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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

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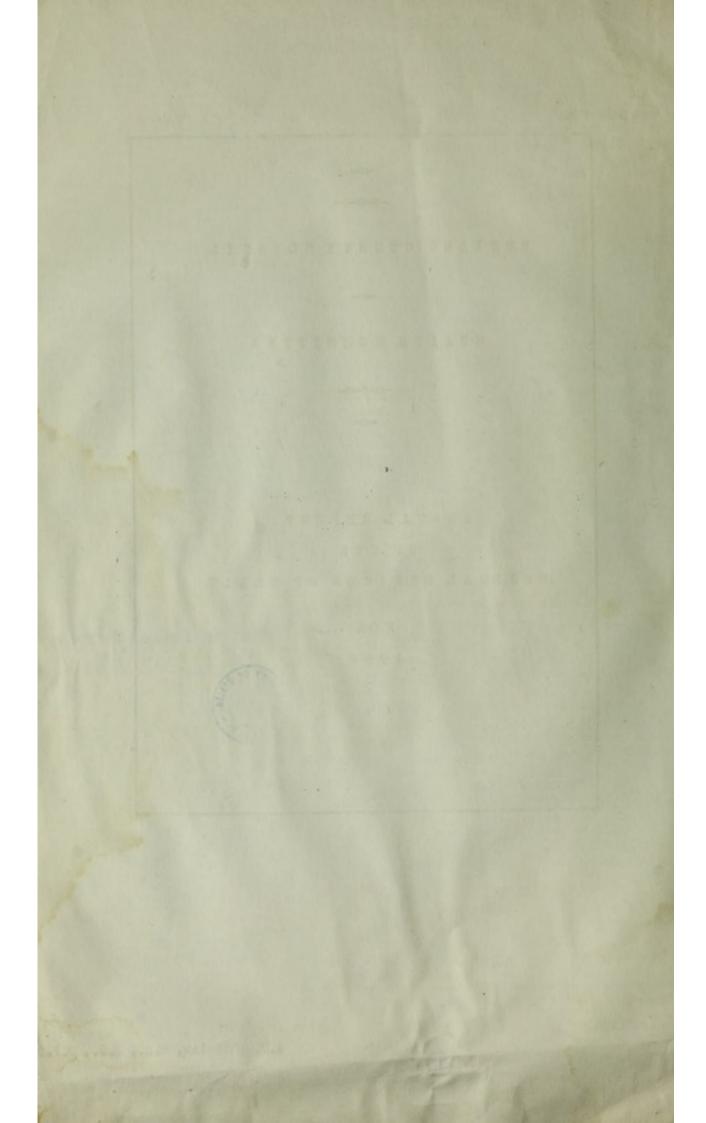
FOR 1958



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A special survey of the first five years working of the local health services under the National Health Service was included in my Annual Report for 1952. Since then there have been changes affecting mainly the Ambulance and Domiciliary Midwifery Services.

Ambulance Service

The Stamford branch of the British Red Cross Society terminated its agreement to provide the Sitting-Case Car Service for the eastern side of the County in 1954; and in its place the Kesteven County Council provided a direct Sitting-Case Car Service until 1958.

The St. John's Ambulance Brigade (Stamford) terminated its agency agreement to provide an ambulance service on 31st March, 1958; and the Kesteven County Council agreed to provide an ambulance service on an agency basis to cover the parishes of Stretton and Tickencote and all of the Ketton Rural District from the 1st April, 1958.

The directly controlled Ambulance Service is now provided by one Morris Ambulance (2050 c.c.) and two dual-purpose vehicles (a Bedford 1507 c.c. and Austin 1489 c.c.) with two full-time drivers and one additional driver for two days a week. Use is also made of 7 voluntary car drivers for sitting-cases attending out-patient departments to augment the regular service.

The number of patients carried yearly in the County ambulances has increased five fold and roughly three times as many miles are travelled compared with 1949.

Domiciliary Midwifery and Home Nursing Service

Between 1950 and 1955 the Council's Midwives attended roughly half of the births occuring in the County either in the patient's homes or the Home Hospital, Oakham, a Maternity Home without a certificated midwife, where the Sheffield Regional Hospital Board had contractual beds).

Since 1956 the number of home confinements has declined steadily and now nearly 80% take place in hospitals. There has been a corresponding increase in the amount of home nursing done by the Council's nurses and every effort is made to lessen the demand for admission to hospitals.

This change is reflected in the appointment of a Home Nurse instead of a Nurse/Midwife when a vacancy was filled in the Uppingham area in 1958.

The continued expansion of the Home Help Service has also contributed in this direction and three times as many cases, mostly old people, are attended by Home Helps than in 1952.

The policy of housing the District Nurse/Midwives in modern houses or flats with district room and garage adjoining has undoubtedly been a factor in keeping this Authority's establishment up to strength.

The County Council now own the following houses for the use of the district nurse/

| Oakham | 1, Elm Close, Oakham with district room and garage. |
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| S. Luffenham | 8, Highfield Cottages, Semi-detached house with district room and garage. |
| Uppingham | 26 and 28, Queen's Road. Flats with common district room and 2 separate garages. |
| Langham | Detached house on the Melton Road with garage adjoining. |
| Market Overton | 5, Church View, Semi-detached house with garage, |

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The National Health Service (1949 - 1958) contd.

The changes .foreshadowed in the Mental Health Bill are reflected in the present practice of admitting mentally ill patients to Hospital on a temporary basis and very rarely is it necessary now for a patient to be certified under the Lunacy Act.

The work done by the Duly Authorised Officer however has doubled and will continue to increase with the implementation of impending legislation.

Admissions to the Glenfrith MartallDeficiency Hospital are also on a voluntary basis (at the request of parents) and no Petitions are required to be presented by the Local Health Authority. Many patients have been discharged from detention orders and a welcome feature has been the increasing number of children admitted to hospital for short term care (usually 4 weeks a year) to give their parents a much needed rest.

The immunisation of children against Diphtheria has continued steadily and has been affected very little by the recent Poliomyelitis Vaccination Campaign; and no case of Diphtheria has been notified in Rutland since 1949.

The Infantile Mortality rate has dropped steadily from 41 per 1,000 in 1949 to 19 in 1957.

No maternal death has been recorded for 10 years.

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GENERAL STATISTICS

| Area of administrative County (in acres) | 97,273 |
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| Population (Registrar General's Estimate 1958) | 23,200 |
| Rateable Value £2 | 33,514 |
| Product of a Penny Rate | £338 |

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| Births | M | ele | Female | Total |
|---------|---|---------|--------|-------------|
| BITTERS | | 228 | 186 | 414 |
| | Legitimate | 222 | 181 | 403 |
| | Illegitizate | 6 | 5 | 11 |
| | Stillbirths | 3 | 7 | 10 |
| Deaths | | | | |
| | Total | 94 | 119 | 213 |
| Infant | Deaths (Under 1 year) | | | F 7. 1 |
| | Total | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| | Legitimate Illegitimate | 1 - | 3 _ | 4 |
| Infant | Deaths (Under 4 weeks) | | | |
| | Total | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| | | Rutland | Engle | and & Wales |
| Birth : | rate per 1000 population | 19.8 | | 16.4 |
| Death : | rate per 1000 population | 8.7 | | 11.7 |
| | ile mortality rate per 1000 live births | 9.7 | | 22.5 |
| | irth rate per 1000 live and stillbirths | | | 21.6 |
| | tal Mortality rate per 1000 live births | | | |

Illegitimate live births were 2.7% total live births.

There were no maternal deaths during 1958.

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| Cancer of Stomach | 1 | ī | 1 | 1 | , | - | - | - | 1 | 1 1 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 10 |
| Cancer of Lung and Bronchus | 1 | 1 | , | 1 | 1 | i | | 1 | | - 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 5. |
| Cancer of Breast | 1 | • | | - | - | • | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | 3 | 3 |
| Cancer of all other sites | | 1 | , | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 2 2 | 10 | 80 | 18 |
| Diabetes | , | 1 | , | 1 | | | - | - | | - 1 | 1 | - | ' | 1 | , | 2 | 7 | 3 |
| Vascular lesions of the nervous system | 1 | - | , | • | , | - | 1 | 1 | | - 5 | 3 | 5 | 100 | 6 | 17 1 | 19 | 28 | 47 |
| Coronary Disease, angina | 1 | 1 | , | 1 | | 1 | - | - 2 | | 9 - | - | 1 | 2 | 7 | 8 | 16 | 13 | 53 |
| Hypertension with Heart Disease | ' | 1 | , | ' | 1 | - | - | - | | - 1 | ' | 1 | 3 | | 1 | 2 | 4 | 9 |
| Other Heart Disease | , | 1 | | - | 1 | • | - | 1 | | | 5 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 12 | 9 | 20 | 56 |
| Other circulatory disease | ' | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - 1 | | | 1 | 1 | 2 | - | 9 | 2 | 6 | п |
| Influenza | , | • | 1 | ' | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | ' | ' | 1 | - | , | - | 1 | 1 |
| Pheumonia | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | - | 1 | 1 | г. | 1 . | 9 | 3 | 6 | 12 |
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VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION

Smallpox Vaccination

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Number of persons vaccinated (or re-vaccinated) during the year 1958.

| Age at date of vaccination | Under 1 | 1 | 2 - 4 | 5 - 14 | 15 and over | Total |
|----------------------------|---------|----|-------|--------|-------------|-------|
| Number vaccinated | 67 | 80 | 30 | 14 | 11 | 202 |
| Number re-vaccinated | - | - | 2 | 11 | 26 | 39 |

All vaccinations were done by general practitioners.

Diphtheria Immunisation

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| No. of the Co. | | Age a | t date of final i | njection |
| | Under 1 | 1 - 4 | 5 - 14 | Total |
| Full course | 40 | 203 | 79 | 322 |
| Reinforcing | - 200 | 2 | 229 | 231 |

Immunisation in Relation to Child Population

Number of children at 31st December, 1958, who had completed a course of immunisation at any time before that date (i.e. at any time since 1.1.44.)

| Age at 31.12.58. i.e. Born in year | Under 1 1958 | 1-4 1957-1954 | 5 - 9 1953 - 1949 | 10 - 14 1948 - 1944 | Under 15 Total |
|---|-----------------|------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Last completed course of injections (whether primary or booster) A. 1954 - 1958 | 39 | 849 | 1066 | 864 | 2818 |
| B. 1953 or earlier | - | - 1 | 457 | 953 | 1410 |
| C. Child population from County School & Birth Registers. | 410 | 1490 | 360 | 00 | 5500 |
| Percentage Immunity | 10 | 57% | | 54% | 51% |

Whooping Cough Immunisation

| 0 - 4 years | 5 - 14 years | Total |
|-------------|--------------|-------|
| 161 | 17 | 178 |

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Sealing Vaccing

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| Total | | 3-4-1996 | | Age at 31 lear |
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Poliomyelitis Vaccination

The issue of Canadian Salk Vaccine during the first quarter of the year was on a generous scale and good progress was made in immuhising children on the waiting list.

No British Vaccine was issued for some months after the end of April.

All the vaccine received during June was "Salk" not subjected to testing by the Medical Research Council; though some had been tested by the Connaught Laboratories, Toronto, Canada.

Later in the year the Government announced that the offer of vaccination should be extended to persons bornin the years 1933-1942 and it was recommended that a third dose of vaccine should be offered not less than 7 months after the second to re-inforce and prolong the degree of immunity given by the two injections.

Return for Year ending 31st December, 1958.

| Number vaccinated with two injections. | Number of applicants (No injections given), |
|--|---|
| 3137 | 112 |
| 21 | 4 |
| 116 | 3 |
| 6 | |
| 6 | |
| 3286 | 119 |
| | with two injections. 3137 21 116 6 |

Tuberculosis

New Cases

| Age Groups | Pulmo | nary | Non-Pul | monary |
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| Under 20 | - | - | - | and the contract of |
| 20 - 25 | 3 | - | - | |
| 25 - 35 | 3 | 1 | - | - |
| 35 - 45 | 2 | 1 | - | - |
| 45 - 55 | - | - | - | - |
| 55 - 65 | - | - | - | - |
| Over 65 | - | 1 | | - |
| Totals | 8 | 3 | - | - |

There were no deaths from tuberculosis during the year.

The Health Visitor paid 157 visits of enquiry to the homes of notified cases of tuberculosis and arranged for examination of contacts by the Chest Physician; and reported on home conditions. Cases considered to inadequately housed are referred by the Health Committee to the Local Sanitary Authority with a recommendation for rehousing where possible. Nursing requisities, extra bedding and garden shelters are provided where necessary.

There were 5 patients receiving free milk at the end of the year.

B.C.G. Vaccination of 39 contacts was carried out by the Chest Physicians.

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COUNTY NURSING SERVICE (Sections 23 & 25 N.H.S. Act)

Non-Medical Supervisor of Midwives Miss J.K. Samuel, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V. Cert.

| | Miss Winter | | | | Overton | |
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| Miss Langley | until 30th June Miss R. Smith Mrs. S. Ascott | Pearson. | Miss Jackson• | Miss Joyce # + | Mrs. Carnachan | |
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| 124 | 114 | 45 | 40 | 150 | 52 | 525 |
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| 109 | 336 | 441 | 444 | 110 | 674 | 2114 |
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| 1564 | 3370 | 983 | 723 | 1643 | 581 | 8864 |
| 49 | 70 | 14 | 21 | 49 | 150 | 353 |
| 50 | 208 | 249 | 220 | 104 | 718 | 1549 |
| 13 | 25 | - | - | 10 | 23 | 71 |
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S.R.N.

Miss D. Seymour, S.R.N., S.C.M., Q.N., is employed on a part-time basis as Relief Nurse/Midwife. A house with a district room and garage has been built in Cakham.

⁺ Queen's Nurse.

^{*} From 1st August, 1958.

From 1st July (Home Nursing only).

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| February | 1333 | 68 | 1558 | 171 | 2459 | 185 | 2499 | 160 | 330 | ね | 689 | \$ 65 | 31063 | 2474 |
| March | 1227 | 77 | 2819 | 235 | 2585 | 173 | 2393 | 194 | 338 | 30 | 30 1163 | 139 | | |
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| November | 1520 | 162 | 2832 | 592 | 2838 | 180 | 2070 | 186) | 4460 | 464 | 464 2095 | 109 | 33982 | 2679 |
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RUTLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

Ambulance Service

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| | Ambu. | Ambulances | Hospit | Hospital Cars | 170 | Total | St. Johns A | St. Johns Ambulance Brigade and Kesteven C.C. | gade and Ke | steven C.C. |
| | | | | | | | Amb | Ambulances | Sitting | Sitting-Case Vehicles |
| Year | Mileage | Patients | Mileage | Patients | Mileage | Patients | Mileage | Patients | Mileage | Patients |
| 1949 | 20,233 | 1,266 | 27,749 | 1,718 | 47,982 | 2,889 | 1,883 | 281 | 17,639 | 006 |
| 1950 | 29,007 | 1,848 | 26,118 | 1,798 | 55,125 | 3,646 | 3,073 | 310 | 17,419 | 942 |
| 1951 | 41,053 | 2,806 | 15,778 | 1,222 | 56,831 | 4,028 | 2,921 | 350 | 20,007 | 1,294 |
| 1952 | 48,611 | 3,668 | 21,694 | 1,855 | 70,305 | 5,523 | 2,337 | 320 | 22,969 | 1,830 |
| 1953 | 60,439 | 3,901 | 26,664 | 2,035 | 87,103 | 5,936 | 2,632 | 169 | 15,460 | 1,186 |
| 1954 | 56,631 | 3,971 | 40,653 | 2,518 | 97,284 | 6,489 | 3,324 | 247 | 13,891 | 716 |
| 1955 | 58,140 | 4,658 | 171,13 | 4,000 | 119,311 | 8,658 | 2,675 | 222 | 8,907 | 642 |
| 1956 | 68,313 | 5,423 | 43,072 | 3,127 | 111,385 | 8,550 | 2,970 | 248 | 6,791 | 495 |
| 1957 | 73,533 | 6,176 | 42,707 | 2,793 | 116,240 | 696,8 | 6,944 | 562 | 3,894 | 361 |
| 1958 | 72,630 | 5,941 | 30,982 | 2,256 | 103,612 | 8,197 | 10,141 | 756 | 7,843 | 614 |
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DOMESTIC HELP SERVICE (Section 29 N.H.S. Act)

(County Organiser - Councillor Mrs. T.I. Street, M.B.E.)

Cases Table

| Control of the latest | Total | Cases included in previous column in which help began prior to 1955 |
|-----------------------|-------|---|
| Maternity | 3 | - |
| Geriatric | 50 | 33 |
| Others | 7 | 1 |
| Total: | 60 | 34 |

On 31st December, 1958, there were fifteen Home Helps employed:-

4 part-time on a guaranteed week of 15 hours, 11 casual workers for cases in outlying districts.

Although the total number of cases attended by the Hpme Helps was fewer than in the previour year the actual number of hours worked by the Home Helps was greater. Few requests were made for maternity cases and requests for domestic help for the elderly continued to increase. In most of the Geriatric cases the help was supplied free of charge. The possibility of providing a Home Help is always considered when an application is received for the investigation of patients for chronic sick hospitals and welfare homes. This policy helps to reduce pressure on the demand for hospital beds and the elderly people to retain their independence by remaining at home.

Applications for a Home Help are usually made by doctors, district nurses, health visitors, voluntary organisations and by householders themselves. Some difficulty may be experienced in providing a Home Help to meet every request. Every effort is made to employ a woman from the village in which the patient resides rather than sending a Home Help from Oakham or a neighbouring village.

DISTRIBUTION OF WELFARE FOODS

Distribution of Welfare Foods continued to run smoothly with the able assistance of the W.V.S. Arrangements continued for beneficiaries on the County periphery to obtain supplies from more accessible centres situated outside Rutland.

Distributions during the year were :-

| National Dried Milk, full cream and helf cream, | Tins | 8,227 |
|---|---------|-------|
| Cod Liver Oil, | Bottles | 1,153 |
| Vitamin A. & D. Tablets, | Packets | 888 |
| Orange Juice, | Bottles | 9,861 |

The issue of orange juice is now restricted to children aged 2 years and under.

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SECTION 51 - MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE

(Duly Authorised Officer, E.B. Pearson)

Lunacy Act, 1890

The following is a summary of the cases dealt with during the year (2 under Section 16, 15 under Section 20).

| Carlt | ton Hay | es Hos | pital | Rauce | by Men | tal Hos | pital |
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One case (male) was admitted under Section 20 to Mapperly Hospital, Nottingham.

Mental Treatment Act, 1930

The number of cases admitted to hospitals during the year was as follows:-

| Carlt | on Hay | Hayes Hospital | | Rauce | by Ment | tal Hos | pital | | | | |
|-------|--------|----------------|-------|-------|---------|---------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|
| | Volun | tary | | | Volum | ntary | | | Total | s | |
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Course

During the year Mr. Pearson attended a Course for Mental Health Workers in London, arranged by the National Association for Mental Health.

Day Hospital

A number of patients were treated at Drury House, a newly established Day Hospital attached to Carlton Hayes Hospital.

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NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT 1948

Welfare of Disables Persons (Sections 29 and 30)

Incidence of Blindness

The Royal Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Institution for the Blind have kindly supplied the following information:-

| (i) | Number of cases registered during the | | Cause of D | isability | |
|-----|---|----------|------------|----------------------------|--------|
| | year in respect of which para. 7 (c) or Forms B.D.8. recommends:- | Cataract | Glaucoma | Retrolental Fibroplasia | Others |
| | (a) No Treatment | - | - | - | - |
| | (b) Treatment (Medical Surgical or Optical) | 4 | - | - | - |

| (1) | Total number of cases notified during the year | Nil, |
|-------|--|------|
| (11.) | Number of cases in which:- (a) Vision lost (b) Vision impaired (c) Treatment continuing | |
| | (h) Ticion impoired | - |

Spastics

One youth aged 18 was admitted to Hovendon House, Fleet, Spalding, a Group Captain Cheshire Foundation Home for the Sick where permanently disabled persons are encouraged to lead useful and happy lives and encouraged to learn handierafts.

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Sampling was carried out by Mr. H. Tabberer, Public Health Inspector to the Oakham Urban District Council (by arrangement with his Authority). total number of samples taken during the year was 41: with one exception all were satisfactory.

| Article | Number Examined | <u>Article</u> | Number Examined |
|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Milk | 9 | Chicken (minced) | 1 |
| Margarine | 4 | Meat Paste (turke | У |
| Margarine (10% butt | ter) 1 | and tongue) | 1 |
| Table Cream | 1 | Salmon Spread | 1 |
| Flour | 7 | Cake mixture | 1 |
| Flour (Self Raisin | ng) 2 | Cough Syrup | 1 |
| Vinegar | 4 | Bronchial mixture | 1 |
| Beer | 2 | Chest & Lung mixt | urel |
| Orange Drink | 1 | Glycerine, lemon | & |
| | | Ipecacuanha mixtu | re 2 |
| | | Compound lemon, hor | ney |
| | | & Glycerine mixtu | |

The unsatisfactory sample

The sample of Cough Syrup was found to be 45% deficient in chloroform. The manufacturers stated that the amount of Chloroform in the mixture at any given time is unpredictable (the reason being unknown).

Section 41

The Milk (Special Designations) (Specified Areas) (No. 2) Order 1958 made jointly by the Ministeries of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and of Health came int operation on 15th October. All milk sold in Rutland from that date must be specially designated (i.e. pasteurised, sterilised or tuberculin tested).

REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES (Sections 187 to 194, Public Health Act, 1936)

| | Number | Number of beds provided for | | | |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|--------|--------|--|
| | Homes | Maternity | Others | Totals | |
| Homes first registered during the year | - | - III | - | - | |
| Homes on register at end of year | 2 | - | 45 | 45 | |

Rural Water Supplies and Sewerage Acts 1944-55

The following schemes were approved by the County Council during the year:-

Oakham Rural District

Water supply for the Parish of Thistleton. Sewerage and Sewage Disposal for the Parish of Whissendine. Revised scheme for the Sewerage of Manton Parish.

Uppingham Rural District
Sewerage and Sewage Bisposal for North and South Luffenham.

Ketton Rural District

Water supply for the Parish of Ketton. Sewerage and Sewage Disposal for Ryhall.

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| | Under age 16 | Aged 16 and over |
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| Particulars of cases reported during 1958 (a) Cases ascertained to be defectives "Subject to be dealt with":- Number in which action taken on reports by: (1) Local Education Authorities on children (i) While at school or liable to attend | | |
| school | - 60 15 - | |
| (iii) On leaving ordinary schools | | = = |
| (2) Police or by Courts | = = | = = |
| Total | | |
| (b) Cases reported who were found to be defectives but were not regarded as "subject to be dealt with" on any ground | | |
| (c) Cases reported who were not regarded as | | |
| defectives | 1 - | |
| (d) Cases reported in which action was incomplete at 31st December | 1 1 | |
| Total | 2 1 | |
| Number of mental defectives for whom care was arranged by the local health authority under Circular 5/52 during 1958 and admitted to:- | | The state of the s |
| (a) National Health Service Hospitals | 2 - | - |
| (b) Elsewhere | | |
| Total | 2 - | |
| Total cases on Authority's Registers at 31.12.58. | | 20 30 |
| (i) Under Statutory Supervision (ii) Under Guardianship (including patients on licence) | 2 2 | 23 19 |
| (iii) In "Places of Safety" | | |
| licence | 2 2 | 18 23 |
| Total | 4 4 | 41 44 |
| Number of defectives under Guardianship on 31st December, 1958, who were dealt with under the provisions of Section 8 or 9, Mental Deficiency Act, 1913 (included in 4 (ii)) Classification of defectives in the Community on | | |
| 31.12.58. (according to need at that date). (a) Cases included in above in need of hospital | | |
| care and reported accordingly to the hospital authority:- (1) In urgent need of hospital care:- | - | |
| (ii) Ambulant low grade cases | 1 - | |
| Total | - | - |

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| Classification of defectives in the Community on 31.12.58. (according to need at that date). (2) Not in urgent need of hospital care:- (i) "cot and chair" cases (ii) ambulant low grade cases (iii) medium grade cases (iv) high grade cases | | | 1 1 2 | 1 1 |
| Total | - | - | 4 | 2 |
| (b) Of the cases included in above, number considered suitable for:- (i) occupation centre | - | | 1 | 1 |
| Total | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| (c) Of the cases included in above, number receiving training on 31.12.58.:- (i) In occupation centre (including voluntary centres) | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Total | 1 | 1 | - | - |

By arrangement with the Soke of Peterborough County Council 2 children attended the Occupation Class at Peterborough Town Hall during 1958.

Two children were admitted to the Glenfrith Hospital for short term care (4 weeks) to give their parents a rest.

Ministry of Health Circular 2/58

In accordance with the recommendations in paragraph 559-560 of the Royal Commission's report hospital authorities were asked to review their patients and send to the Board of Control a recommendation for the discharge of the order in all cases in which they are satisfied that a patient can suitably remain in hospital without being subjected to detention.

The Board of Control approved the discharge from Order of 18 Rutland patients; in every case the patient will remain in hospital on an informal basis:-

| Glenfrith Hospital, Leid | ester 16 |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Catmose Vale Hospital, Ca | kham 1 |
| Almondsbury Hospital. Bri | stol 1 |

MEDICAL LOAN DEPOTS

(Section 28 N.H.S. Act)

There is a member of the British Red Cross Society in overy village who holds a supply of the smaller items which are required most often. The service is well organised now under the County Director (Mrs. Charles Drage) and the demand is increasing especially for wheel chairs, crutches, bed-rests and tables which are supplied on application to the Red Cross Office, 56, High Street, Cakham or to the County Health Department, County Offices, Cakham.

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