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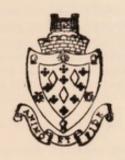
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	P. N. Blomfield §
District Inspectors	}H. Howard §°
-	S. H. Turner§°
	(Ceased 25/8/34)
	(Commenced 1/10/34)
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Shops Act Inspector.	E. A. Hamblet
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Deputy Matron, Isola	ation HospitalMiss K. RICHARDSON
Deputy Matron, Tub	erculosis HospitalMiss E. E. Wilson
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	Chief ClerkA. Rowland, A.C.I.S.
	(Appointed Housing Inspector 5/9/34) J. B. Brown§°
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	,, ,, (Commenced 30/7/34) Miss C. M. CLARK
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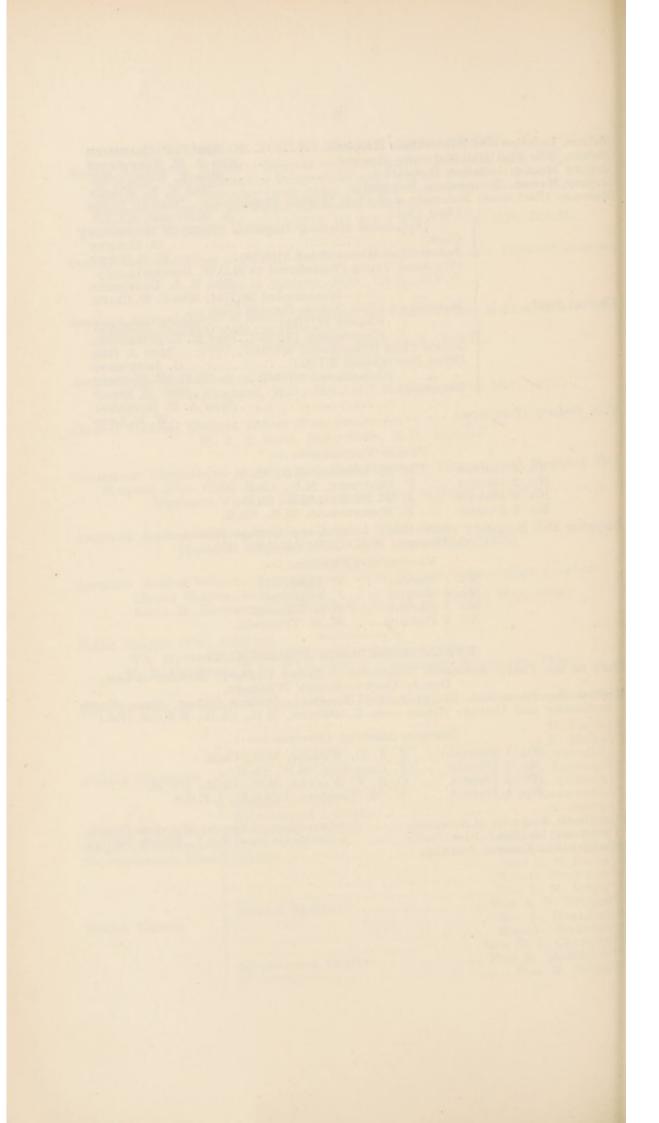
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† Certificate of Central Midwives Board. a Certificate (new) R.S.I., Health Visitors.



To the Worshipful the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the County Borough of Stockport.

MR. MAYOR, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit to you my Report on the Health of the Borough during 1934.

In considering the value to the community of work such as is carried out by the Health Services of the Corporation, it is almost impossible to arrive at an accurate assessment; a definite profit and loss account cannot be presented, but even to the casual observer, the health of the people has immeasurably improved during the last few decades. The general decline in the death rate, the increased longevity associated with this decline, and above all the greatly improved standard of living, all give evidence of this happier state of affairs. The Corporation has done much to bring this improvement about.

The year under review, 1934, is notable in Stockport, in that several new low records have been attained. The death rate, the infant mortality rate, the phthisis death rate, all reached low records, and the birth rate showed a satisfactory increase on previous years.

The drive against the slums has been maintained. The enthusiasm of the Council in this matter and their desire to put an end to this evil, should be the subject of great satisfaction to all the townspeople.

I desire to thank all the Members of the Council and especially the Members of the Health and Allied Committees, for their consideration and interest during the year. I wish also to thank all the Staff of the Health and Allied Departments for their loyal assistance and co-operation.

I am,

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen, Your obedient Servant,

> E. K. MACDONALD, M.D., B.S., D.P.H., Medical Officer of Health.

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PART 1. Health and Statistics. SECTION A.

COUNTY BOROUGH OF STOCKPORT.

Statistical Memorandum.

Statistica	I MEINO	randum.		
			121 County	
		England	Boroughs	132
St	ockport.	and	& Great	Smaller
		Wales.	Towns.	Towns.
Population (Census 1931)	125,490	_	-	_
Estimated Population, Mid-year, 1934	128,050	_		-
Area in Acres	7,059	_	-	_
Birth Rate per 1,000	13.58	14.8	14.7	15.0
Do. do. average for five years, 1930-				
1934	13.17	_	_	-
General Death Rate per 1,000	11.85	11.8	11.8	11.3
Do. do. average for five years, 1930-				
1934	12.85			=
Infantile Death Rate per 1,000 Births	54.63	59	63	53
Do. do. average for five years, 1930-				
1934	68.87	_	_	_
Death Rate from Seven Principal	0.00			
Zymotic Diseases	0.23	_		_
Death Rate from Phthisis (Pulmonary	0.50	0.63		-
Consumption) per 1,000 Death Rate from all other Tubercular	0.50	0.63		
Diseases	0.09	0.13		
Distasts	0.03	0.15	A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR	1000
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Statistics and Soci	al Condi	itions of t	he Area.	
Area (in acres)	nt populati 1934) accor	on, 1934 rding to rate	books	7,059 128,050 36,803 £760,849 £2,904
Extracts from vital statistics for t	he vear :-			
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Live Birens: Legitimate 1000	825 .		timated resid	
Illegitimate 73	38 .	35 10	tion, 13.58.	ene popu-
Stillbirths	49 .		e per 1,000 to	otal hirths
Communication of			ive and stillbir	
Deaths 1518	748 .	. 770 Dea	th Rate per 1,	
			timated resid	
			tion, 11.85.	
Deaths from diseases and accidents	of pregnan	ev and child	birth :-	
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From Sepsis				5 2
" other ca	uses			2
	Te	tal .		7
	10	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
Death Rate of Infants under one ye	ar of age :-	_		
				54 69
All Infants per 1,000 live births Legitimate infants per 1,000 leg	itimata line	hirthe		54.63 53.42
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 ille	egitimata li	ve hirthe		82.19
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Diambaga (undan 9 mag				12
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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF VITAL STATISTICS.

YEAR 1934.

	Sate.	Rate.		ntile tality ite.	Rate uthisis.	Rate other seases.		laternal ortality Rate.							
	Birth Rate.	Death Rate.	Year 1934.	Average 5 years 1929-33	Death Rate from Phthisis.	Death Rate from other Tub. Diseases.	Puerp'r'l Sepsis.	Other Causes.	Total.						
England & Wales	14.8 11.8		59	65.8	0.63	0.13	1.95	2.46	4.41						
121 Great Towns	14.7	11.8	63	70.4											
Birkenhead	17.6	12.0	60	85	0.72	0.18	0.75	4.15	4.90						
Blackburn	12.0	13.1	56.9	72.5	0.55	0.08	1.98	3.97	5.95						
Bolton	12.5	12.0	53	79	0.53	0.10	0.85	2.57	3.42						
Burnley	11.77	13.51	70.3	85.5	0.57	0.19	3.43	11.14	14.57						
Bury	12.28	14.22	84	71	0.63	0.20	7.69	2.56	10.25						
Halifax	11.7	13.9	77	82	0.52	0.09	3.5	4.3	7.8						
Huddersfield	12.58	13.49	59	60	0.67	0.13	4.60	5.26	9.86						
Manchester	14.81	12.24	69	84	0.97	0.17	1.08	3.17	4.25						
Oldham	12.6	14.5	70	89	0.72	0.08	2.89	4.09	6.98						
Rochdale	12.4	14.6	78	74	0.64	0.07	1.61	4.04	5.65						
St. Helens	19.1	10.6	65.4	97.3	0.67	0.21	1.83	3.21	5.04						
Salford	14.7	13.6 11.85					93	98	0.90	0.14	2.4	4.2	6.6		
Stockport	13.58						11.85	11.85	11.85	11.85	11.85	11.85	11.85	54 .63	76.2
Wallasey	13.3	11.7	50.9	50.5	0.49	0.14	1.54	2.32	3.86						
Warrington	17.3	11.6	74	85	0.69	0.14	0.69	2.76	3.45						
Wigan	17.31	12.39	67	108	0.77	0.18	0.64	3.22	3.86						

SECTION A.

Natural and Social Conditions of the District.

The ancient Borough of Stockport is situated on the Southern border of the Lancashire industrial area, and is actually both in Lancashire and Cheshire. The County Boundary in the Borough is the Rivers Tame and Mersey, the latter being formed by the union of the Rivers Goyt and Tame just east of the town centre.

Stockport is fortunate in that within easy access is some of the most delightful country in England, with the Peak District to the South East, and the rich plain of Cheshire to the South West. The prevailing winds also come to the town without bringing with them the smoke pollution of an industrial area.

The Borough, on the other hand, is well equipped industrially as both road and rail facilities are good, and the air port of Manchester is within easy reach. There are good sites available for new works and factories, and further the rates levied (11/6, 1934–5; 11/3, 1935–6), are comparatively low.

Comments on the Vital Statistics.

It is pleasing to note that the year 1934 was a most favourable one in regard to these matters, in that the death rate, the infantile mortality rate, the death rate for phthisis, all reached low records for the Borough, while the birth rate showed a welcome rise after three years of decrease and the maternal mortality, about which there has been so much discussion of late, continued its downward trend, being again lower than that of this Country as a whole.

Births.

The corrected number of births registered in the Borough during 1934 was 1,739, of which 863 were males and 876 females. The birth rate per thousand of the population was equal to 13.58, the figure for 1933 being 12.23. In 1933 there were 1,553 births—790 males, 763 females, so that there was an aggregate increase in 1934 of 186.

Infantile Mortality Rate.

The rate for 1934 was 54.63. This is calculated on the number of infants dying before reaching one year old per 1,000 infants born. The rate is a low record for Stockport—the previous lowest being 56.72 in 1930. It is a matter for congratulation that although this rate shows some variation, yet it is possible every few years to say that a new low record has been reached. Not so many years ago it was considered wonderful if this rate reached the, then, low figure of 100—nowadays so high a figure would cause us serious concern, and we are within measurable distance of the excellent figure of 50.

This year (1935) marks an important milestone in the history of child welfare in Stockport, for twenty-one years ago, in March, 1914, to be exact, the first child welfare clinic was opened in the Borough by the Voluntary Ladies' Committee, at Churchgate House.

A new table is inserted here to show the astonishing progress made during the last 21 years in the diminution of the infant death rate.

This table indicates that had this rate of infantile mortality observed from 1905/14 prevailed until 1934, the expected number of deaths would have been enormously increased, and in fact it can be said that nearly 3,000 lives have been saved.

DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER 1 YEAR.

Year.	Actually recorded deaths.	No. been rate over	Difference.		
1904–1913 (Average) 421		prevailed. 421		0
1914	. 339		428		— 89
1915	309		382		— 73
1916			349		— 80
1917			297		-116
1918			281		- 80
1919			309		—115
1920			455		-173
1921			402		-169
1922			344		-176
1923			348		-145
1924			324		-144
1925			326		-124
1926			316		-151
1927			288		-146
1928			286		-145
1929			267		-112
1930			277		—177
1931			270		-134
1932			252		-138
1933			244		-115
1934			273		—178
Total 1914/1934	3938		6718		-2780
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Note—The infant mortality rate for the years 1904/1913 averaged 157 per 1,000—for the year 1934, as stated, it was 55.

The actual number of children dying under one year of age in 1934 was 95, or 34 less than in 1933.

Once again it is necessary to note that the greatest number of deaths occurs in the first few weeks of life, no less than 59 (67 in 1933) being ascribed to congenital debility, premature births, malformation, etc. These "neonatal" deaths constituted 62 per cent. of the total infant deaths, and their continued predominance is a cause for serious concern. They are among the most difficult to prevent—they are, of course, not touched by the infant welfare service, but are a legacy of faults in pregnancy or child-birth—considerable attention has been focussed on this aspect of this problem, and an increase in the ante-natal service has been accomplished in 1935, which should do something to lower this great toll on infant life as well as assuring a safer confinement to the mothers.

Other important causes of infant deaths were:—11 from Diarrhoea (17 in 1933), 11 from pneumonia (19 in 1933), and two from whooping cough (1 in 1933). There was only one death from influenza as against five in 1933.

Illegitimacy.

During the year there were 73 illegitimate births registered, as compared with 59 in 1933. This gives an illegitimate birth rate of 41.98 per thousand total births, as compared with 37.99 in 1933.

The infantile mortality rate amongst illegitimate children is 82.2 per thousand illegitimate births.

The following table shows the comparison between the death rates of illegitimate children and others registered in the Borough during the past ten years:—

	Esti- mated	Bi	rths.		timate rths.	Total deaths	Infan- tile mor-	Deaths of illegiti-	Illegiti- mate infantile mortality
Year	popula- tion.	Legit- imate	Illegit- imate	The second second	to 1000 births	under 1 year of age	tality per 1000 births.	mates under 1 year	per 1000 illegiti- mate births.
1925	125900	1975	104	0.83	50.02	202	97.2	20	192.3
1926	125400	1926	88	0.70	43.69	165	81.9	14	159.1
1927	125200	1750	85	0.68	46.32	142	77.4	7	82.4
1928	127600	1756	71	0.56	38.86	141	77.2	6	84.5
1929	127800	1622	78	0.61	45.88	155	91.2	13	166.6
1930	127800	1682	81	0.63	45.94	100	56.7	8	98.8
1931	126600	1660	62	0.49	36.00	136	79.0	7	112.9
1932	126800	1534	71	0.56	44.24		71.0	9	126.8
1933	127000	1494	59	0.46	37.99	129	83.0	8	135.6
1934	128050	1666	73	0.57	41.98		54.63	6	82.5

Marriages.

The number of marriages solemnised during the year 1934 was 1,218, or 121 more than in 1933, the marriage rate per thousand persons living being 19.02, the figure for 1933 being 17.28.

Of the 1,218 marriages, 603 were solemnised according to the rites of the Established Church, 126 under Roman Catholic rites, one at the Jewish Synagogue, 200 according to the rites of other religious denominations, and 288 at the Registrar's Office.

Year.	Number of Marriages	Rate per 1000 Living.	Rate for England and Wales.
1925	1050	16.7	15.2
1926	936	14.9	14.3
1927	1027	16.4	15.7
1928	1087	17.0	15.3
1929	1088	17.03	15.8
1930	1091	17.07	15.8
1931	969	15.31	15.6
1932	1070	16.88	15.2
1933	1097	17.28	15.7
1934	1218	19.02	16.9

Deaths.

The corrected number of deaths recorded during 1934 was 1,518, namely 748 males, and 770 females. The death rate per thousand of the estimated population was 11.85 (lowest record).

This rate established a low record for Stockport, the previous lowest being 12.02 in 1930. Reference should be made to the detailed table on page 11, showing the figures for certain rates compared with other similar towns.

Mortality in Different Wards.

The Corrected Nett Death-rate for the Borough as a whole was 11.85 per 1,000 of the estimated population. The highest Ward Death-rate occurred in Hempshaw Lane Ward, namely, 15.89, whilst the lowest was recorded in Shaw Heath Ward with 10.07.

The Zymotic Death-rate for the whole Borough was 0.23. This Rate is calculated on the number of deaths from the following diseases:—Small-pox, Measles, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria and Membranous Croup, Whooping Cough, Typhoid Fever, and Diarrhoea, and the total number of deaths from these diseases was 30.

Phthisis Death-rate. The Death-rate from Pulmonary Tuberculosis, or consumption of the lungs, for the whole of the Borough, was 0.50 per 1,000 of the population, as compared with 0.75 for 1933, and the total number of deaths recorded was 64, as compared with 95 for 1933, 101 for 1932,

105 for 1931, 76 for 1930, 105 for 1929, 89 for 1928, 77 for 1927, 70 for 1926, 104 for 1925, and 110 for 1924. It will be noted that the number for 1934, viz. 64, is easily the lowest on record.

The highest Death-rate from Phthisis occurred in Portwood Ward, namely, 0.79 per 1,000 of the population.

COMPARATIVE MORTALITY DURING LAST DECENNIUM.

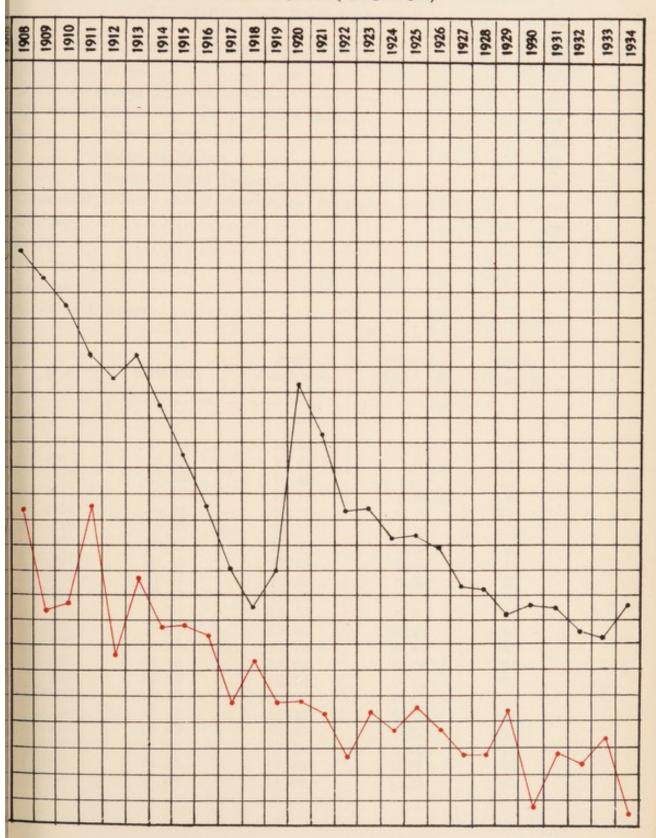
Herein are set out some of the principal causes of death in the Borough for the past ten years :—

			N	umber	r of	Death	8.			
Cause of Death.	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934
Seven Chief Zymotics	62	50	32	39	30	50	34	57	39	30
Smallpox			1							
Scarlet Fever	6	7	5	2	1	2	1		1	2
Diphtheria	3	7	6	5	6	12	15	24	15	4
" Fevers "—Typhoid										
and Continued				2		1		1	1	
Measles	100000	25	7	15	1	10		10		3
Whooping Cough		5	6	13	19	7	- 3	14	4	4
Diarrhoea	8	6	7	2	3	18	15	8	18	17
Influenza	19	25	39	19	83	27	88	37	100	27
Lung Diseases (including							1200	30		
Phthisis)	501	391	373	444	538	214	318	306	285	195
Heart Disease, &c		420	373	359	373	530	545	504	591	527
Accidents		33	44	38	52	48	50	36	45	50

The following table shows the distribution and density of the population in the various Wards, estimated at the middle of 1934:—

			Per	rsons per
Ward.	Acreage.	Population.		acre.
ALL STOCKPORT	7,059	 128,050		18.16
1. Lancashire Hill	145	 5,445		37.55
2. Heaton Lane	234	 5,934		25.36
3. Old Road	114	 5,359		47.00
4. Portwood	324	 7,567		23.36
5. St. Mary's	91	 2,670		29.34
6. Vernon	427	 6,604		15.47
7. Spring Bank	81	 3,990		49.26
8. Hollywood	346	 8,566		24.76
9. Edgeley	331	 11,635		35.15
10. Shaw Heath	392	 10,126		25.82
11. St. Thomas's	53	 4,618		87.13
12. Hempshaw Lane	146	 5,036		34.49
13. Cale Green	145	 5,744		39.61
14. Heaviley	1,115	 14,523		13.03
15. Reddish North	786	 9,627		12.25
16. Reddish South	755	 6,934		9.18
17. Heaton Norris North	711	 5,955		8.38
18. Heaton Norris South	863	 7,717		8.94

Chart showing the Annual Birth-rate per thousand of the population and the infant Mortality Rate per cent. of Registered Births, for the past 27 years (1908-1934)



Birth-rate indicated by Black lines.
infant Mortality Rate indicated by Red lines.

TABLE SHOWING SUMMARY OF VITAL AND MORTAL STATISTICS FOR THE BOROUGH. No of Deaths Lung Diseases (excluding Phthisis)..... 129 Phthisis.... 64 Other Tubercular Diseases,..... 12 Diseases of Circulatory System (Heart, &c.)..... 544 Nervous System..... 109 Digestive System..... 60 Genito-Urinary System...... 62 Congenital Debility and Malformations, Premature Birth, &c. 58 Old Age..... 28 Cancer.... 250 Accidents 46 Suicides..... 15 All other Diseases..... 141 Nett Zymotic Infant Year. Birth-rate Death-rate. Death-rate. Mortality. 1914 21.64 1.18 124 15.10 1915 19.32 16.69 1.59 127 17.66 121 1916 15.42 1.49 1917 15.17 13.18 0.5496 1918 13.84 18.29 0.69 112 15.05 13.33 0.32 98 1919 22.20 12.87 0.88 97 1920 1921 20.43 12.16 0.53 91 1922 77 17.42 13.37 0.531923 17.63 12.66 0.35 92 1924 13.86 87 16.37 0.5197 1925 16.51 13.94 0.49 1926 16.06 12.78 0.40 82 77 0.26 1927 14.66 12.54 77 1928 14.32 12.79 0.31 13.30 0.23 92 1929 13.87 0.39 57 1930 13.79 12.02 79 1931 13.60 13.85 0.2712.66 12.72 0.45 71 1932 83 12.23 13.83 0.31 1933 1934 13.58 11.85 0.23 55

Inquests and Uncertified Deaths.

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Digestive System	2 - 46
2.—By Accident or Negligence.	
In Vehicular Traffic 18 On Railway	1
Falls	1
Burns and Scalds 5 Other Injuries	2 41
3.—Suicide.	
By Gas Poisoning 9 By Poison	2
" Cut or Stab 3 " Hanging	1 - 15
4.—Open Verdict.	- 15
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5.—Certified by Coroner (No Inquest held).	
Respiratory System 2 Kidney Disease	1
6.—Uncertified Deaths.	- 3
Heart Disease	1
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SUMMARY OF THE VITAL AND MORTAL STATISTICS OF THE BOROUGH AND EACH OF ITS WARDS FOR THE YEAR 1934

WARD	Acreage.	Estima- ted Popula- tion.	Persons per acre.	No. of Births registered.	Birth rate.	Nett deaths	Death	No, of de'ths under I year of age	Infant mor- tality rate per	No. of de'ths from 7 prin- cipal Zy- motic dise- ases!	Zymotic Death rate per 1000.	Zymotic death rate per 1000 (exclud- ing Diar- rhœs)	No. of de'ths from Diar- rhœa.	Death rate from Diar- rhosa per 1000,	No. of de'ths from P'thi- sis.	Death rate from Phthisis per 1000.	No. of de'ths from other Tub'r- cular di- seases	Death rate from other Tuber- cular diseases per 1000.	from	Death rate from the Lung Disease Disea
LANCASHIRE HILL	145	5,445	37.55	M. F. 41 88 74	13.6	71	18.05	4	54.05						1	.18	1	.18	7	1-29
HEATON LANE	234	5,984	25.36	95	16.02	76	12.82	5	52.63	2	0.34	0:34			4	0.67			6	1.01
OLD ROAD	114	5,359	47.00	75	14:00	70	13.06	6	80.00						2	0.37			8	1.49
PORTWOOD	324	7,567	28.36	115	15.20	90	11.89	3	26:09	3	0.40	0.26	1	0.13	6	0.79			5	0-66
ST. MARY'S	91	2,670	29-84	27 26	19.86	30	11.24	3	56.60	1	0.37		1	0.37	1	0-37			4	1.50
VERNON	427	6,604	15.47	50 48	14.84	82	12.42	9	91.84						4	0.61	8	0.45	7	1.06
SPRING BANK	81	3,990	49-26	31 45	19.08	45	11.28	5	65.79	3	0.75		3	0.75	2	0.50			6	1.50
HOLLYWOOD	346	8,566	24.76	107	12.49	110	12:84	8	74-77	1	0.12	0.12			6	0.70	1	0-12	10	1-17
EDGELEY	331	11,635	35.15	58 61	10.23	131	11:26	8	67-23	2	0.17		2	0.17	5	0.43	1	0 09	11	0.95
SHAW HEATH	392	10,126	25.82	59 58	11.55	102	10.07	6	51.28	1	0.10		1	0.10	5	0.49	1	0.10	6	0.59
ST. THOMAS'S	53	4,618	87.13	69	14.94	66	14.29	6	86.96	2	0:43	0.22	1	0.21	1	0.22	3	0.65	6	1.80
HEMPSHAW LANE	146	5,036	34.49	90	17:87	80	15.89	6	66-67	2	0.40	0.40			2	0.40	1	0.20	6	1.19
CALE GREEN	145	5,744	39.61	52	9.05	88	15:32	4	76.92	2	0.35		2	0.35	2	0.35	1	0-17	6	1.04
HEAVILEY	1115	14,528	13.08	272	18.73	154	10.60	7	25.78	2	0.14		2	0.14	9	0.62			10	0-68
REDDISH NORTH	786	9,627	12.25	96	9.97	104	10.80	5	52.08	4	0.42	0.21	2	0.21	7	0.73			11	1.1.
REDDISH SOUTH	755	6,934	9.18	108	15.58	76	10.96	6	55.56	1	0.14	0.14			5	0.72		***	8	1.15
HEATON NORRIS N.	711	5,955	8.38	36	6.05	64	10.75	1	27.78	1	0.17		1	0.17	1	0.17			7	1.18
HEATON NORRIS S.	863	7,717	8.94	87	11.27	79	10.24	3	34.48	3	0.39	0.26	1	0.13	1	0.18			5	0.65
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* Deaths of Stockport residents in the Union Hospital, Union Workhouse, Infirmary, and Isolation Hospital are here referred to the Wards in which they lived Deaths within the Borough of Non-residents from out-townships are excluded.
† The "Seven Principal Zymotic Diseases" are Smallpox, Measles, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria and Membranous Croup, Whooping Cough, Fever (typhus, typhoid and continued), and Diarrhæa.

‡ Registrar General's estimate for 1934.

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s years.	TRANSFERABLE DEATHS.	100	residents registered in the District.	80	134	152	191	175	199	226	191	234	192	276	
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Vital Statistics of whole Borough during 1934, and previous years.—Name of District, STOCKPORT.	Total	Population	to Middle of	2	126,000	125,900	125,400	125,200	127,600	127,800	127,800	126,600	126,800	127,000	01000
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Total population at all ages, 125,490 at Census of 1931. Area of District in acres (land and water): 7,059. Private families or separate occupiers: 33,760 at Census of 1931.

	Registrar General's Return of Gauses of	ses of	Death	at Di	Death at Different Periods of Life in the County Borough of Stockport.	Period	s of L	ife in	the Co	unty E	oroug	h of Si	ockpo	i,
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Male Genito-Urinary Organs..... 1. Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers.... Cancer and other Tumours.
 Buccal Cavity and Pharynx..... Digestive Organs and Peritoneum.... Skin...Other or Unspecified Organs.... Tumours, Non-malignant, or of un-Acute Rheumatic Fever..... Chronic Rheumatism and Gout All other Forms of Tuberculosis..... Syphilis. Purulent Infection and Septicaemia, Rheumatic Diseases, Diseases of Nutrition and Endocrine Glands and Scarlet Fever..... Whooping Cough..... Diphtheria..... non puerperal..... Influenza Infectious and Parasitic Diseases. other General Diseases. CAUSE OF DEATH. 22. 123.62 19. 9.000 Ė

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C	CAUSE OF DEATH.	VIII. Diseases of the Respiratory System. 47. Bronchitis. 48. Pneumonia. 49. Pleurisy. 50. Other Diseases of the Respiratory		IX. Diseases of the Digestive System.		ā -	55. Hernia, Intestinal Obstruction		57. Other Diseases of the Liver and Biliary passages (including Biliary Calculus)	 Other diseases of the Digestive System 115, 116, 118, 123, 	X. Diseases of the Genito-Urinary System.	60. Other diseases of the Midney, and Annexa		63. Discases of the Urethra, Urmary Abscess, etc	65. Diseases of the Genital Organs, not

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	Puerperal Haemorrhage	140, 145	::	- 10	::	::	::	: :	::	: :		:-	:00		: :	::	::	: :
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	Rheumatism excepted)	154-156	:	:	:		:	:	:	:	•	-	:	:	:	:	:	:
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.,,	. Other Diseases peculiar to Early Infancy	161	63	61	4	:	:	:	:				-:	:	:	:	: :	:
X .78.	Senility.	162	6	19	:	:	:	:	:				:	:		:	9	22

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82. Other violent deaths the nature of which (suicide, homicide, accident) is unknown	195 1	61 :	::	::	: :	: :	: :	::	: :	::	::	::	:-	61		:

SECTION B.

General Provisions of Health Services for the Area.

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General Provision of Health Services for the Area.

 (i) Full particulars of the Public Health Officers of the Authority are incorporated at the beginning of this Report.

- (ii) (a) Laboratory facilities. As noted in the report for 1933. Mr. W. Marshall, F.I.C., F.C.S., the Public Analyst, died early in 1934. Consideration was given to the establishment of a Borough Laboratory but owing to the difficulty of accommodation this was deferred. Mr. T. R. Hodgson, M.A., F.C.I., F.C.S., was appointed in September, 1934 as Public Analyst. The work in the interregnum was carried out by the Manchestre Public Health Laboratory, to whom our thanks are due.
 - (b) Ambulance facilities. No change.(c) Nursing in the Home. No change.
 - (d) Clinics and Treatment Centres. An additional Ante-Natal at Reddish and an Infant Welfare Clinic at Adswood.
 - (e) Hospitals—Public and Voluntary. See 1930 Report, pages 28 and 29.

STOCKPORT INFIRMARY.

The following details are obtained from the Annual Report of the Stockport Infirmary for 1934:—

STOCKPORT	INFIRMARY.	YEAR	1934.

Number of Patients admitted	3051
	New Patients. Attendances.
Medical Out-Patients	545 2197
Surgical Out-Patients	1041 3577
Aural Out-Patients	1117 4309
Ophthalmic Out-Patients	857 3795
Orthopaedic Out-Patients	2685 53850
Gynaecology	153 247
Dental Out-Patients	492 658
X-Ray Out-Patients	
Ultra-violet Light Department Out-Patients	s 115 4433
Casualty Department Out-Patients	5491 20105
Total	17216 98217
Number of Road Accidents treated	
	112
OPERATIONS.	
General Surgical	1087
Orthopaedic	
Ear, Nose and Throat	775
Eye	39
Gynaecological	
Minor Operations	

	2.9	
	MASSAGE AND ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT.	urund
	Number of New Cases	2748 54991
	PATHOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT.	a Grande
	Hospital Medical Cases. Hospital Surgical Cases. Public Health Cases. Private Cases.	3286 1295 3701 1064
	Total	9346
,	The daily average number of beds occupied was 121.8 The average stay of each In-Patient was 14.6	days.
	There has been no formal conference between the Local Authority the Board of the Voluntary Hospital, as suggested by Section 13 of Local Government Act, 1929.	and of the
	A new Gynaecological unit was established during the year.	

STEPPING HILL HOSPITAL.

The question of appropriation of this Hospital again came before the Council at the request of the Ministry, but the previous decision not to do so was re-affirmed.

Consideration has been given to the extension of the Maternity Block, much needed by the expansion of this branch of the service and the Committee has visited various towns for this purpose.

The alterations to the Operating Theatre were completed during the year and this unit is now a very excellent one. The ante-natal clinic is now more conveniently housed in the old porter's lodge.

The X-ray Department, mentioned in many previous reports, is now approaching the stage of actual existence much to the satisfaction of the Committee and the Staff. Tenders have been accepted, and Departmental permission to proceed obtained.

INSTITUTIONAL TREATMENT OF THE SICK.

STEPPING HILL HOSPITAL. SHAW HEATH INSTITUTION.

The	e area and the population served by the Institutions :-	
	The County Borough of Stockport.—Population (1934)	128,050
	Hyde and Cheadle Guardians Area of the Cheshire County Council— Population (Census, 1931)	83,999
	Both maintained under the Poor Law Act.	100

STAFFING :-

Medical Superintendent or Medical Officer (Name and qualifications and whether resident):—E. C. Dutton, F.R.C.S. (Ed.), M.B., Ch.B.(Vict.). Resides at Stepping Hill Hospital. Whole-time officer.

	Stepping Hill Hospital.	Shaw Heath Institution.
Number of other Resident Medical Staff		Nil.
Number of Visiting Staff	Three.	Two (Med.Supt. & Asst. Med. Supt.).
Specialised services supplied	(a) Surgeon.	Nil.
	(b) Obstetrician	
	& Genaecolog	ist.
	(c) Anaesthetist.	
Number of (a) Trained Nurses	25	4
(b) Probationer Nurses	42	Nil.
(c) Assistant Nurses	2 Untrained Attendants.	19
(d) Male Attendants	1	9
Total number of hade provided in the Institution	or for Siels and M	atamity Casas at

Total number of beds provided in the Institutions for Sick and Maternity Cases at 31st December, 1934:—

		Hill Hospite Maternity.	al.		cath Institution Chronic Sick.
(a) For Men	194	_		80	112
(b) For Women		34		77	90
(c) For Children (under 16 years of age)	55†	-		-	6
Total		453		NAME OF TAXABLE PARTY.	365

[†] Excluding cots in Maternity Wards.

1.—Table showing the classification of the accommodation for Sick, Maternity and Mental Cases and the number of beds occupied on the 31st December, 1934.

STEPPING HILL HOSPITAL.

		Beds.								
Classification of Wards.	No. of Wards	W.		Women.		CHILDREN. (under 16 yrs. of age.)		Total.		
	(2)	Pro- vided (3)	Occu- pied (4)	Pro- vided (5)	Occu- pied (6)	Pro- vided (7)	Occu- pied (8)	Pro- vided (9)	Occu- pied (10)	
Medical]		108	48	117	99			225	147	
Surgical	11 }	54	12	26	20			80	32	
Chronie Siek			(In	cluded	in 1	and 2	above)			
Children	1					28	28	28	*28	
Tuberculosis	3	32	13	27	12	3	3	62	28	
Maternity	2			34	17			34	17	
Nursery for Healthy Children	1					24	9	24	9	
Total	18	194	73	204	148	55	40	453	261	

^{*}One T.B. Case in Children's Ward,

SHAW HEATH INSTITUTION.

					BED	s.	Villa I.		
Classification of Wards.	No. of Wards			Women.		CHILDREN. (under 16 yrs. of age.)		Total.	
(1)	(2)	Pro- vided (3)	Occu- pied (4)	Pro- vided (5)	Occu- pied (6)	Pro- vided (7)	Occu- pied (8)	Pro- vided (9)	Occu- pied (10)
Chronic Infirm Mental Lunacy Act,	2	112	73	90	71	6		208	144
1890	2	80	72	77	67		1	157	140
Total	4	192	145	167	138	6	1	365	284

II.—Statistics relating to the year ended 31st December, 1934.

(A) In-Patients (Stepping Hill Hospital.)

Inmates (Shaw Heath Institution—for whole Institution).

			Stepping Hill Hospital.			w H eath stitution.
1	1.	Total number of admissions (including infants born				
		in hospital)	2601			901
2	2.	Number of women confined in hospital	464			Nil.
:	3.	Number of live births	426			Nil.
4	4.	Number of still births	40			Nil.
1	5.	Number of deaths among the newly-born (i.e.,				
		under four weeks of age)	28			Nil.
	6.	Total number of deaths among children under one				
		year (including those given under five)	43			Nil.
	7.	Number of maternal deaths among women		-		
	•	admitted to hospital for confinement	8			Nil.
	8.	Total number of deaths	452			20
	9.	Total number of discharges (including infants	102	•		
-	υ.		2202			823
1	0	born in hospital)	2202			020
1	0.	Duration of stay of patients included in 8 and 9 above. Number of cases whose total				
		e trouter attended of the contract of the cont				
		stay was for the following periods :-	1710			567
		(a) under four weeks	1710			
		(b) four weeks and under thirteen weeks	567			129
14	363	(c) thirteen weeks or more	377			147
1	1.	Number of beds occupied :—				
		(a) average during the year	281		10.13	412
		(b) highest (on date)	340 (15/1/34)		440	(30/11/34)
		(c) lowest (on date)	246 (2/10/34)		387	(2/1/34 &
						8/2/34)
1	12.	Number of surgical operations under general				
1		anaesthetic (excluding dental operations)				Nil.
1	13.	Number of abdominal sections	60			Nil,
		The state of the s				

(B) OUT-PATIENTS.

		Stepping Hill Hospital.	Shaw Heath Institution.
1.	Out-patient provision (if any) for continuation of treatment, emergency treatment, consultations		
9	or otherwise		Nil.
	department	Nil	Nil.
3.	Number of these persons who were subsequently admitted for in-patient treatment in the		
	Institution	Nil	Nil.
4.	Number of these persons who had received in- patient treatment in the Institutions		Nil.
5.	Total number of attendances in the out-patient		NEI
6.	Ante-natal clinic, total number of expectant	Nil	Nil.
	mothers seen and the total number of	502 (seen)	
	atttendances	. 1458 (attendance	ces) Nil.
7.	Venereal Clinic	Nil	Nil.

(C) Classification of In-Patients who were Discharged from or who Died in the Institution during the Year ended 31st December, 1934.

		Stepp	ing H	ill Hospi	tal.	Shaw	Heath	Institu	tion.
DISEASE GROUPS.		Children (under 16 years of age).		Men and Women.		Children (under 16 years of age).		Men and Women.	
		Dis- charged	Died	Dis- charged	Died	Dis- charged	Died	Dis- charged	Died
A. B. C.	Acute infectious disease InfluenzaTuberculosis—	21 4	1	10 42	2 4				::
٠.	Pulmonary	2	2	30	15			1	
D	Non-pulmonary	2	1	1	2				
D. E.	Malignant disease Rheumatism—			7	63			2	
	(1) Acute rheumatism (rheumatic fever) together with Sub- acute rheumatism and chorea	30	2	33	1				
	(2) Non - articular manifestations of								
	so-called "rheu- matism" (muscular rheumatiam, fibro- sitis, lumbago and								
	sciatica)			31					
10	(3) Chronic arthritis			15	1	**			
F. G. H.	Venereal disease Puerperal pyrexia Puerperal fever—			10 5	::				
	(a) Women confined					less.		SIM I	
	in the hospital (b) Other cases				2			::	
I.	Other diseases and accidents connected with pregnancy and		•					kok :	
J.	childbirth Mental diseases—			92	6				
	(a) Senile Dementia			42	14	} 1		125	7
K.	(b) Other			5		J		13	
L.	Accidental injury and	**		0				10	
	Violence			15	13				
	In respect of cases not included above :							Marie de	
М.	Disease of the Nervous System and Sense Organs	11		51	21			6	
N.	Disease of the Respira-								1
o.	tory System Disease of the Circula-	57	20	221	52	***		52	11
P.	tory System Disease of the Digestive	10	2	405	153			3	
Q.	System Disease of the Genito-	32	3	63	5			4	
	urinary System	3		21	36			1	

(C) Classification of In-Patients who were Discharged from or who Died in the Institution during the Year ended 31st December, 1934—continued

		Stepp	ing H	ill Hospi	ital.	Shaw	Heatl	Institut	tion.
	DISEASE GROUPS.	Children (under 16 years of age).		Men and Women.		Children (under 16 years of age).		Men and Women.	
		Dis- charged	Died	Dis- charged	Died	Dis- charged	Died	Dis- charged	Died
R. S. T.	Disease of the Skin Other diseases Mothers and infants discharged from Maternity Wards and	15	29	42	2	::	::	6 16	i
U.	not included in above figures—Mothers Infants	414	::	460	::	::		::	
	above headings					40		551	
	Totals	601	60	1601	392	41		782	20

- (i) Medical Services transferred under the Local Government Act, 1929. No change.
 - (ii) Poor Law Medical Out-relief. No change.
 - (iii) Institutional Provision for the care of Mental Defectives. No change.
- 3. (i) Midwifery and Maternity Services. See special Section, pages 94-105.
 - (ii) Institutional Provision for Mothers or Children. See special Section, pages 30-34.
 - (iii) Health Visitors. See special Section, pages 98-100.
 - (iv) Infant Life Protection. See special Section, pages 99, 100.
 - (v) Orthopaedic Treatment. See special Section, page 87.
- 4. Maternity and Nursing Homes. One additional Nursing Home has been registered during the year, and as one Home has ceased to be used the number at the end of the year is the same as formerly.

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1. (i) Water.

I am indebted to the courtesy of Mr. T. Dearden, Water Engineer, for the following information:—

"The area supplied with water by Stockport covers 97 square miles and has an estimated population of 211,304. The average daily consumption of water for this area during 1934 was 6,068,000 gallons. The water was analysed at intervals, and was found to be satisfactory."

The long continued drought in the summer has occasioned some concern, but it was not necessary to curtail supplies. Appeals made to consumers to use less water met with a gratifying response.

During the year additional pumping was done at the Wilmslow Boreholes and water was taken from the River Goyt, arrangements being made for a reduction of compensation water. Fernilee Reservoir, of course, is not yet in use, but upwards of six million gallons a day (according to the state of the river) can be obtained from this source, and the Lyme Park reservoirs have been used for its storage. This has undoubtedly relieved the situation most materially.

(ii) Drainage and Sewerage.

I am indebted to the courtesy of Mr. W. F. Gardner, M.I.C.E., Borough Surveyor, for the following details of work done during the year:—

Number of back passages paved and sewered: 8 (2 fur. 54 yds.).

Length of sewers laid: 5 miles, 6 fur., 142 yds.

Number of cellar areas closed and filled in for street improvements: 6.

Number of houses demolished for street improvements: 13.

Number of water-closets erected in connection with new houses and buildings: 1,624.

2. Rivers and Streams.

No change of importance to report.

3. (i) Closet Accommodation.

The following table is believed to be an accurate statement of the position in the Borough:—

Water Closets	32409
Waste water closets	583
Pail closets	114
Privy middens	5
Cesspools	6

During the last few years the following conversions from privies to water closets have been carried out:—

	No. of Privies convert	ec
Year.	to Water-Closets.	
1923	 195	
1924	 238	
1925	 200	
1926	 619	
1927	 342	
1928	 125	
1929	 15	
1930	 2	
1931	 0	
1932	 1	
1933	 3	
1934	 0	

During 1934, 17 waste water closets and 1 pail closet were converted to W.Cs. and 53 additional W.Cs. provided (as distinct from new houses provision).

Full details of this work are given in the following table :-

where Dry
Ashpits
abolished. Dustbins provided 15 89 106 19 CONVERSIONS, ADDITIONAL WATER-CLOSETS, &c., PROVIDED DURING 1934. Dry Ashpits abolished. 16 34 07 where Middens. abolished. provided Dustbins 0 0 Privy Middens abolished. 0 0 Water converted Wasteinto W.C8. 16 0 17 Pail Closets converted into W.Cs. 71 Addi-tional W.Cs. 10 6 53 20 21 converted Privies W.Cs. 0 0 No. 6..... Total.... No. 3..... District. No. 1..... No. 5.... No. 4... No. 2.

(ii) Public Cleansing. No change. At the end of 1934, there were the following sanitary appliances:-Ashpits.... 150 (iii) Sanitary Inspection of the Area. I am indebted to Mr. F. Allsop, Chief Sanitary Inspector, who has supplied the material for this Section of the Report. District Sanitary Inspector's Work. Inspections Made and Nuisances Found :-Total Inspections made (all purposes)...... 21427 Total individual properties inspected (all purposes)..... 7047 Housing Inspections (under P.H.A.)..... 2467 Total individual properties inspected..... 935 Other Inspections (under P.H.A.)..... 5664 Courts and Yards..... 1267 Dry Ashpits and Dustbins..... 1524 Drainage..... 1436 Water Closets..... 1413 Water Courses..... 24 Miscellaneous Inspections..... 5988 Inspections for Infectious Disease..... 1062 Total Inspections and Visits..... 695 Total houses visited..... 720 Houses disinfected..... 720 Schools, etc., disinfected..... 102 Complaints Received..... 592 Nuisances Found..... 1200 Nuisances Abated (total)..... 1031Water Closets, etc. :-Water Closets cleansed (by Owners)..... 45 Water Closets cleansed (by Occupiers)..... 13 Water Closet Pedestals, etc., renewed or repaired..... 90 Water Supply Pipes or Cisterns to Water Closets repaired.... 111 Water Courses Cleansed..... 1 Dustbins renewed..... 350 Houses Cleansed, Re-papered, or Lime-washed..... 10 Overcrowding Abated..... 6 201 Sink Waste Pipes Renewed or Repaired..... Downspouts or Eaves Gutters Renewed or Repaired...... 253 House Drains Tested..... 171 House Drains and Drains to Water Closets Reconstructed or 343 Repaired..... Gully Traps Fixed 107 Soilpipes and Ventilating Shafts Erected...... 53 Yards, Courts or Passages Drained or Drains Repaired..... 90 124 Yards, Courts or Passages Paved or Repaired..... Yards, Courts or Passages Cleansed by Occupiers..... 6 Animals Improperly Kept—Removed...... 4 Accumulations Removed..... 34

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Miscellaneous Nuisances.....

Notices Served :-	
Preliminary	847
Statutory	64
January 1st, 1934. Statutory Notices outstanding	52
December 31st, 1934. ,, ,,	24
NOTICES COMPLIED WITH :-	
Preliminary	826
Statutory	53

Factory and Workshop Act, 1901. The following statistical table is compiled from the Annual Report for the year 1934 of the Medical Officer of Health for the County Borough of Stockport on the administration of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, in connection with Factories, Workshops, and Workplaces:—

1. Inspection of Factories, Workshops and Workplaces.

	Number of						
Premises.	Inspections.	Written Notices.	Occupiers Prosecuted.				
Factories	69	-	-				
Workshops	166	6	-				
Workplaces	26						
Total	261	6	FIRE				

2. Defects Found in Factories, Workshops and Workplaces.

DOL STREET	Nu	mber of Defe	ects.	Number of offences in
Particulars.	Found.	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector.	respect to which Prosecu- tions were Instituted.
Want of Cleanliness	21	12	-	
Other Nuisances	16	11	-	
Unsuitable or Defective Sanitary Accommodation.	3	2		
Illegal occupation of Underground Bakehouses	_	_	_	-
Total	40	25		_

There were no instances in which the attention of the Department was called to outworkers working in unwholesome premises during 1934. 261 visits of inspection were paid by your Inspectors to the various workplaces during the year.

3.—HOME WORK.

				Jutworl	Outworkers' List.		Section 107.		Outwo	Outwork in unwholesome Premises, Section 108.	olesome on ro8.
		Ë	sts rec Emp	Lists received from Employers.	from						
Nature of Work.		fwice in the Year.	the	0	Once in the Year.	he	Number of Addresses of	Number of Number of Addresses of of	Instances	Notices	Prosecu-
			Out-workers	Links	Out-workers	orkers	Cut-workers received from other	Out-workers forwarded to other			tions.
	Clsts.	-	Con- Work-	Clara	Con- Work	Con- Work-	Councils.	Councils.			
Wearing Apparel :-							Gra Gra				
(1) Making, etc	18	9	76	:	:	:	56	9	:	:	:

Number of Inspections of Outworkers' Premises......73

(iv) Smoke Abatement.

In previous reports attention has been drawn to the increasing importance of this problem, but the attitude of the public is strangely apathetic. In a town like Stockport, which has so delightful a playground in the Derbyshire hills and the Cheshire plain, the comparison between the atmosphere of town and country is so obvious that were we not lulled by familiarity to a state not exactly of contempt, but of complaisance, a great outcry would be raised with the immediate removal of all appliances, industrial or domestic, which do not consume their own smoke or are not smokeless.

As efficient a watch on factory smoke has been kept as is possible during the year, with the Staff working largely on housing and other matters, and

one prosecution has been necessary. Improvement has resulted.

(v) Premises and Occupations which can be Controlled by Byelaws or Regulations.

During the year the Shops Inspector paid 9,150 visits to the shops The number of shops on the register on the 31st December, 1934, was 3,594

Common Lodging Houses. Visits 158.

Bakehouses. 207 visits. There are 3 underground bakehouses.

OFFENSIVE TRADES. There are in the Borough 20 premises in which one or other of the offensive trades is carried on, and 153 visits were made to these during the year.

Fairs and Wakes and Travelling Vans. In connection with fairs and vans, 48 caravans used as dwelling houses were inspected.

(vi) Poisons and Pharmacy Act.

One renewal of licence was granted during the year to a seed merchant to sell poisonous substances to which Section 2 of the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908, applies, for use exclusively in connection with agriculture and horticulture, subject to his complying with the provisions of the Arsenic Act, 1851, the Pharmacy Act, 1868, and the Regulations made by Order in Council under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908.

(vii) Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act, 1919.

231 visits of inspection were made under the above Act, advice and assistance was given to the persons concerned as to the safest means of destruction in the various cases. It is known that some hundreds of rats were destroyed.

(viii) Rag Flock Acts, 1911 and 1928.

20 visits were made to various works where rag flock was suspected and 6 samples procured.

4. Schools.

(a) Sanitation.

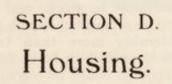
Progress has been made in improving the general sanitation of the schools. Reference to my Report as School Medical Officer will give details.

(b) Infectious Disease.

In several instances school outbreaks of infectious disease came to the

notice of the Health Department, and required investigation.

It was necessary to close Wellington Road Infants' School for a short time during the year, following which improvements in ventilation were carried out.



SECTION D.

Housing.

Full discussion of the Housing problem will be found in my reports for 1932 and 1933.

Work in the five years' slum clearance programme has continued actively throughout the year under review.

As experience in the working of the scheme has been acquired, it has been found that the original scope of the scheme was inadequate, and considerable alteration has been necessary. For example, in the original scheme twenty clearance areas, and fourteen improvement areas were included, 1,430 houses were expected to require demolition and a total of 2,038 new houses to be needed. But experience has shown that large improvement areas are difficult to work, and therefore numerous small clearance areas will have to be scheduled, which will bring the total number of these areas to considerably more than twenty. Also, on detailed examination of the houses proposed to be included in these improvement areas and which it was expected could be reconditioned, it has been found that the condition of the houses was so bad that reconditioning was impossible.

At the time of writing (May, 1935) twenty clearance areas have already been represented to the Council, and a total of nearly 700 houses condemned, but it is anticipated that only about one-fifth of the slums that require demolition are included in these figures. The original estimate will, of necessity, be much exceeded.

The great difficulty has been, and still is, the provision of new houses Fifty-one new houses were actually provided during the year, and so accommodation was found for 51 families—a further 270 houses were in process of completion at the end of the year, and will help partially to solve the immediate problem.

The scarcity of land in the Borough for this and other purposes led to the Borough Extension Bill of 1934, and as a result some 900 acres in the Offerton district was added to the Borough on April 1, 1935. A disadvantage of this land for slum clearance purposes is that it is so far from the centre of the town. The addition of bus and train fares on to the often increased rent payable for the Corporation house, however desirable the amenities of the latter may be, in many instances has a serious effect on the family budget.

The 270 houses mentioned above are being built at Cheadle Heath on a site adjoining the River Mersey, at a distance of a penny tram ride from the centre of the town.



SLUM PROPERTY IN SPRING BANK WARD.

Note narrowness of the street which is less than 14 ft. wide. These houses have two rooms downstairs and two bedrooms upstairs, are damp, with insufficient windows, serious internal dilapidations, defective walls, floors and ceilings, and are verminous.



THE BACKS OF THE HOUSES SHOWN IN TOP PHOTOGRAPH.

Note the defective brickwork, roof, etc. The yard space available to each house is approximately 100 square feet, the yard being 8 ft. wide. There is only 18 ft. between the backs of these houses and the backs of the houses in the adjoining street.



SLUM HOUSES IN CLEARANCE AREA.

Note the tie-rods supporting the building, and the old cellar dwellings, some of which were still in use at the time Clearance Order was made.

These houses are in much the same general condition as those shown in first photograph.



SLUM HOUSES IN CLEARANCE AREA.

These houses are small and very dilapidated.



FIRST CORPORATION RE-HOUSING SCHEME UNDER THE HOUSING ACT, 1930. GRAFTON STREET.

Note Belmont School in the background, and the great air space compared with some of the slum houses.



CORPORATION RE-HOUSING SCHEME, SCHOOL STREET, CHEADLE HEATH. HOUSING ACT, 1930.



CORPORATION RE-HOUSING SCHEME. ADSWOOD.



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SLUM CLEARANCE SCHEME, 1933-1938.

	Wo	rk done p to 193	reviously 34.	Work of	Total.
1	Number of Classics A	193	3.		The state of
	Number of Clearance Areas represented Number of Clearance Orders	0		9	 9
3.	confirmed after inquiry Number of Improvement	0		2	 2
	Areas represented to the Council	0		1	1
4.	Number of individual unfit houses included in 1 and 3	75		448	 523
5.	Number of individual unfit houses actually demolished	5		24	29
6.	Number of individual unfit houses closed (included in	nd miles			ENV.
7	1 and 3) Number of Back-to-Back	4	0 -0 "	14	 18
	houses made through	7	pairs	1	 8
8.	Number of families rehoused	16		51	 67
9.	Number of new houses provided	16		51	 67

Note—The above figures do not include the Bamford Street (1931) Improvement Area.

For comparison purposes photographs are inserted of some houses condemned in 1934, together with Corporation houses provided for the occupants.

Overcrowding.

No action has been possible during the year to abate overcrowding, apart from the slum clearance programme. Although many of the larger houses of the town are to be sold or to let owing to the movement of population to the suburbs, the acute shortage of working class dwellings continues. The new Housing Bill should do much to assist when it becomes law.

Housing and Tuberculosis.

The work of finding suitable housing accommodation for active cases of tuberculosis has continued during the year, and apart from certain very large families (considered below) no gross overcrowding exists among these people, better accommodation and in certain cases rent assistance having been provided. Unfortunately, as already mentioned, there are certain very large families of nine, ten, or even thirteen persons with a case of acute tuberculosis, for whom it is exceedingly difficult to obtain accom

modation. The ordinary three bedroomed Corporation houses are useless for these people, and yet their need is the greatest. They are a much more prolific source of future cases of disease than is the small family. One large house with six bedrooms has been found and is being rented by the Committee for this purpose, but several more are needed. Landlords would be doing a work of real community service if they came forward and offered accommodation for these unfortunate people. The Committee is very willing to consider rent assistance where necessary.

New Houses.

The year has seen an enormous extension of building activity and I give here particulars of the houses built, or in course of building at the end of the year.

No. of houses erected during the year ended December, 1934, by private enterprise	1514
No. of houses in course of erection by private enterprise, 31st December, 1934	953
No. of houses erected by the Corporation during the year ended December, 1934	51
No. of houses in course of erection by the Corporation, 31st December, 1934	270

Number of houses built by the Corporation and Private Enterprise during the last few years.

NUMBER OF HOUSES COMPLETED.

YEAR.		By Private Enterprise.	By	Corporation	<i>r</i> .	Total.
1923		176		_		176
1924		241		_		241
1925		405		_		405
1926		335		_		335
1927		330		20		350
1928		333		54		387
1929		294		128		422
1930		233		174		407
1931		468		332		800
1932		471		107		578
1933		670		514		1184
1934		1514		51		1565
	Totals	5470		1380		6850

Ward Distribution of New Houses.

Number of houses erected in the various Wards of the Borough during the year ended 31st December, 1934:—

		Private			
Ward.		Enterprise.	C	or poration.	Total.
Lancashire HillNo.	1	25		-	 25
Heaton Lane,	2	52		_	 52
Old Road,	3	_		_	 00
Portwood,	4	46		_	 46
St. Mary's,	5	_		-	 _
Vernon,	6	263		10-0	 263
Spring Bank,	7			_	 -
Hollywood,	8	23		31	 54
Edgeley , ,	9	75		-	 75
	10	54		(a) (a)	 54
St. Thomas's,	11			_	 -
Hempshaw Lane,	12	26		-	 26
Cale Green,	13	2		- 11	 2
Heaviley,	14	182		_	 182
Reddish North,	15	240		-	 240
Reddish South,	16	231		20	 251
Heaton Norris North ,,	17	70		_	 70
Heaton Norris South ,,	18	225		_	 225
				-	
Total		1514		51	 1565
				_	

Housing Act, 1933.

The application mentioned in my last report was amended to 149 houses, which were completed during the year under review.

minima. The unclusy these believe				D	istric	ts			
. Inspection of Dwelling-houses during	1	2	3	4	5		7	8	Total
the year.			_			_			
1 (a) Total number of dwelling-houses									
inspected for housing defects								11111	
(under Public Health or Housing	oen	207	941	415	970	079	400		2373
Acts)(b) Number of Inspections made for	209	297	341	410	910	213	400		2010
	843	039	764	700	1174	888	419	2472	8275
2 (a) Number of dwelling-houses (in-	040	332	104	130	1114	000	412	2412	0210
cluded under sub-head (1) above								min	
which were inspected and								inte	
recorded under the Housing									
Consolidation Regulations, 1925)	78	184	171	286	218	101	400		1438
(b) Number of Inspections made							100	200	
for the purpose	299	685	346	429	766	396	412	2472	5805
(3) Number of dwelling-houses found			010			-			
to be in a state so dangerous or									
injurious to health as to be unfit									
for human habitation		44	3	148	5	47	95		342
(4) Number of dwelling-houses (ex-				-	. 167	1			
clusive of those referred to under		100						0	
the preceding sub-head) found				1					
not to be in all respects reason-									
ably fit for human habitation	37	88	30	39	23	21			238
2. Remedy of defects during the year							4		
without Service of Formal			1		1000				
Notices.		1134		-					
Number of defective dwelling-									
houses rendered fit in conse-				la.					
quence of informal action by the			100		0.1		17.		1.00
Local Authority or their Officers	30	39	13	17	31	10			140
3. Action under Statutory Powers					1				
during the year.			-						
A. Proceeding under Sections 17, 18							133		
& 23 of the Housing Act, 1930.	1 4			HIL		1	100		
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in		1	- ni						
respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	5	51		1		1			61
(2) Number of dwelling-houses which		31		1		4		• •	01
were rendered fit after service of									
formal notices :—									
(a) By Owners	22	1	1	9	1	9		200	36
(b) By Local Authority in default		1	1	1 -	1	0			00
of Owners		1	1	0.00		1	1000		1
B. Proceedings under Public Health Acts.		1							
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in			1			1 3			
respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be				- 1			1		

			L	istr	icts.	1			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Tota
(2) Number of dwelling-houses in	-			-					
which defects were remedied									
after service of formal notices									
(a) By Owners	4	4		39	1	5			53
(b) By Local Authority in default									
of Owners									
of the Housing Act, 1930.									
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in									
respect of which Demolition									
Orders were made		42	1	145		6			194
(2) Number of dwelling-houses demol-	10000								
ished in pursuance of Demolition		121							
Orders		9	6	1		8			24
Proceedings under Section 20 of									
the Housing Act, 1930. (1) Number of separate tenements or									
underground rooms in respect		1						-	
of which Closing Orders were							9		
made				8		10 .	.		18
(2) Number of separate tenements or									
underground rooms in respect		4				7			
of which Closing Orders were									
determined, the tenement or									
room having been rendered fit.									

SECTION E. Inspection and Supervision of Food.

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Inspection and Supervision of Food.

(a) MILK SUPPLY.

It is of the utmost importance to secure for a community an adequate supply of pure wholesome milk, which is one of the staple articles of diet, and indispensable for invalids and young children.

Milk forms an excellent medium for the growth of organisms of all kinds, and it is liable to contamination by disease-producing germs. Milk-borne epidemics of such diseases as Scarlet Fever, Enteric Fever, etc., are well known. Milk is liable to contamination at all stages from the cow to the consumer, and it is necessary therefore, for scrupulous cleanliness to be exercised by all who are engaged in its production, storage, transport and distribution.

The farms and dairies in the area have been regularly inspected, and samples of milk have been examined chemically and bacteriologically at regular intervals.

A rough test of milk cleanliness is known as the sediment test, and it is of particular value in that the farmer or dairyman can be shown the actual dirt in his milk, and he will, by the evidence of his own eyes, realise that all is not well. In this test a pint of milk is placed in a special container, and then forced by pressure through a filter pad. The pad retains much of the macroscopic (as distinct from microscopic) dirt, and the farmer or milkman is then given marks according to the cleanliness of the milk—the maximum being 50.

91 sediment tests of milk have been performed during the year, and the results communicated to the farmer or dairyman concerned.

It is interesting to note that the tradesmen who have had tests performed, have frequently asked for a repetition of the test, as they had, in the mean-time, been vigorously trying to improve their methods. The second test, as a rule, was distinctly better than the first.

Results of Milk Sediment Tests.

Marks.	Numb	er of San	nples.	Per cent. of Samples.
50		10		10.99
45		12		13.18
40		13		14.28
35		6		6.59
30		12		13.18
25		3		3.29
20		14		15.38
15		2		2.19
10		4		4.9
0		15		16.48
		_		
	Total	91		

A more accurate examination of milk for cleanliness is the bacteriological test for the presence of Bacillus Coli (the dung organism), and for the number of organisms present in one cubic centimetre.

178 such tests have been carried out during the year, and the results have been very varied, from 100% of marks to 0%. In all cases the producer or purveyor is notified of the result with either compliments or warning. Re-examination is carried out in cases where warning letters have been sent.

Milk and Tuberculosis.

There is hardly a more important Public Health problem than that of milk infected with Tuberculosis. It is considered by leading medical opinions that 50 per cent. of child tuberculosis (other than lung tuberculosis) is due to the bovine tubercle bacillus.

124 samples of milk were examined during the year for this infection and in 3 instances the tubercle bacillus was found. These cases were followed up, and the affected cows destroyed. But this procedure is lengthy; it takes up to six weeks after the sample is taken to determine the presence of tubercle bacilli, and during all this time the cow is giving infected milk. Steps are taken by the Department to render this milk safe by pasteurisation until the affected cow, or cows, are ascertained and destroyed.

I am pleased to say that this is the best result we have had for many years, the percentage of positive results being only 2.42 per cent.

In my opinion, if the milk is not from cows guaranteed to be free from disease, it should be pasteurised or otherwise treated by heat to render it safe.

Inspections of Dairies, Milkshops and Cowsheds.

There are in the Borough 29 cowsheds, and 117 dairies and milkshops, in addition 144 persons deliver milk in Stockport.

378 visits of inspection have been made to these premises during the year, and many alterations and repairs carried out.

There is no routine inspection of the cows by a Veterinary Surgeon under the Milk and Dairies Order, 1926.

(B) MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.

During the year the method of meat inspection, outlined in my report for 1932, was continued, so that each District Inspector was responsible for the work of meat inspection in his district.

During the year 2,653 visits of inspections to slaughter-houses were made as compared with 2,260 in 1933, 1,681 in 1932, and 588 in 1931.

The following is a summary of the unsound meat and other foods dealt with, and subsequently destroyed:—

sementate mapping out springs has been a	Tons.	Cwts.	Qrs.	Lbs.
Bovine Tuberculosis		11	1	1
Pig Tuberculosis	1	12 13	2 0	21 21
Total	21	17	0	15

Whole Carcases: Bovine, 41; Pigs, 19; Sheep, 1.

827 tins of meat, fish and fruit unsound.

Fish, 1 qr. 9 lbs. unsound.

The unsound meat is sent to the Knacker's Yard, where it is rendered down to chicken meal, fertiliser, etc.

Numerous inspections of food shops, and especially the Market, have been paid, chiefly Fridays and Saturdays.

(C) ADULTERATION.

385 samples of various foodstuffs, of which 136 were milk samples, were taken during the year, and of these 25, including 8 milks, were found to be adulterated. The detailed analyses of the samples, with the action taken, will be found in the following tables:—

Analysis of Food and Drugs.

- 10 1	ysed.		ult of dyses.	105	
Articles Analysed.	Number Analysed.	Genuine.	Adulterated.	Extent of Adulteration.	Action Taken.
Milk	136	128	8	6.6% deficient in fat 1.1 ,, in non-fatty solids	Formal
The state of the s		NAME OF THE PERSON OF THE PERS		0.3 ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,,	-Informal So
Butter	32	32		3.3 deficient in fat) -
Cheshire Cheese	19	19		612	
Cream	1	1		THE STATE OF THE S	BEINT .
Margarine	39	37	2	2 Samples. Letters Margarine not ½" in height	OSTEE .
Lard	12	12		garnie not g in neight	7901
Malt Vinegar	22	19	3	3 Samples. Deficient in Acetic Acid	
Pepper	28	28	200	Acous Acid	
Sausages	28	20	8	SO ² not marked in shop =2 Samples	Fined £1 and Analyst Fees £1/1/0
m.s.				SO2 not marked in shop =6 Samples	Informal
Chicken and Ham	1	1		bampies	Intollines
Turkey and Tongue.	1	1			
Coffee	23	23		DISTRIBUTION ON A	
Cinnamon	3	3		a salaman and a	
Salmon and Shrimp. Potted Meat	16	1 15	i	100/ deficient of its Most	
Dried Mint	6	5	1	10% deficient of its Meat Admixture with the leaf Aitonthus (tree of Leaven)	
Ground Rice	6	6		The second secon	
Cocoa	2	2			
TeaRum	2	2	i	1% Excess Water	
Whisky	1	i		1 /0 LACOSS WHITE	
Camphorated Oil	5	4	1	6% deficient of its Camphor	
Totals	385	360	25	C and treated guidants at	

The following tables show the percentage of adulteration compared with previous years:—

	To	tal Samples			Percentage
Year.		analysed.	Adulterated		adulteration.
1921		360	 16		4.4
1922		361	 26		7.2
1923		326	 12		3.68
1924	:20	360	 19	off.	5.28
1925		360	 17		4.72
1926		361	 11		3.05
1927		360	 9		2.5
1928		360	 16		4.4
1929		239	 7		2.93
1930		338	 2		0.59
1931		344	 4		1.16
1932		326	 10		3.067
1933		347	 15		4.32
1934		385	 25		6.49

Analysis of milk samples compared with previous years :-

	tal Samples			Percentage				
Year.	analysed.	A	dulterated	adulteration.				
1922	 233		10	 4.3				
1923	 187		7	 3.74				
1924	 243		13	 5.35				
1925	 211		10	 4.74				
1926	 226		8	 3.54				
1927	 225		7	 3.11				
1928	 276		13	 4.7				
1929	 212		6	 2.83				
1930	 228		1	 0.44				
1931	 228		2	 0.87				
1932	 234		5	 2.14				
1933	 116		3	 2.59				
1934	 136		8	 5.88				

(D) CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF FOOD.

Chemical Analysis of samples of food-stuffs taken by your Inspectors was carried out by the Public Health Laboratory, Manchester, subsequent to the death of Mr. W. Marshall, and prior to the appointment of Mr. T. R. Hodgson as Public Analyst. The bacteriological examination is carried out at the Public Health Laboratory, Manchester.

(E) NUTRITION.

Five Empire Marketing Board frames became the property of the Corporation during the year, and have been used for posters illustrating various health matters, including nutrition. The classes in Mothercraft and Hygiene in the schools have been continued. A course of winter health lectures at the Library was instituted during the year, including the subject of Nutrition.

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Legal Proceedings during the Year 1934.

OFFENCE.	RESULT.	FINE.							
Sausages containing Sulphur Dioxide, 250 parts per mill.	Prosecution	10/- and 10/6 Analyst's fees.							
Sausages containing Sulphur Dioxide, 200 parts per mill.	Prosecution	10/- and 10/6 Analyst's fees.							
Excess Black Smoke	Prosecution	Costs when nuisance abated.							

ICE CREAM VENDORS.

During the year 26 visits of inspection were made, and it was not found necessary to serve any notices as to cleansing of premises, etc.

SECTION F. Infectious Diseases and Hospitals.

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Prevalence of, and Control over, Infectious Disease.

The total number of cases of infectious disease, excluding Tuberculosis, notified during 1934 was 740, as compared with 813 in 1933, and 813 in 1932.

Notifiable Infectious Disease.

Smallpox.

No case occurred.

Public Vaccination.

The following are the Public Vaccinators for the Borough :-

- (1) Dr. E. C. Dutton .. For Shaw Heath Institution, Cottage Homes and Stepping Hill Hospital.
- (2) Dr. R. M. Wilson ... ,, No. 1 District.
- (3) Dr. F. Chadwick .. ,, No. 2 District.
- (4) Dr. J. W. Brooks .. ,, No. 3 District.
- (5) Dr. R. Nightingale . . ,, No. 4 District.

The following table shows the number of successful vaccinations carried out by the Public Vaccinators during the period 1st October, 1933, to 30th September, 1934.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES DURING THE YEAR 1934.

Dishase.		At Ages—Years.										12:	.E.	12	Deaths at age periods.													
	Total cases notified.	-1	1.2	5-3	3-4	4-5	5-10	10-15	15-20	20-35	35-45	45-65	65 & upw'ds.	Cases admitted t Fever Hospital.	Cases treated in Sanatoria, etc.	Total Deaths	7	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-10	10-15	15-20	20-35	35-45	46-65	65 & upw'da.
Smallpox																												
Scarlet Fever	386	2	9	14	28	21	182	80	17	28	4			*276		2		3.00				1						1
Distal di	192	2	4	7	9	11	80	43	9	19	2	5		†182									2				1	
Enteric Fever	10000			100			1000							*******		4				100		1			**	**		**
	3	***				•••		2		1				3												-		
Puerperal Fever	4									4					4	2									2			
Puerperal Pyrexia	29								3	24	2				15	1			100				337		1	1.0		
Erysipelas	31							1	1	4	6	14	5		9	1											1	
Pneumonia:		1	-																							1		
Acute Primary	52			1			3	7	2	13	6	16	4		27	14							1	1	2	3	6	1
Acute Influenzal	22		35.5						2	6	5	9			2	7									1	1	5	
Malaria																												
Dysentery																												
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.	15	15													5													
Encephalitis Lethargica																												
Acute Polio-Encephalitis.																												
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis.	4				1		1				1	1		3		3						1				1	1	
Acute Poliomyelitis	2			1			1																			200		
Touce I bliomy on the state of													3 4					4	-							**		
and the same of																								2				
Total	740	19	13	23	38	32	267	133	34	99	26	45	11	464	62	34						3	3	1	6	5	14	2

Including 19 Cases treated at Hyde Hospital.
 † Including 4 Cases treated at Hyde Hospital, and 7 at Monsall Hospital.

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	00				T i	#As	Ages	-Year	-8	
Digease.	ess LatoT .befliton	TI	10	50-50	Total Dead	Cuedr Poster	Comp 710 attra	86 10 -12 'de.	10:-50	30-35
Smallpox						***		****	*.*.	1.6
Scarlet Fever	386	2	6.	14	228	12.	182	80	17	28
Diphtheria	192	2	4	7	6 4	11	08	43	0.5	er.
Enteric Fever	8						3	2	****	1.
Puerperal Fever	44				2	-4		*10.00	-	4
Puerperal Pyrexia	.29				1	3.5	(0.0)	*.*	8.	24
Erysipelas	.31				1	. 0		15	14	8,4
Pasumonis;										
Acute Primary	.52			I	-34	227	8	74	0.2	13
Acute Influenzal	22			100	7	. 2	*9*5		62	8
Malaria							***			
Dysentery							***			
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.	.15	dī.								
Cacophalitis Lethargica						*(*)				
Acute Polic-Encephalitis.						1,1.		**	**	
Serebro-spinal Meningitia.	4	***			13	4,4,	13		.2	
Acute Poliomyelitis	2			1			L.			
ledo'f	7.40	61	I.S	23	38	32	267	133	34	66

^{*} Including 19 Cases treated

RETURN showing the Numbers of Persons successfully vaccinated and re-vaccinated at the cost of the rates by the Medical Officers of the Poor Law Institutions and the Public Vaccinators during the Year ended 30th September. 1934.

Observations,		
Number of Successful Re-vaccinations, i.e., successful vaccinations of	persons who had been successfully vaccinated at some previous time.	: : or to : : t-
ssful ons of	Total.	1 183 183 96 49 890
Numbers of Successful Primary Vaccinations of Persons :—	Under One year and of age. upwards.	1 24 70 70 30 44 70
Numbe Primary P	Under one year of age.	355 4588 855 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 2
Name of the Medical	Officer or Public Vaccinator.	Dr. E. C. Dutton Dr. E. C. Dutton Dr. R. M. Wilson Dr. F. Chadwick Dr. J. W. Brooks Trotals
Name of the Poor Law	Institution or Vaccination District.	Shaw Heath Institution and Cottage Homes Stepping Hill Hospital No. 2 District No. 3 District No. 4 District

Vaccination Officers:

Miss M. E. Thompson, 240, Wellington Road South, Stockport.
J. T. Lomas, Esq., 78, Churchgate, Stockport.
S. R. BROOME, Esq., 212, Manchester Road, Stockport.
W. C. Tunstall, Esq., 33, School Lane, Heaton Norris, Stockport. Stockport First District Stockport Second District Stockport Third District Heaton Norris District

The work undertaken by the Vaccination Officers is summarised in the following table :-

Return respecting the Vaccination of Children whose births were registered from 1st January to 31st December, 1933, inclusive.

of Ty ons en-	by na.	of of rren ring dar 4.			
tion D N	actually received by the Vaccina- tion Officer irrespective	of the dates of birth of the children to which they relate, during the Calendar Year 1934.	13	508 282 180 50	1020
Total number of Certificates and copies	of Certificates of Successful Primary Vaccination of Children	under 14 received during the Calendar Year 1934.	12	194 131 153 61	539
Number of these Births remaining on 31st January, 1935, neither duly entered in the	"Vaccination Register" (columns 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of this Return)	nor tempora- ily accounted for in the "Report Book" (columns 8, 9 and 10 of this Return).	11	28 2 2	57
Number of these Births which on 31st January, 1935, remained unentered in the 'Vaccination Register' on account (as shown by "Report Book") of	Rem'val Rem'val to to places Districts un'mown the or which 'accina- cannot	be reached, & Cases not hav- ing been found.	10	16 9 5 1	31
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erred by I., II., a. Regis-z. :	Col V.	Died Unvac- cinated.	7	37 16 19 11	83
Number of these Births duly entered by 31st January, 1935, in Columns I., II., IV. and V. of the "Vaccination Register" (Birth List Sheets), viz.:	Col. IV. No. in respect of whom Statutory	Declara- tions of Conscien- tious Objection have been received.	9	443 268 146 50	206
	Col. II.	Had Small- Pox.	5	::::	:
Number of these Birt 31st January, 1935, IV. and V. of the " ter" (Birth List	00	Insus- ceptible of Vac- cination.	4	2 : : 1	00
	Col I.	Success- fully Vaccin- ated.	3	189 99 110 45	443
Number of Births returned in the	"Birth List Sheets" as regis- tered	from 1st Jan., to 31st Dec., 1933	2	764 432 284 116	1596
	Districts.	The second secon	1	1. Stockport (First) 2. "." (Second) 3. " (Third) 4. Heaton Norms	Total

Number of Children successfully vaccinated after the declaration of conscientious objection had been made, 1. man of Cortificates for year 1934 sent to other Vaccination Officers, 109.

The seasonal prevalence of these various diseases is indicated in the following table which shews the notifications received in the various months of the year 1934 :--

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	Total.	:	386	192	23	4	29	31	15	:	:	4	23		102	44	:	:	52	22		886	
	Dec.	:	40	17	-	:	20	63	:	:	:	:	:		9	63	:	:	4	63		79	
	Nov.	:	38	14	:	-	4	-	-	:	:	-	:		4	00	:	:	00	67		72	
	Oct.	:	33	4	:	:	00	7	-	:	:	-	:		6	03	:		00	-		28	
	Sept.	:	58	15	:	1	-	00	:	:	:	:			00	63	:		00	1		57	17
	Aug.	:	18	12	:	1	20	-	67	:	:	:	-		00	4	:	:	-	:		49	
	July	:	26	23		:	67	-	1	:	:	:	:		12	10	:		00	:		78	
	June	:	18	55	:	:	00	00	-	:	:	:	:		14	20	:	:	4	4		74	100
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	Apr.	:	30	13	:	-	1	60	-	:	:	63	:	100000	10	2	:		4	63		72	
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in company arin in parional	DISEASE.	Smallpox	Scarlet Fever	Diphtheria and Membranous Croup .	Typhoid Fever	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Ervsipelas	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Encephalitis Lethargica	Acute Polio-Encephalitis	Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	Acute Poliomyelitis	Tuberculosis—	Pulmonary	Other Forms	Malaria	Dysentery	Acute Primary Pneumonia	Acute Influenzal Pneumonia		Totals	

CASES TREATED FROM 1915 TO 1934 INCLUSIVE, IN ISOLATION HOSPITALS.

	1915	1916	1917	1918	19151916191719181919192019201922192319241925192619271928192919301931193219331934	1920	1821	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	193
Smallpox	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	=	1	0	0	0	0	0
Scarlet Fever 626 355 92 146 314 597	626	355	92	146	314	262	365	184 187		338 611 808	611		602	283	209 150 141	150	141	191	191 193	276
Enteric Fever	23	15	24	17	11	60	63	50	1	4	1	67	5	. 9	1	60	8	3	0	3
Diphtheria	57	55	26	69	73	167 145		112	66	55	98	92	112	193	255	236	177	352 264	264	182
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	of cases of		Perc	centage	of Scarlet
	Scarlet Fever		of o	cases	Fever
Ward.	notified	Estimated	rem	oved	per 1,000
saled has trusted	during the	Popula-	to Iso	olation	of the
	year 1934	tion.	Hos	pital.	Population
Lancashire Hill	17	5445	(14)	82	3.12
Heaton Lane	24	5934	(23)	96	4.04
Old Road	10	5359	(7)	70	1.86
Portwood	30	7567	(24)	80	3.96
St. Mary's		2670	(8)	100	3.00
Vernon	23	6604	(20)	87	3.48
Spring Bank	13	3990	(8)	62	3.26
Hollywood	28	8566	(25)	89	3.27
Edgeley	31	11635	(16)	52	2.66
Shaw Heath	28	10126	(16)	57	2.77
St. Thomas's	20	4618	(19)	95	4.33
Hempshaw Lane	18	5036	(18)	100	3.57
Cale Green	8	5744	(1)	12	1.39
Heaviley	63	14523	(37)	59	4.34
Reddish North	19	9627	(11)	58	1.97
Reddish South	14	6934	(10)	71	2.02
Heaton Norris North	12	5955	(5)	42	2.02
Heaton Norris South	8	7717	(2)	25	1.04
Stockport Infirmary	7		(7)	100	
Stepping Hill Hospital	4		(4)	100	
Barnes Home	1	0.4	(1)	100	

Scarlet Fever.

386 cases were notified in 1934, as compared with 272 in 1933. This is the largest number since 1928. Two deaths occurred, compared with two in 1933.

Following on the policy outlined in the Report for 1932, page 82, only those cases have been admitted to Hospital which could not be efficiently isolated at home. During 1934, 276 cases were admitted to Hospital, that is 71.5 per cent. of those notified, compared with 70.9 per cent, in 1933, 76 per cent. in 1932, and 89 per cent. in 1931. No additional spread of the disease whatever could be traced to this policy.

Diphtheria.

192 cases were notified in 1934, as compared with 269 in 1933, with 4 deaths and a case mortality of 2.1 per cent., compared with 6.7 per cent. in 1933. The fall in mortality is most satisfactory, but cannot be considered to be due to anything but the periodic variation in severity of the disease.

The following table shows the incidence of the disease in Stockport, together with the death rate, for the last ten years:—

Year.	Number of Cases.	Number of Deaths.	Case Mortality Rate (deaths per 100 cases).	Death Rate (Stockport). per 1,000 population	Death Rate (England and Wales). per 1,000 population
1925	96	3	3.1	0.02	0.071
1926	104	7	8.7	0.06	0.077
1927	109	6	5.5	0.05	0.070
1928	189	5	2.6	0.04	0.081
1929	250	6	2.4	0.05	0.087
1930	234	12	5.1	0.09	0.088
1931	185	15	8.1	0.12	0.067
1932	331	22	7.9	0.17	0.060
1933	269	18	6.7	0.14	0.060
1934	192	4	2.1	0.03	0.100

Prevention of Diphtheria.

The ease of preventing children getting this disease by means of three harmless injections is discussed in detail in my last Report, pages 84 and 85.

During the year, 184 children were so immunised. In the same period 1,739 children were born. It is desirable that at least 50 per cent. of the population at risk, that is of the children born each year, should be immunised each year, so that infection, when it comes, may fall on barren ground, and therefore may lose its power of re-infection. We should aim at immunising each year at least 800 to 900 children.

I do not think this can be done with our present scheme, and it has been decided to establish a Municipal Clinic for this service. Many thanks are due to the local Medical Practitioners who have so vigorously supported the scheme, but this work is too uphill, and the time required in explanation and persuasion so great, that there is no time for it in the average Doctor's busy surgery.

Of the above total of 184 children immunised, 85 were immunised by private Doctors, and 99 at the Isolation Hospital (cases of scarlet fever usually).

Ward.	Number of cases of Diphtheria notified during the year 1934.	Estimated Popula- tion.	Percentage of cases removed to Isolation Hospital.	Incidence of Diphtheria per 1,000 of the Population
Lancashire Hill	9	5445	(8) 89	1.66
Heaton Lane	3	5934	(3) 100	0.51
Old Road	0	5359	(-) -	0.00
Portwood	6	7567	(6) 100	0.79
St. Mary's		2670	(9) 100	3.38
Vernon	7	6604	(7) 100	1.06
Spring Bank	10	3990	(10) 100	2.51
Hollywood	11	8566	(10) 91	1.28
Edgeley	11	11635	(11) 100	0.95
Shaw Heath	5	10126	(5) 100	0.49
St. Thomas's	16	4618	(16) 100	0.35
Hempshaw Lane	9	5036	(9) 100	1.79
Cale Green	3	5744	(3) 100	0.52
Heaviley		14523	(14) 82	1.17
Reddish North	32	9627	(28) 87	3.32
Reddish South	9	6934	(8) 89	1.30
Heaton Norris North	5	5955	(5) 100	0.64
Heaton Norris South	13	7717	(13) 100	1.68
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Stockport Infirmary	6		(6) 100	
Stepping Hill Hospital	10		(10) 100	
Barnes Home	1		(1) 100	

Puerperal Pyrexia and Fever.

During the year, 29 notifications of Puerperal Pyrexia and 4 notifications of Puerperal Fever were received. Full details of these cases are given in the section of this Report dealing with Maternity and Child Welfare, (see page 97).

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.

Fifteen cases of this disease were notified during the year as compared with 12 cases in 1933.

Pemphigus Neonatorum.

Particulars of the occurrence of cases of Ophthalmia Neonatorum and of Pemphigus Neonatorum are given in the section of this Report dealing with Maternity and Child Welfare (see pages 97 and 98).

Erysipelas.

Thirty-one cases were notified during the year as compared with 50 in 1933. Of these cases 9 received institutional treatment, and there was one fatal case.

Pneumonia.

Two forms of Pneumonia are compulsorily notifiable to the Medical Officer of Health:—

- Acute Primary Pneumonia—Number of cases notified during 1934—52. (95 in 1933).
- (2) Acute Influenzal Pneumonia—Number of cases notified during 1934—22. (68 in 1933).

Of these cases, 14 Acute Primary Pneumonia and 7 of Acute Influenzal Pneumonia proved fatal. (30 and 30 respectively in 1933).

Malaria and Dysentery.

No case of Malaria or Dysentery was notified during 1934.

Tuberculosis. (See special section).

During 1934, 102 cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis were notified; of these 56 were males and 46 females.

Forty-four cases of other forms of Tuberculosis were notified during the same period, 26 males and 18 females.

Encephalitis Lethargica.

No case of this disease was notified as compared with two cases in 1933.

Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis.

Four cases of this disease were notified during 1934, three proving fatal.

Acute Poliomyelitis.

There were two cases of this disease notified during 1934.

Measles and Whooping Cough.

These diseases are not notifiable in the strict sense of the word, but the Health Department is informed of cases occurring in the schools, and in this way in 1934, 722 cases of Measles and 104 of Whooping Cough were so notified.

No deaths occurred from Whooping Cough, and none from Measles among school children, but three deaths occurred from Measles and four from Whooping Cough in children of less than school age.

As pointed out elsewhere, it is exceedingly important to protect the children from these diseases until they are at least five years old; their chance of escaping a serious illness is so much increased as they grow older.

Bacteriological Examinations.

The routine Bacteriological work is carried out at the Stockport Infirmary Pathological Department, under arrangements made by your Health Committee with the Infirmary Board, and at the Public Health Laboratory, York Place, Manchester,

The results of the examinations carried out at the Stockport Infirmary during the year were as follows:—

Diphtheria	Positive.		Total. 3388
Typhoid		20	-
Other Bacteriological Examinations:			
Swabs	26		108
Fermentation Tests			
Faeces			11
C. S. Fluid			5
Blood	—		4
Miscellaneous	—		34

During the year the following specimens were examined at the Public Health Laboratory, York Place, Manchester:—

Swabs (Diphtheria)	Positive. 13	 Total.
Typhoid	3	 124
Fluids (Pus, etc.)		 32
Sputa (T.B.)	-	 1
Milk (Bacterial Count and Coli)	-	 144
Totals	16	 334

The examination of sputa in suspected cases of phthisis is carried out at the Tuberculosis Dispensary, Great Egerton Street, 454 examinations being carried out there during 1934, of which 97 were positive and 357 negative.

Particulars of the examination of Pathological Material in connection with Venereal Disease, which is mainly carried out at the Public Health

Laboratory, Manchester, are given on page 90.

Disinfection.

Disinfection of premises after infectious disease is carried out by the Staff of your Health Department.

Infected materials, bedding, etc., are removed to the Isolation Hospital for disinfection.

During the year 20,974 articles were thus disinfected.

See Report for 1930 for details of arrangements under this heading.

Modern ideas on disinfection are crystallizing more and more to the view that disinfection is of doubtful value, particularly after Scarlet Fever. Evidence is accumulating that the ordinary type of infectious disease is spread practically entirely by the spray of mucus and saliva from the nose and throat of the sufferer, and not to any great extent by "fomites," i.e., clothes, etc., with which the patient has been in contact. Of course, the above statement is only meant to be a generalisation, as there is no doubt that in certain diseases, for example Typhoid Fever, very careful disinfection is absolutely necessary. But it is probable that a good deal of the work that is done for disinfection for and after a case of Scarlet Fever will shortly be dispensed with.

ISOLATION HOSPITAL.

The accommodation at the Isolation Hospital at Dialstone Lane, namely 78 beds, is based on the allowance of 2,000 cubic feet per bed. It is found that at least this space must be allotted if secondary infections and cross infections are to be prevented. Most diseases are spread by spray or droplet infection, and the nearer the next patient is to the "infecting" patient the more risk there is of an infection ensuing. This space also allows the beds to be kept eight feet apart, a distance that has been found by practice to minimise the risk of spread of infection.

The usual allowance for an urban population has for a long time been one bed per 1,000 population. Modern ideas are tending to the increase of this allowance up to two beds per 1,000.

The 78 beds therefore available at Dialstone Lane are much below the ordinary accepted allowance, and with a population of 130,000, Stockport should have at least 130 beds.

Consideration has been given to this matter, and it has been decided to provide a second cubicle block with twenty-four beds. The cost of such a block would be about £6,000.

A peculiar difficulty at Dialstone Lane Hospital is that accommodation for nursing and domestic staff is taxed to its utmost, and will have to be increased, as more beds are provided. This can be done by an addition to the existing buildings without much difficulty.

The additional accommodation will much facilitate the running of the Hospital, will enable more cases of measles and whooping cough to be admitted, and will much improve the amenities provided for the nursing and domestic staff.

I wish to thank the Matron, Miss Cranmore, and her staff, for the very excellent work done by them, often under rather trying circumstances, during the year. The Hospital has run smoothly and efficiently; the patients, the vast majority children, have been uniformly happy and contented; and the good name that the Hospital undoubtedly has in the district, and outside, is largely due to the keen interest and enthusiasm of the staff.

I feel also that a word of sincere praise is due to the work of the Hospital Committee and its Chairman. The interests of the patients have been paramount with them, no expense for the better treatment of the patients has been spared, and on all occasions the Committee has had the best interests of the Hospital very really at heart.

WORK OF THE ISOLATION HOSPITAL DURING 1934.

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As in previous years the Isolation Hospital has been used largely for the reception of patients suffering from Diphtheria and Scarlet Fever. The large number of cases of the latter disease occurring in the Borough during the year under review has not enabled the now-accepted policy of home

isolation for milder cases to be pursued very scrupulously, the admissions being larger actually than in the previous year. Such a policy, where practicable, not only does not appear to increase the secondary case rate, but has a two-fold advantage; firstly, in allowing greater spacing of the beds occupied by the severer cases admitted to hospital, with consequent diminution of the risks of cross infection; and secondly, in leaving free a relatively larger number of beds for cases of severe measles and whooping cough, the fatalities among which, and particularly, the ensuing complications which lead to pulmonary disease in later childhood and adolescence, are a much more adverse factor to the public health than even the sequelae of Scarlet Fever.

By contrast, fewer Diphtheria cases were admitted and the number of Diphtheria Carriers needing segregation was also less. In addition, fewer toxic cases of the disease were encountered. The case mortality rate was 2.36 per cent., a low rate for this condition.

The accompanying table sets forth the statistics of the work of the Hospital, and the results of treatment during 1934:—

BOROUGH ISOLATION HOSPITAL, CHERRY TREE LANE, STOCKPORT.

Name of Disease.	In Hospital 1st Jan., 1934.	Admitted.	Recovered and Discharged	Died.	In Hospital 31st, Dec. 1934.
Scarlet Fever		* 259	275	2	29
Typhoid Fever. Diphtheria		§ 172	174	3	1 27
Other Causes		† 18	13	6	-:
Totals	80	452	464	11	57

* Including 1 case from Poynton.

§ ,, 1 ,, Ashton-u-Lyne.

† ,, 1 case (Measles) from Bredbury.

DIPHTHERIA.

172 cases were admitted to the Diphtheria Ward during 1934, and there were 32 cases remaining in Hospital on January 1st, 1934, who had been admitted in 1933. A gross total of 204 patients under treatment during the year. Of these, 27 remained on December 31st, 1934, so that 177 patients were discharged during the year under review, as follows:—

Discharged cured	
Deaths Immune Carriers (treatment completed)	3 28
Admitted as Diphtheria but diagnosis altered	
subsequently	22
Total	177

The last category of "altered diagnosis" deserves some mention. It is the policy of the Health Department to admit to hospital cases of actual and of suspected Diphtheria. An increase in the number of the latter sent to hospital means that greater care is exercised in the diagnosis of "sore throat" which is to the ultimate good of the community, because fewer mild cases of the disease, which may give little cause for suspicion on clinical grounds alone, are left at home to spread the infection among others. It is estimated that the mild "missed case" of Diphtheria can do six times or more as much damage as the unisolated carrier. In the hospital, these suspicious cases can be tested and swabbed in a way which is not practicable in their own homes; and where the results are negative, can be discharged after a few days, without serious dislocation of domestic, school, or business life.

Deaths.

Three deaths occurred among 127 cases of proved Diphtheria, giving a case mortality rate of 2.36 per cent, contrasted with 8.6 per cent. for 1933. All the deaths were due to heart failure from the effect of bacillary toxins. Two of them occurred on the fourth day in hospital and the third on the tenth day.

Complications.

Excluding the three deaths, complications occurred in 27 cases, an incidence of 21.8 per cent.

Nature of C	complications.		Number	of Cases.
Paralysis of palate	and/or ciliary	muscle		7
Cardiac involvement	t			4
Otitis Media				1
Minor septic compli	cations			15
To	otal			27
Diphtheria Carriers.	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,			_

Diphtheria Carriers are those who, though not themselves susceptible to Diphtheria, carry the organisms responsible for the disease in their throats, noses, or, in exceptional cases, ears; and are thus capable of disseminating the infection through the community. Whenever they are discovered, as by swabbing of contacts of family or school cases of the disease, it is necessary to isolate them in hospital until they are free from the bacilli. 28 children of this type were admitted during the year and were, on the average, 47

days in hospital before being pronounced clear.

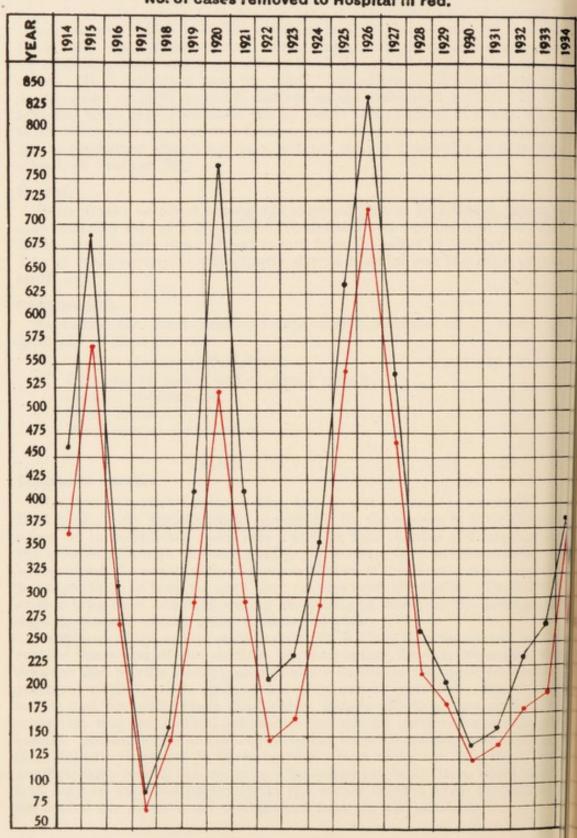
Treatment of the carrier state is difficult, but has been facilitated by the routine inspection of the children by the visiting Throat, Nose and Ear Surgeon (Mr. Neville Young), so that minor defects of the upper respiratory passages, which so often prolong this state, can be corrected. Removal of tonsils and adenoids, where practicable, usually effects a cure, and in 11 cases this was the method adopted; but not all carriers have enlarged tonsils. An additional line of treatment has been the assistance of a dentist, (Mr. Bailey), to attend to those carriers whose teeth are defective; and another, more recent, the use of an ultra-violet ray lamp, from which much help may be expected, especially in the winter months when the children are denied the curative aid of abundant fresh air and sunshine.

Chart showing the number of cases of Scarist Pever for the past of yes

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Chart shewing the number of cases of Scarlet Fever for the past 21 years. No. of cases notified in black.

No. of cases removed to Hospital in red.



It must be emphasised that children admitted for this condition are not bed patients, but carry on a normal existence within the limits of hospital segregation.

SCARLET FEVER.

259 patients were admitted during 1934 with a diagnosis of Scarlet Fever, and these, with 47 cases remaining in hospital on January 1st, 1934, who had been admitted during 1933, gave a gross total of 306 patients under treatment during the year. 29 cases remained in hospital on December 31st, 1934, so that 277 cases were discharged in the period under review. Apart from 6 cases admitted late in the course of the disease, all had treatment by means of Scarlet Fever Antitoxin.

Diphtheria Prophylaxis was carried out on 127 cases of Scarlet Fever while in hospital. This is nearly 46 per cent. of the total number admitted, which, compared with 34 per cent. for the previous year, shows the growing popularity of immunisation. In no case was there any reaction following the injections and it is possible that in the near future a method of immunisation using only one injection instead of three as at present will reduce the very slight discomfort of the procedure to a minimum.

The average duration of stay in hospital for 277 cases was 37 days, but as against an average of 61 days for complicated cases (84 in number), the average of 193 uncomplicated cases was only 27 days. This is an average reduction of 2 days on last year's figure of 29 days for uncomplicated cases, and is in accord with the general policy of shortening the isolation period for milder cases where practicable.

Complications.

97 complications occurred among 84 patients. Thus 30 per cent. of the cases were to a greater or less extent, departures from the normal. Two deaths occurred from Septic Scarlet Fever, a case mortality rate of 0.72 per cent.

Incidence of Complications. Number of	f Cases.
Otitis Media (a) Chronic recurrent	10
(b) Acute	14
Cardiac involvement	8 5
***************************************	12
Gland-Abscesses	13
Militar Coperation Control Con	15
and become a second sec	2
Commission and Control of the Contro	10
Diphtheria Carriers	8
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Total	97

Other Diseases.

Among diseases other than scarlet fever and diphtheria, 10 cases of measles, 4 of cerebrospinal meningitis, 4 of enteric fever, and 1 case of whooping cough were dealt with during the year.

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SECTION G. Tuberculosis.

TUBERCULOSIS SCHEME. RETURN FOR THE YEAR 1934.

(A) Return showing the work of the Dispensary.

	P	ULMO	NARY		No	N-PU	LMON	ARY		Тот	CAL.		
Diagnosis.	Ada	lts.	Chi	dren	Adi	elts.	Chi	ldren	Ad	ults.	Chi	ldren	Grand Total
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	1 oran
A.—New Cases examined during the year (excluding contacts) :— (a) Definitely tuberculous (b) Diagnosis not completed (c) Non-tuberculous	45	41	9	6	7	13	13	6	52 14 46	54 13 28	22 13 47	12 19 37	140 59 158
B.—Contacts examined during the year:— (a) Definitely tuberculous (b) Diagnosis not completed (c) Non-tuberculous	1	1		1					1 4 48	1 5 65	 4 71	1 5 60	3 18 244
C.—Cases written off the Dispensary Register as:— (a Recovered	2	5	1	5	: 29 :	2	4	6	2 112	7	5 146	11	25 483
D.—Number of Cases on Dispensary Register on December 31st :— (a) Definitely tuberculous (b) Diagnosis not completed		208	43	39	37	59	82	85	296 21	267 24	125 24	124 29	812 98
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(B) Number of Dispensaries for the treatment of Tuberculosis (excluding centres used only for special forms of treatment).

Provided by the Council :--One.

Provided by Voluntary Bodies:-Nil.

(C) Number of beds available for the treatment of Tuberculosis on the 31st December in Institutions belonging to the Council.

Name of Institution		lmonary ses.	For Non-	Tatal	
Name of Institution.	Adults.	Children under 15.	Adults.	Children under 15.	Total.
Whitehill Hospital	26				26
Stepping Hill Hospital	59	3			62

(D) Return showing the extent of Residential Treatment and Observation during the year in Institutions (other than Poor Law Institutions) approved for the treatment of Tuberculosis.

		In Institu- tions on Jan. 1st.	Admitted during the year.	Discharged during the year.	Died in the Institu- tions.	In Institu- tions on Dec. 31st.
N. 1	Adult	1	10	8	1	2
Number of doubtfully tuberculous cases	Adult females	1	11	12		
admitted for observation	Children		1	1		
observation	Total	2	22	21	1	5
Number of patients	Adult	25	67	55	12	25
suffering from Pulmonary	Adult females	21	43	39	8	17
Tuberculosis	Children	5	4	6		3
	Total	51	114	100	20	45
Number of patients	Adult	2	5	5		2
suffering from Non- Pulmonary	Adult females	2	6	6 -		2
Tuberculosis	Children	5	10	7		8
	Total	9	21	18		12
Grand To	otal	62	157	139	21	59

(E) Return showing the extent of Residential Treatment provided during the year in Poor Law Institutions for persons chargeable to the Council.

		In Institu- tions on Jan. 1st.	Admitted during the year.	Discharged during the year.	Died in the Institu- tions.	In Institu- tions on Dec. 31st.
Number of patients	Adult males	15	20	17	7	11
suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis	Adult females	10	23	13	8	12
admitted for	Children	2	4	2	2	2
treatment	Total	27	47	32	17	25
Number of patients	Adult males	2	2		2	2
suffering from non- pulmonary	Adult females		1	1		
tuberculosis	Children	4	1	2	1	2
admitted for treatment.	Total	6	4	3	3	4
Grand '	Total	33	51	35	20	29

(F) Return showing the results of observation of doubtfully tuberculous cases discharged during the year from Institutions approved for the treatment of Tuberculosis.

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Diagnosis on discharge from observation.	Stag 4	y un week			y or veek		Stay 4 v	un veek			y or week		T	otali	9.
	M	F	Ch	M	F	Ch	M	\overline{F}	Ch	M	\overline{F}	Ch	M	F	Ch
Tuberculous	1	1		3	3								4	4	
Non-tuberculous	2	3		1	1	1							3	4	1
Doubtful		3		2	1								2	4	
Totals	3	7		6	5	1							9	12	1

(G) Return showing the immediate results of treatment of definitely tuberculous patients discharged during the year from Institutions approved for the treatment of Tuberculosis.

Classific- ation on admission to the	ation on Condition at	Under 3 months				3-6 ionth		-	G-1	2	Mo	re t	han nths	-	Tota	ī	Grand Totals
thsciedelon		M	F	Ch	M	F	Ch	M	F	Ch	M	F	Ch	M	F	Ch	
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Class T.B. Plus Group 1	Quiescent Not quiescent Died in Institution	i	1		1			3	2			1	:	4 1 .	4		8 1
Class T.B. Plus Group 2	Quiescent Not quiescent Died in Institution	9	3		4 2	1 i		7	4 1 .		1 1 1	3 1 .		21 3 3	11 2 2	•	32 5 5
Class T B Plus Group 3	Quiescent Not quiescent Died in Institution	1 1 .	2 6 2	:	1 . 2	2 1 .		4	i		1	ı i		7 1 2	5 8 3	:	12 9 5
TALS (pul	monary)	22	18	1	17	8		15	10	2	5	7		59	43	3	105
Bones & Joints	Quiescent Not quiescent Died in Institution		1		2		1			1 .		:	3	3		5	10
Abdominal	Quiescent Not quiescent Died in Institution						1	1 :		1				1		2	3
Other Organs	Quiescent Not quiescent Died in Institution													:			::
Peripheral Glands	Quiescent Not quiescent Died in Institution		:	1				:		:	:				:	1	1

PUBLIC HEALTH (TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS, 1930.

Part I.—Summary of Notifications during the period from the 1st January, 1934, to the 31st December, 1934, in the area of the County Borough of Stockport.

				Fo	rmal	Noti	ficati	ons.								
Ann Burkele	N	o. of	Prim	ary N	y Notifications of new cases of tuberculosis.											
Age Periods.	0-	1-	5-	10-	15-	20-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	Total all ages	Total Notifi cations			
Pulmonary Males ,, Females. Non-Pulmonary	:		7	1 4	6 10	5 8	8 5	14 11	11 5	3 2	1	56 46	59 48			
Males.	:	5 2	10	3 5	3	2 4	1 2	:	1	1	i	26 18	32 19			

Part II.—Supplemental Return.

New cases of Tuberculosis coming to the knowledge of the Medical Officer of Health during the above-mentioned period, otherwise than by formal notification.

Age Periods.	0-	1-	5-	10-	15-	20-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	Total
Pulmonary Males Females		::	::			1	2 4	1 2	1		1 2	6 8
Non-pulmonary Males. ,, Females.		3	2 2	2	ï	1	2		1		::	9 5

The source or sources from which information as to the above-mentioned cases was obtained is stated below :—

Same of Information	Number of Cases.					
Source of Information.	Pulmonary	Non-pulmonary				
Deaths Return—						
from local Registrars	4	5				
transferable deaths from Registrar-General	-	-				
Posthumous notifications	-	-				
"Transfers" from other areas (other than transferable deaths)	10	9				

Part III.-Notification Register.

Number of cases of Tuberculosis remaining at the 31st Decem-	F	Pulmonary		No	n-pulmon	ary	Total
ber, 1934, on the Register of Notifications kept by the	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Cases
Medical Officer of Health	390	309	699	213	223	436	1135
Number of cases removed from the Register during the year by reason inter alia of :—							
Withdrawal of notification. Recovery from the disease. Deaths		7 32	11 68	4 7	 6 6	10 13	21 81

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Disease arrested.	Ad	F.	4		1		1	4										1					3				4				. 3		1		1	1 .													
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arrested.	Chil	dren						2										1					1	-							-		1		-	6 .		-						1	13		1	2	
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NOR-PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS.—Supplementary Annual Return showing in summary form (a) the condition at the end of 1834 of all Patients Finalising on the Dispensary Register: and (b) the reasons for the removal of all cases written off the Register.

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SECTION G.

Tuberculosis.

Notification of Tuberculosis.

146 cases of Tuberculosis were notified during the year as compared with 171 in the previous year.

Of the 146 cases thus notified 102 were cases of Tuberculosis of the Lungs and 44 were cases of Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

In addition to the above, there were 9 cases of Tuberculosis which ended fatally, which had not been notified in accordance with the Public Health (Tuberculosis) Regulations. The ratio of deaths of non-notified cases to total deaths from Tuberculosis was one in eight. In these non-notified cases the attention of the Medical Practitioner in attendance was drawn to the fact that the Public Health (Tuberculosis) Regulations had not been complied with.

The number of deaths from all forms of Tuberculosis during the year was 76 as compared with 108 in the previous year, giving a death-rate of 0.59 per thousand of the population.

In the following table of New Cases and Mortality during 1934 all primary notifications are included together with other new cases of Tuberculosis coming to the knowledge of the Medical Officer of Health during the year:—

Tuberculosis.

		New (CASES.]	COTAL I	DEATHS	3.
Age-Periods.	Pulm	ionary.	A SHARE WAS A COLUMN	on- onary.	Pulm	onary.	The second second	on- nonary.
	М.	F.	М.	F.	М.	F.	М.	F.
Under 1	_	_	_	_	-	_	-	-
5-10	7	1	8 12	6		_	1	1
10–15 15–20	1 6	10	5 3	5	_	3	_	_
20–25 25–35	6	8 9	3	4 4	3 6	8	2	1
35–45	15 12	13 5	2	=	7	6 3	1	_
55–65	3 2	2 2	1	1	1	3 2	1	1
Totals	62	54	35	23	32	32	6	6

Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

Of the 102 cases notified, 51 occurred between the ages of 20 and 45 years, 22 were over 45 years of age, 16 were between the ages of 15 and 20, and 13 cases were under 15 years of age. There were 64 deaths during the year from Tuberculosis of the Lungs as compared with 95 in 1933, 101 in 1932, 105 in 1931 and 76 in 1930. Of these 64 fatal cases, 32 were males and 32 females. The death-rate was .50 per 1,000 of the population; the rate for 1933 was .75.

The total number of deaths from Pulmonary Tuberculosis during 1934 was 64. Of these deaths, 32 occurred at home, and 32 in Institutions of various kinds. 51 of the fatal cases were on the Dispensary Register.

The time which elapsed between the date of notification and the date of death is shewn in the following table:—

	Cases on Dispensary Register.	Dispe		Total.
Death within 1 week of notification	2		4	6
" I month "	1		2	3
" 3 months "	9		3	12
**	8			8
	6			6
Death over 1 year after notification.			1	26
Death Returns			3	3
	_		_	_
	51		13	64
				-

From the foregoing table it will be noted that 21 patients, or 32.81 per cent., died within 3 months of notification, as compared with 30, or 31.58 per cent., in 1933.

Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

44 cases of Non-pulmonary Tuberculosis were notified during the year, 26 in males and 18 in females.

The number of deaths from Non-pulmonary Tuberculosis was 12 as compared with 13 in 1933. The death-rate was therefore .09 per 1,000 of the population in 1934, .10 in 1933, .15 in 1932, .10 in 1931, .11 in 1930 .13 in 1929, .14 in 1928, and .22 in 1927.

3 of the fatal cases were amongst children under 15 years of age.

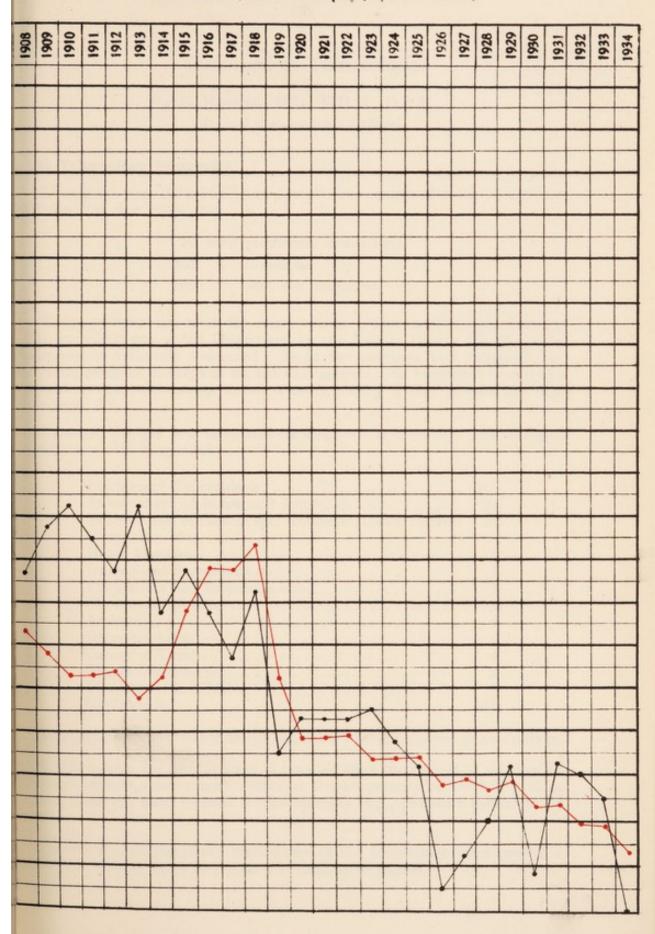
Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1925.

No action was taken during 1934 under these Regulations which relate to tuberculous employees in the Milk Trade.

Public Health Act, 1925, Section 62.

No action was taken during 1934 under this Section of the Public Health Act, 1925, which relates to the compulsory removal of cases to Hospital

The following Chart shows the Death Rates from Pulmonary Tuberculosis per 10,000 of the Population in England and Wales, and Stockport, (1908-1934)



England and Wales in Red.

Stockport in Black.

Taberculosis per 10,000 of the Population in England
and Water, and Stockport, (1908-1936)

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Treatment of Tuberculosis.

By E. RATNER, M.D., C.H.B., D.P.H., Clinical Tuberculosis Officer.

The Tuberculosis Dispensary.

During the year 1934, 634 " new cases" were examined at the Dispensary. Of the 634 new cases seen:—

70 were previously notitified.

265 ,, Contacts.

299 ,, sent for diagnosis.

Many patients are sent for examination before notification is made. The increased use of the Dispensary by the Family Doctor for diagnostic purposes is definitely welcomed. As in the previous year extensive use is being made of X-Rays as an aid to diagnosis; no suspected case is dismissed as non-tuberculous, unless a confirmatory X-Ray picture has been obtained.

Amongst the 369 new cases sent for diagnosis or treatment, the following conditions were diagnosed:—

Pulmonary Tuberculosis	107 14
Tuberculosis of Glands and Abdomen, Other Organs	31
Bronchitis, etc	52
Heart Disease	5
Unresolved Pneumonia	1
Pneumonia and Br/pneumonia	1
Chronic Empyema	1
Asthma	4
Bronchiectasis	4
Cancer of Lung	4
Cancer (elsewhere)	2
Pleurisy with Effusion	2
No Disease	141

Amongst definitely Tuberculosis patients, 3 cases occurred in ex-Soldiers.

Notified cases are seen as soon as possible after the receipt of the Health Visitor's investigation report, either at the Dispensary or at their homes, unless there are good reasons to the contrary (e.g., patient's refusal to be seen).

The structural alterations carried out at the Dispensary have proved a great convenience both to patients as well as to myself.

Bacteriological Examinations of Sputa.

These are received from the Family Doctors, Whitehill Hospital, Stepping Hill Hospital, and the Dispensary.

Total number: 454; Positive: 97; Negative: 357.

Hospitals, Sanatoria, etc.

The demand for Orthopaedic beds has been more easily satisfied at the Shropshire Orthopaedic Hospital, owing to some children being sent to the Ethel Hedley Orthopaedic Hospital at Windermere.

The Public Health Committee paid a visit to Papworth Colony, Cambridge, in July, 1934.

The following is the accommodation for Stockport patients at the various Institutions for the treatment of Tuberculosis:—

	Males.	Females.
Whitehill	9	17
Cheshire Joint	8	8
Barrowmore	10	
Westmorland	5	5
Sir Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic		
Dr. Garrett Memorial Home	As required	
Ethel Hedley Orthopaedic		
Stepping Hill	The state of the s	
Liverpool Open-Air Hospital		

Two children were receiving treatment for Pulmonary Tuberculosis at the Dr. Garrett Memorial Home, Conway.

In the previous year a visit was paid by certain members of the Public Health Committee and Medical Officers, to the Liverpool Open-Air Hospital at Leasowe, Cheshire. We were all greatly impressed by the arrangements and treatment of Surgical as well as Medical Cases. As a result of the visit the Committee now maintain on an average three children at the Institution, and the results so far have been excellent.

Whitehill Hospital.

This Hospital performs a very useful function in the Stockport Tuberculosis Scheme.

A Hospital of this type should act mainly as a clearing house, where every definite case of tuberculosis admitted could be closely observed, and whatever treatment is found appropriate, carried out.

Those patients who are suitable for Sanatorium treatment will eventually be transferred there, and those who are unsuitable for Sanatoria are retained at Whitehill. Doubtful cases, admitted for observation, are carefully watched, and if found to be non-tuberculous sent home, or if the diagnosis of tuberculosis becomes established, are finally disposed of according to the type of disease.

This plan has been adhered to as far as possible. Unfortunately, there is a definite prejudice amongst the public against the Hospital. The chief cause appears to be the fact that advanced cases are never refused admission. It is, however, decidedly against public interest to refuse admission to advanced cases, as by this means the spread of infection is limited.

If it were possible to utilise Whitehill to its full extent, the waiting list for admission to other residential institutions would be curtailed, and in many cases active treatment could begin at once. There is little doubt in the writer's mind, this delay in accepting treatment has in more than one case adversely affected the patient's chances of improvement. The public unfortunately do not yet realise that complete rest and nursing form one of the most important methods of treatment. Rest must be not only complete, but often prolonged. It is obvious that to the majority of those who come to us for treatment, rest is an unattainable ideal in their own homes. The "bottle of medicine", in which so many see the beginning and the end of all treatment, is usually the same in Hospital as out of it.

Another, and a most important method of treatment, is the production of artificial pneumo-thorax. This method which should be used with care, is capable of giving remarkably satisfactory results. It is being practised at Whitehill, in selected cases, where one sees definite prospects of benefiting the patient. Other methods, modern and time-honoured, are also being used, as occasion arises.

Food, which plays such an important part in the life of a Hospital for the tuberculous, is good, and it is the proud record of the Hospital that during the past four years at any rate, only one complaint has been brought to the notice of the Medical Officer in charge.

The routine work of Whitehill Hospital has been ably carried out during

the year by all members of the Staff.

WHITEHILL HOSPITAL.

YEAR ENDING 1934.

At the beginning of the year 14 patients were in Whitehill, and 14 were in residence on the 31st December, 1934.

During the year, 29 men and 31 women were discharged, and of these 17 ended fatally.

Classification, on admission, of patients discharged or died :-

	Men.	Women.	Children.
T.B. 1	2	 1	 _
T.B. 2	9	 7	 -
T.B. 3	7	 12	 _
T.B. 0	8	 5	 -
Non-Pulmonary	_	 -	 -
Observation	3	 6	 -
	-	_	-
	29	 31	 -
		_	_

Five Non-Tuberculous patients were discharged, who were admitted for observation.

The following	complications	were	observed	amongst	those	who	were
discharged :-	All the last trans						

	Gangrene of Lung 1
1	Spontaneous Pneumothorax 1
	Pyo-pneumothorax 2
	Tubercular Laryngitis 3
	Chronic Laryngitis 2
	Tubercular Abdomen 1
	Tubercular Meningitis 1
	Bronchitis 2
	Bronchiectasis
	Cancer of Lung 1
	Asthma 1
	Pleurisy 1
	Psoriasis
Result	:- Constitution and all and analysis for the party
	Improved
	I.S.Q 6
	Worse 5
	Deaths
	Non-Tuberculous

Of the 43 patients leaving Whitehill, 10 proceeded to various Santoria, 1 proceeded to Stepping Hill Hospital, and 32 proceeded to their homes.

Of the 32 who went home :-

5 were Non-Tuberculous.

21 left with my approval.

6 were discharged at their own request.

Special	treatment	
opeciai	treatment	-

Gold	9
Jacobson's Solution	1
Artificial Pneumothorax	10

Altogether 344 pneumothorax refills were given to in and out-patients

Contacts.

The usual methods of following up contacts, explained in previous reports, has been continued throughout the year.

265 contacts were examined at the Dispensary, of whom 3 were found to be definitely suffering from Tuberculosis.

It is obvious that this is a most important part of the work.

Dental Treatment.

Arrangements have been made by your Council with the Authorities of the Meathop Sanatorium for Dental Treatment to be available for Stockport patients in that Institution. Financial assistance has been given by your Health Committee for Dental Treatment of Stockport patients when recommended by your Tuberculosis Officer.

A dental scheme whereby all our patients can receive dental treatment when found necessary, has been put into operation. During the year patients have been assisted.

After-care.

No special organisation exists locally for finding employment for patients, nor are any arrangements in force for the supply and supervision of shelters at the homes of patients.

During the year your Parks Committee continued to employ a certain number of disabled men as Attendants, etc., in the Public Parks, and a number of the positions were allotted to Tuberculous men. Your Tuberculosis Officer renders every assistance in examining and selecting suitable candidates for these positions, which has been of real value to the successful applicants.

Your Health Committee is grateful to your Parks Committee, and especially to the Chairman (Alderman Gosling), and to the Parks Superintendent (Mr. Morgan), for their kindly action and for their personal interest in the men.

Orthopaedic Treatment.

The arrangements existing in the previous year whereby cases of crippling due to Tuberculosis are treated at the Orthopaedic Department of the Stockport Infirmary have been continued during 1934.

The following is a summary of the work of this Department during 1934:—

36 Cases treated.

198 Out-patient attendances made.

275 In-patient days.

11 X-Ray examinations.

617 Attendances for Ultra Violet Light Treatment.

Cases recommended by your Tuberculosis Officer are dealt with at the Stockport Infirmary by Mr. E. S. Brentnall, Hon. Orthopaedic Surgeon, and the administrative arrangements have been made by Mr. Price, Secretary-Superintendent of the Infirmary.

In connection with the scheme valuable financial assistance has been given by the Trustees of the late Miss Maria Leigh in defraying the whole or part of the cost of surgical appliances in necessitous cases.

Patients requiring prolonged Hospital treatment have been sent to the Sir Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital at Oswestry, the Ethel Hedley Hospital, Windermere, and to the Liverpool Open-Air Hospital, Leasowe, when beds have been available, and in this connection I have to thank the Trustees of the George Fearn Trust for financial assistance in certain cases which have been referred to them.

Housing.

During the year 5 families were re-housed, 2 with rent assistance.

Ultra Violet Light Treatment.

Arrangements have been made under the Orthopaedic Scheme at Stockport Infirmary for cases recommended by your Tuberculosis Officers to receive this special form of treatment at a charge of 1/6 per treatment. The treatment is under the supervision of a Medical Officer with special experience in this work—a necessary precaution in view of the weakly and debilitated condition of some of the patients recommended from the Tuberculosis Dispensary.

Extra Nourishment.

There has been a greater call on the provision of extra milk, than in the previous years. The reason for this is obvious.

Co-operation with other Services has been maintained. Especially close is it with the School Clinic, who refer to the Dispensary a constant and unabating stream of children, and who in return, accommodate many children at the Longfield Open-Air School. This work in close relation with the School Medical Services, promises to yield good results in the future. During the year I have paid several visits to Longfield, accompanied by Dr. Rowell. Such visits have been mutually helpful, as the progress and condition of children could be discussed personally and not by letter. Equally valuable is the close co-operation existing between the Dispensary and the Orthopaedic Department of the Stockport Infirmary, and we owe a great debt of gratitude to Mr. E. S. Brentnall, the Hon. Orthopaedic Surgeon, for his skilful and patient treatment of our patients and invaluable advice. There has also been close co-operation with Dr. Norman Kletz, Hon. Physician to the Stockport Infirmary, to whom many patients with non-tuberculous affections of the lungs have been referred for further observation. His advice, generously given, has been of the greatest value.

The Family Doctor, or General Practitioner, is, and will remain the main-spring of every Medical Scheme. Without him the work of the Dispensary would be futile, and it is seldom his fault, when advanced cases are seen for the first time. It is therefore a great pleasure to me to record that the relations with my colleagues in General Practice have been invariably good. It is hoped that the Tuberculosis Service has been of help to them. Their courtesy and patience with me in some of the more difficult cases where an immediate diagnosis was not possible was certainly a source of encouragement.

With the extreme care which is taken for accurate diagnosis, there is little danger of finding Tuberculosis where it does not exist, and if adequate measures are taken, the patient is given a far better chance of recovery, than if things were allowed to slide. It would be wiser and certainly more rational to consult the Family Doctor and go, if the Doctor thinks fit, to the Dispensary, than to place one's faith in the neighbour's advice, however friendly, or to resort to patent medicines, which may mask the symptoms, thus giving a sense of false security.

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SECTION H. Venereal Diseases.

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Venereal Diseases.

The scheme in operation during 1934, was as is outlined in the

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589 persons, of whom 394 were males and 195 females, attended for treatment during the year, making a total number of attendances of 7,986, compared with 599, 402, 197 and 7795, respectively in 1933.

In addition to the above, 79 new Stockport patients attended approved Treatment Centres in other towns, making a total number of attendances

of 1,806.

During the year 977 specimens of blood in respect of Stockport patients were examined for the Wassermann Reaction at the Public Health Laboratory, Manchester, and elsewhere.

140 examinations for the detection of Gonococci were made at the Borough Dispensary; and 24 for the detection of Gonococci, in respect of Stockport

patients, were carried out at other Centres.

In-patient treatment is available for Stockport patients at St. Luke's Hospital, Manchester.

Ten Stockport persons received in-patient treatment at St. Luke's

Hospital during 1934.

77 patients from the Child Welfare Centres were examined. A specimen of the blood was examined in 35 cases, and 42 examinations were made for the detection of gonococci.

Consideration was given during the year to a better advertisement of

the Clinics, and arrangements for this are now in hand.

The following tables, compiled from Form V.D. (R) of the Ministry of Health, give the details of the treatment at the various Treatment Centres:—
Table of Institutional Treatment at Various Treatment Centres.

	Borough Dispensary Stockport.	Stockport Patients Treated at otherCentres.
	Number.	Number.
(A) OUT-PATIENT CLINIC:		
Attendances	7986	1806
(B) In-Patient Treatment:		0.00
Number of days	_	356
(C) Arsenobenzene Compounds (Doses)	1161	206
Bismuth (Doses)	2526	_
(D) Examination of Pathological		
MATERIAL:		the state of the
For detection of Spirochetes		_
" Gonococci	140	24
" Wassermann Reaction	*885	72

^{*} Including 367 specimens sent in by Private Practitioners and Institutions, and 151 specimens from patients of other Authorities.

VENEREAL DISEASE—TREATMENT.

	Borough Dispensary Stockport.	Stockport Patients Treated at other Centres
A. Number of persons dealt with during the year at or in connection with the Out-Patient Clinic for the first time and found to be suffering		
from Syphilis	77	15
Soft Chancre		1
Gonorrhœa	87	34
Conditions other than Venereal	42	29
B. Number of attendances at the Out-	206	79
Patient Clinic	7986	1806
C. Aggregate number of "In-Patient"		
days	-	356
D Number of doses of Salvarsan substitutes		
given in the— (1) Out-Patient Clinic	3687	} 206

The arrangements for the treatment of cases of these diseases appear to be adequate and patients continue to avail themselves of the facilities offered. The co-operation of the members of the Medical Profession in the town is sought by your Staff and assistance in the diagnosis and treatment of cases referred to your Medical Officers is readily given to the Practitioners concerned.

Apart from the Medical Staffs at the Stockport Infirmary and the Poor Law Infirmary there are five Medical Practitioners in the town qualified to receive free supplies of Arsenobenzol Compounds.

No action was taken during 1934 under the Venereal Diseases Act, 1917.

Propaganda.

Your Council contributes annually to the British Social Hygiene Council, which is the Central Organisation for the many and varied activities in connection with propaganda on the subject of Venereal Disease. Publicity has been given locally in the Press and by correspondence as to the times, etc., of the Clinics. Plaques have also been placed in urinals all over the town.

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TABLE IV

INFANT MORTALITY.

1934. Nett Deaths from stated causes at various Ages under 1 Year of Age.

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Cause of Death.	Under 1 week.	1-2 weeks.	2-3 weeks.	3-4 weeks.	Total under 4 weeks.	4 weeks and under 8 months.	3 months and under 6 months.	6 months and under 9 months.	9 months and under 12 months	Total Deaths under 1 year.
All causes	42	5	4	2	53	17	12	9	4	95
Premature Birth	25	3	1	1	30	7	1			38
Pneumonia				1	1	1	4	4	2	12
Congenital Malformations.	3	1	1		5		1	3		9
Bronchitis								1		1
Diarrhoea and Enteritis						7	4		1	12
Congenital Debility	2				2					2
Other Diseases peculiar to Early Infancy	3		1		4					4
Infantile Convulsions	2	1			3					3
Injury at Birth	3				3					3
Syphilis			1		1					1
Accident							1			1
Cerebro Spinal Meningitis									1	1
Influenza								1		1
Whooping Cough						1	1			2
Cerebro Spinal Meningitis Influenza Whooping Cough Other Diseases	4				4	1				5

By Dr. Jean M. Mackintosh, M.D., Ch.B., D.P.H, (Assistant Medical Officer for Maternity and Child Welfare.)

The year 1934 has been marked by the opening of an additional antenatal clinic at Reddish, an additional child welfare centre at Adswood, the commencement of a dental scheme by the Voluntary Committee, and a new low record in the infantile mortality rate.

At the end of the year the Committee had under consideration a Circular from the Ministry of Health, requesting that an examination should be made of the services available for the reduction of maternal mortality. As a result of their consideration the Committee decided to make a substantial increase both in the ante-natal clinic service, and in the infant welfare clinics during 1935.

Notification of Births.

1,965 births were notified within 36 hours, and in 22, or 1.11 per cent. of the total births, there was failure to notify the births within that time.

		Percentage of	
Year.		not notif	ied.
1930		1.9	
1931		1.2	
The live and still-births n	otified were as follows	s :—	
By Midwiyes			1374
,, Medical Practition	ners		581
Т	otal		1965
Not Notified			22

Infantile Mortality.

The total deaths under one year was 95, and the number of children dying under four weeks was 53, giving an infantile death rate of 54.6. This is the lowest infantile death rate that has ever been recorded in the County Borough. Nearly sixty per cent. of these deaths occurred under the age of four weeks, and calls for still further concentration on the antenatal care of the mother, and the nursing of the child in its first four weeks of life.

The number of deaths from diarrhoea, enteritis and convulsions is much the same as last year, but there is a considerable fall in the number of deaths from premature birth and allied conditions, and to a lesser extent in the group of deaths from respiratory diseases. A comparative table of infant mortality for the last few years is given below:—

	1934	1933	1932	1931	1930
Stockport	54.6	83.07	71.03	78.98	56.72
Great Towns	63	68	70	71	64
England and Wales	59	64	65	66	60

In the following table the main causes of Infantile Deaths are grouped viz.:—

1z. :—					
	1934	1933	1932	1931	1930
Congenital malformations, prema-					
turity, atrophy, debility, and					
marasmus	49	67	60	77	52
Diarrhoea, enteritis, and convul-					
sions	15	16	11	11	22
Respiratory diseases	15	23	28	35	17
land the life is at the land to					
	1934	1933	1932	1931	1930
Total number of deaths of infants	-				
under 1 week of age	42	53	48	53	40
Total number of deaths of infants					
under 4 weeks of age	53	78	64	75	58
Total number of deaths of infants					
	2000	The state of the s	the state of the s	The Part of the Pa	-
under 1 year	95	129	114	136	100

Still-births.

The number of still-births registered was 94, of which 87 were legitimate and 7 illegitimate. 86 still-births were notified under the Notifications of Births Act. The number of still-births occurring in the transfers was 8. No information is available about the inward transfers. Of the 86 still-births occurring in the borough, 36 had received ante-natal care.

The causes of still-births were as follows :-

	16
Mal-presentation	15
Placenta praevia, ante-partum haemorrhage	8
Albuminuria, Eclampsia	10
Illness of Mother	5
Contracted pelvis	4
Deformity of child	1
	35
Total	94

The following comparative table is of interest:-

	1934	1933	1932	1931	1930
Total number of still-births	94	87	93	99	112
Still-birth rate per 1,000 total births	51	53	55	54	60

Maternal Mortality.

The number of women who died in, or in consequence of childbirth, was 7, which gives a Maternal Mortality Rate of 4.03 per 1,000 live births, and 3.82 per 1,000 total births (live and still).

The causes of death were as follows :-

Placenta praevia Sepsis					
	Total.	 	 	 	 7

Two of these cases received no ante-natal care, one attended the District ante-natal clinic once only, three received ante-natal care from the midwife, and one from the general practitioner.

In November, Circular 1433 was received from the Ministry of Health on Maternal Mortality. The Medical Officer of Health was instructed to prepare a survey report on the maternity and child welfare services in the borough, and this was presented to a meeting of the Maternity and Child Welfare Committee held in December. This report was still under discussion at the end of the year.

Puerperal Fever and Puerperal Pyrexia.

Under the Regulations of 1926 and 1928, 31 notifications of Puerperal Pyrexia and 4 notifications of Puerperal Fever were received. One case of Puerperal Pyrexia was notified twice, and another case of Pyrexia was later notified as Puerperal Fever. Three of the 4 cases of Puerperal Fever were confined in their own homes, and 1 case was confined in Hospital. The 3 cases confined at home were all removed to Hospital. Two of the patients confined at home had received ante-natal care. There were 2 deaths. One of these received ante-natal care from the midwife; the other received no ante-natal care.

Of the 29 cases of Puerperal Pyrexia, 7 cases were confined in Hospital, 5 were confined in a Nursing Home, and 17 were confined at home. Of those confined at home, 4 were removed to Hospital.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.

During 1934, 15 notifications of Ophthalmia Neonatorum were received under the Public Health (Ophthalmia Neonatorum) Amendment Regulations, 1928. Ten of these cases were confined at home, 4 were confined in Hospital, and 1 in a Nursing Home. One of the cases confined at home was removed to the Eye Hospital in Manchester. The nine remaining cases confined at home were treated at home by the District Nurses of the Barnsley Home. All the cases recovered. Two of the cases had received ante-natal care.

It is extremely important that all discharge from the eyes in infants should receive prompt attention, as neglect may lead to permanent damage to the child's eyesight, and even to blindness.

The following table gives an analysis of the cases notified during the past five years:—

OPHTHALMIA NEONATORUM.

		Cases.					
	$Year egin{array}{ c c c c c }\hline & Treated. \\\hline At & In \\Home. & Hospital. \\\hline \end{array}$	ated.	Vision	Vision im-	Total Blind-	Deaths.	
Year		impaired.	paired.	ness.	Deans.		
1934	15	10	5	15			
1933	12	8	4	12			
1932	15	14	1	15			
1931	11	11		11			
1930	19	14	5	19			

Pemphigus Neonatorum.

Nine cases of this disease came to the notice of the department during the year; 6 in the month of April, and 3 in the month of May. Seven of these occurred in the practice of one midwife. One of the seven died. Throat swabs taken from the midwife showed a few colonies of streptococcus haemolyticus present on culture. The nasal swab was clear. The midwife was suspended from practice, and was sent to see a throat and nose surgeon for advice. After a period she returned to duty. No further cases have occurred in her practice.

The Work of the Health Visitors.

The scheme of district visiting remained much the same as in previous years. Miss Stubbs left to be married in April, and was replaced by Miss McMahon. Owing to the appointment of an additional clerk it was possible, in the first instance, to release a health visitor from the welfare centres for nine half-days a week, to do additional district visiting. The opening of a new child welfare centre at Adswood in the temporary school, and the addition of an ante-natal clinic at Reddish, to some extent nullified this, so that in actual fact the health visitors made 1,605 attendances at welfare centres in 1934, as compared with 1,674 attendances in 1933, a decrease of only 69 attendances.

The number of houses visited, however, has risen from 22,413 in 1933, to 23,174 in 1934, an increase of 761. One visit to a house is not limited to enquiry as to the progress of one infant, but many include enquiries about older children, an expectant mother, or a tubercular patient.

At her own request Miss Smith, the Tuberculosis Visitor, was relieved of her duties in connection with the female Venereal Diseases Clinic, and the work is now done by the health visitors in rotation. The Superintendent Health Visitor was made responsible for the supervision of the nursing side of this work, and of the tuberculosis clinics.

A summary of their work, including work under the tuberculosis scheme, is given below :-

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE (Health Visitors).

SUMMARY OF THE WORK OF THE HEALTH VISITORS,	1934.
Total number of houses visited	23174
First visits to births	1727
Revisits to Births	10538
Visits to Outworkers	67
School Lectures	65
Visits re Deaths	105
Visits to Ante-natal Cases	246
Visits to children, 1 to 5 years	9144
Attendances at Maternity and Child Welfare Centres.	1605
Visits to Tuberculosis Cases and Contacts	2825
Nursed-out Children	95
Minor Infectious Disease	893
Midwives' Emergency Enquiries	363
Still-births	73
Dispensary	328
Special Visits	157

RETURN RELATING TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF PART I. OF THE CHILDREN ACT, 1908, DURING THE YEAR 1934.

I. Notification :-

- (i) Number of foster parents on the Register :-
 - (a) at the beginning of the year:-32.

 - (b) at the end of the year:—31.(c) total number dealt with during year:—51.
- (ii) Number of children on the Register :-
 - (a) at the beginning of the year:—40.
 - (b) at the end of the year:—40.

 - (c) who died during the year:—1.
 (d) on whom inquests were held during the year:—Nil.
 (e) total number dealt with during the year:—70.

II Visiting :-

- (i) Number of Visitors holding appointments under Section 2 (2) at the end of the year :-
 - (a) Health Visitors :- 8.
 - (b) Female, other than Health Visitors:—Nil.
 - (c) Male :-Nil.
- (ii) Number of persons or societies authorised to visit under the proviso to Section 2 (2) :-Nil.

III. Number of cases (if any) in which proceedings were taken during the year :-

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(i) Under Section 1 (7)
(ii) Under Section 2 (5)
(iii) Under Section 2 (6)
(iv) Under Section 3
(v) Under Section 4
(vi) Under Section 5 (2)
(vii) Under Section 6 (2)
(viii) Under Section 7
(ix) Under Section 8 (1)
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IV. Number of cases in which the local authority has given a sanction during the year:—

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(i) Under (a) of Section 3

(ii) Under (b) of Section 3

(iii) Under (c) of Section 3
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V. Number of orders obtained during the year :-

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(i) Under (a) of Section 5 (1)

(ii) Under (b) of Section 5 (1) Nil.

(iii) Under (c) of Section 5 (1)
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MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE CENTRES.

Child Welfare Clinics.

The organisation of these centres has been improved this year by the appointment of a clerk to attend to the distribution of food at the centres, and so relieve a health visitor.

A new clinic was opened at Adswood in April, on Saturday mornings, in the temporary school building. This clinic serves a large and rapidly growing district, and appears to be much appreciated by the mothers.

In April the old premises at Portwood were given up, and new premises were rented from the Brunswick Chapel. The new premises are a considerable improvement, in that all the rooms required are on the ground floor level. It has the disadvantage, however, that the entrance is in a side street. The number of child welfare sessions at the centre was reduced from two to one, but as an additional child welfare session was opened at Adswood, the number of sessions in the town remained the same, i.e., nine sessions are held at six centres. The infant population in Portwood would appear to be diminishing as the families move away to new property built in other parts of the town.

The number of new cases entered on the register was 1,293, and the total weighings were 30,319. No treatment is carried out at any of the clinics, any children requiring treatment being referred to their own doctors.

The detailed figures for 1934 are given below :-

CHILD WELFARE CENTRES, 1934.

	Port-	(Church	i-			Wy-	Ads-	
	wood.		gate.	h	Reddish.	Edgeley.	cliffe.	wood.	Total.
New Cases	138		309		189	362 .	222	73	. 1293
Number on Register	300		609		438	744 .	396 .	155	. 2642
Total Weighings	2958		7147		5361	8384 .	4557 .	1912	.30319
Total Attendances	3461		7988		5921	9434 .	5199 .	1986	.33989
Medical Consultations.	1138		2181		1932	2140 .	1166 .	639	. 9196

Massage.

Arrangements remained the same as in previous years. 1,450 attendances were made by 130 children during 1934.

Sunlight Clinic.

The Clinic provided by the Voluntary Committee continued to do useful work. During the year 66 cases attended, and made 1,965 attendances.

Ante-Natal Clinics.

A district clinic was opened at Reddish in June, in addition to those already established at Portwood, Edgeley and Churchgate.

The commencement of an ante-natal clinic at Reddish is a notable advance, as in this area handywomen do a large proportion of the midwifery work, and properly qualified midwives find difficulty in establishing a practice. After a slow start, this clinic is now beginning to make headway, and ought, in time, to do useful work.

Clinics are also held at Mile End Hospital and Stepping Hill Hospital for those patients who are to be confined in hospital.

In 1934, the total attendances at these clinics was 6,171, and the number of individual patients 1,428.

As in previous years, sterilised maternity outfits were provided free or at cost price by the Voluntary Committee.

ANTE-NATAL CLINICS.

Year.	Nun	ber of Mothers	Tc	tal Attendances
1927		380		573
1928		658		1388
1929		863		2735
1930		920		3458
1931		1019		3840
1932		989		4537
1933		1085		5409
1934		1428		6171

Mothercraft Classes are held at these Clinics, where talks on health subjects are given by the Health Visitors.

Mothercraft Classes.

These classes, run by the Voluntary Committee, proved even more popular than in previous years. It was found necessary to increase the number of nurseries from three to four, and increase the staff of voluntary workers. The whole success of these classes depends on the arrangement whereby the children are looked after in rooms apart from that where the class is held. Instruction in cooking and sewing is given by qualified instructors, and talks on hygiene and mothercraft generally are a regular feature.

Stockport Voluntary Committee for Maternity and Child Welfare.

This Committee accomplished much useful work during the year, in supplementing and extending the work of the Statutory Committee. They lend their assistance in every branch of the work, and thus enable the Department to accomplish work that would otherwise be impossible. During the year they instituted a scheme for the dental care of expectant and nursing mothers. They broadened the basis of their scheme for the provision of fresh milk for children over one year old. In addition they continued their ultra violet light clinic, and their arrangements for the sending of needy mothers to a convalescent home in Llandudno. Their valuable work in the Mothercraft Classes has already been referred to.

Milk (Mothers and Children) Order, 1919.

In 1934, 659 cases were dealt with. All cases are carefully enquired into by the Health Visitors before the Sub-Committee makes any grant of milk.

Number of cases dealt with	659
Quantities of milk supplied :—	
Total	29885 lbs.
Free	12478 lbs.
Half Cost	1728 lbs.
Total Cost £	894 13s. 9d.

15,679 lbs. of dried milk were supplied at cost price to mothers attending the Centres regularly with their children. The total amount of milk thus distributed free, at half-price and at cost price was 29,885 lbs.

Free supplies of Cod Liver Oil Emulsion are also given in necessitous cases.

The amount of milk distributed by the Voluntary Committee shows a great increase this year, nearly four times as many cases being dealt with, so that during 1934, 13,887 pints of milk were supplied to 196 necessitous cases, at an approximate cost of £168 13s. 3d. The health of the children should benefit greatly from this extension of the work.

Supervision of Midwives and Nursing Homes.

During the year 62 Midwives gave notice of their intention to practise within the Borough. These included 18 at the Union Hospital, 1 at the Union Workhouse, 5 at the Mile End Maternity Home, 15 at Nursing Homes. Also 9 Midwives who reside outside the Borough gave notice of their intention to practice within the Borough.

The qualification of the Midwives who practise within the Borough are as follows:—

Possessing Certificates from the Obstetrical Society of	
London	1
Possessing Certificate from a recognised Hospital	1
Enrolled by virtue of having been in bona-fide practice as a Midwife a year prior to the passing of the Act	1
Having passed the examination of the Central Midwives	
Board	68

Two Midwives attended 100 cases or more each, either alone or with a medical man in attendance.

Eight Midwives did not attend any cases except in co-operation with a doctor.

In addition there were 24 Midwives on the non-practicing list, 2 of whom assisted at 13 confinements.

The number of notifications of sending for medical assistance and the conditions for which help was required were as follow:—

Post-partum haemorrhage	13	Condition of Mother	36
Ante-partum haemorrhage	19	Condition of Eyes	38
Retained placenta or Mem-		Abortion	3
branes	11	Uterine inertia	5
Obstructed labour	85	Pyrexia	47
Ruptured perineum	152	Ante-Natal	52
Contracted pelvis	3	a utilitie per para lora, una frant marrare.	
Malpresentation	18	Total	542
Condition of Child	60	-	

Compensation was paid to four Midwives for loss of practice caused by unavoidable delay in carrying out disinfection, and was paid in 27 cases where their patients were removed to Hospital for delivery.

Eighty-nine visits of inspection to Midwives practising in the town were paid by the Assistant Medical Officer of Health during the year. By arrangement the Cheshire County Council and the Manchester Corporation inspect the Midwives residing outside the town, who occasionally practise in this County Borough.

Midwives were interviewed at the Town Hall on 53 occasions by the Assistant Medical Officer of Health or one of the Health Visitors.

One new Maternity Home was registered during the year, bringing the total number registered in the town to six, as one has been removed from the register.

MILE END MATERNITY HOSPITAL.

There are sixteen maternity beds provided in the hospital, with two additional beds for isolation. The hospital is a recognised training school for Midwives. The district teacher, Nurse Barr, retired in June, having reached the age limit under the superannuation scheme, and was replaced by Nurse Probert, 96, Newbridge Lane, who was approved by the Central Midwives Board for that purpose. Occasional use has been made of the services of Mrs. Barnsley, 428, Hempshaw Lane, Stockport, who is a recognised district teacher.

The new scale of fees approved by the Committee in October, 1933, has been in operation throughout the year. This new arrangement has proved very satisfactory to intending patients. It has been found that this simplification of method has resulted in much greater promptness in the payment of fees. Any patient who does not consider she can afford this fee may apply for admission at a reduced rate. If, after investigation, the financial circumstances of the applicant are below a specified standard, a reduction is made in accordance with the scale in operation. All patients admitted during the ante-natal period are charged at the rate of 5/- a day. Patients remaining in the home on their doctor's recommendation longer than the normal period of fourteen days, are charged at the rate of 3/- a day. A private single-bedded ward is provided for those patients who are prepared to pay a fee of £5 5s. 0d. a week.

The private single-bedded ward has been much appreciated. Fourteen patients were admitted to the ward during the year, and several stayed for a period of three weeks.

A new sluice was provided on the top floor, and has proved most useful.

Five cases were removed during the year to Stepping Hill Hospital, four for Caesarean Section, and one for septic abortion. Two cases were removed to St. Mary's Hospital, one for Caesarean Section, and one for eclampsia, and one case was removed to Stockport Infirmary for mastitis.

As formerly, an Ante-natal and Post-natal Clinic is held once weekly at the Hospital, for all those patients who have not definitely booked a Doctor for their confinement.

During the year the following cases were dealt with :-

Number of	mothe	rs remaining in Hospital on 1st January, 1934	3
,,	,,	admitted during the year	226
"	,,	discharged during the year	217
"	,,	died during the year	_
. , ,;	,,,	remaining in Hospital on 31st December, 1934	12
Number of	babies	remaining in Hospital on 1st January, 1934	2
,,	,,	born during the year (live births 210, still-births 8).	218
"	,,	discharged during the year	210
,,,	11	died during the year	-
"	,,	(Still-births)	-
"	,,	remaining in Hospital on 31st December, 1934	10

Number of miscarriages
" Cases of Puerperal Fever
,, ,, Puerperal Pyrexia 5
,, twins born in Hospital
Mile End Maternity Hospital.
Annual Statistics—Year 1934.
Number of maternity beds in the Institution (exclusive of isolation and labour beds): 16.
Number of maternity cases admitted during the year: 226.
Average duration of stay: 14 days.
Number of cases delivered by—
(a) Midwives: 155.
(b) Doctors: 64.
Number of cases in which medical assistance was sought by a midwife in emergency: 105.
Number of cases notified as—
(a) Puerperal Fever: Nil. (b) Puerperal Pyrexia: 5.
Number of cases of Pemphigus Neonatorum : Nil.
Number of infants not entirely breastfed while in the Institution: 6.
Number of Cases of Ophthalmia Neonatorum: Nil.
Number of maternal deaths: Nil.
Number of infant deaths—
(a) (i) stillborn: 8. (ii) within 10 days of birth: Nil.
(b) Cause of death in each case, and results of post-mortem examination (if obtainable):—
Stillbirths—
Cord round neck 1 Instrumental Delivery 1 Anencephalus 3 Ante-Partum Haemorrhage I Prematurity 1 Toxemia of Mother 1

WEEKLY MEANS OF OBSERVATIONS AT THE BOROUGH METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATORY, STOCKPORT.

Latitude 53° 24′ 12″ N. Longitude 2° 9′ 14″ W.

Cistern of Barometer 261–56 feet and top of Raingauge 285 feet above Mean Sea-level.

	Thermo	meters.	4		Thermometers. Underground.		Average daily
1934.	Underground.		Average daily	1934.			
	1 Foot.	4 Feet.	- Rain- fall.		1 Foot.	4 Feet.	Rain- fall.
1st week	38°	43°	.08	27th week	65°	57°	Nil.
2nd ,,	41	43	.08	28th ,,	66	60	.13
3rd ,,	40	43	.08	29th ,,	64	60	.05
4th ,,	38	43	.01	30th ,,	62	60	.19
5th ,,	37	42	.02	31st ,,	62	60	.11
6th ,,	38	41	.004	32nd ,,	61	60	.06
7th ,,	39	42	Nil.	33rd ,,	59	59	.01
8th ,,	39	42	.02	34th ,,	58	58	.04
9th ,,	38	42	.03	35th ,,	57	58	.05
10th ,,	38	42	.13	36th ,,	56	57	.02
11th ,,	38	41	.11	37th ,,	59	57	.06
12th ,,	39	41	.06	38th ,,	56	57	.15
13th ,,	40	42	Nil.	39th ,,	55	56	.12
14th ,,	41	42	Nil.	40th ,,	53	55	.20
15th ,,	43	42	.02	41st ,,	53	55	.12
16th ,,	48	45	.03	42nd ,,	51	53	.05
17th ,,	48	45	.17	43rd ,,	50	53	.14
18th ,,	50	46	.07	44th ,,	45	50	.10
19th ,,	54	47	Nil.	45th ,,	43	49	.11
20th ,,	50	48	.17	46th ,,	43	48	Nil.
21st ,,	52	49	.01	47th ,,	44	47	.01
22nd ,,	56	50	Nil.	48th ,,	46	47	.08
23rd ,,	. 59	53	.04	49th ,,	46	47	. 24
24th ,,	63	54	Nil.	50th ,,	45	47	.07
25th ,,	60	55	.15	51st ,,	45	47	.02
26th ,,	60	55	.24	52nd ,,	44	47	.11

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