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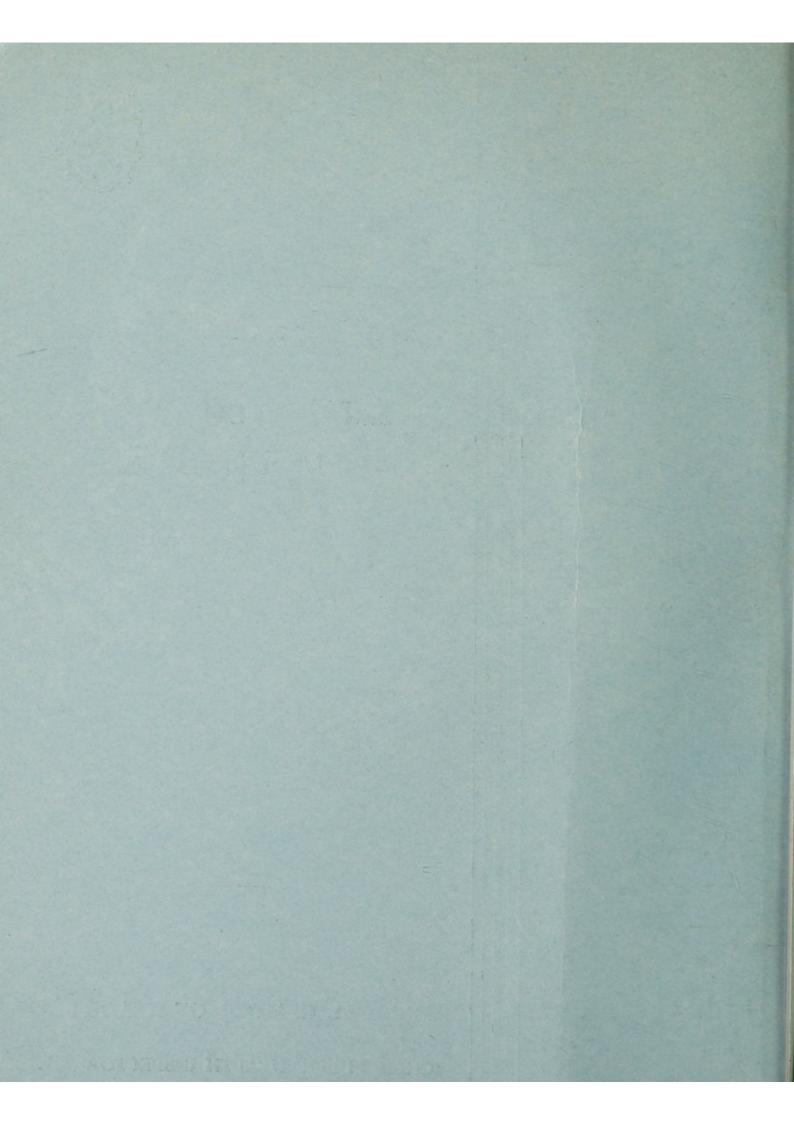
BOROUGH OF STALYBRIDGE





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BOROUGH OF STALYBRIDGE

# PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE (December, 1964)

Chairman		-	-	-	-	-	- Alderman J. Porter, J.P.
Deputy Cha	airman	-	-	-	-	-	- Councillor K. F. Rae
The Mayor		-	-	-	-	-	- Alderman J. Wainwright, J.F
Alderman I	J. W. Sle	eigh ulert	on				Councillor J. D. Lilley  " L. Porter  " J. W. Price  " B. J. Walsh
"	R. Gud	geon					" J. D. Webb
11	F. J. I		d				" F. W. West " J. Wilkinson

# STAFF

THOMAS HOLME, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

- Medical Officer of Health.

J. NORRIS, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.,

- Chief Public Health Inspector & Cleansing Superintendent.

Inspector under Contagious Diseases of Animals Act.

C. F. SPENCER M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.,

- Additional Public Health Inspector.

F. B. MARSHALL, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.,

- 2nd Additional Public Health Inspector (resigned 13.9.64.)

I. G. TAYLOR, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.,

- 2nd Additional Public Health Inspector (appointed 12.10.64

A. CLOUGH, A.R.S.H., L.I.S.W.,

- Chief Clerk.

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MISS J. NORTON

MISS K. SELLARS

MRS. J. M. ADDY

MRS. E. BROOKS

MISS J. W. GREENWOOD

P. R. RADCLIFFE

# TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

Mr. Chairman, Councillor Porter and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting to you my Annual Report on the health of the town for the year 1964. The report takes its usual form and contains a section on the work of the Public Health Inspectors and Cleansing Department and also a section on those services administered by the County Council in this area.

The year under review passed by, in the main, uneventfully and even pleasantly for the staff in their new surroundings which we occupied in March and which were officially opened in July. one measures success in the preventive field by the absence of epidemiological crises, then 1964 was a good year because we had no major catastrophes which hit the headlines as was the case in There are, however, other criteria to be considered Aberdeen. and I would specifically mention the death rates over the years which have shown no tendency to approximate closer to the national In 1964 it was 14.52 compared with a figure for England and Wales of 11.5. It is generally recognised that among the reasons for this are the industrial nature of the area, the effects on the individual's health and wellbeing of poor housing conditions and the condition of the air he breathes. There is, of course, the added question of climate over which we have, as yet, no control. You are making rapid strides in the field of slum clearance and it is hoped to complete the elimination of unfit houses included in the report of 1955 by 1967. One has to take into account the deterioration of houses not in the original survey and the department is preparing information about these houses which could be the subject of closing or demolition orders when our present programme is The condition of the air remains unchanged because the complete. smoke control areas have not been extended and our work in this field has come to a halt. The countryman has many advantages over the town dweller and clean air is one of them, resulting in a reduced incidence of chest complaints. The sooner we give the town dweller cleaner air to breathe the quicker shall we relieve him of the burnen of a chronic cough with its associated diminished capacity for work and liesure and reduced expectation of life.

It is with regret that I have to report the death during the year of the Deputy Chairman, Alderman H. White. Alderman White had shown great fortitude and strength over the years and these qualities were particularly marked during his year as Mayor; his contributions to your deliberations were also useful and constructive and he has been sadly missed.

During the year the Chairman and Members of the Committee have given invaluable help and advice and I would like to thank them along with the members of the Staff for their loyal support.

Yours obediently,

T. HOLME.

Medical Officer of Health.

August, 1965.

# STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE BOROUGH.

Area (in acres) Population Census, 1961 Population mid-year 1964 (estimated) Estimated value of a Penny Rate Rateable Value 1st April, 1964 No. of houses in Borough (approx.) No. of business premises	3,190 21,947 21,660 £2,480 £625,931 8,200 824
Legitimate 175 155 33  Illegitimate 15 15  Live Birth rate per 1,000 population  crude - 16.6  corrected - 18.4  Illegitimate Live Births per cent	45
of total Live Births Male Female TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS 195 173 STILL BIRTHS	Total 368
	tal Total 8) 8 -) 8
DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR  Male Female Total	,
Legitimate 5 2 Illegitimate, 1 - Death rate of infants per 1,000	7) 8
Death rate of infants per 1,000 livebirths legitimate 19.4 illegitimate 2.7	14
NEO NATAL DEATHS  Male Female Tot	tal Total
Legitimate 2 2 Illegitimate Neo-natal death rate 11.1	4
EARLY NEO NATAL DEATH RATE (UNDER 1 WEEK)  Male Female Tot Legitimate 2 2	tal Total
Illegitimate Early neo-natal death rate 11.1	-) 4

PERI NATAL DEATH RATE		
Male	Female Total	Total
Legitimate 7	5 12)	12
Illegitimate	)	12
Peri-natal death rate	32.61	
DEATHS		
Male	Female .	Total
All causes 145	149	294
Death rate per 1,000 population		
crude	- 13.57	
corrected	- 14.52	
MATERNAL MORTALITY RATE		
AMERICAN INVALABILE & AMERICA		Total
Maternal deaths		0
Maternal mortality rate per 1,000		
livebirths	- 0.00	

# PHYSICAL FEATURES OF THE DISTRICT.

The Borough of Stalybridge is roughly triangular in shape, bordered on the south side by the Municipal Borough of Dukinfield and on the north west by the Municipal Borough of Ashton-under-Lyne and on the north and east by Mossley and Mottram respectively.

The River Tame, which at this point is the boundary of Lancashire and Cheshire, divides the town; the northern half lies in Lancashire, whilst the southern half lies in Cheshire. For administrative purposes the Borough is considered to be in Cheshire.

The Borough, surrounded by hills on all sides except the west is situate on the westerly slopes of the Pennine Chain,  $7\frac{1}{2}$  miles east of Manchester and, although the main portion of the town is built round the River Tame at approximately 400 feet above sea level, the ground on the eastern side rises to a height of 1,000 feet.

# SOCIAL CONDITIONS.

I am indebted to Miss M. D. Longden of the Ministry of Labour for the figures relating to industry in the town. From them it will be seen that textiles continue to employ the bulk of the people working in the town, the next in order of importance being engineering and electrical goods. The comparative average of unemployed fell from 262 in 1963 to 183 in 1964 (144 men and 39 women), the highest figure of 233 being reached in January. The figures include 36 disabled persons of whom 33 are men - a slight decrease on the 1963 figures. The numbers engaged in the various trades are as follows:-

Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Mining and Guarrying Food, Drink and Tobacco Engineering and Electrical Goods Metal Goods not elsewhere specified Textiles Clothing and Footwear. Timber, Furniture, etc. Paper, Printing and Publishing Other Manufacturing Industries, Chemicals and Allied Industries, Vehicles, Leather, Leather Goods	22 32 1503 896 2840 523 102 362
Total All Manufacturing Industries	7248
Construction Gas, Water and Electricity Transport and Communication. Distributive Trades Insurance, Banking and Finance Professional and Scientific Services Miscellaneous Services Public Administration.	278 936 449 742 44 331 268 332
Grant Total	10628

The most recent figures available are taken from the 1961 Census which shows a population distribution as follows in the extract below:-

# Acreage. Population, Private Households and Dwellings

		Population										
		1951	1961									
Area	Acreage	Persons	Persons	Males	Females	Persons per acre						
Stalybridge M.B. Wards:	3,190	22,541	21,947	10,452	11,495	6.9						
Dukinfield	163	4,441	2,853	1,337	1,516	17.5						
Lancashire	581	5,443	5,982	2,880	3,102	10.3						
Millbrook	1,220	4,293	4,155	2,048	2,107	3.4						
Stayley	1,226	8,364	8,957	4,187	4,770	7.3						

	Pri	ivate house	eholds and dv	vellings, 19	)61	
		Powile	Struc-		Densit	
		turally separate dwellings occupied	Rooms occupied	Persons per room	Percentage of persons at more than l½ per room	
Stalybridge M.B. Wards: Dukinfield	7,745	21,860	7,724	33,330 4,608	0.67	4•5 3•5
Lancashire Millbrook Stayley	2,064 1,289 3,261	5,947 4,155 8,905	2,053 1,282 3,259	6,991 5,844 13,887	0.67 0.72 0.65	4.3 4.4 4.9

## BIRTH RATE

There was a decrease in the births in the Borough in 1964 when 360 were recorded. This figure is made up of 190 males and 170 females, and gives a corrected livebirth rate of 18.45 per thousand population. Once again the number of illegitimate births increased, from 25 to 30 representing 8.3% of all births. This rate has for many years varied between 4% and 5% but the last four years have shown a gradual increase:-

Illegitimacy rates as percentage of total births

Year	%
1960	3.7
1961	5.2
1962	6.02
1963	6.46
1964	8.33

If this rate is a reflection of the moral standards of the day attended by lack of self discipline and responsibility to the community and the individual, it is regrettable that the trend is as it is and I have no record in my files of a figure ever recorded as high as that for the year under review.

#### DEATH RATE.

The number of deaths in the Borough decreased by 17 to 294. Of these 145 were males and 149 were females giving a crude death rate of 13.57 per thousand population.

The corrected death rate for Stalybridge, that is the death rate adjusted for the particular variations in age and sex distribution in Stalybridge compared with the country as a whole, was 14.52. Once again the commonest cause of death was heart disease which claimed 98 victims against 95 in 1963. Coronary disease accounted for 55 of these deaths, a slight decrease on the year before when there were 57. Chest conditions resulted in the deaths of 44 people (31 male and 13 female) included in which figure are 17 deaths from cancer of the lung and 15 deaths from bronchitis.

The number of suicides remained the same as in 1963 when there were 2. Both deaths were female as opposed to male in that year.

#### INFANT MORTALITY RATE.

There were 8 infant deaths during the year compared with 5 in 1963. This represents a rate of 22.22 (12.92 in 1963). Swings of this nature are likely when dealing with small numbers but I would call your attention to Table VI which shows the downward trend since 1900.

#### STILLBIRTHS.

There were 8 stillbirths notified in 1964 giving a rate of 21.74 per thousand related births (15.27 in 1963).

#### NEO-NATAL DEATH RATE.

The neo-natal death rate, which represents the number of deaths of infants under 4 weeks of age per thousand livebirths, was 11.11 compared with 5.168 in 1963.

## PERI-NATAL DEATH RATE.

This rate is based on the mortality in the period surrounding the birth and includes both neo-natal deaths and stillbirths. It increased this year, 32.61 mainly as a result of the increased number of stillbirths.

#### MATERNAL MORTALITY.

There were no maternal deaths during the year.

1964 CAUSES OF DEATH

SHOWN AS PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL DEATHS 6.5 1.34 2.38 ULCER OF STOMACH & DUODENUM 306 ALL OTHER CAUSES PNEUMONIA ACCIDENTS 8.53 OTHER DEFINED OR ILL DEFINED

DISEASES INED 1.34 DIABETES HEART DISEASE CANCER (all sites) 19.73 CIRCULATORY DISEASE VASCULAR LESIONS OF NERVOUS SYSTEM (all sites) 14.96 5.1

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TABLE I

BIRTH RATE, DEATH RATE AND ANALYSIS OF MORTALITY DURING THE YEAR 1964

Infant Mortality Rate per 1000 Related Births	All causes (under one (rear)	20.00	22.22
Rate per 1000 Live & Stillbirths	sdfridllift	16.3	21.74
L 0	Deaths all causes	11.3	14.52
Rate per 1000 Total Population	sdtridevil	18.4	18.45
		England and Wales(provisional figures)	Stalybridge

# TABLE II.

# DEATH RATES

# IN STALYBRIDGE AND ENGLAND & WALES

# FROM 1950

Year	Death	Rates
	England and Wales	Stalybridge
1950	11.6	13.58
1951	12.5	15.83
1952	11.3	14.73
1953	31.4	13.016
1954	11.3	12.68
1955	11.7	14.32
1956	11.7	14.87
1957	11.5	14.295
1958	11.7	14.48
1959	11.6	13.93
1960	11.5	14.19
1961	12.0	16.304
1962	11.9	16.15
1963	12.2	15.09
1964	11.5	14.52

# TABLE III.

# REGISTRAR GENERAL'S RETURN 1964

# CAUSES OF DEATH IN VARIOUS AGE GROUPS

Tuberculosis, other  Malignant neoplasm, stomach  " " lung & fronchus     1   2   6   -   7   2    " " breast     3   7   6   1   15   2    " " uterus     1   1   -   1   -   3    " " other sites     1   1   -   1   -   3    " " other sites     1   3   1   -   5    " " activated a sites     1   1   -   1   -   3    " " other sites     1   3   7   12   21   13   31    Coronary disease, angina     1   6   18   14   16   35   20    Hypertension with heart disease     2   3   8   24   11   26    Other circulatory disease     2   3   8   24   11   26    Other diseases of respiratgystem     1   7   6   9   6    Other diseases of respiratgystem     1   7   6   9   6    Other diseases of respiratgystem     1   2   2   4    Ulcer of stomach & duodenum     1   7   6   9   6    Congenital malformations   2     1   2   4   1    Motor vehicle accidents     1   2   4   1   2    Motor vehicle accidents     1     2   1   4   1    All other accidents     1     2   5   4    Suicide     1     1     2   5   4    Suicide     1     1     2    " " breast	Cause of Death	Under 4 weeks	4 wks. & under 1 yr.	1 - 4 yrs.	5 - 14 yrs.	15-24 yrs.	25- 34 yrs.	35- 44 yrs.	45-54 yrs.	64	65- 74 yrs.	% OA		otal all ges
Total 4 4 - 1 3 2 5 23 63 81 108 145 149	Tuberculosis, other Malignant neoplasm, stomach  """ lung & ronchus "" uterus "" uterus "" other sites Leukaemia, aleukaemia Diabetes Vascular lesions of nervous system Coronary disease, angina Hypertension with heart disease Other heart disease Other circulatory disease Pneumonia Bronchitis Other diseases of respiratory tem Ulcer of stomach & duodenum Gastritis, enteritis & diarrhoea Nephritis & nephrosis Congenital malformations Other defined & ill-defined Other defined & ill-defined Motor vehicle accidents All other accidents		1 - 1 - 2		1	1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1		1 1 1 2 -	1 3 6 - 2 - 1 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 -	71 - 91 - 718 3 3 - 112 1 42	-666319-312141822712-1-21	1 1 6 - 21 16 2 24 9 1 6 2 12 1 2	7 15 - 13 35 2 11 4 5 9 2 4 2 1 - 13 4	2 5 3 11 4 31 20 4 26 7 2 6 3
	Total	4	4	-	1	3	2	5	23	63	81	108	145	149

TABLE IV.

BIRTH, DEATH AND INFANTILE MORTALITY

# RATES IN THE BOROUGH FROM 1900

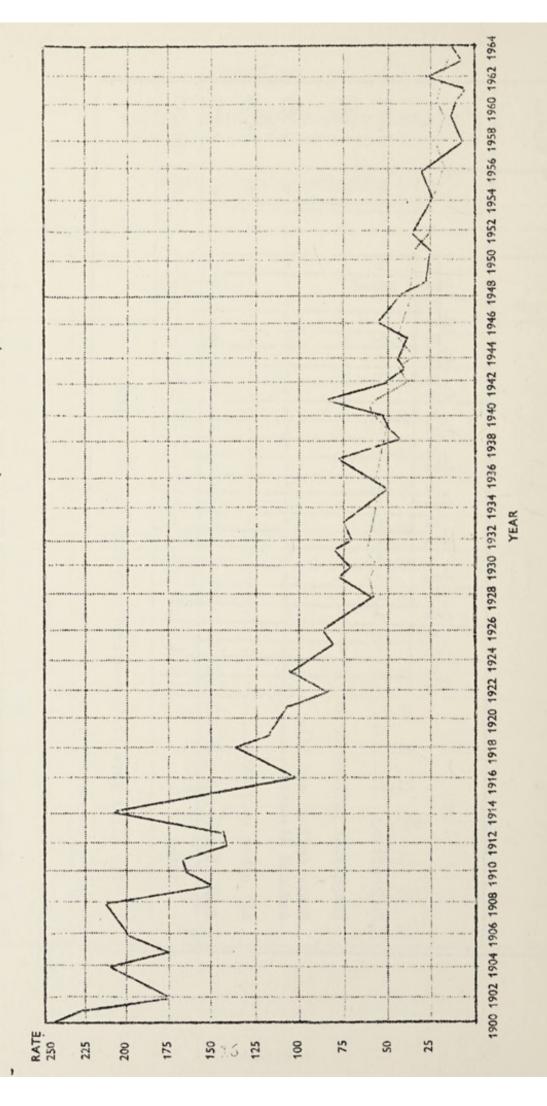
Year	Birth Rate	Death Rate	Infantile Mortality Rate
1900 - 04	24.58	20.1	210
1905 - 09	23.01	18.63	193.2
1910 - 14	21.63	17.92	165.48
1915 - 19	16.83	17.75	130.9
1920 - 24	18.56	15.08	114.9
1925 - 29	14.97	14.80	81.1
1930 - 34	13.47	13.78	73.80
1935 - 39	12.94	15.02	54.6
1940 - 44	15.42	16.11	60.57
1945 - 49	18.78	14.98	45.69
1950 - 54	15.56	13.97	28.43
1955 - 59	15.30	14.38	18.53
1960	17.08	14.19	15.79
1961	17.20	16.304	10.58
1962	17.43	16.15	28.79
1963	19.49	15.09	12.92
1964	18.45	14.52	22.22

CAUSE OF DE TH					Ą	5	()	TOW	A G E (MONTHS)	_						Tota. ages	Total all ages		Eate 1000 Live Births
	-1 M F M Z	, Fq	12	E S	. 4	1	L	9 N	2- 3- 4- 5- 6- 7- MFMFMFMFM	7-	0 3	, E4	8-9-1 MFMF	10- M-F	17	154	<u> </u>	E	
Bronchitis	1 1	1		1	1	1	1		1		1	+	1		!	1	H	1 1	2,777
Congenital Malformations -	2	ı		1	1	- !	i		1		1	<del></del>	- 1	1	!	1		C)	5.555
Other defined and ill- defined diseases2		1	1	1	i		i	1	- 1	1	1	<del></del>	1	1	1	1	N	1	5.555
All other accidents		1	- !	1	1	1	1	1	1		- 1		1	1	1		0	1	5.555
Gastritis	- 1	1	1	1	1	- 1	1	- 1	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	1		1	2.777
Total	2 1	1	-	1.	1	1 -	i	1	1	1	-	- !	1	1	1	1	9	2	22,219
Neo Natal Rate 11.11 compared with that for 1963 5.168	mpa	red	W	th	the	- C-	For	19	63	5.1	89								

# INFANTILE MORTALITY RATE—STALYBRIDGE (1900—1964)

STALYBRIDGE INFANTILE MORTALITY per 1000 live - births

ENGLAND & WALES INFANTILE MORTALITY per 1000 live - births



# GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH

# SERVICES IN THE AREA

## BACTERIDLOGY.

The following specimens were forwarded to the Public Health Laboratory for investigation :-

Sample		Positive for Pathogenic Organisms	Negative	Total
Faeces Throat Swab	::: ::		102 1	120
		18	103	121

I would like to thank Dr. Tobin and the staff at the Public Health Laboratory for their willing help and co-operation at all times.

## MILK AND DAIRIES.

Since the Milk (Special Designation) Regulations, 1960 came into force we have been supplied with details of the results of all samples taken by the County Medical Officer to whom I am grateful for the following information:-

#### TABLE VI.

Total Street Lines		Ту	pe of	Milk				Ту	pe of	Test			
	Past.	Ster.	т.т.	T.T.Past.	Raw	Meth		Phosph					erculosis On Pagina Pa Pagina Pagina Pagina Pagina Pagina Pagina Pagina Pagina Pagina
-	-	101	-	66	53	107	5	66	-	101	-	-	-

# FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955.

The Cheshire County Council continue to administer the Food and Drugs Act and the samples of food noted below were obtained in the Borough during the year by the Weights and Measures Department of that authority. Mr. Howard Hughes reports as follows:-

Sample			No. of samples	
			obtained	reported against
Apples			1	_
Ascorbic Acid Tablets B.P.			ī	-
Aspirin Tablets			1	1
Bread (Nimble)			1	-
" (complaint)			1	1
Carrots			2	-
Cauliflower			1	-
Cherry Ginger Concentrate			1	-
Cream. Baby	• • •		1	-
Dairy Cream Buns	• • •	• • •	1	-
Dripping. Beef		• • •	1	-
Instant Whip (Strawberry Flav		• • •	1	- 1
Jelly. Lemon		•••	1	-
Lard. Pure. (Complaint)		•••	1	1
Loganberries in syrup		•••	1	-
15 -1		• • • •	53	2
0		•••	1 2	
O		•••	1	_
Paynocil Tablets			1	
Preludin Tablets			ī	_
Quick-Jel			ī	
Spinach			ī	_
Sprouts			1	-
Strawberries in syrup			1	-
Suet. Beef. Shredded			1	-
Sweets: Butter Pats	•••		1	- y
Butter Toffee	•••		1	-
Swiss Roll. (Jam filling)	• • • •		1	A
Tofranil Tablets	•••	• • •	1	-
Tomatoes. English		• • •	1	-
Trex. (Pure Vegetable Fat)	•••		1	-
Whisky	•••	• • • •	1	1
Zinc Ointment	•••	• • •	2	2
			89	8

# Particulars of samples not up to standard during the year ended 31st December, 1964.

Sample	Result of Analysis		Remarks
Bread	Stained areas of bread were contaminated with iron compounds and oil		Fined £15 plus £3.5.0 costs at Stalybridge Court 16.3.64.
Whisky	Contained 3.8% of excess water		Fined £10 plus £8.2.0. costs at Stalybridge Court 27.7.64.
Zinc Oint- ment B.P.	Deficient in zinc oxide (Zinc Oxide 12.5% B.P. limits 14.0 - 16.0%)		See formal sample below.
11 11	Cont. 1.5% less zinc oxide than the minimum permitted. (Zinc Oxide 12.5%. B.P. limits 14.0 - 16.0%)		Mfg. Chemists fined £10 plus £8.2.0. costs at Stalybridge Court 23.11.64.
Lard.Pure. (complaint)			Mfrs. cross-summoned by retailer and fined £20 plus £14.8.0. costs at Stalybridge Court 21.12.64.
Aspirin Tablets	Soluble aspirin discoloured and cont. an excess of salicyclic acid (11%)		Reported to Chief Inspector.
Milk (complaint)	Milk discoloured with blood Milk contaminated with 5 ppm. of miscellaneous dirt	}	Fined £1 at Stalybridge Court 8.2.65. for selling milk without the use of a special designation in a specified area.

# Particulars of complaints from private purchasers not submitted to the Public Analyst during the year ended 31st December, 1964.

From:	Complaint:	Remarks:
Householder	Sweet cont. a piece of metal	Fined £20 plus £4.4.0 costs at Stalybri ge Court 23.11.64.
Girls' Sec. School	Sausage cont. a tooth	Fined £10 at Stalybridge Court 7.9.64.
Housewife	Bottle of Sal Volatile cont. an insect	Manufacturer cautioned.
Housewife	Bottle of milk cont. a Nescafe packet	Fined £10 plus £4.4.0. costs at Stalybridge Court 24.2.64.
Housewife	Milk bottle top in bottle of milk	Bottler cautioned.
Housewife	Flies in bottle of Martini	Seller cautioned.

## WATER SUPPLIES

7 samples of water were taken for bacteriological examination and the results were recorded as follows:-

2 samples of Town's water were found to be satisfactory.

3 samples of a small chlorinated supply serving 185 houses in the Millbrook area were taken, 2 were satisfactory and 1 unsatisfactory.

2 samples of the spring supplies in the Carrbrook and Millbrook area were taken and all returned satisfactory results. One rural supply in the Carrbrook district is closely watched by the department and I am glad to report that the improvement brought about by filters has been maintained. This filtered water has always proved to be of a satisfactory quality.

I am indebted to the Engineer and Manager of the Ashton-u-Lyne, Stalybridge, Dukinfield (District) Waterworks, Mr. M. T. B. Whitson, for the following information:-

"The quality and quantity of water have both been satisfactory.

# Bacteriological examination of piped supplies.

Type of water	Samples taken	Resul	ts
Raw	None	-	
Filtered water taken directly after filtration	20	Quite sa	tisfactory
Filtered water - tap samples taken at various points in			
the Borough	82		"
Chemical Analysis	2	rt .	11

Plumbo Solvency. Sodium Carbonate added before filtration.
16 samples were taken and the results were all satisfactory.

No form of contamination has presented itself.

Population supplied from public water mains:

(a)	Direct to houses	-	22,190
(b)	By means of standpipes	_	NONE "

# BATHS

The following criteria have applied to the Public Swimming Baths for the past few years :-

- (1) Source of Supply Town's mains.
- (2) Both pools are operated on the continuous turn-over system.
  (a) Filtration (b) Aeration (c) Sterilisation by Chlorine Gas.

Chemical treatment is constant and frequent tests are taken to ensure that breakpoint chlorination is present giving a free chlorine reading of two parts per million with a potential hydrogen reading of 7.8 parts per million. The resultant bacterial counts under these conditions have been nil.

Periodically both pools are completely emptied and the basins scrubbed.

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

TABLE VIE

Infectious Disease Notifications, 1964.

Scarlet Fever Whooping Cough	E M E M		1 2 2 2			- 1		1	1 1 1	ver	Age unknown	er 5 years	-14 "		1 199	& over	unknown	Under 5 years	-24 "	= 4	e4 " to	& over	n	TOTAL   1   15   20
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Measles	四.	-	12   23	-					-			-												147 179
Meningo- coccal	MFM		2 - 2					1	-		1				_									3 2 -
Infections	平面	1	-		1	1		-		1	-	-	_	1	1 1	-	1				_			1
Erysipelas	1 1		_		-	_				_		1	1	1	1	1	1							-
Food	Es M			_					_		_	+	-		1		-			_		_	-	1
Tuberc.	日田		-						_									1	1 ,			1 1	-	-
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Офу	124							_				1		_				-			_	1 1		-

#### TABLE VIII

# Incidence of the Main Infectious Diseases.

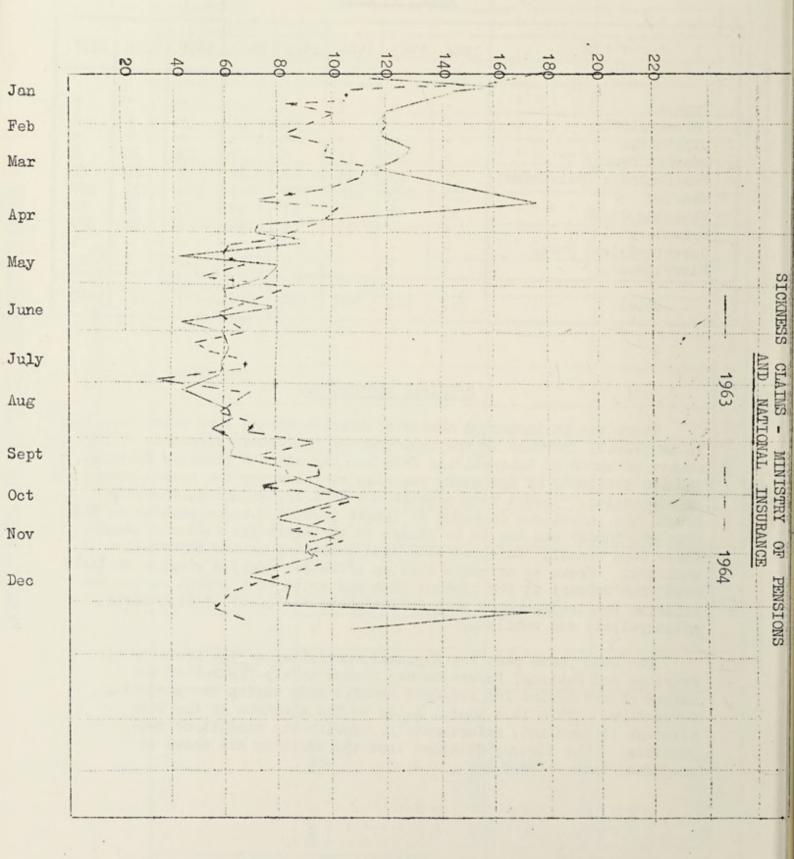
# 1957 - 1964

	1964	1963	1962	1961	1960	1959	1958	1957
Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	-
Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	2	10	11	7	9	19	38	2
Tuberculosis (all forms)	6	15	11	13	14	7	10	22
Measles	326	265	128	189	245	394	31	298
Whooping Cough	35	24	18	14	63	30	36	30
Dysentery	5	-	31	-	156	7	20	229
Cerebro-Spinal Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Miscellaneous	1	9	9	8	14	10	4	22
Total	375	323	208	231	501	467	141	605

# SPECIFIC INFECTIONS.

There was an increased number of measles during 1964 which resulted in an overall increase in the incidence of infectious diseases. The number of cases of tuberculosis fell to only six - a pleasing feature, and the incidence of dysentery was also very low for the second year in succession. Apart from measles and to a lesser extent whooping cough, the infectious diseases no longer present a major problem in the borough, though one has to be always on the alert for sudden epidemics these days usually connected with food poisoning or the importation of smallpox. There is no doubt that an effective measles vaccine would be more than welcome at the present time and would be a useful weapon in reducing the incidence of this condition to the level of diphtheria, poliomyelitis and smallpox.

For some years past the Regional Controller of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance has issued weekly figures of the number of new claims for sickness benefit made during the preceding seven days. This is a useful guide to the sickness in the town although it does not, unfortunately, specify the conditions responsible. The figures obtained from the Ministry are shown in graphical form on page 24.



Cases of Tuberculosis remaining on Register at December 1955 - 1964.

TABLE IX.

Year	Pul	lmonary	Non-Pu	lmonary	То	ta.1
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
1955 1956 1957 1958 1959 1960 1961 1962 1963 1964	79 84 86 82 79 73 69 67 69 58	58 59 64 62 58 52 48 44 35 31	9 9 10 9 7 9 9 10 11	8 6 6 7 6 8 8 11 12	88 93 96 91 86 82 78 77 80 71	66 65 70 68 63 61 56 52 46 43

# CANCER.

The number of cancer deaths this year increased to 58 from 45 in 1963. Of these deaths 17 or 29.3% were due to cancer of the lung. It is significant to note that the figure of 17 is made up of 15 males and only 2 females.

# DYSENTERY.

There were 5 cases only of dysentery to record for the year 1964.

# FOOD POISONING.

There are no outbreaks of food poisoning to report during 1964.

# HOUSING.

The following table gives the number of houses which have been represented as individually unfit for human habitation since 1940:-

TABLE X.

Year	No. of Houses Represented	
	Section 12 (1) Housing Act, 1936 Closing Order	Section 11 (1) Demolition Order
1940 1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948 1949 1950 1951 1952 1953 1954 1955 1956 1957	3   4 2  1 1 1 4 16 36 11 12	- 3 8 5 4 3 1 - 5 8 2 4 10 1 5 4
Sections 16 & 17 Housing Act, 1957		
1957 1958 1959 1960 1961	Closing Order  9 14 6 16 16	Demolition Order  8 28 13 2 9
1962 1963 1964	7 13 6	2 - 7

During the year twelve clearance areas were made involving 231 houses. These are detailed in Table II in the Chief Public Health Inspector's section of this report.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

AND
CLEANSING SUPERINTENDENT

FOR THE YEAR

1964

To the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee.

Mr. Chairman, Councillor Porter & Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting to you my eighteenth Annual Report on the work of the Cleansing Department and Public Health Inspectors section of the Public Health Department.

Clearance of unfit houses was again one of the main activities and our target figure was once more exceeded.

It is very much regretted that the declaration of further Smoke Control Areas is suspended for the time being (apart from newly developed and redeveloped sites). This decision followed the issue of Circular 69/63.

A weekly collection of refuse for the whole of the town, including the hillside cottages, is in operation except immediately following holiday periods or when gangs are undermanned. Each year the recruitment of relief labour, during the Summer Holiday period, is more difficult and high wages paid in industry make the task of retaining suitable labour a problem. Fortunately we have a good percentage of loyal employees, a number of which are approaching retiring age - their replacement will not be easy. The considerable development taking place in the town creates further problems for the Cleansing Department - some estates are designed without any thought being given to the essential service of refuse removal and some of the bins have to be carried an unreasonable distance.

Mr. F. B. Marshall the second additional Public Health Inspector left the service of the Corporation in September and Mr. I. G. Taylor, replaced him in October. The help and assistance given by Mr. C. F. Spencer the Senior Additional Public Health Inspector; the two additional Public Health Inspectors during their employment with us and the staff of the Public Health Department is again very much appreciated. Mr. Ellison, the new Cleansing Department Foreman, is able and willing to tackle any job in the Cleansing Department and has more than justified his appointment.

Alderman White, the Deputy Chairman, passed away on 1st March and his passing was very much regretted. During the period he was Deputy Chairman he was very much interested in the work of the Department.

In conclusion I would also like to place on record my appreciation of the help and assistance received from the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Public Health Committee and the support and interest shown by the members.

Your obedient Servant,

J. NORRIS.

Chief Public Health Inspector.

August, 1965.

TABLE I

	Number Visits	No. Not		Result		
		Staty.	In- formal	Complied with	Out- standing	Prose- cution
Housing Yards, Courts Passages Drainage & Conversions Infectious Disease Meat & Other Foods Food Premises Milk & Dairies Ice Cream Mfr. & Shops Water Supplies Shops Acts Factories Act Refuse Collection Refuse Disposal Smoke Abatement (Industrial) Smoke Control Areas (Dom.) Hairdressing Saloons Schools Keeping of Animals Offensive Accumulations Offensive Trades Contagious Diseases of Animals Pets Act Rats & Mice Infestations " (visits by Rodent Operator) Offices, Shops & Railway Premises Unclassified Visits Interviews Committee Meetings	3024 5 1274 21 661 508 5 21 13 265 66 545 238 50 2489 36 6 34 - 19 1 61 2448 123 277 1051 29	4 52	99 - 114 - 1 23 4 2 1 - 7 - 6 5 2 - 23 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 15 - 14 15 - 14 15 - 14 15 - 14 15 - 14 15 - 14 15 - 14 15 - 14 15 - 14 15 - 14 15 - 14 15 - 14 15 - 14 15 - 14 15 - 14 15 - 14 15 - 14 15 - 15	78 -144 -1 17 32 1 -5 -6 52 -23 	25 - 22 - 6 1	
Total	13276	56	301	300	57	-

# HOUSING CONDITIONS.

# COMMON LODGING HOUSES.

There are no common lodging houses in the district.

# HOUSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH ACT DEFECTS.

During the year 318 complaints were received and investigated. The number in 1963 was 460.

4 formal and 231 informal notices dealing with 244 defects were served.

It was not found necessary to take any prosecutions this year.

# CLEARANCE OF UNFIT HOUSES.

Clearance of unfit houses continued during the year. 12 further clearance areas were represented involving 231 houses.

Objections were received to three of the Compulsory Purchase Orders and the two Clearance Orders. Inquiries were held on the 12th January, 1965, 4th May, 1965, 11th May, 1965 and 26th May, 1965.

TAPLE CLEARANCE OF UNFIT

No.	Clearance Area	Clearance	Date	No. of	No. of
		Order or	of	Houses	Houses
		Compulsory	Order	Repre-	Confirmed
		Purchase		sented	by Ministry
-		Order			Ministry
1.	Henry St. & Thomas St.	CPO	1955	34	34
2.	Bridge St. No. 1	CÐO	1955	6	6
3.	Bridge St. No. 2	CPO	1955	6	6
4.	Cartwright's Bldgs., Robinson St.,	CO	1955	7	7
5.	Robinson St. & Summers St.,	CO	1955	11	11
6.	High St. No. 1	Patching	-	9 28	9 27 15
7.	Castle Hall No. 1	CPO	1955	28	27
8.	Robinson St. & Binns St.,	CPO	1955	15	15
9.	High St. No. 2	CPO	1955	6	6
10.	Castle Hall No. 2	CPO	1955	38	38
11.	Woolley's Terr. Peel St., Stanley St. & Robinson St.,	CO	1956	36	36
12.	Ashton St. & Belfield's Yard	CO	1956	14	14
13.	Castle St. & Caroline St.,	CPO	1956	8	8
14.	Grafton St. & John St.,	CPO	1957	14	
15.	Grouse St. & Friendship Yard	CPO	1957	13	13
16.	Newton St. & Mount St.,	CPO	1959	35	14 13 35 9
17.	Tenter Brow	CPO	1959	9	9
18.	Castle Hall No. 3	CPO	1959	48	48
19.	Grosvenor St. & Caroline St.,	CO	1959	12	12
20.	Hully St., & Water Road	CÓ	1959	6	6
21.	Shepley St., & Water St.,	CPO	1959	14	14
22.	Buckley Street	CPO	1959	5	5
23.	Grosvenor Street No. 1	CPO	1959	29.	29
24.	Huddersfield Rd, & Platt's Bldgs.,	-	-	33	Order not
25.	Leech Street	CPO	1960	13	Order not made
26.	Stamford St. & Ayton St.	CPO	1960	10	10
27.	Canal St. Grosvenor St., Bennett St.	CPO	1960	17	17
28.	Vaudrey St. & Cross Leech St.	CPO	1960	5	5
29.	Castle Hall No. 4	CPO	1961	41	41
30.	High St. No. 3	CPO	1961	11	11
31.	Grosvenor St. & Hallas St.	CPO	1961	7	7
32.	High Street/Booth Street	CPO	1961	102	102
33.	Back Grosvenor Street	CPO	1961	4	4
34.	Back Demesne Street	-	-	15	Orderdnot 13
35.	Bower Grove	CPO	1961	13	13
36.	North End	CPO	1962	23	23
37.	Black Rock	CPO	1962	14	14
38.	Hollins Street	CPO	1962	2	2
39.	Booth Street	CPO	1962	8	8
40.	Ogden Street	CPO	1962	3	3

II HOUSES IN POST WAR SCHEME.

Date of Repre-	Date of	Date of	No. of	
sentation	Enquiry	Confirmation	persons	
	Languard	by Ministry	Displaced	
A STATE OF THE STA	0 1	Dy militsory	probraced	
8. 3.55.	27. 9.55.	5. 1.56.	111	
8. 3.55.	27. 9.55.	5. 1.56.	20	Includes 3 owned by L.A.
8. 3.55.	27. 9.55.	5. 1.56.	17	
8. 6.55.	No objection	12,12,55.	12	***************************************
8. 6.55.	No objection	12.12.55.	29	***************************************
8. 6.55.	-	16. 2.56.	-	***************************************
8. 6.55.	24. 1.56.	8. 3.56.	86	Includes 9 owned by L.A.
5.10.55.	20. 3.56.	18. 6.56.	45	
5.10.55.	20, 2,56.	18. 6.56.	20	***************************************
30.11.55.	31. 5.56.	28. 8.56.	96	
5. 9.56.	No objection	25. 2.57.	86	
2. 9.00.	No ob Jec rion	2). 2.)[.	00	
5. 9.56.	No objection	25. 2.57.	44	
5. 9.56.	No objection	25. 3.57.	16	**************************************
28. 8.57.	11. 2:58.	4. 6.58.	24	
28. 8.57.	11. 2.58.	4. 6.58.	23	Includes 10 owned by L.A.
3. 9.58.	No objection	14. 5.59.	22	
8.10.58.	No objection	14. 5.59.	18	
8.10.58.	No objection	4. 6.59.	114	Includes 13 owned by L.A.
3. 6.59.	No objection	17. 6.60.	40	
3. 6.59.	No objection	30. 8.60.	13	
3. 6.59.	No objection	23. 2.60.	38	Includes 4 owned by L.A.
24. 6.59.	No objection	4. 1.60.	12	Inoluces 4 owned by Dent
9. 9.59.	10 5 60	18. 8.60.	61	
3. 2.60.	Properties purchased	10. 0.00.	49	•••••••••••••••••
		11 10 60	30	Includes 1 owned by L.A.
9. 3.60.	No objection	11.10.60.	*********	Includes I owned by L.A.
1. 6.60.	15.10.60.	7. 3.61.	24	4554
7. 9.60.	No objection	22. 3.61.	17	Includes 2 owned by L.A.
7. 9.60.	No objection	26. 1.61.	4	**************************************
9.10.60.	No objection	17. 5.61.	93	Includes 4 owned by L.A.
8. 3.61.	No objection	15. 9.61.	27	
26. 4.61.	No objection	15. 9.61.	11	
5. 4.61.	9. 8.61.	7.12.61.	215	
21. 6.61.	No objection	21.11.61.	10	.,
15.11.61.	Properties purchased	-	37	
8.11.61.	No objection	5. 7.62.	37 29	
7. 2.62.	No objection	15.11.62.	46	Includes 3 owned by L.A.
7. 2.62.	No objection	8.11.62.	48	
7. 2.62.	No objection	24.10.62.	8	
7. 2.62.	No objection	24.10.62.	27	
7. 2.62.	7. 6.62.	4.10.62.	7	
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No.	Clearance Area	Clearance Order or Compulsory Purchase Order	Date of Order	No. of Houses Repre- sented	No. of Houses Confirmed by Ministry
41.	Back Avon Street	CPO	1962	8	8
42.	Heap Street	CPO	1962	6	5
43.	Cocker Hill	CPO	1962	2	2
44.	Castle Hall No. 5	CPO	1962	189	188
45.	Castle Hall No. 6	CPO	1963	73	73
46.	Spring Bank, Heyrod	CO	1963	15	15
47.	Nos. 3 & 4 Comprehensive Develop-	CPO	1963	7	
40	ment Areas (Unfit Orders)	CPO	1963	19	19
48.	Castle Street Nos. 1 & 2 Castle Hall No. 7	CPO	1963	72	69
49.	Acres Lane & Lawton Street	CPO	1963	9	7
50.	Stamford St./Wakefield Rd./Church St.	CPO		26	24
51.	Montague St./Kinder St./Union St.	CPO	1963	13	13
52.	High St./Robinson St./Tame St./ Stanley St.	CPO	1964	56	54
54.1	Howard's Buildings	CPO	1964	16	16
55.	Castle Hall No. 8	CPO	1964	5	4
56.	Brougham Street	CPO	1964	17	17
57.	Warrington St. & Swallow's Yard	CPO	1964	12	12
58.	High St. No. 4	CPO	1964	4	
59.	Castle Hall Nos. 9, 10, 11	CPO	1964	76	
60.	Huddersfield Rd. & Ogden's Bldgs.	CO	1964	12	
61.	Victoria St., Millbrook	CO	1964		
62.	High St. & Victoria Place	CPO	1964	27	

Date of Representation	Leve of Figurity	Date of Confirmation by Ministry	No. of persons Displaced	
25. 4.62. 25. 4.62. 25. 4.62. 6. 6.62. 9. 1.63.	No abjection No abjection No abjection No abjection No abjection	5.11.62. 5.11.62. 5.11.62. 24. 4.63. 6.12.63.	19 7 3 455 158	l part demolished house to be coloured grey. Includes 3 owned by L.A. I lock-up shop colrd.grey Includes 15 owned by L.A.
9. 1.63. 3. 4.63. 5. 6.63. 5. 6.63.	No objection  18. 2.64.  No objection 3. 3.64. 3. 3.64.	20. 6.63. 27. 4.64. 28. 7.64. 28. 7.64.	23 29 139 21	Includes 15 owned by L.A.
5. 6.63. 7. 8.63. 18. 3.64.	18.11.64. No objection 12. 1.65.	29. 4.65. 11. 2.64. 2. 3.65.	48 20 116	Includes 3 owned by L.A. Includes 6 owned by L.A. Includes 5 owned by L.A.
22. 4.64. 22. 4.64. 5. 8.64. 5. 8.64.	No objection No objection No objection No objection No objection	15. 1.65. 28. 1.65. 27. 4.65. 27. 4.65.	23 8 39 32	Includes 1 owned by L.A.
5. 8.64. 25.11.64. 25.11.64. 25.11.64.	No objection 4. 5.65. 4. 5.65. 26. 5.65.		o care a summer of case of section	Includes 29 owned by L.A. Includes 1 owned by L.A.

# RENT ACT, 1957.

No applications for certificates of disrepair were received.

FOOD.

# MEAT AND OTHER FOODS INSPECTION.

The Meat Inspection Regulations, 1963 have now been in operation over a year. The operation of the regulations has worked smoothly in Stalybridge due to each Public Health Inspector working on Saturday and Sunday mornings one week-end in three. Meat inspection was also carried out on Easter Sunday and Trinity Sunday. The number of animals slaughtered showed a decrease - the week-end "kill" is over 85% of the total.

It is again pleasing to report that no Tuberculosis was found in cattle.

TABLE III

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number Killed	1196	1732	20	6080	896
Number Inspected	1196	1732	20	6080	896
ALL DISEASES EXCEPT TUBERCULOSIS & CYSTICERCOSIS					
Whole carcases condemned	1	4	-	7	1
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	302	701	-	435	156
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuber-culosis and cysticercosis	25.33	40.70		7.27	17 50
datosto and cysticercosts	27.33	40.70	_	1.21	17.52
TUBERCULOSIS ONLY					
Whole carcases condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	1
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis		_			0.11
CYSTICERCOSIS					- 1 22
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	3	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treat- ment by refrigeration	3	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	_		_	_	_

The approximate weight of meat and offal condemned at the Buckley Street Slaughterhouse is as follows:-

				1963		1964	
Tubercular Non-tubercular						10 28467	
				44174	lbs.	28477	lbs.
dle of most ond	 d	 f	all awa				

Details of meat and offal condemned are as follows :-

						1963	1964
Whole carcases						25	13
D- 1				• • • •		61	32
	• • •	• • •		• • •			
Heads and Tongues		• • •		• • •	• • •	92	27
Lungs						868	727
Diaphragms						124	74
Hearts						77	54
Livers						979	969
D						774	681
	• • •	• • •		• • •			
Stomachs		• • •	• • •		• • •	40	24
Mesenteries & Intesti	nes					37	19
Spleens						76	89
Kidneys						167	93
Discolon						48	29
	• • • •	•••	•••	•••	•••		
Tails				• • •		11	3
Udders						441	368
Stomach & Intestines						2	1
Stomach & Mesentery						1	-

#### SLAUGHTERHOUSE.

January 1st 1961 was the appointed day for the Construction Regulations to apply to our one slaughterhouse situated in Buckley Street. The Slaughterhouse is privately owned and leased to a wholesale butcher.

#### DISPOSAL OF CONDEMNED MEAT AND OFFAL.

All condemned meat and offal is sold to a firm outside the Borough for processing after being stained green by the Meat Inspectors.

# In addition the following have been condemned :-

146	tins	Meat	1 tin Ready Dinner	
40		Fish	1 " Fruit Juice	
141	11	Fruit	1 " Spaghetti	
218		Vegetables	l " Irish Stew	
68		Soup	36 pkts.Mousse	
	11	Baked Beans	5 " Chips	
4 2	11	Creamed Sago	l " Sponge	
15	- 11	Creamed Rice	10 W Puff Pastry	
9	11	Milk	4 lbs. Dehydrated Potato Strips	
4	11	Cream .	2 Cream Sponge Cakes	
4	11	Dehydrated Potato	Strips 1 Oven Ready Chicken	
The	foll	owing is a list of	shops in which food is sold :-	
Gro	cery	and Provisions	8	
				ı

Bakers and Con	fectione	ers				• • •	• • • •	29
Fish Friers								20
Butchers						• • •	• • •	21
Greengrocers						• • •	• • •	15
Sweets & Tobac	co etc.					• • •		21
Fishmongers					• • •	• • •		5
Cafes				• • •			• • •	15
Tripe						• • •	• • •	1
Wines & Spirit	S			• • •	• • •	• • •		1
Outdoor Licence	es		• • •			• • •		76
Factory Cantee	ens					• • •	• • •	16
School Canteen								11

# PREMISES REGISTERED UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955.

Ice Cream	- Manufacture - Storage and Sale	1 88
Preserved Foods	- Preparation and Manufacture	49

In relation to ice cream premises the requirements of the Ice Cream (Heat Treatment, etc.) Regulations, 1947 - 1952 are complied with.

# FOOD PREMISES.

The routine inspection of food premises continued during the year. A reasonable standard of hygiene is generally maintained and the majority of food traders are co-operative. The total number of visits to food premises during the year was 516 and the following is a list of visits made to the various types of food premises :-

				1963	1964
Butchers' Shops				 45	52
Bakehouses				 31	64
Cafes and Canteens				 10	121
Fried Fish Shops				 7	6
Ice Cream Manufacturi	ing a	nd Sto	page	 15	21
Fishmongers				 11	6
Other Food Premises				 71	246

The number of visits paid to food premises during the year increased considerably mainly due to visits checking on the sale of corned beef made during the outbreak of typhoid in Aberdeen. This gave us the opportunity of an extensive re-check on conditions in our own food shops.

#### MOBILE FOOD SHOPS.

A number of food traders are now operating mobile shops and under a local act the licensing of all hawkers is required. No licence is issued without the vehicle being inspected and approved by the Public Health Department and in this way a reasonable standard of mobile food shop is attained.

#### ICE CREAM.

Distribution of ice cream within the Borough continues to be very satisfactory, only closed motor vans and trailers specially constructed and equipped with hot and cold water are used. The factory in which ice cream is manufactured is structurally unsatisfactory but the equipment is excellent. Plans have been passed for the erection of a new factory and it is hoped that building will commence next year.

#### CLEAN AIR.

# Industrial Air Pollution.

The big majority of industrial firms keep well within the time limit laid down in the Dark Smoke (Permitted Periods) Regulations, 1958.

Year	Number of observations	Number contravening Regulations	% contravening Regulations
1952	15		Nil
1953	17	-	Nil
1954	92	10	10.86
1955	137	9	6.56
1956	168	2	1.19
1957	120	2	1.66
1958	42	1	2.38
1959	82	2	2.44
1960	172	2	1.16
1961	88	2	2.27
1962	65	1	1.54
1963	49	-	Nil
1964	45		Nil

No contraventions of the regulations were noted during the formal observations but a close watch is kept on two or three firms who, on occasions, do emit smoke.

If emissions are noted during informal observations a word with the management usually leads to improvement. The faults found are either breakdown of mechanical stokers or the usual "human error".

#### Domestic Air Pollution.

The Hague/Stonecliffe/Heyrod Smoke Control Order, details of which were given in the 1962 Annual Report came into operation on 1st March, 1964. The date of operation had been deferred five months due to delay in contractors carrying out grate conversions. 1,205 premises are included in this Order.

During the year it was decided to make three further Smoke Control Orders covering land being developed - two of these - one covering the Lindenwood development and the other covering the development of Hollins Gardens and certain sites of demolished property in Castle Hall, were confirmed by the Ministry. The date of operation in each case being 1st July, 1965. The third area covers the site of Manchester Overspill

development at Buckton Vale and confirmation was expected in 1965 with an operative date in the Spring of 1966.

Owing to the considerable increase in cost of carrying out grate conversions following Circular No. 69/63 the Council deferred making any further Smoke Control Order, except for land being developed or redeveloped, for the time being.

Over 25% of all houses in the town are now included in Smoke Control Areas.

The following Smoke Control Orders are in operation in Stalybridge :-

Fern Bank Smoke Control Order

- 1st March, 1960

Castle Hall No. 1 Smoke Control Order (this includes the buildings to be erected on the sites of Castle Hall Nos. 1 & 2 C.P.O.'s)

- 1st June, 1960

High Street Smoke Control Order

- 1st June, 1960

Castle Hall No. 2 Smoke Control Order (this includes the buildings to be erected on the site of Castle Hall No. 3 C.P.O.)

- 1st January, 1962

Ridge Hill/Stamford Street Smoke Control Order - 1st July, 1962

Hague/Stonecliffe/Heyrod Smoke Control Order - 1st March, 1964.

# Measurement of Air Pollution.

Two volumetric SO, and smoke recording instruments are in use one in the Health Department and the other at West Hill School. In order to obtain a complete year's figures readings are taken during all holiday periods.

The following Table shows the comparison between the two sites :-

	Health Department					West Hill						
	Smoke			SO <sub>2</sub> Smoke		oke		So <sub>2</sub>				
Month	Highest	Lowest	Average	Highest	Lovest	Average	SHighest	CLowest	Mverage	tseughest	Lcwest	werage
Jan.	1072	148	397	747	148	289	836	120	317		31	112
Feb.	1012	132 108	289	731	51	215	924 268	36	213	337	34	102
April	432	68	142	357	80	177	360	44 24	114	193 166	39 28	75 68
May	252	4	75	286	26	96	288	4	40	133	19	65
June	292	32	99	233	71	135	232	12	88	123	36	65
July	156	16	54	155	74	99	88	20	38	90	21	40
Aug.	240	8	66	283	42	93	No r	eading	s due	to re-	wiring	
Sept.	396	12	101	262	12	98		S	chool	premis	es	
Oct.	596	44	213	420	83	167	640	44	215	270	37	90
Nov.	2056	104	280	1426	136	246	1960	32	246	263	44	83
Dec.	1020	40	252	566	77	214	900	0	201	374	34	87

The above figures are shown in microgrammes per cu. metre.

# RODENT CONTROL.

During the year the Rodent Operator made 2,448 visits. A further 61 visits were made by the Public Health Inspectors.

Two further sewer treatments were carried out again using Warfarin. The following figures show the takes recorded in the Warfarin treatments carried out over the past five years:-

April, 1960	-	116	out	of	820	manholes	(14.1%)
October, 1960	-	178	11	11	820	"	(21.7%)
April, 1961	_	107	11	**	850	11	(12.6%)
October, 1961	-	152	11	11	840	"	(18.1%)
April, 1962		87	11	11	690	11	(12.6%)
October, 1962	-	81	11	11	700	"	(11.5%)
April, 1963	-	45	11	11	560	"	(8.03%)
October, 1963	-	120	11	11	700	"	(17.1%)
April, 1964	-	131	11	11	560	"	(23.4%)
October, 1964	-	89	- 11	11	495	"	(17.98%)

Discussions took place with Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food Officials regarding the use of Fluoracetamide in our next sewer treatment. It was decided to use this poison during 1965 and the results are awaited with interest.

194 surface infestations of rats and mice were reported during the year.

29 annual contracts were in force at the end of the year and the total income received from these amounted to £146. O. Od.

Details of the work carried out in the Borough as detailed in Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food official form is as follows:-

# PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949 REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1964.

		TYPE OF PROPERTY							
			Non-	-agricultura	1				
		Local Authority	Dwelling Houses (inc. Council Houses)	All Other (inc. Business Premises)	Totals of Cols. (1) (2) and (3)	Agri cultura			
		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)			
I.	No. of properties in L.A.'s District	10	7751	824	8585	23			
II.	Total no. of pro- perties inspected as a result of notifi- cation	5	75	55	135	3			
	No. of such properties found to be infested by :-	3							
	Common (Major rat (Minor	1	8	30	39	- 1			
	Ship (Major	-	-	-	_				
	rat (Minor	-	-	-					
	House (Major	-	-	-	-	_			
	mouse (Minor	2	7	8	17	_			
III.	Total no. of pro- perties inspected in course of survey under the Act	13	70	37	120	· -			
	No. of such properties found to be infested by :-	3							
	Common ( Major	2	-	-	-	-			
	rat (Minor	8	7	6	21				
	Ship (Major	-	-	-	-	-			
	rat (Minor			-	-				
	House ( Major	-	-	-	_	-			
1	mouse (Minor	1 1	7	-	88				

				TYPE OF PROP	ERTY	
		Local Authority	Dwelling Houses (inc. Council Houses)	All Other (inc. Business Premises)	Totals of Cols. (1) (2) and (3)	Agri- cultural
		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(2)
CV.	Total no. properties otherwise inspected (e.g. when visited primarily for some other purpose	-	-	-	_	-
	Total inspections carried out - including re- inspections	96	465	615	1176	8
/I.	No. of infested properties (in Secs. II, III & IV) treated by L.A.	12	29	44	85	1
VII.	Total treatments carried out - inc. re-treatments	12	29	49	90	
VIII.	No. of notices served under Sec. 4 of the Ac (a) Treatment (b) Structural Work (i.e. Proofing)	- -	-		-	-
IX.	No. cases in which default action was taken following issue of notice under Sec.4	-	-	_	-	-
х.	Legal Proceedings	-	-	-	-	-
XI.	No. of "Block" contro schemes carried out	1	_			_

#### DISINFESTATION.

Insecticide containing D.D.T. is used for disinfestation and 14 premises involving 20 rooms have been treated by this method.

#### WASTE WATER CLOSET CONVERSIONS.

The second stage of the compulsory conversion scheme was completed during the Spring. A tender for the third and final stage was accepted and the whole of the work was completed by January, 1965. 54 conversions were carried out in the third stage making a total of 382. Some householders preferred to employ their own contractor and these figures are included in the voluntary scheme. The only recorded waste water closets left in the town are those serving houses in clearance areas and houses likely to be considered for clearance in the near future.

The total number of conversions carried out is 1,138. It is very satisfactory a report the elimination (with the exception of the properties referred to above) of this insanitary and unsatisfactory type of water closet.

1947	-	10
1948	-	61
1949	-	19
1950	-	22
1951	-	39
1952	-	30
1953	-	23
1954	-	31
1955	-	32
1956	-	72
1957	-	40
1958	-	41
1959	-	70
1960	-	122
1961	-	69
1962	-	37
1963	-	26
1964	-	12

#### DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

109 drains, 42 W.W.C.'s, 71 fresh W.C.'s and 41 waste water gullies have been opened by the Cleansing Department employees during the year.

There were no important extensions or alterations to the drainage and sewerage system during the year.

# FACTORIES ACTS.

144 visits to bakehouses and other factories have been made during the year. 2 informal notices have been served and complied with.

# TABLE IV.

# INSPECTIONS MADE BY PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS.

1. - Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health.

	No.	Number of			
	on Re- gister		Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted	
Factories without Mechanical Power	35	-	-	-	
Factories with Mechanical Power	169	144	2	-	
Other Premises under the act (in- cludind works of building and en- gineering construction but not including outworkers' premises)	7	-	-	-	
	211	144	2	-	

#### 2. - Defects found

	Numb		Number of defects		
Particulars	Found	Remedied	to H.M. I Insp-	red by H.M. Insp-	in respect of which prose- cutions were in- stituted
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	_	_	_	_	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilating (S.4)	-	- 1	-	-	-
Ineffective draining of floors (S.6) Sanitary conveniences -	-	-	-	-	-
Insufficient	1	1	=	1	-
Unsuitable or defective	12	12	-	9	-
Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences	_	-	-	-	_
	13	13	-	10	-

#### OUTWORKERS.

There are 21 outworkers in the town employed by firms both inside and outside Stalybridge. Each outworker is engaged in making wearing apparel.

#### OFFENSIVE TRADES.

The only building used for the purpose of an offensive trade is one used for tripe boiling in Back Castle Street. The premises are included in a redevelopment area and are due for demolition.

# SHOPS ACT, 1950.

265 visits were made to shops in connection with health provisions and hours of closing under the Shops Act, 1950.

#### REGISTRATION OF HAIRDRESSERS.

The number of premises registered for the purposes of hairdressing under Section 148 of the Cheshire County Council Act, 1953, remained at 34. The premises comply with the requirements of the bye-laws made under the Act and a good standard is maintained.

# PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951.

3 premises are licensed under the Act. The premises are kept in a reasonable condition.

# CONTAGIOUS DISEASES OF ANIMALS

The Swine Fever (Infected Areas) Restrictions Special Order No. 49 came into operation on 27th September and continued until 17th October. 4 movement licences were issued.

The Fowl Pest (Infected Areas) Special Order No. 11 came into operation on 24th October, 1963 and remained in operation until 12th June this year.

# Diseases of Animals (Waste Foods) Order.

8 boiling plants are licensed under the above Order. Most of the plants are used by small stock-keepers and only a small amount of kitchen waste is treated.

# NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948.

# SECTION 50.

On Christmas Eve we were notified by the Police that an elderly man had died and there were no known relatives. Arrangements were made for burial and the cost recovered from the estate of the deceased.

#### PUBLIC RELATIONS.

Talks were again given to the senior classes in the two Secondary Modern Schools. Clean Air was again the subject chosen.

# OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963.

The Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963 came into operation during 1964 and by the end of the year 160 OSR.1 forms had been received. No inspections were carried out during the year - it is expected that this work will commence in 1965 providing there are no staffing difficulties.

REFUSE COLLECTION,
DISPOSAL AND SALVAGE.

#### REFUSE COLLECTION

During the year the following loads of refuse were cleared :-

House Refuse					3,433
Salvage					825
Pails					52
Number of asl	hbins	emptied		4	144,230

The number of ashbins emptied has increased whilst the number of loads has decreased. The decrease in loads is due to larger refuse collection wagons being used - the third dual-tip was delivered early in the year.

Refuse collection is now carried out weekly throughout the Borough including hillside cottages, except immediately following holiday periods and when gangs are depleted through sickness. Due to full employment in industry it is becoming increasingly difficult to keep a full staff and were it not for the loyal service of a large percentage of the men the service would be in danger of breaking down. On a number of occasions the Foreman (Mr. N. Ellison) has had to drive a wagon and the loading shovel when drivers have been off work due to sickness. Whilst this is not part of his normal duty it has been done willingly.

New development and the redevelopment of sites cleared of unfit houses creates refuse collection problems and the adjustment of the collection rounds has to be carried out at intervals. Several new estates are being built and consideration will have to be given to employing additional men or carrying out overtime working.

# Provision of Ashbins.

As from April 1st 1952, ashbins were supplied by the Council as a charge against General Rate Fund and since that date 5,838 ashbins have been supplied. During the year 413 bins were supplied to domestic premises and 88 bins were sold.

# Pail Codlection.

The pails serving the 40 - 50 hillside farms and cottages are emptied each week on Saturday morning - including holiday periods. A pail collection trailer is used and the contents are discharged into a sewer.

# Refuse Collection Vehicles.

Details of vehicles operated by the Cleansing Department are as follows:-

Registered No.	Make	Capacity	Purchased	Price £	Depreciated Year
ONE 147 SXJ 486 924 NC 2541 NF 419 YMA 4026 TJ 9868 VU	Karrier Karrier Karrier Karrier Weatherill Ford Karrier	8/9 cu. yd. 9 cu. yd. 18 cu. yd. 18 cu. yd. Loading Shovel 7 cwt. Van 12 cu. yd.	Feb. 1954 May 1956 Dec. 1960 Aug. 1962 Feb. 1963 July 1963 Apr. 1964	850 925 2213 2330 2150 481 2058	1961 1963 1967 1969 1967 1970

# Cleansing Department Labour

381 working days were lost due to sickness as against the very high figure of 715 days in 1963. The figure for 1962 was 364.

# Wage Rates.

Cleansing Department employees received a wage increase of 7/- per week in September. The basic rate per week for ashbinmen is now £11.12.9d. and for drivers £12.5.0d. plus 7/- per week service supplement for each full-time employee with at least five years continuous service with a local authority.

# Dean Street Depot.

A fire occurred in the paper baling shed on 1st January, 1964. About 1½ tons of waste paper was destroyed and damage caused to the wiring of the baling machine. This is the third fire to take place in the baling shed within a period of three years and it is felt that the fires have been caused by trespassers. Asbestos lined doors have been fitted to the baling shed in a further effort to reduce fire risk.

#### BISPOSAL.

All refuse was tipped at the Brushes Tip. In June a major engine breakdown occurred in our loading shovel, during the ten days it was out of action, Dukinfield Cleansing Department helped out by loaning their loading shovel when it could be spared.

During one period of two weeks in May - the Brushes Tip was set on fire four times by trespassers. One of the fires was extinguished quickly by the Fire Service and the others were dealt with by ourselves using the 200 gallon capacity pail emptying trailer and sealing with clay.

# Tipping Sites.

A small tipping site was obtained in Quarry Street - planning permission to use the site was obtained. The quarry which is on Corporation owned land will be used at present for bad weather tipping.

No further progress has yet been made in obtaining an additional large capacity site.

# SALVAGE.

Details of the tonnage and value of waste paper collected during the past five years is as follows :-

Year	Weight (tons)	<u>Value</u> £
1960	346	2591
1961	330	2478
1962	265	1991
1963	227	1704
1964	278	2087

The following are comparative figures for 1963 and 1964 :-

1963			T.	C.	£
Paper Metal Textiles Sundries	 		227	3 13 13 4	1704 103 13 13
			237	13	1833
1964			T.	C.	£
Paper Metal Textiles Sundries	 	:::	278 8 - -	6 11 14 -	2087 79 15 1
			287	11	2182

Salvage income has started to rise again and it is hoped the upward trend will continue.

# Salvage Bonus.

In the seventeen years the salvage bonus scheme has been in operation £4,681 has been paid to Cleansing Department employees. The bonus paid each financial year is as follows:-

Year	Amou	Amount Paid	
1948/49 1949/50 1950/51 1951/52 1952/53 1953/54 1954/55 1955/56 1956/57 1957/58 1958/59 1959/60 1960/61 1961/62 1962/63 1963/64 1964/65	86 60 148 512 136 159 228 367 418 435 362 332 429 356 235 169 240	8. 16 6 19 11 3 17 3 2 12 0 18 10 18 16 11 18 3	2
	4681	8	11

# Salvage Bonus Scheme.

A new salvage bonus scheme was put in operation towards the end of the year. Details of the scheme are as follows:-

A quarterly bonus of 10% of all income plus an additional bonus paid annually on all income in excess of £1,800 (the 1963/64 figure) - made up as follows:-

25% on the first £200

plus

331/3% on the second £200

plus

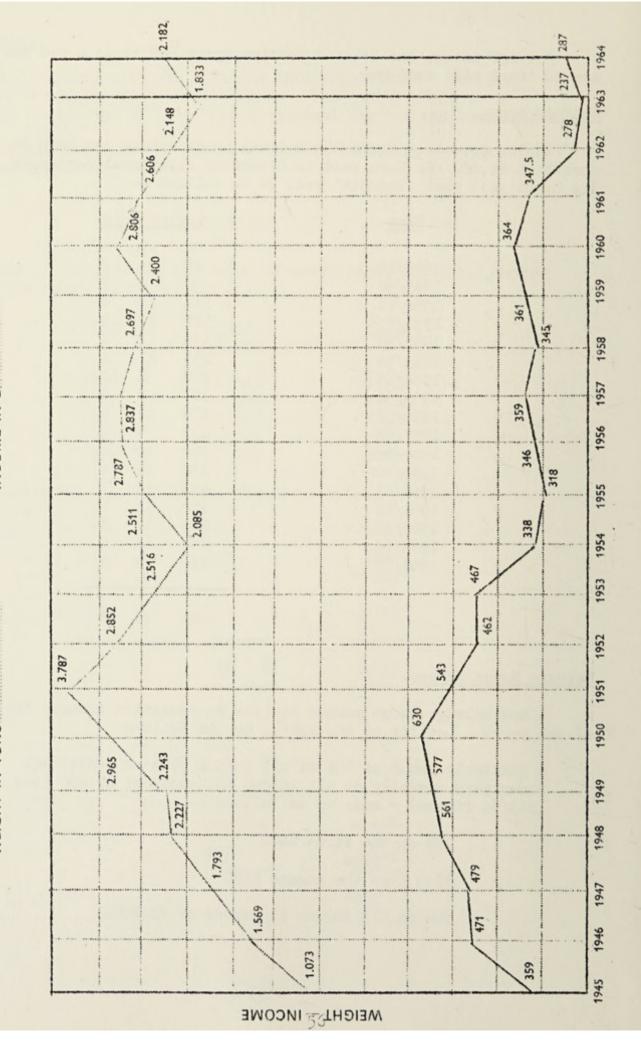
50% on all income in excess of £2,200.

SALVAGE 1945 — 1964

# COMPARISON BETWEEN WEIGHT OF SALVAGE COLLECTED AND INCOME

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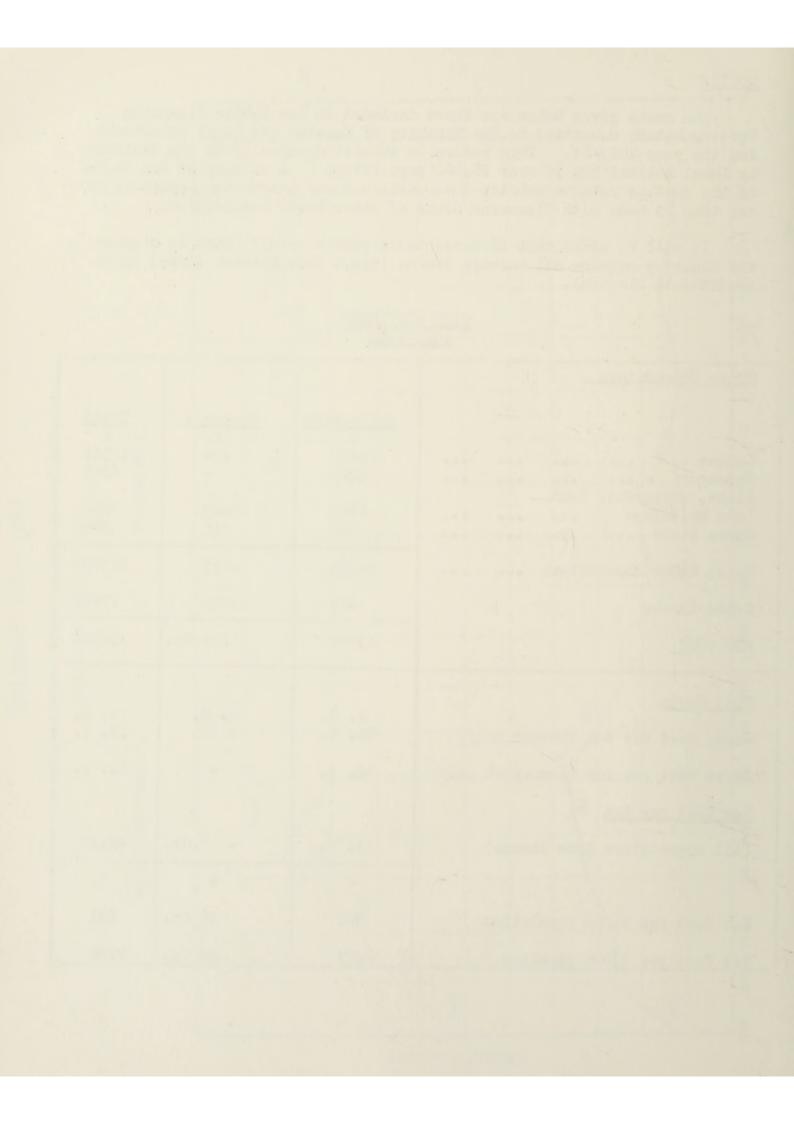
# COSTS.

The costs given below are those included in the Public Cleansing Costing Return submitted to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government for the year 1963/64. This return is submitted annually to the Ministry by Local Authorities of over 20,000 population. A summary of the whole of the costing returns submitted is published and interesting comparisons can then be made with Cleansing Costs of other Local Authorities.

It will be noted that Disposal Costs show a credit, this is because the Ministry require all salvage income (apart from kitchen waste) to be credited to Disposal.

# COST STATEMENT 1963-1964

***************************************			
Gross Expenditure			
	Collection	Disposal	<u>Total</u>
Labour Transport	£ 11686 6265	£ 838 -	12524 6265
Plant, equipment, land and buildings	1761 646	1023 160	2784 806
Total Gross Expenditure	20358	2021	22379
Gross Income	492	2235	2727
NET COST	19866	214 Cr.	19652
Unit Costs			
Gross Cost per ton (Labour only)	s. d. 26. 9.	s. d. 1.10.	s. d. 28. 7.
Gross Cost per ton (Transport only)	14. 4.	-	14. 4.
Net Cost per ton			
(All expenditure less income)	45. 5.	- 6.Cr.	44.11.
	£	€	£
Net Cost per 1,000 population	901	10 Cr.	891
Net Cost per 1,000 premises	2272	24 Cr.	2248

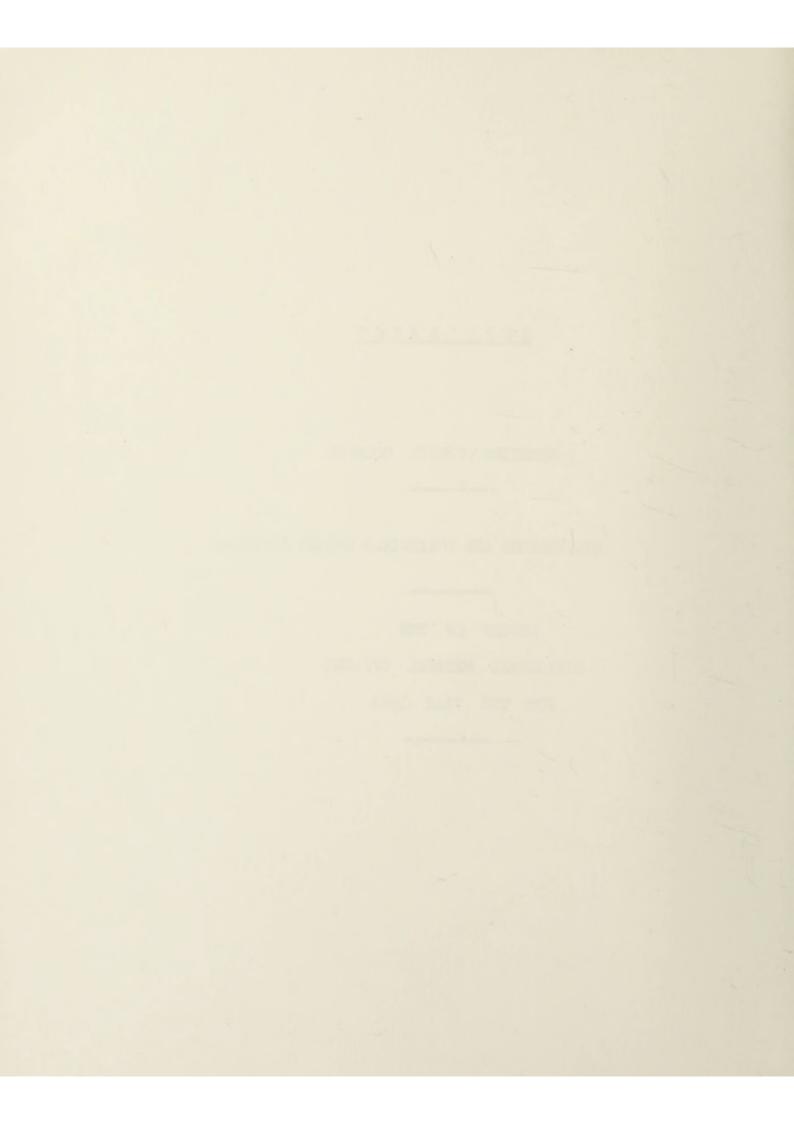


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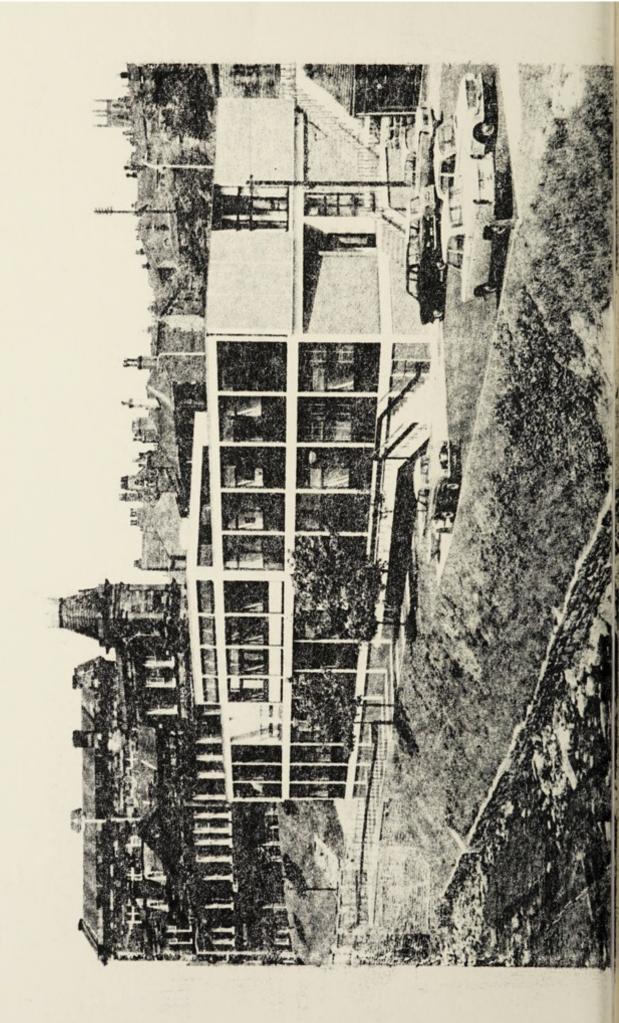
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STALYBRIDGE AND DUKINFIELD HEALTH DIVISION

REPORT OF THE
DIVISIONAL MEDICAL OFFICER
FOR THE YEAR 1964



New Divisional Health Office and Clinic Centre, Stalybridge



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County Councillor J.D. Webb

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Councillor M. Taylor

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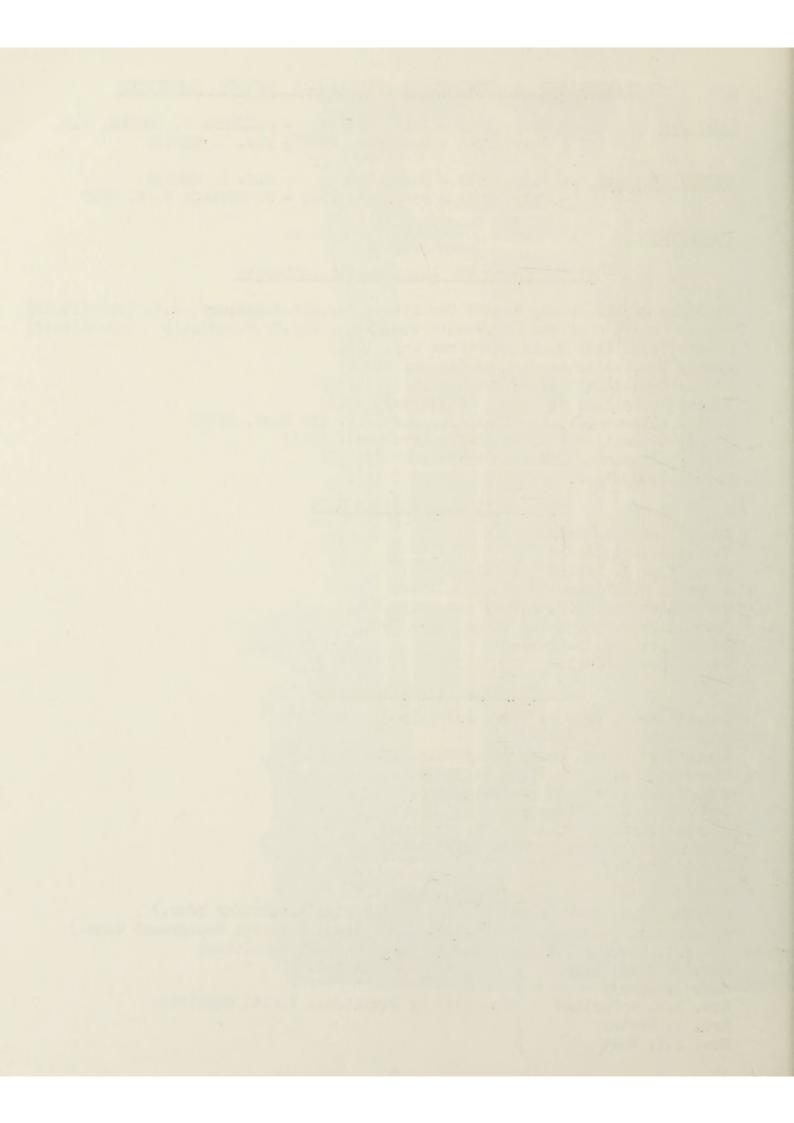
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Assistant County Medical Officer	- J. B. Hinchliffe, M.B., Ch.B.
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Health Visitors	(Stalybridge)	- Miss D. P. Flint (resigned Feb.) Miss M. E. Mackenzie Miss S. E. Howarth Mrs. M. P. Potts (appointed June)
	(Dukinfield)	- Miss W. E. Beresford Miss C. Hellings Mrs. M. Knowles
District Nurses	(Stalybridge)	- Miss E. Ramsden Miss D. H. Garner (transferred Sept.) Mrs. A. R. Porter Mrs. K. Gregson (appointed June) Mr. J. E. Billings
	(Dukinfield)	- Miss E. Ambler Miss O. Morton
Midwives	(Stalybridge) .	- Miss N. Robinson (retired Dec.) Miss H. Sowerbutts Mrs. J. Evans
	(Dukinfield)	- Miss L. Bradley Miss L. O'Hara

Senior Mental Welfare Officer - G. E. Lanceley

Physiotherapist - Mrs. R. White

Home Help Supervisor - Mrs. F. Dobson

Dental Surgeons - Miss L, Kippen, L.D.S., D.P.D. G. J. Hartley, L.D.S.

R. S. Wood, L.D.S.

Specialists

Ophthalmic Surgeon - F. W. C. Brown, M.D., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Orthopaedic Surgeon - V. H. Wheble, B.M., Ch.B., F.R.C.S.

Gynaecologist - Stalybridge - W.E.C. Thomas, M.B., Ch.B., M.R.C.O.G.

Tuberculosis Physician - P. B. Woolley, M.B., M.R.C.P.

Ear, Nose & Throat Surgeon - O.T. Taylor, M.B., Ch.B.

Consultant Child Psychiatrist - M. Rogers, M.B., Ch.B., B.A.O., D.P.M.

General Practitioners attending - M. D. Hillel, M.B., B.S. M.R.C.S. L.R.C.P. Welfare Centre, Dukinfield on a

sessional basis - A. Ketchin, M.B., Ch.B.

## CARE OF MOTHERS AND YOUNG CHILDREN

The three Welfare Centres in the Division are situated as follows :-

<u>Dukinfield</u> - King Street, Dukinfield.

Stalybridge - Stamford Street, Stalybridge

- Milton Avenue, Millbrook

Sessions are held as follows :-

<u>King Street</u> - Wednesday and Thursday afternoons

Millbrook - Monday afternoon

Health Centre - Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons

## Dukinfield Welfare Centre

The total number of new cases attending at the Centre was 252, an increase on the previous years' figures. In all some 3,730 attendances were made, again a slight increase on the attendances during 1963. This is gratifying in view of the gradual fall over the previous year. As before the sessions were conducted one day each week by the General Practitioners and one day each week by myself. This is, I think, a good arrangement as it brings the Health Visitors into contact with the Practitioners and at the same time allows the doctors to play their part in this type of preventive work. As in the past, the clinics were supported by the specialist services about which there are more details later in the report.

There were no staff changes to report.

# Health Centre, Stalybridge

The move to the new building took place during the early part of the year. While the new rooms were modern and clean and designed for the work we do we were nevertheless a little sad to leave a building which has functioned so well since 1935. Although the ground floor at the Mechanics' Institute was adapted for our needs, the accommodation proved to be adequate, large and very convenient and our first impression in the new building was like forcing a size three shoe onto a size eight foot. However, we quickly settled down and we now appreciate the advantages of modern amenities in a building in which it is possible to house all the services connected with health. The general public also have appreciated the change as is demonstrated by the marked increase in attendances in 1964. In all there were 229 new cases and 3,154 visits were made to the child welfare clinics.

During the year we lost the services of Miss D. P. Flint to another nearby authority and it was some time before she was replaced by Mrs. M. P. Potts.

### Millbrook

As with Dukinfield and Stalybridge Clinics, the number of attendances increased from 885 in 1963 to 1,217. This is more than pleasing when it is realised that the number of cases was almost the same in the two years.

During the latter part of the year the Committee agreed to conduct a child welfare clinic on Wednesdays for a trial period but the attendances proved to be so small as to make the project uneconomical. The clinics have therefore been discontinued.

### Voluntary Workers

Once again on behalf of the Committee and the nursing staff I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the work so willingly and cheerfully given at the Dukinfield, Stalybridge and Millbrook clinics by the voluntary workers during the year.

### General

As mentioned earlier the year was unique because of our move to new premises in Stamford Street. While we are still suffering from minor teething troubles in connection with the building itself (for example we are still lacking the necessary signs outside the building) the staff has quickly settled down in well nigh ideal conditions. As a result our sense of frustration has disappeared, the quality of work has I think improved, and we are no longer fighting a losing battle against both the elements and the discomfort brought about by the crumbling fabric of an old and outworn building.

Apart from improved working conditions the advantages created by the whole of the County and District health services being under one roof have proved to be to the benefit of all. There is now a far greater economy of time and effort as a result of this proximity of services and I feel there has been created a team spirit which augers well for the future.

The official opening by Sir George Godber in July was a pleasant occasion probably not so well attended as one would have liked in view of the importance of the occasion and the status of the opener but one had the impression that there was a far greater unity between the local medical services as a result than is evident from the national unrest which is evident today.

There were no general office staff changes during the year - I consider we are lucky in this Division to have maintained basically the same staff for many years - in fact the senior staff is still the same as it was when the divisional scheme was inaugurated in 1948, a record which I am sure few divisions can boast.

## Births

In 1964 there were 645 births notified compared with 648 in 1963. Of these 645, 10 were stillbirths. The number of births taking place in hospital or maternity homes fell to 50%. This means a greater strain on the domiciliary midwifery service which is also dealing to a greater degree with early discharges from hospital.

	1963	1964
Total births in the Division - livebirths	633	635
stillbirths	15	10
Total No. transfers into the division	141	114
Total No. of children attending for first time 0-1 year	504	548
Total No. of attendances 0-1 year	5202	5678
Total No. of attendances 1-2 years	1006	1222
Total No. of attendances 2-5 years	895	901
Total No. of visits to new births	604	614
Total No. of secondary visits	8201	7289
Total No. of other visits	1309	1714

### TABLE A.

### Child Welfare Clinics

Quarter	Quarter March			June			Sept.			Dec.			
Clinic		S/B	D/F	M/B	S/B	D/F	M/B	S/B	D/F	м/в	S/B	D/F	M/B
New cases		52	57	20	66	77	17	59	64	16	52	54	14
Total 0-1	yr.	425	554	247	603	670	221	562	776.	201	566	634	219
attend- 1-2	11	112	127	57	144	119	77	103	127	50	115	147	44
ances 2-5	"	38	131	24	58	125	22	49	138	22	79	182	33

The following table indicates the total births in the Division and the place of confinement:-

TABLE B.

			DUKIN	FIELD			STALYBRIDGE						
		Live			Still			Live			Still		
	1964	1963	1962	1964	1963	1962	1964	1963	1962	1964	1963	1962	
Gen. Hospital	145	127	140	3	. 9	2	168	183	162	6	3	11	
Other Mater- nity homes & hospitals	23	27	39	-	1	1	48	60	74	-	2	-	
Domiciliary confinement	114	99	98	-		-	137	137	157	1	-	1	
Total	282	253	277	3	10	3	353	380	393	7	5	12	

### Ante-Natal and Post-Natal Clinics

These clinics are still very poorly attended and there was a further decline both in new cases and attendances to 24 and 102. Towards the end of the year serious thought was given to their cancellation and although it was decided to persevere for a trial period, at the time of writing it has been agreed with the County Medical Officer that they should be discontinued. The Mothercraft and Relaxation classes will of course continue as before.

Ante-Natal Clinics	1963	1964
No. of sessions	19 34 124 30 30	16 24 102 17 10
Post-Natal Clinics		
No. of sessions held	10 19 27	12 22 41
Mothercraft Classes		
No. of sessions held	68 155 942	75 159 826

## WELFARE FOODS

The sales of National Dried Milk fell in 1964 by 1,384 tins and the fall in the amount of Cod Liver Oil and Vitamin A & D tablets sold continued. The amount of orange juice bought increased to 4,835 from 4,320 in 1963.

TABLE C.

	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
National Dried Milk	8,452	8,592	9,546	7,917	7,795	6,411
Cod Liver Oil	1,899	1,636	997	560	439	412
Orange Juice	10,902	10,424	6,206	3,647	4,320	4,835
A & D Tablets	1,377	1,409	1,075	554	461	409

### TABLE D.

Quarter	Mar	March		June		Sept.		c.	To	tal
	1963	1964	1963	1964	1963	1964	1963	1964	1963	1964
National)@ 2/4d dried )@ 4/-d milk ) free	1508 307 91	1229 406 61	1701 372 68	1120 431 50	1566 314 70	1118 423 49	1414 339 45	1071 438 15	6189 1332 274	4538 1698 175
Cod Liver Oil 3 1/-d free	124	104	104 5	97	84 4	78. 4	109 6	124	421 18	403 9
A. & D. )@ 6d Tablets ) free	132	102	112	99	101	108	113	99	458 3	408 1
Orange )@ 1/6d Juice ) free	949 29	1015 17	1097 47	1206 14	1136 27	1358 13	1016 19	1212	4198 122	4791 44

I would like to thank the voluntary workers in Dukinfield who co-operate with us so well and sell welfare foods at the clinic on our behalf.

### SPECIALIST CLINICS

It is most essential when running Child Welfare sessions to have the backing of specialist clinics where cases can be referred for consultant opinion and advice and although the numbers referred under 5 years of age appear to be small this is no reflection on the great value of this type of clinic.

1964

1963

37

37

Ophthalmic (under 5)

Opironarmite (under ))	1505	1904
New cases Total attendances	29 56	5 29
Ear, Nose and Throat (under 5 years)		
New cases Total attendances	14 31	12 22
Physiotherapy (under 5)		
These continue to be two of the busiest clinics in the during the year some 1676 attendances were made.	county a	and
The hope expressed in my report last year about the highwork was fully justified and Mrs. R. White has been most constant particularly helpful in all matters connected with her fid During the year it was found necessary to engage the services physiotherapist for a limited number of sessions and Mrs. M. I engaged from 6th January.	cientiou eld of w of an e	ns, able work. extra
Total attendances for interview by Orthopaedic Surgeon Total attendances at Physiotherapist's Clinic	693	1964 181 406
Total attendances for U.V.R. treatment  Hearing Clinics	1333	1089
No. of sessions	23 182	30 225
Dental treatment		
Ante-natal patients - new cases	2 9 9 18	2 7 21
Children under 5 years new cases	21	20

Dentures supplied.....

- attendances......

## DAY NURSERIES

The cost of the Day Nursery service continues to increase year by year and 1964 was no exception to this rule. The increase as far as the Dukinfield Nursery is concerned was from  $18/7\frac{3}{4}d/day$  to  $19/8\frac{3}{4}d$ . This situation is also reflected in the County figures. There were approximately 12 priority cases out of the total of 35 approved places.

The charges levied are as follows :-

- (i) The standard charge when both parents are working 7/6d per day
- (ii) Where more than one child of a mother is attending a Day Nursery, the charge for second and subsequent children attending at the same time 6/-d per day
- (iii) The charge for children of mothers who are single, separated or divorced and living as single 3/-d per day
  - (iv) The charge for children whose father is unemployed, ill or otherwise unable to work 4/-d per day
    - (v) The charge for mentally handicapped children attending at the specific request of the County Medical Officer of Health is the same as that at a Junior Training Centre 1/-d per day

	1963	1964
Total attendances0-2 years 2-5 years	2424 5035	2360 5061
Average attendance per day	31	29
New cases admitted	21	20
Waiting list as at 31.12.64	17	15
No. of mothers in employment	37	36
No. of medical examinations carried out	86	65
No. receiving sunlight treatment	6	5

## TABLE E.

	1958/59	1959/60	1960/61	1961/62	1962/63	1963/64
County average child/day	13/6d	14/9d	15/6d	16/9 <del>3</del> d	17/1½d	$18/7\frac{3}{4}d$
Dukinfield child/day	13/9 <del>4</del> d	15/8½d	15/2½d	18/- <u>1</u> d	$18/7\frac{3}{4}$ d	19/8 <del>3</del> d
% attendance County average	89%	89%	94%	92%	91%	89%
Dukinfield	88%	85%	91%	80%	83%	83%

### VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION

Although the numbers vaccinated against smallpox increased, the figure for 1964 failed to reach the level we normally expect. I think the main reason for this is the altered routine whereby vaccination is not carried out until 12 months - 2 years by which time many mothers have become somewhat tired of subjecting their babies to an immunization procedure. I think there is a great deal to be said for combining the poliomyelitis and triple techniques and although it is appreciated that the Ministry of Health has not yet seen fit to approve this rationale, because this is so our protection rates are being affected.

TABLE F.

## Smallpox Vaccination - 1964

Age at 31.12.64.	-1	1	2 - 4	5 - 14	15 +	Total
Born in year	1964	1963	1962-60	1959-50	before 1949	
Vaccinated	2	124	59	18	34	237
Re-vaccinated	-	-	2	4	26	32

The figures for the sixteen complete years since vaccination ceased to be compulsory are as follows:-

## Diphtheria Immunisation 1950 - 1964

The following table shows the number of children at 31.12.64. who had completed a course of immunisation at any time since 1.1.50.

### TABLE G.

Age at 31.12.64. i.e. born in year		1 - 4 1963-60		10 - 14 1954-50	Under 15 Total
Last complete course of injections (Primary or booster) A. 1960 - 1964	142	1702	1541	446	3831
B. 1959 or earlier	-	-	1276	2282	3558

	1964	1963	1962	1961	1960	1959	1958	1957	1956	1955
Total No. of children immunised by General Practitioners at their own surgeries	224	118	157	243	219	110	123	142	155	193
Total No. of children immunised at clinics	402	707	628	536	615	463	777	208	348	480
Total (*inc.boosters)	626	825	785	779	834	573	*900	350	503	673

At present the number of children under 15 years of age who are fully protected is approximately 42.57%. The number partially protected is 82.1%

## Poliomyelitis Immunisation

During the year the method of choice in almost all cases was the oral route both for the primary immunisation and for the booster dose in school. In connection with the latter may I express my appreciation of the cooperation and help of the head teachers of the primary schools, without whose assistance it would be very difficult to maintain this programme.

Year	Primary immunisation			Reinforcing dose		
rear	Oral	Salk	Total	Oral	Salk	Total
1963	285	65	350	665	116	781
1964	271	94	375	127	25	152

### AMBULANCE SERVICE

I have no comment to make on the ambulance service which has been centrally administered for some time. However as your Divisional Medical Officer I have assisted in the making of several appointments and also in one promotion interview.

### TABLE I.

Ambulance				Sitt		
	Journeys   Patients   Mileage		Journeys   Patients		Mileage	
	2052	12,829	40,259	214	2523	4,839

## Comparative Table of Journeys, etc.

-	Year	Journeys	Patients	Mileage	Accidents	
	1949 1950	5929 6502	8238 11140	27052* 58221	414 555	
	1951 1952	7235 7013	11812 12139	61450 63094	587 592	
	1953	5640 5895	11377	60864 54460	161 175	* Stalybridg
	1955 1956 1957	5457 5624 5155	13026 14310 12418	61076 67754 58778	136 135 226	
	1958 1959	5633	12035	58107 54018	189 179	
	1960 1961	5114	14280 14081	62877 59231	313 267	
	1962 1963	3230 1816	13847 11524	49060 34091	?	
	1964	2266	15352	45098	?	

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## PREVENTION OF ILLNESS, CARE AND AFTERCARE

One of the most stimulating aspects of public health of recent years has been the declining incidence of Tuberculosis and once again I am happy to be able to report a reduction in the number of cases on the register, 206 against 225 in 1963.

	Pulmonary		Non-pulmonary		Total	
	M.	F.	М.	F.		
On T.B. Register at 31.12.64	104	61	26	15	206	
Notified during 1964	8	3	5	1	17	

## Deaths from Tuberculosis

			Pulmonary	Non-pulmonary	Total
0	- 1 year	 	-	-	-
1	- 5 years	 	-	-	-
5	- 15 years	 	-	-	-
15	- 45 years	 	-		-
45	- 65 years	 	-	2	2
66	and over	 	3	-	3

## Handicapped Persons

Once again I have included a table showing the state of the handicapped persons register at the end of the year. The numbers quoted are not necessarily accurate as a person is not included without his knowledge and these figures are, therefore, below the actual ones. When requested the Committee has always taken a sympathetic view of those in need and apart from general help by the provision of wheel chairs, nursing requisites and domestic help, six handicapped persons were assisted by providing such improvements as approach to the garage or conversion and aids within the house. In addition you gave financial assistance to nine handicapped persons for whom a convalescent holiday had been arranged by the Manchester and Salford Cripples' Help Society.

We are finding a gradually increasing request for assistance from handicapped persons - the result I think of an increasing knowledge of what the Divisional Health Committee can provide rather than an increase in the number of cases. I think there is still a large and important field of work in this connection both from a statutory and voluntary point of view and I would particularly mention the excellent work done by the Cripples' Help Society which holds a weekly class in Dukinfield on Thursday afternoons and which is well attended.

## Convalescent Home Treatment

Arrangements are in operation with four Homes, two at St.Anne's-on-Sea, one at Marple and one at Buxton. 9 patients were admitted during the year and contributions towards the cost of 9 further cases, submitted by voluntary societies, were made.

TABLE J.

Handicapped Persons Register - 31.12.64.

Definition	unde	dren r 16	Aged	54	&	d 65 over	Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Amputation	-	-	2	1	4	4	11
Arthritis and Rheumatism	1	-	4	9	7	34	55
Congenital malformations & deformities	18	8	. 5	4	1	2	38
Diseases of digestive & genito-urinary systems; heart or circulatory system; respiratory system (other than tuber-culosis) and of the skin	7	9	11	9	24	72	132
Injuries of head, face, neck, thorax, abdomen, pelvis or trunk. Injuries or diseases (other than tuberculosis) of upper and lower limbs and spine	_	2	4	6	4	4	20
Organic nervous diseases - epilepsy, disseminated sclerosis, poliomyelitis, hemiplegia, sciatica, etc	8	5	13	15	2	9	52
Neuroses, psychoses & other nervous & mental disorders not included above	1	-	1	-	4	.4	10
Tuberculosis (respiratory)	2	2	1	1	-	-	6
Tuberculosis (non-respiratory)	3	2	-	3	-	1	9
Diseases and injuries not specified above	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Partially sighted	3	2	-	-	18	34	57
Totals	43	30	41	48	64	164	390

## Chiropody Service

The Chiropody service continues to expand and during the year 5,353 treatments were given to 869 cases.

#### TABLE K.

Place of treatment	ce of treatment Over 65		Physically Handicapped		
	No. of Patients	No. of Treatments	No. of Patients	No. of Treatments	
Chiropodist's Surgery	415	2659	48	340	
Home of patient	324	1865	82	489	

Number of cases in which County Council paid full fees - 818

Number of cases in which County Council paid part fees - 51

## Nursing Requisites

The following items of nursing equipment have been issued from the Divisional Health Office, Stalybridge :-

17 air rine	gs, 3	tripod walking aids	3, 6	rubber sheets,
25 urinals,	2	bed cradles,	12	wheel chairs,
35 bed pans	, 28	back rests,	6	commodes
3 hoists,	2	feeding cups,	1	bath rail
1 bed pole	1	carrying chair	2	bed blocks

#### B.C.G. Vaccination

Vaccination against tuberculosis is pursued as vigorously as in the past. It is therefore all the more regrettable that there has been a slight fall in the number of consents received. In previous years we have maintained an acceptance rate in the region of 80% but in 1963 it fell to 75% and in 1964 to 73.9%. The importance of this type of protection cannot be over emphasized and I would suggest that it has played a part in the present low incidence of consumption. Facilities are easily available in this Division and I would strongly urge mothers to consent to this vaccination, particularly when their children reach the senior schools.

## TABLE L.

	School children	Contacts
Consents issued	660	35
Consents received	488	35
% consents	73.93	
Mantoux positive	29	-
No. vaccinated	404	39
No. revaccinated	12	7
	Follow-up	Mantoux
No. tested	441	-
No. positive	421	-

## TABLE M.

Year	% positive
1954	40
1955	32.05
1956	26.9
1957	29.7
1958	21.1
1959	19.1
1960	19.7
1961	16.4
1962	11.36
1963	7.4
1964	.5.94

## Domestic Help Service

The number of staff during the year was 19 full time and 14 part time domestic helps, representing the equivalent of  $27\frac{1}{2}$  full time helps. All of these were engaged in a temporary capacity. A total of  $34,805\frac{1}{4}$  hours were worked by domestic helps. This year figures were required to be submitted in a slightly different form and cases attended were as follows:-

Persons over 65 years		••••			258
Persons under 65 years		onic sick erculous			11
	- Ment	tally dis	ordered	• • • •	2
	- Mate	ernity			7
	- Othe	ers			-
					278

This figure of 278 compared with 269 in 1963 shows an increase in total cases of 9. Predominently the work is with the aged chronic sick person. The total income in 1964 was £1,014.14.4d.

#### MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

THE REPORT OF THE SENIOR MENTAL WELFARE OFFICER, MR. G. E. LANCELEY, IN RESPECT OF WORK CARRIED OUT WITHIN THE AREA OF THE STALYBRIDGE AND DUKINFIELD HEALTH DIVISION DURING THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1964.

1.	Precis of cases dealt with under the Mental Health Act, 1959.	Male	Female
	Patients admitted to Hospital informally for Psychiatric treatment under Sec. 5, Mental Health Act, 1959.	25	41
	Cases dealt with under Sec. 29, Mental Health Act, 1959, i.e. admitted to Hospital as a matter of urgency.	2	3
	Cases dealt with under Sec. 25, Mental Health Act, 1959, i.e. admitted to Hospital for a period of 28 days for observation	10	9
	Cases dealt with under Sec. 26, Mental Health Act, 1959, i.e. admitted to Hospital for extended treatment.	1	1
	Cases dealt with under Sec. 40, Mental Health Act, 1959, i.e. returned to Hospital after absconding	2	3
	Cases dealt with under Sec. 60, Mental Health Act, 1959, i.e. Magistrates Court	1	-

In addition to the above, the following cases were also dealt with by the Mental Welfare Officer under the Mental Health and allied Acts.

23 male and 56 female patients were treated at Out-patient Clinics during the year, thus obviating the necessity for their admittance to hospital.

In the case of 7 male and 9 female cases, information was laid to the Mental Welfare Officer, but after investigation of the circumstances, no further action was taken under the Mental Health Act.

Domiciliary supervision of subnormal and severely subnormal patients has been carried out within the district.

The Mental Welfare Officer visited 404 cases in their homes within the whole of the District, with the Consultant Psychiatrist, with a view to deciding the best form of treatment to be afforded to the patient.

6 male and 4 female patients were referred to the Geriatrician for admission to chronic sick beds.

1 male and 5 female patients were referred to the County Welfare Department for admission to residential accommodation.

3 male and 8 female patients were admitted into Ashton General Hospital on a day basis.

2 male and 2 female patients were referred to other Agencies not enumerated above, i.e. Ministry of Labour - Remploy.

2 male and 2 female subnormal patients were admitted into hospital for periods of short term care, to relieve the parents of the responsibility for a short while.

2 male and 1 female subnormal patient have been admitted into permanent care.

The Mental Welfare Officer arranged attendance of 1 male and 3 female subnormal patients to the Hyde Adult Training Centre.

After-care of patients discharged from Hospital within the District has been carried out throughout the year and 911 visits have been made for the whole of the District.

217 patients have been conveyed to Out-patient Clinics for consultation with the Consultant Psychiatrist, or to receive treatment throughout the year, when necessary.

In September, 1964, we had the satisfaction of starting our own Youth Club for subnormal patients, over the age of 16 years, in the community. At first we had some doubts as to the success of this project, as it will be appreciated we required a great deal of public support. I am pleased to say that the Social Club has been very successful. We have the Youth Club each Wednesday evening and it is held at the Grange Road Training Centre.

