

Bakers	5
Bleaching and Dyeing	3
Core Oils and Foundry Machinery renovation	1
Cotton Spinning	4
Cotton Waste Spinning	2
Electric Components	1
Engineering	5
Handicrafts	i
Heaning and Packing Blankets	î
Joiners	5
Laundry	í
Motor repair garages	4
Non Ferrous Foundry	1
Paper Tube Manufacturers	ī
Plastic Bag Manufacturers	1
Portable Buildings	1
Printers	2
Slaughterhouses	
Spring Makers	4 3
Surgical cotton manufacturers	1
Waste Recovery	1
Woodwork machinists	ī
Wool sorter	1
Precast Concrete	1

## Defects

The sanitary accommodation was found to be in an unsatisfactory condition at one factory, the defects were remedied after verbal cautions were given.

## Schools

There are 5 schools in the district, all these have fresh water closets.

# Inspection and Supervision of Food

# Food Shops

There are 102 food premises; 81 visits have been made to these premises.

## Food Premises

Type of Business	No
Bakers and Confectioners	10
Butchers	8
Fried Fish & Chip	6
Greengrocers	7
Grocery and Provisions	24
Sweets and Soft Drinks	3
Restaurants, canteens and snack bars	11
Licensed premises - public houses and clubs	25
Others	. 8
	102

# Inspection of Meat and Other Foods

## Slaughterhouses

There are four private slaughterhouses in operation in the district. Mr. R. Mills commenced duties as a full time neat inspector in February following difficulties in maintaining 100% inspection.

# Controlled hours of slaughtering

2 slaughterhouses 8.00 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Monday to Friday 2 slaughterhouses 8.00 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Monday to Friday and 8.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. Saturday.

It will be appreciated that practically the whole of the neat from these slaughterhouses is experted to other districts.

During the year 2,207 visits have been nade to slaughterhouses.

der en salah the Centry C	Cattle excl. Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
Number killed Number inspected	1859 1859	1596 1596	826 826	13441	3576 3576
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci		25,0	020	1,744.1	3576
Whole carcases condenned	3	38	22	12	3
Carcases of which some part or Organ was condemned	472	738	7	70	218
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	25•4	46.2	3.5	0.61	6.18
Tuberculosis only				CC1 100	A REPORTS
Whole carcases condenned	01 0250		111_shops	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condenned	-	-	outs		3
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	-	-	destino 1	072 22	g -
Cysticercosis		1	with the same of		
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	8	1	1022 To 1	alt-led	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	strengt h	-	-
General and total condenned	-	-	-	-	-

The approximate total weight of carcass neat and organs condenned :

#### 17 tons

There was one prosecution in connection with slaughterhouses.

 Slaughterhouse (Hygiene) Regulations, 1958 - Owner pleaded guilty on 4 charges - total fine £25 plus £10.10. Od costs.

## Food and Drugs Act, 1955 Sampling

The Lancashire County Council are the Food and Drugs Authority and carry out this work.

A total of 54 samples was obtained comprising 33 milks and 21 others as follows:-

1 Arrowroot 1 Cod Liver Oil B.P.
1 Bacon 1 Fresh Fruit
1 Pickles 1 Cooking Fat
1 Dried Herbs 1 Baking Powder
2 Dried Vegetables 2 Food Colouring
1 Tendorising Salt 1 Colory Salt
1 Potted Meat

appearance of almost appearance.

3 Whisky 1 Brandy 1 Run

I give below details of these samples on which the County Analyst gave adverse reports :-

Sample	Result of Analysis	Action taken
Formal milk	Deficient 7.7% solids-not-fat	Prosecution and fined £10, costs £10.
Fornal milk	Fat 2.70%, deficient 10% fat	Producer cautioned and further sample obtained.
Potted neat	Total meat content only 67.5% Consisted of a meat brawn and	Vendor interviewed.
80,8 20.0	not "Potted Neat". Recommended neat content for potted neat is 95%.	

## Shops Act. 1950

There are 111 shops, 25 public houses and clubs and 2 off-licences.

o of Business		Number
Boot and Shoe		2
Butchers		8
Chemists		1
Bakers and Confectioners		10
Drapers		7
Electrical Goods		3
Fancy Goods		20 3200 0000 100
Fried Fish & Chips		6
Gowns		1
Grocery and Provisions		24
Hairdressers		16
Hardwaro		14
Horbalist		500001
Newsagents		8
Paint and Wallpaper		2
Pot Food and Gardening Equ	ippent	1
Sweets and Tobacco		3
Greengrocery and Fish		7
Drug Store		1
Betting Shops		to or my chorcoal \$10
Launderette		2

# Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963

Son Paris steel	Offices	Retail shops	Wholesale shops, warehouses	Catering establish- nents open to public, canteens	Fuel storage depots
(a) No. of registered premises at end of year	4	14	1	9	2
(b) No. of registered premises receiving a general inspection during year	-	5	-	1	1
(c) No. of exemptions current at end of year	_	_		_	_

## Abandoned Vehicles

20 abandoned vehicles were removed, 17 by owners and 3 by Local Authority at owners request.

# SUMBURY OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

The state of the s	
Inspection of dwellinghouses (for all purposes)	424
Ro-inspection of dwellinghouses	190
Inspection of houses for Ministry Housing & Local Government	148
Inspection of factories	5
Visits ro Clean Air Act	42
Inspection of drainage	500
Visits re water supplies	63
" ro rodent control	60
" to slaughterhouses	2207
" re Food and Food Hygiene Regulations	81
" re Waste Food Order	9
" re infectious diseases	50
" re standard grants	213
" re Caravans	66
" re refuse collection	782
" to refuse tips	166
" re post control	
" re dirty premises	9
" re noise	. 3 9 6 5 8
" re snell	5
" re Offices, Shops and Railway Promises Act	8
" re nightsoil collection	11
" re sanitary accommodation	18
" re outworker	2
" re Rent Act	2
" re Animal Boarding Establishments	2 2
" re Milk	30
" to Court	3
" re Shops Act	54
" Water Course	17
" re School Hygiene and Health Education	15
" re abandoned vehicles	66
" re ice orean	5
" re Diseases of Animals	11
" ro stables	8
Miscellaneous visits	168
	FILO
	5449

## Legal Proceedings

In addition to the two prosecutions previously mentioned in the report, legal proceedings were taken under the Caravans Sites and Control of Devlopment Act. The defendant was found guilty and fined £20 plus £5. 5. 0d costs.



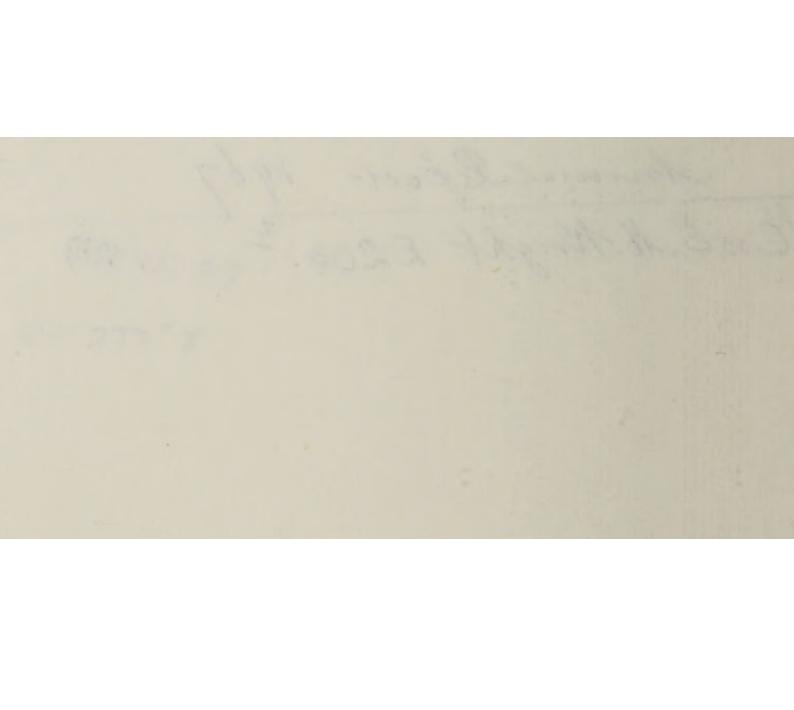
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## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

## FOR THE YEAR 1967

To the Health Committee of the Urban District of Milnrow.

Mr. Chairman and Members,

I have the honour of presenting my thirtyninth Annual Report of the District of Milmrow and shall commence by placing before you the General Statistics from which this report is formed: -

## Population

The estimated population of the district for 1967 is 9,150 with an acreage of 5,194.

The rateable value of the district is £282,410 and the sum represented by the penny rate is £1,120. 7. 4d.

The population is industrial and is occupied mainly with cotton spinning, the engineering trade and the wool trade, none of which has any peculiar influence on the public health.

#### Vital Statistics

Mortality rates per 1,000 population	
Total (all forms)	12.5
Respiratory Tuberculosis	Nil
Malignant neoplasms	3.50
Live birth rates per 1,000 population	23.1
Still births per 1,000 total births	Nil
Maternal mortality rate per 1,000 total births	Nil
Infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births	14.0
Neo-mortality rate per 1,000 live births	14.0
Early neo-mortality rate per 1,000 live births	14.0
Perinatal mortality rate per 1,000 total births	14.0

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Live births			105	106	211
Legitimate	1-0,01 TE. 1		101	101	202
Illegitimate			4	5	9
Stillbirths			SUS L	Tale.	_
Legitimate			-	-	-
Illegitimate				-	-
Deaths of infants	under 1 year		2	1	3
Legitimate			2	1	3
Illegitimate	4		-	-	-
Deaths of infante	under 4 weeks		2	1	. 3
Legitimate			2	1	3
Illegitimate			-	-	-
- Deaths of infants	under 1 week		2	1	3
Legitimate			2	1	3
Illegitimate				-	-

# Rates per 1,000 of Population

<u>Year</u>	No. Reg.			Deaths (All causes) No. Rate Reg. per 1000 Pop.		Rate per 1000 Total births	No. Reg.	ternal ality Rate per 1000 Total births	Infant Mortality No. Rate of per deaths 1000 reg. live births		
1967 1966	211 201	23.1 25.6	114 118	12.5	ī	5.0	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	9 3	14.0	
Prev. year diff.	+10	-2.5	-4	state on	-1	-5.0	-	less on	+6	+9.0	

# Vital Statistics 1948 - 1967

Year	Population Estimated to middle	Bir	Births		Deaths Infartile Deaths			Maternal Mortality		
	of each year	No.	Rate	No.	Rate	No.	Rate	No.	Rate	
1948 1949 1950 1951 1952 1953 1 1954 1955 1956 1957 1958 1959 1960 1961 1962 1963 1964 1965 1966 1967	8418 8514 8596 8557 8578 8535 8540 8500 8460 8410 8360 8380 8110 7819 8310 8420 8630 8880 9150	145 146 134 142 137 134 100 126 88 124 125 122 102 119 118 153 164 169 201 211	17.2 17.1 15.6 16.6 15.7 15.3 11.9 15.1 10.4 14.9 15.1 14.7 12.2 14.8 20.8 22.0 21.1 25.6 23.1	117 128 126 123 128 90 117 129 100 108 126 97 132 135 139 130 97 118	13.2 14.3 14.7 14.4 14.0 9.9 13.2 14.6 15.2 12.4 13.3 15.6 12.1 16.9 17.0 16.4 15.1 10.8 12.5 12.5	963562123Nil 724586Nil 939	62 43 15 35 44 15 10 16 34 5.6 16.4 39.2 42 25.4 13.1 17.8 5.0	l l l Nil Nil Nil Nil Nil Nil Nil Nil Ni	6.66 6.80 7.19	

# Comparison with England and Wales

E E S axion 4	England & Wales	Milnrow
Birth Rate	17.2	23.1
Death Rate	11.2	12.5
Maternal Mortality Rate	0.20	Nil
Infantile Mortality Rate	18.3	14.0

# Causes of Death during the year 1966

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36	Tuberculosis Other Syphilitis disease Diphtheria Whooping Cough Meningococcal Infections Acute Poliomyelitis Measles Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases Malignant Neoplasm Stomach Malignant Neoplasm Stomach Malignant Neoplasm Breast Malignant Neoplasm Buterus Other Malignant & Lymphatic Neoplasm Leukaemia, Aleukaemia Diabetis Vascular Lesions of the Nervous System Coronary Disease, Angina Hypertension with Heart Disease Other Heart Diseases Other Circulatory Diseases Influenza Pneumonia Bronchitis Other diseases of the respiratory system Ulcer of Stomach and Ducodenum Gastritis, Enteritis, Diarrhoea Nephritis and Nephrosis Hyperplasia of prostrate Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion Congenital Malformations Other defined and ill defined diseases Motor Vehicle Accidents All other Accidents Suicide Homicide and Operations of War		1011611523-125-57-116141-
			774

# Deaths Occurring Outside District

Place of Death	м	F	Total
Birch Hill Hospital	15	21	36
Rochdale Informary	2	2	4
Marland Hospital	2	1	3
Oldham & District General Hospital	1 1	_	1
Springfield Park Hospital		2	2
Wolstenholme Hospital, Norden	5	-	5
Royal Informary Private Patients Home, Manchester	1 1	_	í
35, Tentercorft, Rochdale	1 -1	7	7
Caernarvon & Anglesey General Hospital, Bangor	1 1	- 1	1
Town Hall, Rochdale	1 1		1
33, Red Lane, Rochdale	1 -1	7	1
Booth Hall Hospital	1 71	- 1	1
Royal Infirmary, Manchester	1 1	- 1	1
Salford Royal Hospital, Salford	1 1	- 1	1

## Infant and Maternal Micrtality Rate

	No. of Deaths	Rate	Increase or Decrease
Infant Mortality 1967	9 3	ν <sub>••</sub> ο	+9.0
Infant Mortality 1966		5•ο	-12.8
Maternal Mortality 1967	Nil	Nil	
Maternal Mortality 1966	Nil	Nil	

## Notifiable Infectious Diseases

ES	Total	Under 1 yr.	1 - 2 yrs.	2 - 3 yrs.	3 - 4 yrs.	4 - 5 yrs.	5 - 10 yrs.	10 - 15 yrs	15 - 25 yrs	25 - 34 yrs	35 - 44 yrs	45 - 65 yrs	65 & over	Deaths in Hospital
 Scarlet Fever Whooping Cough Measles Sonnei Dysentery Meningoccocal Inf. Acute pneumonia Food poisoning	5 4 39 1 1 1 1	3	6	1 1 9	1 1 5	1 6 1	1 10	2	1	a Link a Alice a Alice a a a Alice a Alice a Alice a a Alice a a a a Alice a a Alice a a a a a a a a a a a a a	700	No Carried	の日本の日本の日本日	

Under the National Health Service, the County is divided into 17 administrative divisions.

Milmrow is in number 13 district which is composed of Bacup, Heywood, Littleborough, Milmrow, Wardle and Whitworth.

## Maternity and Child Welfare

Clinic There is a Maternity and Child Welfare Clinic (Consultation) open every Tuesday, 10-12 noon and 2.00 to 4.00 p.m.

Ante-Natal Cases attend clinic in Rochdale by arrangement or 1,

Wesley Street, when the clinic is open.

Midwifery Domiciliary midwifery is carried out by midwives under the control of the Lancashire County Council.

Home Helps The home help service is run by the Lancashire County Council, Divisional Health No. 13

Cleansing Cases requiring treatment are treated at the Cleansing Centre in Rochdale.

Inmunisation Clinics are held nonthly at the Maternity and Child Welfare on the first Wednesday in every nonth.

Ambulance The ambulance service is administered by the Lancashire Facilities County Council and the Ambulance Station is at Radoliffe.

Infectious The hospitals are administered by the Regional Hospital Board.



I am, Yours obediently, O.R.I. LOVE, M.D., D.P.H., Medical Officer of Health.