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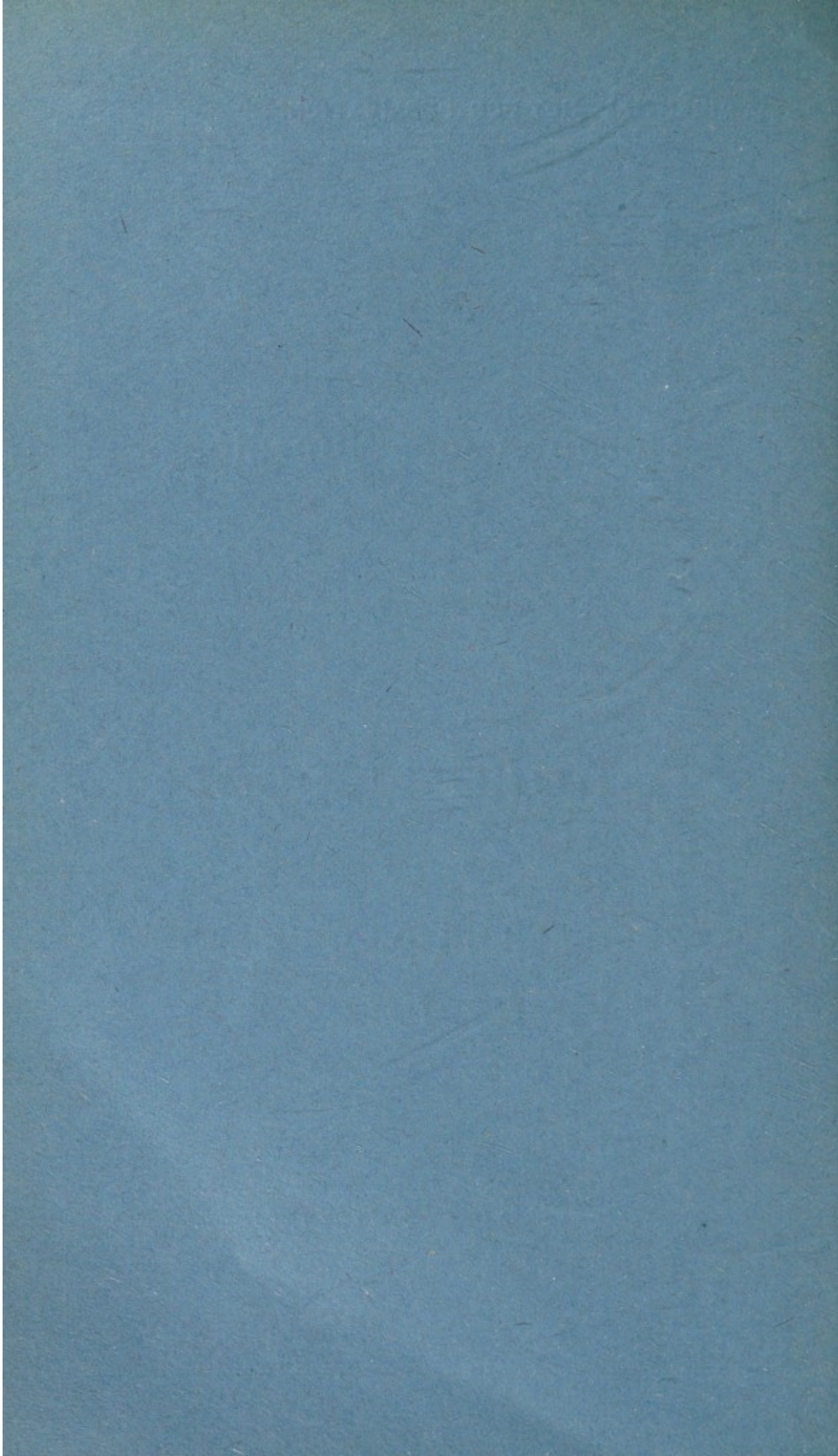
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MEMBERS OF THE HEALTH COMMITTEE

(As on the 31st December, 1942).

His Worship The Mayor (Councillor J. Bates, J.P.).

The Deputy Mayor (Alderman W. T. Smith, J.P., C.C.).

Chairman: Alderman J. Randle, J.P.

Deputy Chairman: Councillor H. J. Deeming.

MEMBERS:

Councillor A. J. Bonham.

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„ H. Clark.

„ G. Comley.

„ G. Cooper.

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„ L. C. S. FitzRoy-Newdegate.

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„ B. H. Mayo.

„ A. H. Moreton.

„ B. Simpson.

„ P. Woodward.

CO-OPTED MEMBERS—Maternity and Child Welfare
Committee.

The Mayoress.

Mrs. W. C. Britten.

Mrs. P. Dixon.

Mrs. L. Smith.

Mrs. G. H. Wheway.

BOROUGH OF NUNEATON

Health Department,
Council House,
Nuneaton.
September, 1943.

To The Chairman and Members of the Health Committee.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

In the continued absence of Dr. P. G. Horsburgh on war-time duties overseas I beg to submit his Annual Report for the year ended 31st December, 1942.

The report follows precisely the lines of the previous year and is mainly statistical in character.

From a health point of view the year has been in every respect a satisfactory one. The Birth-rate has increased from 18.1 in 1941 to 19.9 per 1,000 population in 1942. The general Death-rate has fallen from 12.3 to 10.2 per 1,000 population and the Infant Mortality has also fallen from 62.2 to 41.1 per 1,000 births in 1942.

It is gratifying also to record a reduction in the maternal mortality from 3.6 to 1.9 per 1,000 births. This rate represents two maternal deaths only, both being due to causes other than sepsis.

There has been an entire absence of Typhoid Fever in the Borough and a marked reduction in the incidence of Measles, Whooping Cough and Chickenpox, while Scarlet Fever and

Diphtheria have remained much the same as in the previous year. Deaths, however, from these two latter diseases have fallen from 9 to 3 in the case of Diphtheria and from 2 to 1 in the case of Scarlet Fever. No deaths occurred either from Measles or Whooping Cough.

Immunisation against Diphtheria has proceeded actively throughout the year, every endeavour being made to protect as many as possible of the children under school age, but many mothers still do not appreciate the fact that their children run the greatest risk of infection between the ages of two and three years and could be amply protected if immunised immediately they are 12 months old. At present it is estimated that only 33.46 per cent. of children under five years of age have been so protected, a figure that can be increased only by the intensive education of mothers and fathers on the value of prevention in place of prolonged treatment in hospital, the possibility of complications developing of a serious character or of death as sometimes occurs even before admission to hospital. Protection in the interests of the children themselves should not only be encouraged but should be regarded as a moral parental obligation not to be shirked.

The year 1942 has seen the provision, under the ægis of the Ministry of Health of four War-time Day Nurseries at (1) Attleborough Road, (2) St. Paul's Road, (3) Merevale Avenue, and (4) Avenue Road. Each is designed to accommodate 40 children of mothers engaged in work of national importance, and all are now in active operation.

In my capacity as Acting Medical Officer of Health I should like to thank all my colleagues in the Health Department for the help that has so ungrudgingly been extended to me during my period of office, in like manner all officers of the Council with whom I have been associated administratively, and the Chairman and members of Committee for their kindness, consideration and support at all times.

I have the honour to remain,

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

A. HAMILTON WOOD,

Acting Medical Officer of Health.

STAFF OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT

(As on the 31st December, 1942).

Medical Officer of Health, School Medical Officer, Superintendent Isolation Hospital, Superintendent Maternity and Child Welfare Clinics, Medical Officer, Venereal Disease Clinic.	}	P. G. HORSBURGH, G.M., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H. Acting Medical Officer of Health: A. HAMILTON WOOD.
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Assistant Medical Officer of Health and Assistant School Medical Officer	}	H. BURNS, O.B.E., M.B., Ch.B. (Edin.) (On Active Service).
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Temporary Assistant Medical Officer	}	G. K. G. COOTE, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (Com- menced 18th March. 1940).
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Chief Sanitary Inspector and Meat Inspector.	}	F. W. MORTIMER, C.R.S.I., Cert. Meat Inspector, San. Science, M.S.I.A.
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Additional Sanitary Inspectors and Meat Inspectors	}	F. G. GANE, A.R.S.I., M.S.I.A., Cert. Meat Inspector.
		S. B. ACTON, Cert. S.I.B.
		R. C. STUTTLE, Cert. S.I.B. (On Active Service).

Pupil Sanitary Inspector.	J. CHAPLIN.
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Health Visitors.	*Miss E. K. DEARN, S.C.M.
	* Mrs. D. M. GANE, S.C.M.
	*Miss L. MACPHERSON, S.C.M.
	* Miss K. T. FLYNN, S.C.M.

Midwifery Service Supervisor:	Miss D. KING, S.R.N., S.C.M.
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Midwives:	Mrs. D. BOURNE, S.R.N., S.C.M. Miss L. DICKESON, S.C.M. Miss S. A. PULLAN, S.R.N., S.C.M. Miss E. M. SHEADER, S.C.M. Miss F. E. STEVENS, S.C.M. Mrs. M. S. WATSON, S.C.M.
Dental Surgeon:	{ T. H. THOMPSON, L.R.C.P. & S., L.D.S., R.C.S.
Dental Attendant:	Miss L. JACKSON.
Isolation Hospital—Matron:	Miss A. RAWBONE.
Clerks:	W. WOOD (Chief Clerk). M. IRELAND. J. SHEPHERD.

PART-TIME OFFICERS:

Consulting Surgeon—Puerperal Fever Regulations. Consultant—Gynæcological Clinic.	{ SIR BECKWITH WHITEHOUSE, M.S. (Lond.), M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S. (Eng.), Ch.M. (Birm.).
Consulting Surgeon—Isolation Hospital	{ C. A. RAISON, M.B., Ch.B. (Birm.), F.R.C.S. (Eng.).
Medical Officer—Ante-Natal Clinics.	{ F. SELBY TAIT, M.B., Ch.B., F.R.C.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (On Active Service). B. M. WILLMOTT DOBBIE, M.A. (Camb.), M.B., F.R.C.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.
Orthopædic Surgeon.	{ F. W. ALLEN, M.B., Ch.B., F.R.C.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.
Orthopædic Nurse: Sister-in-Charge.	SISTER FINTON

*Health Visitor's Certificate.

VITAL STATISTICS

	Legitimate		Illegitimate		Totals	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
Live Births ...	484	462	25	26	509	488
						997

Birth Rate:—19.9 per 1,000 population.

	Legitimate		Illegitimate		Totals	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
Stillbirths ...	27	19	—	2	27	21
						48

Stillbirth Rate:— 46.9 per 1,000 (live and still) births.

	Males	Females	Total
Deaths	273	238	511

Death Rate:— 10.2 per 1,000 population.

Deaths of Infants under one year of age:—

Legitimate	34
Illegitimate	7
Total	41

Infantile Mortality Rate:— 41.1 per 1,000 live births.

Number of women dying in, or in consequence of, childbirth:—

From Sepsis	—
From other causes ...	2
Total	2 or 1.9 per 1,000 births (live and still births).

Deaths from Measles (all ages)	—
„ „ Whooping Cough	—
„ „ Diarrhœa (under 2 years)	7

CAUSES OF DEATHS, 1942.

Causes of Death.	Males	Females	Total
All Causes	273	238	511
Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fever ..	—	—	—
Cerebro Spinal Fever	1	2	3
Scarlet Fever	1	—	1
Whooping Cough	—	—	—
Diphtheria	2	1	3
Tuberculosis—Respiratory system ..	17	13	30
Tuberculosis—Other Forms	1	4	5
Syphilitic Diseases	1	1	2
Influenza	6	2	8
Measles	—	—	—
Ac: Poliomyelitis and polio- encephalitis	—	—	—
Ac: Inf: Encephalitis	—	—	—
Cancer	26	39	65
Diabetes	1	5	6
Intracranial Vascular Lesions	29	23	52
Heart Disease	53	46	99
Other diseases of circulatory system	12	10	22
Bronchitis	12	14	26
Pneumonia	22	8	30
Other Respiratory Diseases	1	2	3
Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum ..	5	2	7
Diarrhoea—under 2 years	5	2	7
Appendicitis	2	5	7
Other Digestive Diseases	5	12	17
Nephritis	4	5	9
Puerperal and Post-abortive Sepsis	—	—	—
Other Maternal Causes	—	2	2
Premature birth	6	6	12
Congenital Malformation, birth in- juries; infantile diseases	3	6	9
Suicide	3	2	5
Road Traffic accidents	6	1	7
Other Violent Causes	21	14	35
All Other Causes	28	11	39

BIRTHS

Nuneaton
19.9

Birth-rate per 1,000 population

Ward	Legitimate.			Illegitimate.			Total.		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Attleborough ..	54	46	100	2	2	4	56	48	104
St. Nicholas ..	76	77	153	—	3	3	76	80	156
Manor ..	23	36	59	1	—	1	24	36	60
St. Mary ..	52	51	103	2	2	4	54	53	107
Arbury ..	55	60	115	2	2	4	57	62	119
Chilvers Coton ..	42	64	106	3	3	6	45	67	112
Galley Common ..	48	49	97	1	4	5	49	53	102
Stockingford ..	113	75	188	6	1	7	119	76	195
Inward Transfers	21	4	25	8	9	17	29	13	42
TOTALS ..	484	462	946	25	26	51	509	488	997

INFANTILE MORTALITY

ANALYSIS OF INFANT DEATHS, 1942.

Causes of Death	Under 1 week	1- wks	2-3 wks	3-4 wks	Total und'r 4 wks	1-3 mths	3-6 mths	6-9 mths	9-12 mths	Total under 1 year
Prematurity	10	1	—	—	11	1	—	—	—	12
Congenital defects	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Birth injuries	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Infantile diseases	3	1	—	—	4	3	1	1	—	9
Tubercular	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2
Meningitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Septic Scarlet	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Cerebro Spinal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2
Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	1	—	6
Gastro	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	6	1	—	—	7
Asphyxia	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
Totals ..	13	2	—	—	15	14	4	6	2	41

INFANT DEATHS—WARD

Ward	Males	Females	Total
Attleborough ...	1	1	2
St. Nicholas ...	5	1	6
Manor ...	4	1	5
St. Mary ...	2	1	3
Arbury ...	2	4	6
Coton ...	—	5	5
Galley Common ...	2	2	4
Stockingford ...	6	4	10
	—	—	—
	22	19	41
	—	—	—

LABORATORY FACILITIES

No alteration has taken place in this service.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1938.

One hundred and seven samples were obtained under the above Act. These were as follows:—

Milk	...	...	...	...	...	94
Jelly crystals	...	...	...	...	...	4
Ice cream	...	...	...	...	...	2
Milk powder	...	...	...	...	...	1
Egg powder	...	...	...	...	...	1
Custard powder	...	...	...	...	...	1
Semolina	...	...	...	...	...	1
Sweetening powder	...	...	...	...	...	1
Orange substitute	...	...	...	...	...	1
Vitamin C. tablets	...	...	...	...	...	1

Of these samples seventy were informal and thirty-seven formal.

Analysis yielded the following results:—

Unsatisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	20
Genuine	...	...	...	...	...	86

(one sample lost in transit).

The unsatisfactory samples were:—

Sample No. 149	(informal) Milk.	58% added water.
.. ..	150 (informal) Milk.	61% added water.
.. ..	155 (formal) Milk.	47.40% added water.
.. ..	156 (formal) Milk.	44.90% added water.
.. ..	158 (informal) Milk.	37% added water.
.. ..	165 (informal) Orange substitute.	Contained no orange juice.
.. ..	170 (formal) Milk.	9.50% added water.
.. ..	172 (formal) Milk.	1.00% added water.
.. ..	173 (formal) Milk.	7.40% added water.
.. ..	176 (formal) Milk.	3.50% added water.
.. ..	183 (informal) Milk.	45.00% added water.
.. ..	184 (formal) Milk.	40.1% added water.
.. ..	185 (formal) Milk.	21.3% added water.
.. ..	186 (formal) Milk.	9.3% added water.
.. ..	197 (informal) Jelly crystals.	Contained 7 parts per million Arsenic.
.. ..	198 (informal) Jelly crystals.	Contained 7 parts per million Arsenic.
.. ..	199 (informal) Jelly crystals.	Contained 9 parts per million Arsenic.
.. ..	204 (informal) Milk.	Deficient 16.0% fat.
.. ..	232 (informal) Milk.	11.0% added water.
.. ..	233 (informal) Milk.	1.0% added water.

Magisterial proceedings were instituted as follows:—

Adulterated sample No. 155.	Vendor fined £7 10s. and £5 5s. costs.
„ „ „ 156.	Same vendor as No. 155. Dismissed on payment of costs.
„ „ „ 170.	Vendor fined £4 and £1 11s. 6d. costs.
„ „ „ 173.	Vendor fined £2 10s. and £1 11s. 6d. costs.
„ „ „ 176.	Dismissed on payment of costs, under Probation of Offenders Act.
„ „ „ 184.	Vendor fined £7 10s. and £2 6s. costs.
„ „ „ 185.	Vendor fined £7 10s. and £1 1s. costs.
„ „ „ 186.	Same vendor as No. 185. Fined £7 10s. and £1 1s. costs.

With respect to samples No. 197, 198, 199. Formal samples could not be obtained as this commodity was taken off the market. Formal samples from the same vendors as Nos 204, 232 and 233 proved genuine.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

No alteration has taken place in these services.

NURSING IN THE HOME.

No alteration has taken place in this work.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

The following table gives particulars of work carried out by the staff of the Isolation Hospital to cases of infectious disease which were treated at home.

CASES AND VISITS FOR 1942.

Disease.	St. Mary's		Manor		S. Nicholas		Attleboro'		Cotton		Arbury		S'ford		GalleyCom		Total	
	C	V	C	V	C	V	C	V	C	V	C	V	C	V	C	V	C	V
Scarlet Fever ..	2	7	2	12	18	90	7	30	3	17	1	14	6	35	4	27	43	232
Measles ..	—	—	2	5	3	6	1	2	2	4	3	6	22	30	6	9	39	62
Diphtheria ..	—	—	—	—	1	9	—	—	3	16	—	—	3	13	2	14	9	52
Whooping Cough	—	—	1	2	6	6	3	4	1	3	5	12	1	1	1	1	18	29
Chickenpox ..	4	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	5	1	1	4	4	—	—	12	14
Erysipelas ..	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	4	1	1	2	4	—	—	6	10
Poliomyelitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	—	—	1	5	1	9	3	17
Total																	130	416

C = Cases.

V = Visits.

CLINICS.

Service.	Situation of Premises.	Days Open.	Authority Responsible.
Maternity and Child Welfare: Welfare Centres	Coton Road (entrance Riversley Park)	Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 2 to 4 p.m.	Borough Council.
	Cross Street	Mondays and Wednesdays, 2 to 4 p.m.	ditto.
Ante-Natal Centre	Coton Road	2nd and 4th Thursday in month, 2.15 p.m.	ditto.
	Cross Street	1st and 3rd Thursday in month, 2.15 p.m.	ditto.
Gynæcological Clinic ..	Coton Road	1st Monday in month, 9 a.m. to 12 noon.	ditto.
Dental Clinic ..	Coton Road	Every Thursday, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.	ditto.
1-5 Minor Ailment Clinic	Coton Road and Cross Street	9 to 10 a.m. each morning.	ditto.
School Medical Service: Treatment and Inspection Clinics ..	Coton Road	Every week-day morning 9 a.m. to 12 noon.	Education Committee.
	Cross Street	ditto.	
Eye Clinic ..	Coton Road	one morning per week	ditto.
Tonsil and Adenoid Clinic	ditto.	Thursdays, 9 a.m.	ditto.
Ear Clinic ..	ditto.	As occasion arises.	ditto.
Orthopædic Clinic ..	ditto.	Fourth Friday in month, 2 p.m. Intermediate treatment weekly, Monday 9-12 noon Friday, 2 to 5 p.m.	ditto.

CLINICS—Continued.

Service.	Situation of Premises.	Days Open.	Authority Responsible.
Sunray ..	Coton Road	Thursday, 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon.	Education Committee.
Dental Clinic ..	Coton Road	Monday and Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon.	ditto. ditto.
M. & C.W. ..	Coton Road	Every Thursday, 2 p.m.	Under Borough Council.
Tuberculosis Dispensary ..	35, Coton Road (converted dwelling)	Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Warwickshire and Coventry Joint Committee for Tuberculosis.
Venereal Diseases Male Clinics ..	Cleansing Station, Central Avenue	Fridays, 6 to 7.30 p.m.	Medical Officer of Health in attendance.
Female Clinics	ditto.	Tuesdays, 5.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. (Intermediate daily treatment also provided.) Males: 6.30 p.m. (Tuesday excepted.) Females By appointment.	ditto. Under Warwickshire County Council.

HOSPITAL PROVISION

This has remained unaltered.

MIDWIFERY AND MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE SERVICES

No alteration has taken place in connection with these services.

I give below tables showing particulars of work carried out:—

Midwifery Service

No. of cases attended during the year by midwives employed by the Borough Council:—

(a) as midwives	...	...	...	...	392
(b) as Maternity nurses	...	...	...	...	52

Ante-Natal Clinics

The table below gives the attendances and number of patients seen during the year:—

	Riversley Park Clinic				Stockingford Clinic		
	New	Subsequent	Total.		New	Subsequent	Total
	cases	visits			cases	visits	
1st quarter ...	66	58	124	...	63	46	109
2nd quarter ...	46	50	96	...	70	65	135
3rd quarter ...	41	51	92	...	35	36	71
4th quarter ...	71	42	113	...	46	49	95
TOTALS...	224	201	425		214	196	410

Gynæcological Clinic

The following table gives particulars of work carried out:—

Number of sessions	...	...	...	...	11
Number of cases	...	...	...	...	74
Number of re-attendances	...	...	...	...	23

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE.

Particulars of work carried out by Health Visitors:—

Home visiting of babies under 1 year of age	...	...	5,970
Home visiting of babies between 1—5 years of age	...	...	10,355
Home visiting of expectant mothers	...	...	178
Home visiting of cases of measles under 5 years of age	...	...	53
Diseases of respiratory system	...	...	238
Diseases of digestive system	...	...	214
Diseases of special senses	...	...	91
Surgical dressings	...	...	119
Diseases of skin	...	...	239
Diseases of breast (mother)	...	...	19
Diseases not classified	...	...	85

Feeding

Babies wholly breast fed	...	...	651
Partially breast and hand fed	...	...	55
Wholly hand fed	...	...	262
Mal-fed	...	...	2

CLINICS

Details of attendances and ailments found at these clinics.

	Nuneaton	Stockingford
Welfare Sessions	151	101
No. of babies on register 1st Jan., 1942	946	453
No. of babies added to books during		
1942	530	240
No. ceased to attend	570	257
No. on register, 1st January, 1943 ...	941	436
Total attendances	10,305	3,577

The following table shows the various diseases found among the infants seen by the Medical Officers at the Clinics:—

	Nuneaton	Stockingford
Normal babies	361	107
Diseases of digestive system	264	215
Diseases of respiratory system	83	68
Diseases of skin	223	128
Diseases of eye	83	49
Diseases of nose, ear and throat ...	110	42
Congenital diseases	—	2
Hernia and phimosis	328	151
Rickets	3	5
Surgical cases	73	30
Other diseases	188	42
Dental defects	11	2

CHILD LIFE PROTECTION

The following is a summary of cases dealt with by the four Health Visitors, under the Child Life Protection Act:—

1. Number of foster parents on register 2
2. Number of children on register:
 - (a) at the end of the year 2
 - (b) who died during the year —
3. Number of cases in which proceedings were taken ... —

WATER CONSUMPTION

The average daily consumption of water in the Borough during 1942 was 1,341,835 gallons, which is 30,787 gallons less than in 1941. The maximum consumption in any one day was 1,678,000.

Various samples taken for analysis show the water to be satisfactory.

PUBLIC CLEANSING

The approximate weight of refuse collected during the year was 9,584 tons.

The weight dealt with by the destructor plant was 8,188 tons, which was a decrease of 1,233 tons on the previous year.

The plant for the disposal of offals, condemned meat, fish, etc., for the production of fertilizers and feeding stuffs, etc., has been working satisfactorily and has produced the following during the year:—

				Tons	cwts.	qtrs.
No. 1 fertilizer	...	...	...	34	14	2
No. 2 fertilizer	...	...	...	13	10	3
Bone Meal	...	...	...	2	1	3
Meat Meal	...	...	...	2	17	0
Dried Blood	...	...	...	—	12	1
Grease and Fats	...	...	...	20	5	1
Concentrated Pig Food	...	...	...	195	11	1

SALVAGE

					Tons	cwts	qtrs.
Waste paper	...	...	...	...	517	0	0
Rags	...	...	...	...	12	13	0
Bones	...	...	...	...	18	9	2
Rubber	...	...	...	...	20	9	0
Ferrous metal	...	...	...	...	444	0	0
Non-Ferrous metal	...	...	...	...	6	6	0
Cinders	...	...	...	...	2,270	18	0

FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS AND WORKPLACES.

1.—Inspection of Factories, Workshops and Workplaces.

Including Inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors.

Premises.	Number of		
	Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers prosecuted
Factories (including Factory Laundries)	46	9	—
Workshops (Including Workshop Laundries)	—	—	—
Workplaces (Other than Outworkers' premises)	—	—	—
Total	46	9	—

2.—Defects Found in Factories, Workshops and Workplaces.

Particulars.	Number of Defects			Number of offences in respect to which Prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector	
<i>Nuisances under the Public Health Acts :—*</i>				
Want of cleanliness	7	7	—	—
Want of Ventilation	1	1	—	—
Overcrowding	—	—	—	—
Want of drainage of floors	—	—	—	—
Other Nuisances	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Accommodation—				
Insufficient	—	—	—	—
unsuitable or defective	1	1	—	—
not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—
Total	9	9	—	—

* Including those specified in sections 2, 3, 7 and 8 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, as remediable under the Public Health Acts.

INSPECTIONS BY SANITARY INSPECTORS, 1942

To Dwelling Houses.

Disinfections after infectious disease	...	...	...	242
Disinfections for vermin	...	...	...	53
Re infectious diseases	...	...	...	223
For drain testing	...	...	...	37
Inspections under Housing Acts	...	...	...	4
Re inspections under Housing Acts	...	...	...	21

To Other Premises.

Factories and Workshops	...	...	...	...	7
Lodging House	...	...	...	...	5
Smoke Observations	...	...	...	...	6
Shops Inspected	...	...	...	...	10

To Food Preparing Places.

Meat Preparing Places	...	...	...	...	334
Fried Fish Shops	...	...	...	...	57
Slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	59
Dairies, Milkshops and Cowsheds	...	...	...	...	83
Abattoir	...	...	...	...	1,003
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	39
Butchers' shops, Stalls, and Vans	...	...	...	...	282

Miscellaneous Visits.

Miscellaneous Visits	...	...	...	...	1,772
Visits re Rat Repression	...	...	...	...	136

NUISANCES ABATED.

Dwelling Houses—

Defective walls and ceilings repaired	26
Roofs repaired	32
Chimneys repaired	13
Spouting repaired or new provided	29
Filthy houses cleansed	17
Defective floors repaired or renewed	35
Dangerous stairs repaired	5
Fireplaces repaired or rebuilt	25
Coppers repaired or rebuilt	13
Sinks and waste pipes provided	8
Yard paving repaired	10
Houses repointed	4
New doors provided	8
Windows renewed or repaired	22
Wash houses repaired	2
New water services laid on	20
Food stores improved	1

Drainage, etc.—

Drainage cleared from obstruction	247
Drainage inspection chambers provided or repaired	17
New drainage provided	6
New gullies provided	5
Ventilating shafts improved	5
Defective drains relaid	14

Closet Accommodation—

Water closet cisterns repaired or renewed	88
Water closets thoroughly repaired	38
New w.c. basins and traps provided	51

Domestic Refuse—

Dustbins provided	17
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Other Nuisances—

Offensive accumulations removed	11
Rat infested premises cleared	61
Nuisances from keeping of animals	11

Factories and Workshops—

Premises limewashed	7
Ventilation improved	1
Unsuitable sanitary accommodation improved ...	1

MILK SUPPLY.

Premises in Borough in which cows are kept	66
No. of milk retailers, other than producers resident in Borough	15

HOUSING

(a) Statistics

Number of new houses erected during the year ... Nil.

Active housing work had perforce to cease during the year.

Houses demolished during the year were as follows:—

Individual unfit houses	...	...	...	...	...	16
Houses included in clearance areas	...	...	...	...	...	9

DISINFECTIONS

The disinfection of all premises, houses, bedding, etc., is carried out by the Sanitary Inspectors after cases of infectious diseases. Steam disinfection is available for bulky goods, such as bedding, etc. Spraying or fumigation with Formalin is the method employed in houses.

Number of rooms 242

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

Detail	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep & Lambs	Pigs
Number killed (if known)	1,871	1,164	1,652	15,270	144
Number inspected ..	1,871	1,164	1,652	15,270	144
All diseases except Tuberculosis:					
Whole carcases condemned	7	50	18	27	4
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	155	213	7	290	22
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis	% 8.66	% 22.59	% 1.51	% 2.07	% 18.08
Tuberculosis only:					
Whole carcases condemned	16	56	5	—	6
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	547	818	9	—	34
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	% 30.09	% 75.09	% 0.85	—	% 27.79

OTHER MEAT AND FOOD CONDEMNED

DETAIL	Weight			
	Tons	Cwts.	Qrs.	lbs.
853 tins of Corned Beef and other meat ..	1	6		9
3,349 tins and jars of fruit, jam, milk, vegetables, fish, etc.	2	16	3	26
Potatoes	11	7		20
Decomposed beef, mutton, pork and sausages		2	1	15
9 fowls			1	12
Fish, including fillets and crabs	6	10	1	9
Pikelets				16
Tea				9
Butter, margarine and lard			3	18
Carrots	9	14	2	
436 rabbits and hares		5		22
Cheese			3	8
Bacon and ham		4	1	27
3,014 Eggs		3	2	11
Sugar		1		6
Bread, flour, cakes, biscuits, etc.		12	2	18
Fish cakes and rolls			3	21
Apples, figs and other fruit			3	21
Cereals, spices and condiments		9	3	10
Chocolates and sweets			2	17
Custard powder				13
Dried vegetables		4		
Total Weight	34	3	1	0

INFECTIOUS DISEASES—WARDS

Disease	Ward								Total
	Attleborough	St. Nicholas	Manor	St. Mary	Arbury	Coton	Galley Common	Stockingford	
Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Scarlet Fever	35	36	7	9	10	15	4	33	149
Diphtheria	4	3	2	—	11	9	10	19	58
Cerebro Spinal Fever	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	5	8
P'typhoid Fever	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	—	—	3	1	1	—	—	1	6
Erysipelas	—	—	—	—	4	1	1	5	11
Dysentery	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Measles	4	7	4	1	12	24	15	97	164
Whoop'g Cough	2	8	1	—	3	2	—	9	25
Poliomyelitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pneumonia	4	8	11	11	13	10	2	13	72
Puerperal Pyrexia	—	—	6	—	3	1	—	—	10
Encephalitis Lethargica	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.

Cases			Vision Unimpaired	Vision Impaired	Total Blindness	Deaths
Notified	Treated					
	At Home	Hospital				
6	3	3	6	—	—	—

TUBERCULOSIS. NEW CASES AND MORTALITY, 1942

Age Period.	New Cases.				Deaths.			
	Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.		Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0-1			1				2	
1-5			1	1				
5-10			2	2				
10-15	1	1	1					
15-20	4	3	2	3		2		1
20-25	7	7	2	1	3	3		1
25-35	10	8	2	2	4	6		
35-45	6	2	1		3			
45-55	7	2		1	2	1		
55-65	3	1			4	1	1	
65-over	1				1			
Totals	39	24	12	10	17	13	3	2

	Lungs	Other
Not Notified	1	2
Of the 1942 notified cases—Left the district	1	—
Of the 1942 notified cases—Cured	—	—
Wrongly diagnosed	—	1

ISOLATION HOSPITAL. CASES ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL, 1942.

Disease.	Borough Cases		Disease.	Rural Cases		Total 193 cases
	Male	Female		Male	Female	
Scarlet Fever	50	56	Scarlet Fever	4	6	
Diphtheria	19	28	Diphtheria	1		
Cerebro S. M.	1	1	Cerebro S. M.	1	1	
Observation	6	8	Quinsey		1	
Poliomyelitis	3	1		6	8	
Para Typhoid		1				
Erysipelas		1				
Whooping Cough	1					
Measles		1				
Mumps	1					
	81	97				

DEATHS

	Borough		Rural	
	M	F	M	F
Scarlet Fever	1			
Diphtheria	2	1		
Cerebro S. M.			1	1
	3	1	1	1

