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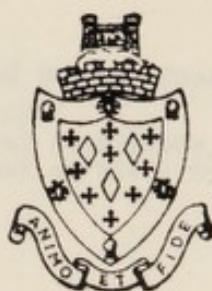
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## County Borough of Stockport

### HEALTH COMMITTEE

(As at 31st December, 1958)

*Chairman* .. .. . Councillor C.J. Doherty, J.P.

*Vice-Chairman* .. .. . Councillor H. Hope.

The Worshipful the Mayor (Alderman Mrs. M. White, J.P.)

Alderman Mrs. E. Little	Councillor W. E. Jones
Alderman H. Patten, O.B.E., M.A., J.P.	Councillor W. C. Knight
Alderman S. Sidebotham	Councillor T. J. Vernon Parry
Councillor H. H. Brooks, J.P.	Councillor R. H. Roberts
Councillor T. Buckley	Councillor L. Smith
Councillor Mrs. C. S. Grant	Councillor J. Sowden

### MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE SUB-COMMITTEE

*Chairman* .. .. . Councillor C.J. Doherty, J.P.

*Vice-Chairman* .. .. . Alderman Mrs. E. Little.

Alderman H. Patten, O.B.E., M.A., J.P.	Councillor W. E. Jones
Alderman S. Sidebotham	Councillor W. C. Knight
Councillor H. H. Brooks, J.P.	Councillor T. J. Vernon Parry
Councillor T. Buckley	Councillor R. H. Roberts
Councillor Mrs. C. S. Grant	Councillor L. Smith
Councillor H. Hope	Councillor J. Sowden

#### *Co-opted Member :*

Mrs. J. A. D. Wyness (Stockport Sick Poor Nursing Association)

### STAFF OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

**Medical Officer of Health : Principal School Medical Officer**

**Administrative Maternity and Child Welfare Officer**

John Yule, M.D., Ch.B., D.P.H., F.R.S.H.

#### **Deputy Medical Officer of Health**

Alexander Robert Millar Moir, M.D., Ch.B., D.P.H.

#### **Assistant Medical Officers of Health and Maternity and Child Welfare Officers :**

Marian Winifred Davies, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H. (Deceased 22/12/58)

Marjorie Ward, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

#### **Assistant Medical Officers Maternity and Child Welfare Centres (part-time) :**

M. Wilson, M.B., Ch.B.

M. I. H. Roberts, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

L. J. Sejrup, M.B., Ch.B.

R. M. MacGillivray, B.Sc., M.B., Ch.B.

### PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS

#### **Chief Public Health Inspector**

F. Winder, Cert. S.I.B., M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I. #\*¢

#### **Deputy Chief Public Health Inspector**

H. Howard, Cert. S.I.B., M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I. #

#### **Senior District Inspectors**

L. Davies, Cert S.I.B., M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I. #\*

R. Thompson, Cert S.I.B., M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I. #

J. Brown, D.P.A. Cert S.I.B., M.A.P.H.I. #\*¢

W. H. Tomlinson, Cert S.I.B., M.A.P.H.I. #\*¢



### District Inspectors

G. W. Tiplady Cert S.I.B., A.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I. # (resigned 31/3/58)  
 A. Jones, Cert S.I.B., A.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I. # (resigned 31/1/58)  
 N. Thorpe Cert S.I.B., A.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I. #  
 T. L. Cooke Cert S.I.B., M.A.P.H.I. #  
 R. B. Lamb Cert S.I.B., M.A.P.H.I. # (resigned 22/11/58)  
 G. E. Hill Cert S.I.B., A.R.S.H. (appointed 3/2/58)  
 R. Taylor Cert S.I.E.J.B., M.A.P.H.I. (appointed 12/9/58)  
 (vacant posts 5)

### Pupil Inspectors

B. Hamer  
 W. A. Spence  
 I. G. Rowbotham  
 J. T. Ainsworth

### Senior Housing Inspector

S. A. Barker Cert S.I.B., M.A.P.H.I. # (appointed 17/2/58)

### Housing Inspectors

T. Stockton, Cert S.I.B., M.A.P.I.  
 A. Newton, Cert S.I.B., M.A.P.H.I. #  
 # Meat and other Foods Certificate  
 \* Smoke Certificate  
 g Sanitary Science

### Rodent Operatives

Rodent Officer-J. Ainsworth  
 (3 Operatives)

### MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE

#### Superintendent Health Visitor

Miss L. M. Drew, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert

#### Superintendent, Welfare Centres :

Miss S. C. Griffiths, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert

#### Health Visitors :

Miss A. D. Clark, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert,  
 Miss E. D. Brook, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert,  
 Miss B. Richardson, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert. (resigned 5.7.58)  
 Miss V. Burton, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert.  
 Miss D. Howarth, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert.  
 Miss M. Walker, R.F.N., S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert.  
 Mrs. V. M. Rayner, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert.  
 Miss M. M. Humphries, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert.  
 Mrs. D. M. Axten, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert. (Resigned 14.6.58)  
 Mrs. M. E. Wheeler, S.R.N., S.C.M. (Part Time)(Resigned 8.8.58)  
 Mrs. M. Rogers, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert  
 Miss E. Evans, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert.  
 Miss A. M. Temperley, S.R.N., S.C.M.  
 Mrs. E. M. Opitz, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert. (Commenced 17.9.58)  
 \*Miss L. M. G. Price, S.R.N., S.C.M. (Commenced 22.9.58)  
 \*Miss W. Pyatt, S.R.N., S.C.M. (Commenced 22.9.58)  
 \* Student Health Visitors.

### Physiotherapists

Mrs. J. Jackson (Resigned 31.5.58)  
 Miss J. P. Davie (Part-time)  
 Miss P. N. Harrison (Part-time)

**Non-Medical Supervisor of Midwives :**

Miss D. A. Carter, S.R.N., S.C.M., Q.N. \*

**Municipal Midwives :**

Mrs. M. Wheeler, S.C.M. \*  
 Miss F. R. Clayton, S.R.N., S.C.M., Q.N. \*  
 Mrs. M. B. Seddon, S.R.N., S.C.M., Q.N. \*  
 Miss J. E. J. Maguire, S.R.N., S.C.M. \*  
 Mrs. I. M. Munro, S.R.N., S.C.M. \*  
 Mrs. S. A. Pugh, S.R.N., S.C.M. \*  
 Miss I. G. Anwyl, S.C.M. \* (Resigned 25.1.58)  
 Mrs. I. Ridgway, S.R.N., S.C.M. \*  
 Mrs. W. Davenport, S.C.M. \*  
 Miss B. Finneran, S.C.M. \*  
 Miss M. F. MacDonald, S.R.N., S.C.M. \* (Resigned 5.10.58)  
 Mrs. N. Slack, S.R.N., S.C.M. \*  
 Mrs. E. Cooper, S.R.N., S.C.M. \* (Resigned 8.9.58)  
 Miss E. A. Macarty, S.R.N., S.C.M. \* (Commenced 8.9.58)  
 Miss P. B. Owen, S.R.N., S.C.M. \* (Commenced 4.8.58)  
 Mrs. D. S. Flint, S.R.N., S.C.M. \* (Commenced 6.10.58)  
 Miss E. Hardy, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert \* (Commenced 27.1.58)

**Maternity Nurses :**

Mrs. I. Y. Key, S.R.N., S.C.M. \* (Part-time)  
 Miss R. E. Wright, S.C.M. (Part-time)  
 Mrs. N. Gough, S.R.N. (Part-time)  
 Mrs. J. Cool, S.R.N. (Part-time)  
 Mrs. V.D. Brady, S.R.N., S.C.M. (Part-time) (Resigned 22.3.58)  
 Mrs. C. Russell, S.R.N., S.C.M. (Commenced 21.7.58)  
 Mrs. M. E. Crossland, S.R.N., S.C.M. (Commenced 3.2.58)  
 \* Analgesic Certificate.

**Day Nurseries :****DAW BANK**

Matron : Mrs. M. E. Kenny, S.R.N., S.C.M.  
 Staff Nurse : Miss B. A. Bertrand, N.N.E.B.  
 (4 Nursing Staff, 3 Domestic Staff)

**WHITEHILL**

Matron : Mrs. D. J. Allen, S.R.N.  
 Deputy Matron : Mrs. A. E. Glover, S.R.N.  
 (7 Nursing Staff, 3 Domestic Staff)

**Domestic Help Service :**

Organiser : Miss N. Lingard  
 Deputy Organiser : Miss R. Bowers  
 (7 Domestic Helps Full-time, 74 Part-time)

**Home Nursing Service :**

Superintendent : Miss V. M. Fallows, S.R.N., S.C.M., Q.N.  
 Assistant Superintendent : Miss E. Davis, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert., Q.N.  
 (14 District Nurses Full-time, 7 Part-time)

**Ambulance Service :**

Superintendent : J. R. Chynoweth  
 Deputy Superintendent : R. H. Briggs  
 (31 Driver/Attendants)

**MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE****Senior Mental Health Officer :**

H. Holden (Resigned 31.8.58)

**Mental Health Officers :**

H. H. Birtles, B.A., C.C.S.  
 Mrs. S. H. Saunders (Commenced 1.3.58)  
 Mr. G. E. Lancelley (Commenced 22.9.58)

**Occupation Centres :**

Beacon House. Supervisor. Mrs. S. D. Hancock (3 Assistant Supervisors).  
 Prospect House. Supervisor. Mrs. J. C. Macdonald. (3 Assistant Supervisors).



**CLERICAL STAFF****Senior Administrative Assistant :**

G. Calvert, F.C.C.S.

**Administrative Assistant :**

H. Joules

**General Health****Statistical Clerk :**

E. N. Forsyth

**Wages and Accounts Clerk :**

W. L. Foulkes (Resigned 15.2.58)

D. A. Farrington (Commenced 29.9.58)

**Shorthand Typists :**

Miss E. W. Jones

Miss D. A. Knowles

**Junior Clerks :**

Miss T. Cannally

Miss J. A. Blacker

Miss F. J. Heywood

**Maternity and Child Welfare****Senior Clerk :**

Miss N. Toyne

**Clerks :**

Mrs. M. P. Lister

Mrs. J. (Vernon) (Resigned 22.3.58)

Mrs. M. Faulkner

Miss J. A. Meredith

Miss J. M. Swindells

Miss A. M. Hulley

Miss M. J. Comish (Commenced 5.5.58)

**SANITARY****Senior Clerk :**

W. L. Foulkes (Commenced 17.2.58)

**Shorthand Typists :**

Mrs. A. M. Woodward

Miss M. Thorley

**Junior Clerks :**

A. B. Bateson. (Resigned 21.2.58)

F. R. Knighton. (Commenced 8.9.58)

W. A. Caldwell. (Commenced 27.10.58)

**Public Analyst (Part-time) :**

Tennyson Harris, P.H.C., F.C.I.S.

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

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Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit to you the Report on the Health of the Borough during 1958.

The birth rate was 16.30 compared with 16.11 for the previous year. The death rate was 13.81 compared with 12.90 for 1957. The infant mortality rate increased from the phenomenally low figure of 21.96 in 1957 to 25.16. There was one maternal death, giving a rate of 0.38 per thousand live and still births compared with no death in the previous year.

There were 1,577 cases of infectious disease notified compared with 2,290 in 1957. There was no death from whooping cough and only one death from measles. There were 9 cases of poliomyelitis (5 paralytic and 4 non-paralytic) in 1958, compared with 1 paralytic poliomyelitis in 1957.

In September 1958 the age groups for which vaccination against poliomyelitis became available was extended from 15 to 25 years and an intensive publicity campaign was instituted by means of press notices, cinema slides, bus notices, posters, and letters to business and industrial firms. Supplies of American Salk, and Canadian Vaccine became available in January 1958. 15,386 persons completed their two injections by the staff of the Health Department and 1,972 persons were given two injections by their own medical practitioner. Booster doses were commenced in October, 1958.

There were 339 deaths due to cancer during the year compared with 352 during the previous year. An intensive Health Education campaign indicating the relationship between smoking and lung cancer was undertaken during the year. Posters were made available to general practitioners in Stockport for display in their waiting rooms and arrangements made for the Education Department to distribute literature to school-leavers at the time of their school medical examination.

There were 74 notifications of pulmonary tuberculosis in 1958 compared with 51 in 1957. The death rate from pulmonary tuberculosis was 0.11 per 1,000 of the population compared with 0.06 for the previous year. The death rate from all other tubercular diseases was 0.014 compared with 0.007 in the previous year.

The scheme for B.C.G. vaccination of 13 year old schoolchildren which commenced in January 1954 was continued. In November 1958 all the parents of children who were positive reactors in the B.C.G. scheme were invited to attend for x-ray. The Mass Miniature Radiography Unit also held public sessions at the Town Hall Annexe during mid-December 1958.



Diphtheria immunisation has been energetically maintained and it is noteworthy that for the eighth year in succession no case of diphtheria has occurred in the town.

Health Education has been continued and the special advisory committee for 'Safety in the Home' which was established in April, 1957, has continued to do excellent work.

During the week 7th to 12th July, a Civic Week was held to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the opening of the Town Hall. As part of this commemoration a Civic Exhibition was held in the Town Hall. The Health Department's stand attracted a great deal of interest from the public. Every aspect of the Department's work was shown. The Welfare Centres were opened to the public, film shows, medical equipment, models, and handicraft work done by the mentally handicapped children, were exhibited to the public. Large quantities of leaflets and booklets were made available to the public.

The Ambulance Service has continued to deal efficiently with all the demands made upon it. A site for the new Ambulance Depot has been acquired in Heaton Lane and plans for this new depot are now in preparation by the Borough Architect.

The demand for the Home Nursing Service and the Home Help Service has expanded considerably in the past few years. The Health Committee has increased the establishment of both these services to meet the increased demand. There is no doubt that both these services are a great boon, particularly to the old people of the town.

Thanks are due to the Stockport Sick Poor Nursing Association which has continued to place its resources, both of equipment and financial assistance, at the disposal of the Home Nursing Service and its patients.

The work of the Mental Health Service continues to grow and will no doubt require expansion when the new Mental Health Bill is enacted. The two Occupation Centres, Prospect House and Beacon House, continue to do excellent work for the mentally handicapped children. It is hoped that some of the older boys may be able to attend Offerton House. Offerton House is under the administration of the Stockport and Buxton Hospital Management Committee and has most excellent workshops. It would be very helpful for the more proficient boys to proceed to these workshops for more advanced training and attend as day pupils. The Manchester Regional Hospital Board has agreed in principle to the establishment of a Day Hospital at Cheadle Royal Hospital. It is hoped that patients from the Stockport Psychiatric Clinic held at St. Thomas' Hospital may be able to avail themselves of this excellent provision.

No. 1 Smoke Control Area comes into operation on the 1st June 1959. A comprehensive scheme of smoke control areas to deal with the domestic smoke problem, to cover the whole of the town, has been prepared and agreed to in principle by the Health Committee. The first five years of this phased



programme for establishing smoke control areas is being submitted to the Minister of Health by the 30th June, 1959. Preparatory work has continued with a view to submitting, at an early date, further smoke control areas in accordance with this phased programme.

Slum clearance continues and during the year eight clearance areas involving 74 unfit houses and 30 other lands have been confirmed. Eleven unfit houses and 13 other lands have been approved by the Council and submitted to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government for confirmation. Individual unfit action was also taken in respect of 103 unfit houses in various parts of the Borough.

The Co-ordinating Committee, as recommended by the Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education, and the Home Office, has met regularly once a month throughout the year, and has proved a most useful medium in dealing with the many and varied problems which arise in connection with problem families.

The building of the new Health Department at the rear of the Town Hall is progressing rapidly and it is hoped that it may be completed before the end of 1959.

In 1952, the Minister of Health asked the Medical Officer of Health to prepare a special survey of the first five years' working of local health services under the National Health Service for inclusion in his Annual Report. This year, the Minister does not consider it necessary for a special survey on the same scale to be made to cover the first ten years of the National Health Service, but has asked the Medical Officer of Health to include in his report a brief general review of the manner in which, during that period, local health services have functioned in the wider setting of the National Health Service generally.

In 1952 it was pointed out that the machinery for integration and unification of the health services in this area was unsatisfactory. Interlocking membership was rightly thought to be one of the most effective means of obtaining co-ordination and co-operation between the three parts of the service. There was adequate representation of the local health authority on the local Executive Council, but at the commencement only one member of the local health authority and no member of the local Health Committee was on the local Management Committee. This, in spite of the fact that the County Borough of Stockport had contributed 902 of the 1,558 beds administered by the Stockport and Buxton Hospital Management Committee. Moreover, Stockport had given up its Chest and Venereal Diseases Clinic and its Mass Miniature Radiography Unit to the Hospital Service. I am happy to report that this anomaly is completely remedied. At the present time the Corporation representation on the Stockport and Buxton Hospital Management Committee is - the Chairman of the Health Committee, two other members of the Council and the Medical Officer of Health. There is no doubt that there is now much closer integration of the three parts of the service. Moreover, a Joint Consultative Committee, as recommended by the Central Health Services Council



has been established, on which are representatives of the Stockport and Buxton Hospital Management Committee, the Stockport Executive Council and the Stockport Corporation.

The domiciliary midwifery service and the hospital midwifery service at Stepping Hill Hospital are now closely integrated and the relationship between the midwives engaged in domiciliary midwifery and those engaged in institutional midwifery are most happy. No difficulty is experienced by the midwives in obtaining admission for any difficult or abnormal case.

The nurses engaged in the Home Nursing Service, and the medical practitioners in the town, work in the closest and most harmonious relationship. The Home Nursing Service and the Home Help Service has been expanded since the passing of the Act.

Booklets are issued by the Health Committee indicating the services provided in the area, by the Hospital Management Committee, the Stockport Executive Council and the Local Health Authority. Copies of this booklet are issued to the general practitioners and also to the public.

The Medical Officer of Health continues to be employed as Consultant in Infectious Diseases at Cherry Tree Isolation Hospital, and till recently one of the lady Assistant Medical Officers conducted two female venereal diseases clinics each week on behalf of the Regional Hospital Board. The Consultant Chest Physician is also engaged on duties for the Local Health Authority in connection with after-care to tuberculous patients. Consultants from local hospitals attend special sessions at the school clinics: The Consultant Ophthalmic Surgeon - three sessions per week and the Consultant Aural Surgeon - one session per week. A local general practitioner, who is an anaesthetist at the local hospital, is engaged in the dental service approximately two sessions each week on a sessional basis. Five lady doctors are engaged on a sessional basis at the Infant Welfare Clinics.

These are indications of the closer integration of the three parts of the service which has taken place over the past ten years and I am now happy to report that the original teething troubles have been overcome and that the unification which was envisaged in the National Health Service Act 1946, is now approaching a reality.

The Health Department suffered a grievous loss by the death of Dr. Marion W. Davies, Assistant Medical Officer of Health, in December, 1958. She had given twelve years valuable service to the Department and during that time had gained the love and esteem of everyone around her.

I wish to place on record my thanks to all members of the staff for their loyal service and response to all demands which have been made upon them.

I am deeply grateful to all the various committees for their consideration and encouragement at all times.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

J. YULE,

Medical Officer of Health.

Health Department,  
Town Hall, Stockport.  
(Telephone Stockport 4940),  
May, 1959.

## STATISTICS, NATURAL AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS

## OF THE AREA

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All Infants per 1,000 live births.....	25.16
Legitimate Infants per 1,000 legitimate live births.....	24.00
Illegitimate Infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births.....	61.85
Deaths from Neoplasms (all ages).....	339
"    Measles (all ages).....	1
"    Whooping Cough (all ages).....	Nil
"    Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age).....	2
Death Rate from Pulmonary Tuberculosis per 1,000.....	0.113
Death Rate from all other Tubercular Diseases.....	0.014



## (c) COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF VITAL STATISTICS

YEAR 1958

	Birth Rate	Death Rate	Infant Mortality Rate	Still Birth Rate (per 1000 live & still births)	Peri-Natal Mortality Rate	Death Rate from Phthisis	Death Rate from other Tub. Diseases	Maternal Mortality Rate per 1000 Total (Live and Still Births)		
								Maternal causes excluding abortion	Due to Abortion	Total maternal mortality
England and Wales	16.4	11.7	22.5	21.6	35.1	0.089*	0.011*	0.35*	0.08*	0.43*
Birkenhead	17.8	13.3	29.3	33.2	50.8	0.12	0.007	-	0.36	0.36
Burnley	15.7	15.3	28.08	29.52	51.48	0.08	0.024	-	-	-
Bury	15.61	15.13	22.25	23.68	36.60	0.07	-	-	-	-
Halifax	16.00	14.93	27.56	15.5	27.13	0.13	-	0.65	-	0.65
Liverpool	20.5	11.7	27.7	25.7	41.4	0.14	0.009	0.25	-	0.25
Manchester	18.22	12.7	25.62	25.44	42.11	0.10	0.02	0.39	0.24	0.63
Oldham	15.13	14.38	27.37	23.99	36.31	0.09	0.008	1.09	0.55	1.64
Preston	16.19	14.56	31.12	19.98	31.55	0.09	0.009	-	-	-
Rochdale	16.5	15.2	23.0	24.4	33.0	0.11	0.01	-	-	-
Salford	17.91	13.2	28.67	24.96	42.93	0.12	0.018	-	-	-
St. Helens	16.9	11.4	35.8	37.6	57.2	0.15	0.02	-	0.51	0.51
Stockport	16.3	13.8	25.16	22.47	38.16	0.11	0.01	0.38	-	0.38
Wallasey	17.32	12.76	24.69	25.16	38.84	0.13	0.03	-	-	-
Wigan	15.23	11.57	26.6	30.6	43.0	0.12	0.01	-	-	-

\* Provisional Figure



**(d) VITAL STATISTICS****(i) Population**

The Registrar-General's estimate of the civilian population for the Borough at mid-year, 1958, is 141,400. This figure is based primarily on the National Register enumeration taken at the end of September, 1939, adjusted for the subsequent movement of population derived from that Register. Non-Civilians (i.e., Stockport inhabitants serving with Her Majesty's Forces) are excluded from this estimate.

**(ii) Births**

The corrected number of births registered for the Borough during 1958, was 2,305, of which 1,189 were males and 1,116 females. The birth-rate per thousand of the population was equal to 16.3, the figure for 1957 being 16.11. In 1957, there were 2,276 births—1,179 males, 1,097 females.

The birth-rate for England and Wales was 16.4.

**(iii) Deaths**

The corrected number of deaths recorded during 1958 was 1,954, namely 988 males and 966 females. The death-rate per thousand of the estimated population was 13.81 as compared with 12.90 in 1957.

The rate for England and Wales was 11.7.

More detailed information and certain comparative rates of other similar towns are shown in the tables on pages

The Chief Causes of Death were:

	1958	1957
Heart Disease .. .. .	602	533
Other Circulatory Diseases .. ..	65	83
Neoplasm, Malignant Disease .. ..	339	352
Pneumonia, (all forms) .. .. .	74	56
Tuberculosis (all forms) .. .. .	18	10
Kidney Disease .. .. .	12	10
Vascular Lesions .. .. .	313	288
Bronchitis .. .. .	151	146
Influenza .. .. .	12	26

These were also the following Deaths from:

Suicide .. .. .	21	16
Accidents .. .. .	46	56

The Death Rate from Pulmonary Tuberculosis for the whole of the Borough was 0.11 per 1,000 of the population, as compared with 0.06 for 1957, and the total number of deaths recorded was 16 as compared with 9 for 1957.

The number of deaths of children under one year of age was 58, giving an Infant Mortality Rate for 1958 of 25.16. The Rate for 1958 for England and Wales was 22.5.



**(iv) Illegitimacy**

During the year there were 97 illegitimate births recorded by the Registrar-General as belonging to the Borough, as compared with 93 in 1957. This gave an illegitimate birth rate of 42.08 per thousand total live births, as compared with 40.86 in 1957.

There were six deaths of illegitimate children born during 1958.

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

Year	Esti- mated popula- tion	Births		Illegitimate Births		Total deaths under 1 year of age	Infant mor- tality per 1000 births	Deaths of illegiti- mates under 1 year of age	Illegiti- mate infant mortality per 1000 illegiti- mate births
		Legiti- mate	Illegiti- mate	to 1000 pop'l'n	to 1000 births				
1943	127200	2078	123	0.97	55.84	143	64.97	16	130.08
1944	129060	2271	132	1.02	54.93	164	68.25	17	128.79
1945	129280	1955	190	1.47	88.57	147	68.53	16	84.21
1946	137680	2504	179	1.30	66.72	138	51.43	16	89.39
1947	140720	2864	174	1.24	57.27	147	48.39	11	63.22
1948	140900	2323	141	1.00	57.22	91	36.93	6	42.55
1949	141460	2163	116	0.82	50.90	93	40.81	6	51.72
1950	142110	2036	114	0.80	53.02	76	35.35	3	26.32
1951	140700	1954	109	0.77	52.83	85	41.20	5	45.87
1952	141000	2019	92	0.65	43.58	61	28.90	6	65.22
1953	141000	2045	112	0.79	51.92	64	29.67	2	17.86
1954	141200	1981	108	0.76	51.69	79	37.81	6	55.55
1955	141100	1961	100	0.71	48.52	69	33.47	7	70.00
1956	140900	2174	126	0.89	54.78	66	28.69	1	7.93
1957	141200	2183	93	0.65	40.86	50	21.96	NIL	NIL
1958	141400	2208	97	0.68	42.08	58	25.16	6	61.85



(v)

1951—Total population at all ages, 141,660.  
 Census of 1931 Area of District in acres (land and water) : 7,659.  
 Private families or separate occupiers : 33,760.

### VITAL STATISTICS OF WHOLE BOROUGH DURING 1958 AND PREVIOUS YEARS

YEAR	Total Population estimated to middle of each year	Births		Total deaths Registered in the District		Transferable Deaths		Nett Deaths Belonging to the District				
		Un- corrected Number	Nett.	Number	Rate	of Non- residence registered in the District	of Resi- dents not registered in the District	Under 1 Year of Age		At all Ages		
								Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
												Rate
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1948	140,900	2683	2464	17.49	1923	13.64	371	19	91	36	1671	11.86
1949	141,460	2751	2279	16.11	2180	15.41	453	138	93	40	1865	13.18
1950	142,110	2758	2150	15.13	2281	16.05	527	113	76	35	1867	13.14
1951	140,700	2700	2063	14.66	2558	18.18	650	155	85	41	2063	14.66
1952	141,000	2774	2111	14.97	2337	16.57	688	131	61	29	1780	12.62
1953	141,000	2887	2157	15.3	2581	18.30	659	122	64	30	2044	14.50
1954	141,200	2851	2089	14.8	2312	16.37	669	111	79	38	1751	12.40
1955	141,100	2601	2061	14.61	2457	17.41	646	127	69	33	1946	13.79
1956	140,900	2799	2300	16.32	2520	18.38	627	137	66	28	1893	13.43
1957	141,200	2800	2276	16.11	2471	17.50	649	118	50	21	1822	12.90
1958	141,400	2901	2305	16.30	2645	18.9	691	156	58	25	1954	13.81



(vi) BIRTH RATE, DEATH RATE, INFANT MORTALITY RATE, AND MATERNAL MORTALITY RATE, (1921-1958)

<i>Year</i>	<i>Birth-rate</i>	<i>Death-rate</i>	<i>Infant Mortality</i>	<i>Maternal Mortality</i>
1921	20.43	12.16	91	5.55
1922	17.42	13.37	77	6.91
1923	17.63	12.66	92	5.21
1924	16.37	13.86	87	5.51
1925	16.51	13.94	97	2.76
1926	16.06	12.78	82	4.77
1927	14.66	12.54	77	6.70
1928	14.32	12.79	77	5.68
1929	13.30	13.87	92	6.12
1930	13.79	12.02	57	1.60
1931	13.60	13.85	79	6.04
1932	12.66	12.72	71	2.94
1933	12.23	13.83	83	4.27
1934	13.58	11.85	55	3.82
1935	12.93	11.97	57	5.59
1936	13.65	13.16	76	3.15
1937	14.14	13.94	57	8.60
1938	14.35	13.03	56	2.94
1939	14.12	13.56	70	1.49
1940	14.57	15.28	60	1.47
1941	14.16	14.18	75	4.62
1942	16.59	12.96	67	4.05
1943	17.30	14.00	64	2.20
1944	18.62	13.86	68	4.03
1945	16.59	13.46	68	2.70
1946	19.49	13.12	51	1.08
1947	21.59	13.28	48	0.95
1948	17.49	11.86	36	0.79
1949	16.11	13.18	40	0.42
1950	15.13	13.14	35	0.46
1951	14.66	14.66	41	1.41
1952	14.97	12.62	29	1.86
1953	15.30	14.50	30	1.36
1954	14.80	12.40	38	0.92
1955	14.61	13.79	33	0.47
1956	16.32	13.43	28	1.69
1957	16.11	12.90	21	NIL
1958	16.30	13.81	25	0.38



## (vii) CAUSES OF DEATH AT DIFFERENT PERIODS OF LIFE IN THE COUNTY BOROUGH OF STOCKPORT, 1958

Causes of Death	SEX	0-	1-	5-	15-	25-	45-	65-	75-	Total
1. Tuberculosis Respiratory	M	-	-	-	-	2	7	3	2	14
2. Tuberculosis, other	F	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	2
3. Syphilitic disease	M	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
4. Diphtheria	F	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	1	5
5. Whooping Cough	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
6. Meningococcal Infections	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7. Acute Poliomyelitis	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
8. Measles	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9. Other Infective and parasitic Diseases	M	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
10. Malignant Neoplasm. Stomach	F	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	3
11. Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	M	-	-	-	-	1	11	9	16	37
12. Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	F	-	-	-	-	2	44	21	16	81
13. Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	M	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	3	11
14. Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms	F	-	-	-	-	-	10	8	-	18
15. Leukaemia, aleukaemia	M	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	8	9
16. Diabetes	F	-	-	-	1	-	9	1	2	12
17. Vascular lesions of Nervous System	M	-	-	-	2	5	29	27	17	70
18. Coronary Disease, Angina	F	-	-	-	-	1	30	25	14	70
19. Hypertension with heart disease	M	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	2
20. Other heart diseases	F	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	2
	M	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	1	6
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2
	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	4
	F	-	-	-	-	3	29	47	58	137
	M	-	-	-	-	-	22	55	98	176
	F	-	-	1	-	3	81	59	35	178
	M	-	-	-	-	3	23	50	44	120
	F	-	-	-	-	-	4	6	7	17
	M	-	-	-	-	-	1	7	7	15
	F	-	-	-	-	5	16	24	54	99
	M	-	-	-	-	3	21	34	115	173







## (e) SICKNESS FIGURES

The figures shown below represent the number of first sickness certificates submitted to the local insurance office by the working population in the Stockport area. This year the peak period occurred in February, when 1,337 certificates were submitted in one week compared with 3,427 in October, 1957.

## INCIDENCE OF SICKNESS - WORKING POPULATION, 1958

Jan. 7th	...	..	..	1083	Aug. 5th	..	..	..	312
.. 14th	...	..	..	1029	.. 12th	..	..	..	334
.. 21st	..	..	..	961	.. 19th	..	..	..	282
.. 28th	..	..	..	1216	.. 26th	..	..	..	352
Feb. 4th	..	..	..	1218	Sept. 2nd	..	..	..	432
.. 11th	..	..	..	1337	.. 9th	..	..	..	489
.. 18th	..	..	..	1185	.. 16th	..	..	..	517
.. 25th	..	..	..	1117	.. 23rd	..	..	..	530
					.. 30th	..	..	..	518
Mar. 4th	..	..	..	1047	Oct. 7th	..	..	..	620
.. 11th	..	..	..	871	.. 14th	..	..	..	635
.. 18th	..	..	..	885	.. 21st	..	..	..	666
.. 25th	..	..	..	870	.. 28th	..	..	..	678
Apl. 1st	..	..	..	843	Nov. 4th	..	..	..	669
.. 8th	..	..	..	433	.. 11th	..	..	..	667
.. 15th	..	..	..	829	.. 18th	..	..	..	728
.. 22nd	..	..	..	753	.. 25th	..	..	..	745
.. 29th	..	..	..	676					
May 6th	..	..	..	595	Dec. 2nd	..	..	..	775
.. 13th	..	..	..	503	.. 9th	..	..	..	752
.. 20th	..	..	..	488	.. 16th	..	..	..	681
.. 27th	..	..	..	410	.. 23rd	..	..	..	572
					.. 30th	..	..	..	394
June 3rd	..	..	..	333					
.. 10th	..	..	..	467					
.. 17th	..	..	..	437					
.. 24th	..	..	..	386					
July 1st	..	..	..	421					
.. 8th	..	..	..	447					
.. 15th	..	..	..	463					
.. 22nd	..	..	..	457					
.. 29th	..	..	..	374					

Average weekly 663

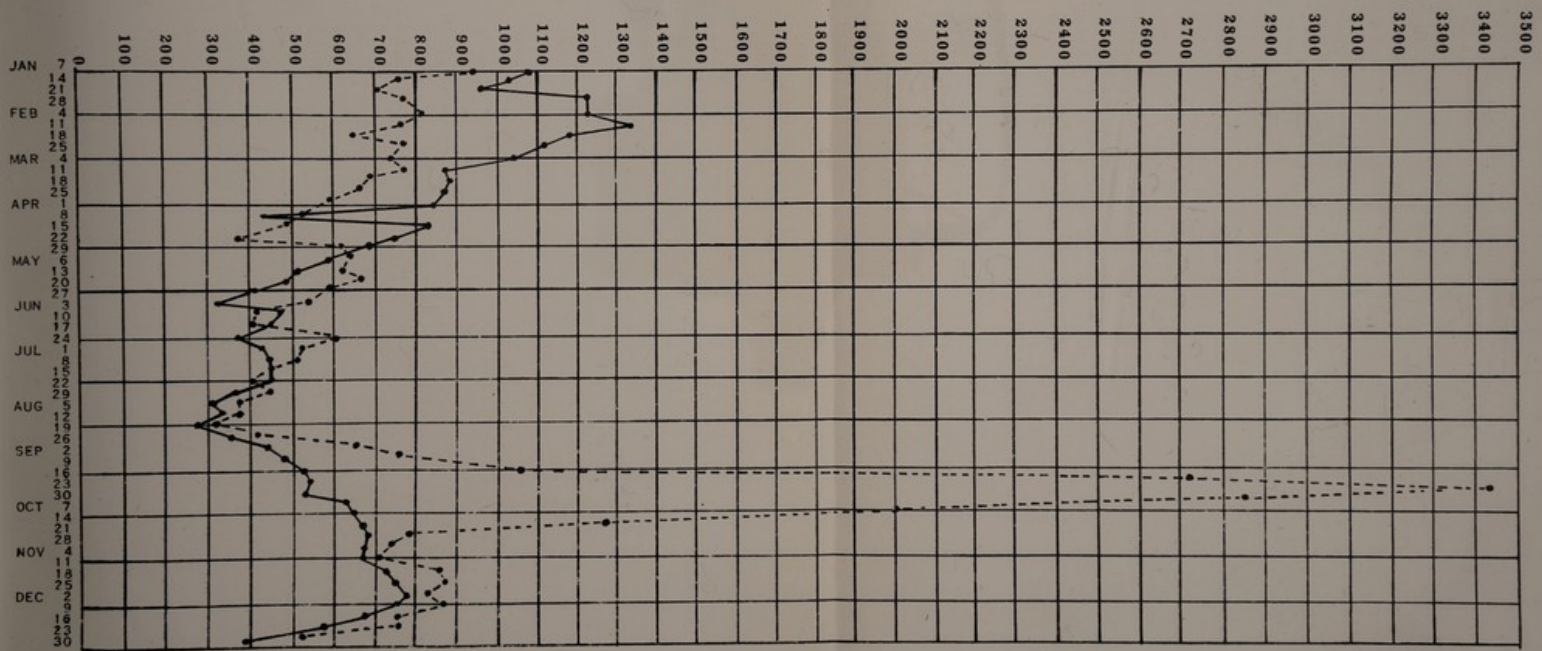


# INCIDENCE OF SICKNESS

## WORKING POPULATION OF STOCKPORT

1957 - - - - -

1958 —————

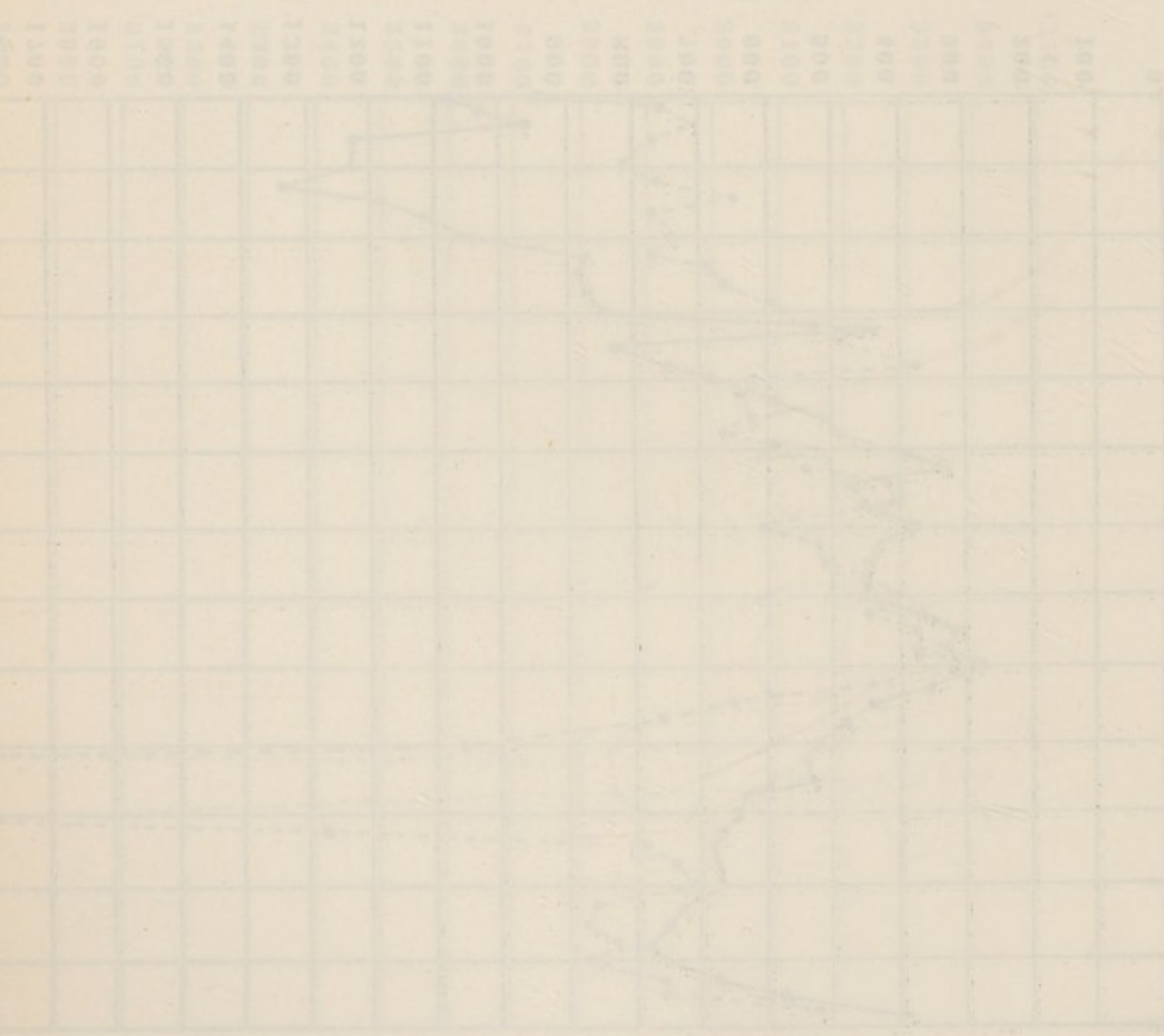




INCUBATION PERIOD

WEEKS

1921





SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

(a) (i) Water supply. The water supply of the area is derived from the ... (ii) Sewage disposal. The sewage disposal system of the area is ... (iii) Public health. The public health of the area is ... (iv) Sanitation. The sanitation of the area is ... (v) Cleanliness. The cleanliness of the area is ...

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## SECTION II

## Sanitary Circumstances of the Area

## (a) (i) Water

The water supply of Stockport is provided by the Stockport Corporation Water Undertaking, which has a statutory area of 77 square miles. It also provides supplies in bulk to other areas.

The total area supplied with water is 135 square miles, with an estimated population in 1958 of 285,072 the average daily consumption being 11,164,000 gallons.

The estimated population supplied in bulk is 44,400 with an average daily consumption of 1,674,000 gallons and the estimated population supplied in detail is 240,672 with an average daily consumption of 9,490,000 gallons, equal to 39.43 gallons per head per day, 27.85 gallons being un-metered (i.e. Domestic) and 11.58 gallons metered (i.e., Trade).

- (i) The water supply of the area and of its several parts has been satisfactory (a) in quality, and (b) in quantity.
- (ii) Bacteriological examinations were made monthly of the raw water and weekly of the treated water going into supply, the results being satisfactory. Chemical analyses were made monthly of the raw and treated water going into supply, the results being satisfactory.
- (iii) The water is chemically treated to prevent plumbo-solvent action, with satisfactory results. The chemical analyses are dealt with in (ii) above.
- (iv) The water is stored in impounding reservoirs, treated by mechanical filtration plant, and subsequently chlorinated.
- (v) 47,329 dwelling-houses with a population of 141,400 are supplied from public water mains direct to the houses. No domestic supplies are given by standpipe.

## (ii) Drainage and Sewerage

I am indebted to the Borough Surveyor, for the following details of work carried out during the year.

Number of back passages paved and sewered	..	..	Nil
Length of sewers laid	..	..	10,646 yds.
Number of cellar areas closed and filled in for street improvements	..	..	6
Number of houses demolished for street improvements	..	..	Nil
Number of water-closets erected in connection with new houses and buildings	..	..	767

## (b) Rivers and Streams

There has not been any important change during the year.



**(c) (i) Closet Accommodation**

During 1958 4 Waste Water Closets were converted to W.C.s, 224 additional W.C.s were provided as distinct from new houses provision, Nil W.C.s were provided for adaptation of old houses into flats. Number of W.C.s erected in new houses : 523.

The following table indicates the position in the Borough, as compared with the previous year.

			1957		1958
Water Closets	..	..	52,276	..	52,830
Waste Water Closets	..	..	72	..	66
Pail Closets	..	..	63	..	59
Privy Middens	..	..	-	..	-
Cesspools	..	..	2	..	2

**(c) (ii) Public Cleansing**

No change.

At the end of 1958, there were the following sanitary appliances :-

Ashbins	..	..	..	..	58,165
Ashpits	..	..	..	..	-

**(c) (iii) Shops Acts****Summary of Work under the Shops Act, 1950**

Number of Shops on the Register	..	..	..	..	..	2629
Number of Visits for all Purposes	..	..	..	..	..	1666
Notices Served :						
Preliminary	..	..	..	..	..	51
Statutory	..	..	..	..	..	-
Notices Complied With :						
Preliminary	..	..	..	..	..	64
Statutory	..	..	..	..	..	-
Notices Outstanding :						
Preliminary	..	..	..	..	..	122
Statutory	..	..	..	..	..	-
Nature of Work Complied With :						
Renewals and Repairs to Sanitary Accommodation	..	..	..	..	..	7
General Drainage and Repairs	..	..	..	..	..	8
Premises Cleansed	..	..	..	..	..	19
Ash Bins Renewed	..	..	..	..	..	4
Prescribed Forms obtained and displayed	..	..	..	..	..	2
Additional Facilities Required and Provided :						
Sanitary Accommodation	..	..	..	..	..	2
Washing Facilities	..	..	..	..	..	26
Ventilation and Temperature	..	..	..	..	..	3
Facilities for Meals	..	..	..	..	..	4
Lighting	..	..	..	..	..	2

**(c) (iv) Pharmacy and Poisons Act, 1933**

The listed sellers on the Register under the above Act is 260.

During the year 66 inspections of these premises were made.



**(c) (v) Swimming Baths and Pools**

6 samples of water from the public swimming baths in the Borough have been taken during the year. The analyses of these samples were consistently good throughout the year, and the bathers have been able to enjoy a highly satisfactory bath water.

**(c) (vi) Eradication of Bed Bugs**

During the year 29 Corporation houses were found to be infested with bugs. All the houses were treated with D.D.T. or other insecticide.

In the case of rehousing of families into Corporation houses, the furniture and bedding from 390 houses were disinfested.

In the case of privately-owned houses 13 cases of bug infestation were investigated and treated with D.D.T. or other insecticide.

**(c) (vii) Premises and Occupations which can be controlled by Byelaws or Regulations**

**COMMON LODGING HOUSES.** There are 2 Common Lodging Houses in the Borough, to which 60 visits were paid during the year.

**BAKEHOUSES.** There are 96 bakehouses (4 of which are underground), to which 38 visits were made in the course of the year.

**OFFENSIVE TRADES.** There are in the Borough 12 premises in which one or other of the offensive trades is carried on, and 8 visits were made to these premises during the year.

**FAIRS AND WAKES AND TRAVELLING VANS.** In connection with fairs and vans, 29 visits to caravans used as dwelling houses were made.

**(c) (viii) Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949**

20,895 visits 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 a large number of rats were destroyed.

Number of premises inspected	..	..	..	..	17,051
Number of visits	..	..	..	..	20,895
Number of premises found infested	..	..	..	..	560
Number of premises treated	..	..	..	..	560
Number of block control schemes	..	..	..	..	1,374
Number of notices served	..	..	..	..	-
Legal proceedings taken	..	..	..	..	-

**(c) (ix) Rag Flocks and other Filling Materials Act, 1951**

40 visits were made to works in order to ascertain that no infringement of the provisions relating to rag flock was taking place.



**(c) (x) Smoke Abatement**

A total of 465 smoke observations and visits to boiler plants have been made during the year and advice and assistance has been given where necessary. Improved or additional boiler plant has been installed at several industrial and commercial premises in the borough.

There was one prosecution during the year in respect of the emission of excessive smoke.

Instruments to measure the extent of atmospheric pollution are situated in different parts of the town and the following table shows the monthly average pollution at the sites in use.

Station	Rain m.m.	Insoluble Deposits	Soluble Deposits	Total Solids	SO <sub>3</sub> mg/day 1,000 cm <sup>2</sup> of batch A Lead Peroxide
		Tons per Square Mile			
Cheadle Heath	71.17	7.78	6.18	13.96	2.31
Portwood	77.42	18.62	11.07	29.68	2.32
Georges Road	68.67	15.48	8.48	23.96	-
Police Station	78.17	27.28	9.25	28.20	2.43

During the year the County Borough of Stockport (No. 1) Smoke Control Order 1958 was confirmed by the Minister of Housing and Local Government. The order comes into operation on the 1st June, 1959 and will affect 1096 premises. The size of the area is approximately 73 acres. This area contains 320 unfit houses and steps are being taken to secure their early demolition. 408 premises were found to be already smokeless at the time of the survey. There are 368 premises where adaption or replacement of existing fireplaces is required.

**(d) Schools**

During the year improvements were made to external toilets at Cale Green Primary School, St. Matthews C.E. Primary School and the Secondary Technical School.

An additional staff toilet was provided at Higher Brinksway Primary School.

**(e) Section 47 of the National Assistance Act, 1948**

Action was taken for the compulsory removal to suitable premises of 4 persons considered to be in need of care and attention. A number of other cases were brought to the notice of this authority and investigated. In certain cases the persons concerned were persuaded to accept institutional care, other cases were referred to the Welfare Officer.



**(f) District Public Health Inspectors' Work****INSPECTIONS MADE AND NUISANCES FOUND :**

TOTAL INSPECTIONS MADE (all purposes)	..	..	..	25,924
Total individual properties inspected (all purposes)	..	..	..	16,888
Housing Inspections (under P.H.A.)	..	..	..	6,796
Total individual properties inspected	..	..	..	1,521
Other Inspections (under P.H.A.)	..	..	..	2,449
Courts and Yards	..	..	..	75
Dry Ashpits and Dustbins	..	..	..	96
Drainage	..	..	..	3,467
Water Closets	..	..	..	1,032
Water Courses	..	..	..	62
Miscellaneous Inspections	..	..	..	2,328
Inspections for Infectious Disease :				
Total Inspections and Visits	..	..	..	176
Total houses visited	..	..	..	124
Houses disinfected	..	..	..	-
Schools, etc., disinfected	..	..	..	-
COMPLAINTS RECEIVED	..	..	..	2,622
NUISANCES FOUND	..	..	..	1,678
NUISANCES ABATED (total)	..	..	..	1,431
WATER CLOSETS, ETC. :				
Water Closets cleansed (by Owners)	..	..	..	1
Water Closets cleansed (by Occupiers)	..	..	..	-
Water Closet Pedestals, etc., renewed or repaired	..	..	..	63
Water Supply Pipes or Cisterns to Water Closets repaired	..	..	..	106
Water Courses Cleansed	..	..	..	-
Dustbins renewed	..	..	..	4,875
Houses Cleansed, Re-papered, or Lime-washed	..	..	..	2
Sink Waste Pipes Renewed or Repaired	..	..	..	28
Downspouts or Eaves Gutters Renewed or Repaired	..	..	..	232
House Drains Tested	..	..	..	346
House Drains and Drains to Water Closets Reconstructed or Repaired	..	..	..	228
Gully Traps Fixed	..	..	..	14
Soilpipes and Ventilating Shafts Erected	..	..	..	24
Yards, Courts or Passages Drained or Drains Repaired	..	..	..	9
Yards, Courts or Passages Paved or Repaired	..	..	..	-
Yards, Courts or Passages cleansed by Occupiers	..	..	..	1
Animals Improperly Kept - Removed	..	..	..	2
Accumulations Removed	..	..	..	28
Houses where Structural Repairs have been carried out	..	..	..	685
Miscellaneous Nuisances	..	..	..	28

**NOTICES SERVED :**

Preliminary	..	..	..	..	1,085
Statutory	..	..	..	..	367
January 1st, 1958.	Statutory Notices outstanding	..	..	..	304
December 31st 1958.	Statutory Notices outstanding	..	..	..	359

**NOTICES COMPLIED WITH :**

Preliminary	..	..	..	..	846
Statutory	..	..	..	..	312



COUNTY BOROUGH OF STOCKPORT - YEAR, 1958

(g) FACTORIES ACT, 1937

PART I OF THE ACT

1.- INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors) :-

Premises (1)	M/c line No. (2)	Number on Register (3)	Number of		
			Inspections (4)	Written notices (5)	Occupiers prosecuted (6)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities .. .. .	-	42	24	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority .. .. .	-	778	257	23	-
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises).	-	19	10	-	-
Total .. .. .		839	291	23	-



**FACTORIES ACT-Continued**

2-CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND :-

Particulars (1)	M/c line No. (2)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (7)
		Found (3)	Remedied (4)	To H.M. Inspector (5)	Referred By H.M. Inspector (6)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1) .. ..	4	3	3	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2) .. ..	5	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3) .. ..	6	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4) .. ..	7	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6) .. ..	8	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)						
(a) insufficient .. ..	9	2	-	-	2	-
(b) unsuitable or defective .. ..	10	23	15	-	23	-
(c) not separate for sexes .. ..	11	4	3	-	4	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork) .. ..	12	-	-	-	-	-
Total .. ..		32	21	-	29	-

**FACTORIES ACT - Continued**

**PART VIII OF THE ACT**

**OUTWORK**

(Sections 110 and 111)

Nature of Work (1)	Cell/c line No. (2)	SECTION 110			SECTION 111		
		No. of out-workers in August list required by Sect. 110 (1) (c) (3)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (4)	No. of Prosecutions for failure to supply lists (5)	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises (6)	Notices Served (7)	Prosecution (8)
Wearing apparel	13	11	-	-	-	-	-
Making, etc							
Cleaning, washing	14	-	-	-	-	-	-
Christmas Crackers and Christmas Stockings etc	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	11	-	-	-	-	-





## HOUSING

Year	Population	Area	Population	Area	Population	Area
1900	100	100	100	100	100	100
1910	100	100	100	100	100	100
1920	100	100	100	100	100	100
1930	100	100	100	100	100	100
1940	100	100	100	100	100	100
1950	100	100	100	100	100	100
1960	100	100	100	100	100	100
1970	100	100	100	100	100	100
1980	100	100	100	100	100	100
1990	100	100	100	100	100	100
2000	100	100	100	100	100	100
2010	100	100	100	100	100	100
2020	100	100	100	100	100	100



## SECTION III

## Housing

## (a) New Houses

I give below particulars of the houses built or in course of building at the end of the year :

No. of houses erected during the year ended 31st December, 1958 by private enterprise . . . . .	177
No. of houses in course of erection by private enterprise 31st December, 1958 . . . . .	128
No. of houses erected by the Corporation during the year ended 31st December, 1958 . . . . .	346
No. of houses in course of erection by the Corporation, 31st December, 1958 . . . . .	387

## (b) Ward Distribution of New Houses

Number of houses erected in the various Wards of the Borough during the year ended 31st December, 1958.

Ward		<i>Private Enterprise</i>		<i>Corporation</i>	<i>Total</i>
Portwood	No. 1	-	-	282	282
St. Mary's	No. 2	-	-	-	-
Vernon	No. 3	5	-	-	5
Hempshaw Lane	No. 4	-	-	-	-
St. Thomas's	No. 5	-	-	-	-
Cale Green	No. 6	-	-	-	-
Heaviley	No. 7	18	10	-	28
Davenport	No. 8	24	-	-	24
Shaw Heath	No. 9	-	37	-	37
Edgeley	No. 10	-	-	-	-
Hollywood	No. 11	1	-	-	1
Heaton Lane	No. 12	3	-	-	3
Heaton Norris South	No. 13	25	-	-	25
Heaton Norris North	No. 14	49	-	-	49
Old Road	No. 15	-	-	-	-
Lancashire Hill	No. 16	-	-	-	-
Reddish South	No. 17	48	-	-	48
Reddish North	No. 18	4	17	-	21
Totals		177	346	-	523

(c) 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		Total
1920	}	77	..	147	..	224
1921						
1922	..	125	..	-	..	125
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	..	106	..	577
1933	..	670	..	514	..	1184
1934	..	1514	..	51	..	1565
1935	..	1255	..	270	..	1525
1936	..	1443	..	110	..	1553
1937	..	1392	..	140	..	1532
1938	..	1088	..	162	..	1250
1939	..	875	..	144	..	1019
1940	..	75	..	-	..	75
1941	..	17	..	-	..	17
1942	..	6	..	-	..	6
1943	..	-	..	-	..	-
1944	..	-	..	-	..	-
1945	..	4	..	-	..	4
1946	..	141	..	188	..	329
1947	..	91	..	261	..	352
1948	..	13	..	355	..	368
1949	..	36	..	401	..	437
1950	..	82	..	181	..	263
1951	..	73	..	305	..	378
1952	..	81	..	532	..	613
1953	..	156	..	433	..	589
1954	..	244	..	311	..	555
1955	..	361	..	413	..	774
1956	..	238	..	285	..	523
1957	..	248	..	205	..	453
1958	..	177	..	346	..	523
		<u>13,768</u>		<u>6,568</u>		<u>20,336</u>



(d) TYPES OF HOUSES BUILT BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY

Site	A5 Non- Parlour 5 Bedrooms	A4 Non- Parlour 4 Bedrooms	B4 Parlour 4 Bedrooms	B3 Parlour 3 Bedrooms	B2 Parlour 2 Bedrooms	A3 Non- Parlour 3 Bedrooms	A2 Non- Parlour 2 Bedrooms	Flats			Bungalows Non- Parlour 1 Bedrooms	Temporary Houses	Total
								A3 Non- Parlour 3 Bedrooms	A2 Non- Parlour 2 Bedrooms	A1 Non- Parlour 1 Bedrooms			
Dial House.....	-	-	-	101	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	101
Cheadle Heath No. 1.....	-	-	3	-	-	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	19
Cheadle Heath No. 2.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	20
Edgeley.....	-	-	-	24	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Didsbury Road.....	-	-	-	40	-	122	76	-	70	33	-	-	341
Criterion Street.....	-	-	-	-	-	118	-	-	-	-	-	-	118
Reddish Road.....	-	-	-	-	-	174	-	-	40	-	-	-	214
Fates Ley (Garners Lane).....	-	-	-	-	-	600	-	-	80	-	-	-	680
Lancashire Hill.....	-	-	-	-	-	64	-	-	-	-	-	-	64
School Street.....	-	5	-	-	-	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Jowett Street.....	-	7	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
Stockport Road.....	-	58	-	-	-	176	-	-	-	36	-	-	270
Bridge Hall.....	-	25	-	259	-	102	-	-	6	16	-	-	408
Adswold Hall.....	-	41	-	-	-	131	-	-	-	-	-	-	172
Huntsmans Brow.....	-	17	-	-	-	47	-	-	-	-	-	-	64
Woodhall Road.....	-	-	-	-	-	24	-	-	-	96	-	-	120
Walnut Tree Farm.....	-	38	-	-	-	138	9	-	-	-	-	99	194
Whitehill Estate.....	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	99
Wharfedale Estate.....	-	-	-	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
Houldsworth Estate No. 1.....	-	-	-	66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	66
Houldsworth Estate No. 2.....	-	-	19	125	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	152
Houldsworth Estate No. 3.....	-	2	1	-	-	77	37	-	-	-	-	-	128
Houldsworth Estate No. 4.....	-	13	-	-	-	28	32	-	-	-	-	-	60
Houldsworth Estate No. 5.....	-	-	-	-	-	7	33	-	-	-	-	-	40
Houldsworth Estate No. 7.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	8
Houldsworth Estate No. 8.....	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	12	-	-	12
Houldsworth Estate No. 9.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	3
Knipersley Avenue.....	-	-	-	36	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Hollymount Road.....	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
Grasmere Avenue.....	-	-	-	-	4	3	5	-	-	-	-	-	12
Magda Road.....	-	-	-	34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Matlock Road No. 1.....	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Matlock Road No. 2.....	-	-	-	-	-	24	14	-	-	-	-	-	38
Bideford Road.....	-	-	-	44	-	6	8	-	-	-	-	-	58
Bank Hall Road Nos. 1 and 2.....	-	-	-	6	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	10
Cloveilly Road.....	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
Fernley Road.....	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	12



(d) TYPES OF HOUSES BUILT BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY (Continued)

Site	A5 Non- Parlour 5 Bedrooms	A4 Non- Parlour 4 Bedrooms	B4 Parlour 4 Bedrooms	B3 Parlour 3 Bedrooms	B2 Parlour 2 Bedrooms	A3 Non- Parlour 3 Bedrooms	A2 Non- Parlour 2 Bedrooms	Flats			Bungalows Non- Parlour 1 Bedrooms	Temporary Houses 2 Bedrooms	Total
								A3	A2	A1			
Nangreave Road.....	-	-	-	6	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
Carnforth Road.....	-	2	2	22	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Hilda Grove.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	-	-	-	-	-	40
Sterndale Road.....	-	-	6	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	56
Woodlands Estate.....	-	-	4	70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	74
Broomfield Drive.....	-	-	-	32	-	-	-	-	-	24	-	-	56
Chorlton Grove.....	-	-	-	16	-	28	8	-	-	-	-	-	52
Dial Park Road.....	-	-	-	-	-	12	4	-	-	-	-	-	16
Lowndes Lane.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	-	-	-	-	-	16
Warwick Road.....	-	-	-	-	-	30	14	-	-	-	-	-	48
Canal Bridge No. 1.....	-	4	-	-	-	26	24	-	-	-	-	-	50
Canal Bridge No. 2.....	-	-	-	-	-	24	6	-	-	-	-	-	30
Canal Bridge No. 3.....	-	-	-	-	-	8	14	-	-	-	-	-	22
Parkgate Drive.....	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
Thornley Lane No. 1.....	-	-	-	-	-	32	31	-	2	-	-	-	65
Thornley Lane No. 2.....	-	2	-	-	-	51	-	-	-	-	-	-	53
Thornley Lane No. 3.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Brinnington No. 1.....	-	2	-	-	-	45	27	-	-	-	-	-	74
Brinnington No. 2.....	-	-	-	-	-	21	8	-	-	2	-	-	31
Brinnington No. 3.....	-	4	-	-	-	51	33	-	2	2	-	-	92
Brinnington No. 5.....	-	11	-	-	-	68	61	-	96	-	-	-	236
Brinnington No. 9.....	-	2	-	-	-	12	16	-	-	4	-	-	34
Brinnington No. 10.....	-	1	-	-	-	23	12	-	-	2	-	-	38
Brinnington No. 11.....	-	-	-	-	-	17	18	-	-	-	-	-	35
Brinnington No. 12.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	10
The Mount, Brinnington.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	3	-	-	15
Hampshire House.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	15
Brindale House.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	-	-	-	30
Nelstrop Road No. 1.....	-	-	-	-	-	14	20	-	13	6	-	-	25
Nelstrop Road No. 2.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	28	-	-	12	18	-	34
Stanton Gardens.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	-	-	-	58
Covent Gardens.....	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	24	24	-	-	-	18
Swythamley Road.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	48
Brinnington No. 19.....	-	-	-	-	-	47	26	-	-	-	-	-	18
Brinnington No. 14.....	-	-	-	-	-	29	24	-	-	-	-	-	73
Brinnington No. 15.....	-	-	-	-	-	43	44	-	-	-	-	-	53
Brinnington No. 21.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	4	-	99
Brinnington No. 20.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	62	13	-	75
									8	-	-	-	10



(d) TYPES OF HOUSES BUILT BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY (Continued)

Site	A5	A4	B4	B3	B2	A3	A2	Flats			Bungalows	Temporary Houses	Total
	Non-Parlour 5 Bedrooms	Non-Parlour 4 Bedrooms	Parlour 4 Bedrooms	Parlour 3 Bedrooms	Parlour 2 Bedrooms	Non-Parlour 3 Bedrooms	Non-Parlour 2 Bedrooms	A3	A2	A1	Non-Parlour 1 Bedrooms	2 Bedrooms	
Bridgehall No. 10.....	-	-	-	-	-	16	22	-	-	-	-	-	38
Canal Bridge No. 4.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	24	-	-	-	-	-	24
Bognor House.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	4
Brimington No. 29.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36	-	-	36
Brimington No. 22.....	-	-	-	-	-	2	12	-	-	-	-	-	14
Brimington No. 23.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	-	-	54
Brimington No. 32.....	-	-	-	-	-	13	42	-	38	4	2	-	63
Brimington No. 30.....	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	9	-	-	12
Brimington No. 31.....	-	3	-	-	-	16	51	-	-	-	-	-	70
Bridgehall No. 11.....	-	-	-	-	-	20	10	-	9	24	-	-	43
Harrogate Road.....	-	-	-	-	-	24	28	-	-	-	-	-	48
Naseby Road.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	36
Brimington No. 25.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33	3	-	-	36
Brimington 33/34.....	-	4	-	-	-	31	90	-	-	-	-	-	125
Brimington No. 35.....	-	2	-	-	-	15	17	-	-	2	-	-	36
Brimington No. 36.....	-	3	-	-	-	26	35	-	-	4	-	-	68
Brimington No. 37.....	-	3	-	-	-	34	26	-	22	28	-	-	113
Brimington Nos. 38 and 38A	-	-	-	-	-	32	13	-	2	14	-	-	61
Bramall Mount.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	2	-	6
Bridge Hall No. 12.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	8
York Street No. 1.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32	8	-	-	40
York Street No. 2.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	12
Brimington No. 39.....	-	3	-	-	-	8	15	-	12	-	-	-	38
Brimington No. 40.....	-	-	-	-	-	16	2	-	-	-	-	-	18
Brimington No. 41 and 43..	-	-	-	-	-	-	28	44	-	-	-	-	72
Brimington No. 42.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	-	-	-	-	6
Alvanley Crescent.....	-	-	-	-	-	9	2	-	-	-	-	-	11
Hillcrest Road.....	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Hartington Road.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	8
Marton Green.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	8
Rostrevor Road.....	-	-	-	-	-	11	3	-	-	4	-	-	18
Totals.....	9	254	35	1002	10	2794	1148	110	544	524	39	99	6568



**(e) WORK UNDERTAKEN IN THE BOROUGH****1. Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the year**

(1) (a)	Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	...	...	6,796
(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	...	...	12,411
(2) (a)	Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above, which were inspected and recorded under the Housing consolidation Regulations, 1925 and 1932)	...	...	765
(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	...	...	1,401
(3)	Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation..			641
(4)	Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-heading) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation ...		...	2,004

**2. Remedy of defects during the year without service of Formal Notices**

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers	...	...	...	...	1,066
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**3. Action under Statutory Powers during the year****A. Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936**

(1)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Notices were served requiring repairs ...	...	...	...	-
(2)	Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:				
(a)	By Owners	...	...	...	-
(b)	By Local Authority in default of Owners	...	...	...	-

**B. Proceedings under Public Health Acts**

(1)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	...	...	297
	Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:	...	...	
(a)	By Owners	...	...	249
(b)	By Local Authority in default of Owners	...	...	24

**C. Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936**

(1)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	...	...	...	58
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(2)	Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	...	...	...	...	40
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**D. Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936**

(1)	Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made	...	...	...	51
(2)	Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit	...	...	...	-

**(f) Housing Act, 1936 - Overcrowding**

(a)	Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year	119
	"    "    families dwelling therein	223
	"    "    persons dwelling therein (equivalent number of adults)	963
(b)	Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year	24
(c)	Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	27
	Number of persons concerned in such cases (equivalent number of adults)	160½
(d)	Number of cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the Corporation had taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding	-

**(g) Slum Clearance**

In spite of existing vacancies for Public Health Inspectors, good progress has been made during the year in connection with the Council's slum clearance programme.

The Richard Street, Back Water Street, Avenue Street and Heaton Lane Compulsory Purchase Orders 1957, and the Howard Street Clearance Order 1958, have been confirmed by the Minister of Housing and Local Government. The orders include 8 clearance areas involving 74 unfit houses and 30 other lands.

The Brady Street, Great Portwood Street, (Nos. 1 & 2), Howard Street, John Street and Liverpool Street Compulsory Purchase Orders, 1958 have been approved by the Council and submitted to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government for confirmation. These areas involve 111 unfit houses and 13 other lands.

Individual unfit action for closing or demolition was also taken in respect of 103 unfit houses in various parts of the Borough.

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## Inspection and Supervision of Food

## (a) MILK SUPPLY

## (i) Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949

There are 20 cowsheds and 29 dairies in the Borough. 46 persons deliver milk in Stockport, and 509 are licensed dealers of graded milk in sealed bottles.

During the year 607 visits of inspection have been made to these premises and as a result many alterations and repairs have been effected.

## (ii) Milk Including (Special Designations) Regulations, 1949-53

During the year 1,051 samples of milk have been procured and tested as follows:

<i>Tests Applied</i>	<i>Total No. of Tests</i>	<i>No. Satisfactory</i>	<i>No. Un- satisfactory</i>
RAW MILK:			
Methylene Blue Reduction Test ..	69	53	16
HEAT TREATED MILK:			
Methylene Reduction Tests ..	421	421	-
Phosphatase Test ..	455	453	2
Turbidity Test ..	106	106	-
TOTAL ..	1,051	1,033	18

During the year 45 samples of milk were taken and examined for tuberculosis infection, all of which were negative.

## (b) MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

Eight private slaughterhouses are being used for slaughtering purposes and these additional centres have led to an increase in the work of meat inspection. In spite of a shortage of qualified Public Health Inspectors, all carcasses and offals of animals slaughtered during the year have been inspected.

2,063 visits of inspection to slaughterhouses were made, as compared with 1,803 during the previous year.

The vehicles used for the transport of meat have been maintained in a satisfactory condition.

A total of 1,874 inspections have been made to premises used for the preparation, storage and sale of food.

408 premises are registered for the manufacture, storage, or sale of ice-cream and these have received regular supervision during the past year.

Meat is collected from all slaughterhouses by local contractors and processing is carried out under supervision.

Disposal of the other foods, including canned goods, is by tipping at the Corporation's refuse tip under the supervision of the Cleansing Department.



### Special Examination of Consignments

Full details of unsound food found to be unfit for human consumption on page

### Lectures on Food Hygiene

Lectures to food traders have again been given by the Chief Public Health Inspector at the Technical College. Talks on food hygiene to a number of local bodies and organisations have also been given.

### Total Number of Food Premises

The total number of visits of inspection to all food premises during the year was 1,874.

The following is a summary of the unsound meat and other foods dealt with during the year.

#### CARCASES AND OFFAL INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED IN WHOLE OR IN PART

	<i>Cattle excluding Cows</i>	<i>Cows</i>	<i>Calves</i>	<i>Sheep and Lambs</i>	<i>Pigs</i>	<i>Horses</i>
Number killed (if known)	9,052	863	417	31,475	3,956	-
Number inspected	9,052	863	417	31,475	3,956	-
<i>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci</i>						
Whole carcasses condemned	5	3	-	3	11	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	737	79	-	536	361	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	8.19%	9.50%	-	1.71%	9.40%	-
<i>Tuberculosis only</i>						
Whole carcasses condemned	7	11	-	-	3	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	385	121	8	-	116	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	4.33%	15.29%	1.91%	-	3.00%	-
<i>Cysticercos Bovis</i>						
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	5	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration	5	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-



## Other foods examined and found unfit for human consumption

			Tons	Cwts.	Qrs.	Lbs.	Ozs.
Ham	..	..	1	12	2	16	9
Ox Tongue	..	..	-	3	-	3	-
Lamb Tongue	..	..	-	-	-	6	-
Pigs Tongue	..	..	-	-	-	15	-
Corned Beef	..	..	-	5	2	19	-
Corned Mutton	..	..	-	-	1	2	-
Corned Ox Tongue	..	..	-	-	-	6	-
Chicken	..	..	-	15	-	14	7
Chopped Pork	..	..	-	-	-	24	-
Pork Luncheon Meat	..	..	-	3	1	11	15
Pork	..	..	-	-	-	20	-
Pork Slices	..	..	-	-	-	20	-
Pork Loins	..	..	-	-	-	9	9
Jellied Veal	..	..	-	-	1	14	-
Bacon	..	..	-	-	-	19	8
Luncheon Meat	..	..	-	-	1	16	-
Luncheon Tongue	..	..	-	-	2	10	-
Minced Pork	..	..	-	-	-	12	-
Pressed Beef	..	..	-	-	1	20	-
Ham and Veal Loaf	..	..	-	-	-	4	-
English Beef	..	..	-	-	1	10	-
Ducks	..	..	-	-	3	18	8
Turkeys	..	..	-	-	2	19	2
Pheasant	..	..	-	-	-	10	-
Fruit	..	..	-	-	2	27	-
Vegetables	..	..	-	-	-	22	11
Fish	..	..	-	-	1	24	-
Total	..	..	3	6	2	2	5

## Other unsound or unwholesome foods surrendered

Meat	..	..	..	..	740 tins
Fruit	..	..	..	..	2543 "
Vegetables	..	..	..	..	1304 "
Soups	..	..	..	..	506 "
Fish	..	..	..	..	1586 "
Milk	..	..	..	..	443 "
Miscellaneous Goods..	..	..	..	..	1147 tins, jars, packets and bottles
Total					<u>8269</u>

## (c) ADULTERATION

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

Year	Total Samples analysed		Adulterated		Percentage Adulteration
1937	..	416	..	4	0.96
1938	..	403	..	9	2.23
1939	..	405	..	7	1.73
1940	..	403	..	23	5.7
1941	..	389	..	27	6.94
1942	..	358	..	19	5.31
1943	..	360	..	12	3.33
1944	..	338	..	14	4.14
1945	..	422	..	25	5.92
1946	..	426	..	28	6.57
1947	..	418	..	31	7.41
1948	..	450	..	22	4.88
1949	..	423	..	47	11.11
1950	..	431	..	34	7.89
1951	..	400	..	28	7.00
1952	..	400	..	34	8.50
1953	..	374	..	30	8.02
1954	..	359	..	37	10.306
1955	..	338	..	44	13.01
1956	..	414	..	37	8.94
1957	...	394	..	18	4.57
1958	..	386	..	32	8.29



Analysis of milk samples (included in the previous table) compared with previous years:

<i>Year</i>	<i>Total Samples analysed</i>	<i>Adulterated</i>	<i>Percentage Adulteration</i>
1937 ..	61	3	4.92
1938 ..	78	7	9.1
1939 ..	94	3	3.2
1940 ..	91	12	13.18
1941 ..	89	13	14.61
1942 ..	85	13	15.29
1943 ..	84	9	10.71
1944 ..	79	10	12.65
1945 ..	159	22	13.83
1946 ..	145	21	14.48
1947 ..	128	21	16.4
1948 ..	119	11	9.24
1949 ..	167	31	18.56
1950 ..	212	24	11.32
1951 ..	202	16	7.92
1952 ..	195	23	11.79
1953 ..	151	13	8.61
1954 ..	153	22	14.379
1955 ..	174	37	21.26
1956 ..	198	28	14.14
1957 ..	139	8	5.76
1958 ..	139	25	17.98

#### (d) NUTRITION

The five Empire Marketing Board frames, which became the property of the Corporation in 1934, have been used for posters illustrating various health matters, including nutrition. The classes in Mothercraft and Hygiene in the schools have been continued.

#### (e) SHELL FISH (Molluscan)

There are no Shell Fish beds in the Borough.

#### (f) FERTILISING AND FEEDING STUFFS ACT

31 samples were taken under the above Act during the year.

## (g) LEGAL PROCEEDINGS DURING THE YEAR 1958

<i>Offence</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Fine</i>
PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936 SECTION 93  5 Cases  3 Cases	Case withdrawn. Work carried out.  Nuisance order granted	-
CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956  1 Case	Defendant pleaded not guilty of dark smoke emission.	Fined £5
FOOD & DRUGS ACT, 1955  1 Case Cockroach in Pie	Defendants pleaded 'Guilty'	Fined £10
FOOD HYGIENE REGULATIONS, 1955 REGULATION 5  Insanitary condition of Bakehouse		Fined £25
FOOD & DRUGS ACT, 1955  1 Case Mould in Meat Pie	Defendants pleaded 'Guilty'	Fined £4 and Costs
1 Case Nail in Currant Square	Defendants pleaded 'Guilty'	Fined £5 and Costs £1.15. 0.
FOOD HYGIENE REGULATIONS, 1955 1 Case REGULATION 16 Suitable wash hand basin not provided	Defendants pleaded 'Guilty'	Fined £5 in respect of each of the three offences.
REGULATION 5 Premises in unsanitary condition. Walls of water-closet unclean.		

## (h) ICE-CREAM VENDORS

408 premises are registered for the manufacture, storage or sale of ice-cream. During the year 83 visits of inspection were made to ice-cream premises.



## (i) FOOD POISONING OUTBREAKS

<i>Total number of outbreaks</i>	<i>Number of Cases</i>	<i>Number of Deaths</i>	<i>Organisms or other agents responsible with number of outbreaks of each</i>	<i>Foods involved with number of outbreaks of each</i>
Outbreaks 2	5	Nil	No organisms isolated	No particular food implicated
Single Cases	14	Nil	No organisms isolated	No particular food implicated

A considerable amount of investigation has been carried out in connection with alleged food poisoning cases, but in no case was it possible to have Bacteriological Examinations conducted due to the fact that the suspected food had been disposed of by the time that investigations commenced.

# SECTION V

## PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

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1958	1	92	1958
1957	1	20	1957
1956	1	20	1956
1955	1	22	1955
1954	1	8	1954
1953	1	2	1953
1952	1	2	1952
1951	1	2	1951
1950	1	2	1950
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1904	1	2	1904
1903	1	2	1903
1902	1	2	1902
1901	1	2	1901
1900	1	2	1900

### MEASLES AND WHOOPING COUGH

1,173 cases of Measles and 27 of Whooping Cough were notified during the year as compared with 1,585 and 219 respectively for 1957.



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## Prevalence of, and Control over, Infectious and other Diseases

## (a) NOTIFIABLE INFECTIOUS DISEASE

The total number of cases of infectious disease, including Tuberculosis, notified during 1958, was 1,577 as compared with 2,290 for 1957 and 994 during 1956.

**Smallpox**

There were no cases of smallpox notified during the year.

**Scarlet Fever**

92 cases were notified in 1958, as compared with 216 in 1957. No deaths were reported.

**Diphtheria**

For the eighth year in succession, no cases of Diphtheria were notified. The accompanying table shows the remarkable decline in the incidence of Diphtheria over the past few years, due in no small measure to the immunisation campaign which has been carried on continuously during this period. (See page for details.

<i>Year</i>	<i>Number of Cases</i>	<i>Number of Deaths</i>
1943	399	13
1944	154	6
1945	92	3
1946	25	1
1947	20	-
1948	22	-
1949	6	-
1950	3	-
1951	-	-
1952	-	-
1953	-	-
1954	-	-
1955	-	-
1956	-	-
1957	-	-
1958	-	-

**MEASLES AND WHOOPING COUGH**

1,173 cases of Measles and 27 of Whooping Cough were notified during the year, as compared with 1,555 and 219 respectively for 1957.

## **Poliomyelitis**

During the year there were nine cases of Poliomyelitis notified (5 Paralytic and 4 Non Paralytic) compared with one case (Non Paralytic) in 1957.

Vaccination against Poliomyelitis was continued during the year and in January supplies of American and Canadian vaccine became available. Schools were visited and sessions continued to be held at the School Clinic.

In September the age groups were extended making eligible all persons from 6 months to 25 years of age. The available facilities were made known to the public by an extensive publicity campaign.

The following vaccinations against poliomyelitis were carried out during the period from 1st January, 1958 to 31st December, 1958.

Completed 2nd injections (by Health Department Staff).....	15,386
Completed 2nd injections (by General Practitioners).....	1,972
Booster doses (by Health Department Staff).....	8,950
Booster doses (by General Practitioners).....	535

## **Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers**

There were no cases of Typhoid Fever or Paratyphoid Fever.

## **Terminal Disinfection**

Terminal Disinfection in cases of infectious disease was discontinued in March, 1950, with the exception of smallpox, tuberculosis, and the enteric fevers. This has not resulted in any significant increase in the infectious disease rate. The disinfection of library books is still carried out in order to comply with Section 155 of the Public Health Act, 1936.

Terminal Disinfection is also carried out in certain cases of non-infectious disease, when requested, a charge of 10s. 6d. being made, except in the case of cancer.

## **Food Poisoning**

During 1958, 19 notifications in respect of Food Poisoning were received.

## **Neoplasm**

339 deaths from Neoplasms were recorded during the year - 187 males and 152 females.



## NOTIFIABLE INFECTIOUS DISEASES, 1958. SUMMARY.

Disease	At ages - Year										Cases admitted to Cherry Tree Hospital	Cases treated in other Hospitals	Total Deaths	Deaths at age periods																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																					
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\* Stepping Hill Hospital.

# Duchess of York Hospital, Manchester.

The seasonal prevalence of these various diseases is indicated in the following table which shows the notifications received in the various months of the year 1958:-

Disease	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Scarlet Fever.....	6	10	13	14	7	4	6	5	3	10	9	5
Erysipelas.....	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia.....	7	9	9	8	6	1	6	20	13	16	7	1
Measles.....	2	19	28	19	6	19	19	40	28	118	246	629
Whooping Cough.....	4	3	-	-	-	4	1	5	2	-	6	2
Acute Primary Pneumonia.....	6	5	6	4	3	4	-	1	1	1	-	2
Dysentery.....	-	1	-	4	8	2	5	7	-	2	-	1
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.....	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Encephalitis.....	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Meningococcal Infections.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	2
Acute Poliomyelitis.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	2	2	1
Food Poisoning.....	1	1	3	-	-	1	3	1	1	-	7	1
Tuberculosis - Pulmonary.....	5	5	2	4	23	9	5	3	3	4	8	3
"    - Meninges C.N.S.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
"    - Other Forms...	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Totals.....	33	56	61	53	54	44	46	84	55	158	286	647





**DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION**  
Persons Inoculated each year from 1933 - 1958

Age in years on 31st December,  
of the corresponding year.

Total number immunised  
from 1933 to 1948

1949 1950 1951 1952 1953 1954 1955 1956 1957 1958

	N.C.	P.I.	N.C.	P.I.	N.C.	P.I.	N.C.	P.I.	N.C.	P.I.	N.C.	P.I.	N.C.	P.I.	N.C.	P.I.	N.C.	P.I.	N.C.	P.I.	N.C.	P.I.	Total
0-	4436	164	1031	..	861	..	982	..	947	..	887	..	*101 685	..	*789 211	..	*934 69	..	*1243 56	..	1253 26	..	0 - 5
1-	7994	767	479	..	383	..	446	..	361	..	319	..	*16 337	11 ..	*179 164	10 ..	*170 41	2 ..	*131 38	11 ..	99 28	9 ..	years
2-	1305	200	84	2	91	1	93	..	87	1	80	..	*2 38	4 ..	*27 55	10 ..	*50 34	56 1	*27 21	487 3	28 17	523 ..	8045
3-	820	167	44	..	35	2	46	2	64	3	35	1	*.. 22	1 1	*13 25	3 2	*16 18	9 2	*16 9	148 ..	13 11	161 1	
4-	1355	739	91	242	64	194	75	449	65	260	36	247	*1 45	7 186	*6 40	13 161	*6 73	17 252	*12 25	63 107	4 93	58 35	
5-	3367	1143	180	382	104	444	134	647	154	563	152	602	*.. 158	3 571	*2 175	15 494	*7 138	15 539	*3 145	35 52	1 160	35 189	
6-	1984	616	179	297	46	195	55	257	52	226	83	356	*.. 80	3 283	*2 114	1 253	*1 90	5 310	2 88	11 233	5 92	144 ..	5 - 10
7-	1455	428	125	182	48	143	24	244	26	171	44	115	*30 ..	189	67	193	*2 39	1 126	.. 54	6 152	2 85	104 ..	years
8-	1481	416	65	219	28	171	26	306	21	103	23	182	24	141	45	239	30	149	1 46	1 114	2 60	88 ..	13,593
9-	1561	432	113	214	31	178	37	243	25	119	17	259	29	248	36	273	33	362	37	25	1 65	113 ..	
10-	1204	377	98	216	37	171	26	237	20	130	17	273	10	275	27	344	26	407	.. 43	3 461	3 63	299 ..	
11-	686	258	77	198	19	236	17	283	21	171	11	240	12	182	35	264	*7 ..	176	.. 8	1 235	2 57	215 ..	
12-	558	187	47	169	24	153	15	159	18	127	2	124	4	161	*1 20	.. 197	12	124	.. 5	.. 168	.. 42	114 ..	Over
13-	489	141	65	101	39	169	19	151	25	101	12	111	16	164	24	128	4	101	.. 165	.. 142	.. 46	198 ..	
14-	330	87	42	62	40	134	22	148	35	67	27	85	24	123	13	93	6	74	.. 5	.. 107	3 ..	2 ..	10
15-	148	38	10	36	18	73	13	77	8	44	10	67	14	117	13	76	2	31	.. 8	.. 56	1 ..	.. ..	years
16+	-	-	..	..	..	..	.9	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
cing s	29173	6160	2730	2320	1868	2264	2039	3206	1929	2086	1755	2662	*114 1548	27 2641	*1019 1064	42 2717	*1186 622	106 2654	*1429 725	706 1913	*1396 849	*802 1502	
	35333		5050		4132		5245		4015		4417		*141 4189		*1061 3781		*1292 3276		*2138 2638		*2206 2351		
													4330		4842		4568		4776		4551		81,259

GRAND TOTAL OF CHILDREN IMMUNISED, 1933-1958

New Cases .. .. . 49,448  
Reinforcing Doses .. .. . 31,811

GRAND TOTAL 81,259

N.C. New Cases  
P.I. Previously Immunised  
(Reinforcing Doses)  
\* Triple Antigen





## (c) VACCINATION

In accordance with a Ministry recommendation, the Vaccination proposals under Section 26 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, have been amended, to include arrangements for the vaccination and re-vaccination of certain classes of workers, as may be decided by the Authority, either in individual cases by general practitioner(s) or at specially arranged sessions.

During the past year the number of vaccinations and re-vaccinations performed in the Borough have shown a decrease compared with the previous year. Propaganda has been maintained throughout the year by means of posters, leaflets and personal persuasion by Medical and Nursing Staffs at Child Welfare Clinics. In spite of all efforts the response is still unsatisfactory and there is still room for considerable improvement, particularly in the case of children under one year.

Vaccinations and Inoculations have also been carried out by the Medical Staff of the Health Department to meet the requirements of business representatives travelling abroad on behalf of their employers.

Details of the number of vaccinations performed during 1958 are given below:-

Age at date of Vaccination	Under 1	1	2-4	5-14	15 and over	Total
Vaccinated	1144	36	27	35	64	1306
Re-vaccinated	2	1	2	17	126	148
Totals	1146	37	29	52	190	1454

Number of vaccinations or re-vaccinations performed by Medical Practitioners . . . . . 407

Number of vaccinations or re-vaccinations performed at Infant Welfare Centres, etc. . . . . 1047

Number of vaccinations performed by Medical Staff of the Health Department . . . . . 44

In addition, the undermentioned inoculations were also performed by the Medical Staff of the Health Department.

T.A.B. Vaccine . . . . . 43

Cholera Vaccine . . . . . 35

No cases of generalised vaccinia, post vaccinal Encephalomyelitis or deaths from other complications were reported during 1958.

The total amount of fees paid to Medical Practitioners in respect of vaccinations performed during 1958 was £101.15. 0.

The arrangements for vaccinations are the same as in previous years.





PART II - New cases of Tuberculosis coming to the knowledge of the Medical Officer of Health during the period from the 1st January, 1958, to the 31st December, 1958, otherwise than by formal notification.

Source of Information	Number of cases in Age Groups													Total	
	0-	1-	2-	5-	10-	15-	20-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-		
Death Returns from Local Registrars.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1 (A)
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. (B)
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. (C)
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. (D)
Death Returns from Registrar General (Transferable Deaths)..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1 (A)
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. (B)
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. (C)
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. (D)
Posthumous Notifications.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1 (A)
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. (B)
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. (C)
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. (D)
'Transfers' from other Areas (excluding transferable deaths)...	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	3	3	1	1	..	..	..	10 (A)
	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	10 (B)
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 (C)
	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3 (D)

Totals (A) 13  
(B) 10  
(C) 1  
(D) 3



## PART III - Notification Register

Number of cases of Tuberculosis remaining at the 31st December, 1958, on the Register of Notifications kept by the Medical Officer of Health.	Pulmonary				Non-Pulmonary			Total Cases
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total		
	536	446	982	139	148	287	1269	
Number of cases removed from the Register during the year by reason <i>inter alia</i> of:—								
1. Withdrawal of notification...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2. Recovery from the disease....	2	-	-	-	1	-	3	
3. Deaths (All Causes).....	16	2	-	-	-	-	18	
4. Outward Transfers.....	7	15	-	-	1	-	23	
5. Otherwise (Lost sight of, etc.)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	



### (e) BURIAL OF UNCLAIMED BODIES

During the year the Local Authority undertook the burial of one female infant. The cost of the funeral was borne by the Corporation. In May 1958, the responsibility for this service was transferred to the Welfare Department. The Hospital Management Committee has power to arrange and pay for the funerals of unclaimed bodies, where such deaths occur in hospital.

### (f) WELFARE OF THE BLIND

The Council's responsibility under the provisions of the National Assistance Act, 1948, for the Welfare of the Blind is exercised through the Welfare Committee, under a scheme approved by the Minister of Health on the 27th May, 1949.

The number of blind and partially-sighted persons on the register in the Borough on the 31st December, 1958, was 268 and 23 respectively. All persons before registration are examined and certified to be blind or partially-sighted by an ophthalmologist of consultant status.

Blind persons are taught to read books in Braille and Moon Type by two Home Teachers who have passed the examination of the College of Teachers of the Blind. These teachers, appointed by the Welfare Committee, also assist blind persons in pastime occupations and generally help to promote their welfare.

Stockport participates in a 'Placement Service' organised by the Royal National Institute for the Blind. Under this scheme the capabilities of each blind person are assessed and suitable cases are referred to an appropriate centre for rehabilitation, followed by a course of industrial training. The Special Placement Officers of the Institute, in co-operation with the Local Authority's Chief Welfare Officer and the Ministry of Labour, classify the person as suitable for open industry or sheltered employment. Persons placed in open industry become self-reliant and self-supporting.

For those less capable employment in special workshops is found. The Welfare Services Department has workshops at 7, St. Petersgate, Stockport, and 33 persons are employed.

The earnings of these workers are augmented up to a reasonable standard by the Welfare Committee, in accordance with the recommendations of the Local Authority's Advisory Committee on the conditions of service of blind workers.

The main trades are those of Brush and Basket making, but Chair Seating, Knitwear and Firewood production are also carried on. Door mats and a variety of other articles are obtainable from the shop.

Facilities are available for blind persons to carry out work in their own homes.

The general social welfare of the blind is provided directly by the Welfare Committee or by arrangements with the various local and national organisations. Blind persons are assisted and encouraged to make use of any general and preventive medical treatment which they may require. Embossed literature is provided,



social and handicraft classes are held and a special chiropody and domestic help service is provided.

The following table, prepared in accordance with Ministry of Health Circular 2/54, dated 22nd January, 1954, gives details of the incidence and follow-up of blind and partially-sighted persons in the Borough during 1958.

Newly Registered Blind Persons	..	..	..	29
Newly Registered Partially-sighted Persons	..	..	..	4
				<u>33</u>

#### A. Follow-up of Registered Blind and Partially-sighted Persons

(1) Number of Cases registered during the year in respect of which para. 7(c) of Forms B.D.8 recommends:-	Cause of Disability				Total
	Cataract	Glaucoma	Retrolental Fibroplasia	Others	
(a) No treatment	7	5	-	14	26
(b) Treatment (medical, surgical or optical)	4	2	-	1	7
(2) Number of Cases at (1) (b) above which on follow-up action have received treatment.	1	-	-	1	2

#### B. Ophthalmia Neonatorum

(1) Total number of cases notified during the year	..	..	..	Nil
(2) Number of cases in which -				
(a) Vision lost	..	..	..	-
(b) Vision impaired	..	..	..	-
(c) Treatment continuing at end of year	..	..	..	-

# SECTION VI

## MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE

(a) Notification of Births

2,584 births were notified. This number of notifications shows an increase of 111 on those for 1957. The following table shows where these births occurred:

Area	Number of Births
At Home	1,110
At Hospital	1,474
Total	2,584

# SECTION VI

## MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE

(b) Still-Births

The number of still-births registered belonging to the Borough was 45 of which 44 were legitimate and 1 illegitimate.

(c) Maternal Deaths

There was one Maternal Death during 1958.



## SECTION VI

## Maternity and Child Welfare

## (A) GENERAL

## (a) Notification of Births

2,984 births were notified. This number of notifications shows an increase of 111 on those for 1957. The following table shows where these births occurred :-

Place of Birth	Borough Cases	Borough Cases	Cases outside Borough	Total
IN INSTITUTIONS :				
Stepping Hill Hospital .. ..	..	1,053	749	1,802
Nursing Homes .. ..	..	77	39	116
Total .. ..	..	<u>1,130</u>	<u>788</u>	<u>1,918</u>
AT HOME :				
Municipal Midwives .. ..	..	1,062	3	1,065
Independent Midwives .. ..	..	-	-	-
Doctors' cases with Maternity Nurses .. ..	..	-	-	-
Other Persons .. ..	..	1	-	1
Total .. ..	..	<u>1,063</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1,066</u>
Grand Total .. ..	..	<u>2,193</u>	<u>791</u>	<u>2,984</u>

## (b) Still-Births

The number of still-births registered belonging to the Borough was 45 of which 44 were legitimate and 1 illegitimate.

## (c) Maternal Death

There was one Maternal Death during 1958.

**(d) Ante-Natal and Post-Natal Clinics**

Eight combined Ante-Natal and Post-Natal Clinics are held weekly at the following Centres :

Churchgate House  
Reddish  
Edgeley  
Adswold  
Great Moor  
Heaton Chapel  
Heaton Norris  
Brinnington

The attendances of patients at these Clinics are as follows :

1,755 expectant mothers made 9,801 attendances at the Ante-Natal Clinics as compared with 1,418 and 10,347 in 1957.

25 examinations were carried out at the Post-Natal Clinics during the year under review as compared with 41 in 1957.

These figures do not include women attending at the Stepping Hill Hospital Clinics.

**(e) Health Visitors****SUMMARY OF THE WORK OF THE HEALTH VISITORS**

Total number of houses visited	..	..	..	..	31,100
First visits under 1 year	..	..	..	..	2,321
Total visits under 1 year	..	..	..	..	7,990
Visits to Children (1-2 years)	..	..	..	..	6,274
Visits to Children (2-5 years)	..	..	..	..	13,848
First visits to Tuberculosis Patients	..	..	..	..	140
Care and After-care Visits	..	..	..	..	1,770
Visits to Minor Infectious Diseases	..	..	..	..	180
Visits to Outworkers	..	..	..	..	63
School Lecturers	..	..	..	..	83
Mothercraft Lectures	..	..	..	..	51
Attendances at Welfare Centres	..	..	..	..	2,796
Attendances at Immunisation Clinics	..	..	..	..	288
Attendances at Superannuation Clinics	..	..	..	..	46
Aged Persons	..	..	..	..	3,579
Unclassified Visits	..	..	..	..	698
Attendances at B.C.G. Clinics in Schools	..	..	..	..	30
Anti-Natal Visits	..	..	..	..	621

**(f) Child Life Protection (Sections 206 to 220 of the Public Health Act, 1936)**

The Children's Officer is the responsible officer for carrying out these duties under the Children's Committee.

The Deputy Medical Officer of Health is the Medical Officer for the Children's Homes in the Borough and visits are made at periodic intervals, also special visits where necessary.

**(g) Child Welfare Clinics**

20 sessions are held weekly at 11 centres. The number of new cases entered in the registers was 1,863, the total weighings 33,453.



During the year the Family Planning Clinic continued to be held at Churchgate Welfare Centre.

The number of children up to five years of age on the register is 4,579.

Arrangements are made whereby each toddler can receive a thorough examination each year, on the line of the periodic School Medical Inspection. In 1958, 1,628 toddlers received such an examination, compared with 1,878 in 1957. There is still room for expansion in this work, and parents do not yet fully appreciate the value of this routine medical inspection.

Three Physiotherapists, one full time and two part time, attended at six of the Welfare Centres holding 14 sessions a week until May 1958 and after this date two part time Physiotherapists held 4 sessions a week. The sunlight sessions at Adswold Welfare centre were discontinued from May 1958 and the two sessions at Churchgate Welfare centre include massage in addition to sunlight treatment.

The number of children on the register during the year was 112 and the total number of treatments given to these children was 1841.

In November, 1955, sunlight and massage treatment was commenced at the Brinnington and Adswold Welfare Centres. During the year under review the number of children under five years on the register was 42, and the number of treatments 618. 86 schoolchildren also attended for sunlight treatment and the number of treatments given was 1,237.

#### CHILD WELFARE CENTRES. 1958

<i>Centre</i>	<i>New Cases</i>	<i>Number on Register</i>	<i>Total Weighings</i>	<i>Total Attendances</i>	<i>Medical Consultations</i>	<i>Special Toddlers' Examinations</i>
Churchgate	250	556	3749	4191	1611	142
Portwood	45	120	739	834	331	21
Reddish	324	790	6704	7476	2197	335
Edgeley	187	428	3572	4160	1353	149
Heaton Norris	186	411	3626	3216	1240	126
Adswold	160	384	2937	3212	1184	141
Great Moor	145	421	3020	3392	1224	161
Heaton Mersey	64	195	1113	1190	486	82
Heaton Chapel	220	566	3847	4292	1549	231
Cheadle Heath	137	286	2179	2310	914	106
Brinnington	145	422	2567	2758	1097	134
Totals	1863	4579	33453	37031	13186	1628

#### (h) Immunisation

##### (i) Diphtheria Immunisation

Facilities for Diphtheria Immunisation are provided at all Infant Welfare Centres.

During the year 1958, 29 children under five years received Primary Diphtheria Immunisation, and 27 reinforcing dose (these children have been previously immunised).

None of these children were Schick tested.

Table on page 54 gives comprehensive figures of children immunised from 1933-1958.



**(ii) Whooping Cough Immunisation**

The following table gives details of Whooping Cough immunisations carried out during 1958 :

Age at date of Immunisation	Under 1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
New Cases	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Reinforcing doses	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	3

**(iii) Triple Antigen-Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis**

In July 1954 immunisation against Diphtheria, Tetanus and Whooping Cough was started, using the triple antigen.

This reduces the number of inoculations required and there is the additional protection against Tetanus.

The following table gives details of immunisations done using Triple Antigen :

Age at date of Immunisation	Under 1	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-6	6-7	7-13	Total
Primary doses	1,065	61	22	13	3	-	-	-	1,164
Reinforcing doses	-	8	519	156	52	26	2	3	766

**(i) Treatment of the Pre-School Child****(i) Co-operation of School Health Service**

During the year under review the School Health Service co-operated wholeheartedly with the Child Welfare Service, providing facilities for Intelligence Tests, Dental Treatment and Eye Testing for the pre-school child. Appointments have also been made for pre-school children to attend Ear, Nose and Throat sessions at the School Clinic.

**(ii) Provision for the Treatment of Verminous Heads in the Pre-School Child**

In the course of home visitation by Health Visitors 4 cases of infected heads were discovered during the year and the facilities for treatment were provided by the Maternity and Child Welfare Department by the supply of hair shampoo and the loan of a sacker comb. Remedy was speedily effected.

**(j) The Stockport Voluntary Committee for Maternity and Child Welfare**

This Committee again rendered valuable assistance at the Welfare Centres during the year. Classes were also held for the purpose of giving mothers instruction in cooking, sewing, dressmaking, home nursing and child management.

The Committee give financial assistance for convalescence accommodation for mothers with their babies.

The work undertaken by this Committee is greatly appreciated.



(m) DENTAL TREATMENT

(a) Numbers provided with dental care:

	Examined	Needing Treatment	Treated	Made Dentally Fit	Attendances
Expectant and Nursing Mothers.....	97	96	96	55	263
Children under Five.....	321	268	268	239	549

(b) Forms of dental treatment provided:

	Extractions	General Anaesthetics	Fillings	Scalings or Scaling and Gum Treatment	Silver Nitrate Treatment	Radiographs	Dentures Provided	Crowns or Inlays
							Complete	Partial
Expectant and Nursing Mothers.	294	27	66	17	-	3	20	7
Children under Five.	318	100	279	3	48	-	-	-

Number of Dental Clinics in operation at end of year .. 3

Total number of Sessions devoted to M. and C.W. cases .. 100

Treatment of some mothers will continue in 1959.

**(k) Supply of Dried Milk**

Various proprietary brands of dried milk are sold at the Clinics at cost price plus ten per cent. for handling charges. The amount supplied is restricted to the quantity required by the individual child.

26,406 lbs. of dried milk have been supplied this year as compared with 24,992 lbs. in 1957.

**(l) Supply of Welfare Foods**

Welfare Foods are supplied at all 11 Welfare Centres, with additional distribution points at the Welfare Food Shop, Brown Street, and W.V.S. Office, 54, St. Petersgate.

The issues for the year ending 31st December, 1958, are as follows:-

National Dried Milk	..	21,462 lbs.
Cod-liver Oil	..	7,811 bottles
Orange Juice	..	56,723 bottles
Vitamins A and D	..	5,908 packets

**(m) Dental Treatment.** (See chart on previous page).

**(n) (i) Handicapped Children**

During the year under review special consideration has been given to the care and attention of children born with mental and physical defects. 19 such children were brought to the notice of the Maternity and Child Welfare Medical Staff, suffering from defects as follows:

Mental Defects	..	..	..	..	-
Limb Deformities	..	..	..	..	5
Congenital Heart	..	..	..	..	3
Other Defects	..	..	..	..	11

Certain of the children have been undergoing treatment at Stepping Hill Hospital and the Stockport Infirmary, and all cases have been visited by the Health Visitors.

**(ii) Blind Children**

There were no blind babies brought to the notice of this department during the past year.

**(o) Home Accidents**

The arrangement commenced in June 1952, under which Stockport Infirmary undertook to notify the admission of patients suffering from burns and scalds, as a result of accidents, was continued during the year.

During the period under review 8 such cases were reported, comprising 5 children and 3 adults.



Quite a large proportion of these accidents could have been avoided, if even the most elementary precautions had been taken, particularly so in the case of children.

Health Visitors have continued to pay follow-up visits to the homes of children involved in accidents offering advice to ensure the avoidance of a repetition of such accidents.

During normal routine visits the Health Visitors have also stressed to the parents the absolute necessity of taking all possible precautions to avoid accidents happening in the home and have been frequently called upon to give advice on treatment in cases where accidents have already taken place.

**(p) Infant Mortality**

1958. Deaths from stated causes at various ages under 1 year of age: -

	<i>Under 1 week</i>	<i>1 - 2 weeks</i>	<i>2 - 3 weeks</i>	<i>3 - 4 weeks</i>	<i>Total under 4 weeks</i>	<i>4 weeks and under 3 months</i>	<i>3 months and under 6 months</i>	<i>6 months and under 9 months</i>	<i>9 months and Under 12 months</i>	<i>Total Deaths under 1 year</i>
All Causes.....	37	4	2	1	44	8	5	1	..	58
Asphyxia.....	9	..	..	..	9	1	..	..	..	10
Birth Injuries.....	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2
Congenital Malformations..	3	..	..	1	4	1	..	..	..	5
Convulsions.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Diarrhoea and Enteritis...	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Diseases of Early Infancy.	2	1	..	..	3	1	1	..	..	5
Pneumonia, all forms.....	3	2	1	..	6	4	2	..	..	12
Premature Birth.....	16	1	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	17
Heart Diseases.....	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	2
Other Diseases.....	2	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	3



**(B) MIDWIFERY****(a) Municipal Domiciliary Midwifery Service**

The arrangements for this Service were similar to previous years.

The following is a summary of the work done by the Municipal Midwives during 1958:

Visits to Expectant Mothers .. .. .	4,653
Attendances at Ante-Natal Clinics .. .. .	982
Interviews at Midwives' Homes .. .. .	1,129
Patients delivered .. .. .	1,065
Visits during Puerperium .. .. .	16,796
Special Visits, unclassified .. .. .	439

**(b) Supervision of Midwives**

During the year 54 midwives gave notice of their intention to practise in the Borough. These include 35 at Stepping Hill Hospital, and 4 at Nursing Homes. 1 midwife residing outside the Borough gave notice of her intention to practise within the Borough.

During the year the number of applications by Midwives for Medical assistance was 25 compared with 40 in 1957.

**(c) Supervision of Nursing Homes**

5 Nursing Homes were registered in the Borough at the end of 1958. These Homes are inspected at four-monthly intervals by the Assistant Medical Officer of Health for Maternity and Child Welfare, due attention being paid to premises, equipment and registers.

**(d) Care of Premature Babies****(i) Domiciliary Deliveries**

The premature child is nursed at home if its condition is satisfactory. Special draught-proof cots are provided by the Health Department with hot water bottles and blankets and other necessary equipment. The midwife attending the case devotes extra time and care to the child and continues visiting until the baby is progressing normally. Training for midwives in the care of premature babies is available at the Duchess of York Hospital, Burnage.

Any premature baby which is considered to be in need of hospital treatment is removed by ambulance. The baby travels in a special cot under the care of the midwife and oxygen is available for use during the journey.

Number of premature babies born in the district .. .. .	38
Number still-born .. .. .	5
Number died under 24 hours .. .. .	2
Number died between 1st and 28th day .. .. .	NIL
Number living after 28 days .. .. .	26
Number transferred to Hospital (5 survived) .. .. .	10

**(ii) Hospital Deliveries**

Premature babies born in hospital are detained until their condition is satisfactory and notice of their impending discharge is notified to the Medical Officer of Health. Particulars of feeding and any special recommendations are also



conveyed to the Department. Such cases are followed up by the Health Visitor of the District in which the child resides.

Number of premature babies born in hospital	..	..	133
Number of premature babies surviving 28 days	..	..	94
Number of premature still-births	..	..	19
Number of premature babies who died after 24 hours	..	..	11
Number of premature babies who died within 24 hours	..	..	9

#### (e) Blood Investigation

Blood investigations were carried out on all cases attending ante-natal clinics during the year. Blood was investigated for Rhesus classification, Wasserman reaction and Haemoglobin levels.

During this period 1,216 samples of blood were taken for Rhesus Testing. Of this number 199 were Rh. Negative. Only 10 of these women showed the presence of antibodies and they were transferred to Stepping Hill Hospital. Of the 10 babies born to these Rh. Negative women 9 were satisfactory and one died.

The number of Wasserman reaction and Kahn tests carried out during the year was 1,332. 2 positive Wr. results were obtained from this group and this patient was referred to the Special Clinic for further investigation.

#### Haemoglobin Level (Method, Haldane)

1,679 Haemoglobin estimations were made. The following table gives an analysis of Haemoglobin levels in this group:

%								No. of Cases
30 - 39	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
40 - 49	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
50 - 59	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	42
60 - 69	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	476
70 - 79	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	726
80 - 89	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	383
90 - 99	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	38
100 - 109	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Total								1679

All expectant mothers are encouraged to take iron tablets during the last few months of pregnancy. Those with low Haemoglobins are treated throughout the pregnancy.

Particulars are given below of Rhesus Tests and Wasserman Tests of Stockport women attending the Ante-natal Clinic at Stepping Hill Hospital during 1958:

Number of Rhesus Tests - 914; Negative 163; Positive 751.  
 Number of Kahn Tests - 914; Positive 6;  
 Number of Wasserman Tests 10; Positive 3; Negative 7.

The above figures do not include booked cases who later aborted or cancelled for any reason.

#### (f) Relaxation Classes

Relaxation classes for natural childbirth commenced in April, 1957, at Churchgate Welfare Centre. 277 expectant mothers made 1108 attendances.



### (g) Ante-Natal Care related to Toxaemia

Mothers-to-be are advised to book either a doctor or midwife early in the pregnancy. On every visit to the Ante-natal clinic the mother is weighed, urine tested and blood pressure recorded. Advice concerning diet and general hygiene is given and in the event of an excessive gain in weight the mother is advised regarding a special diet.

Increase in blood pressure, albumen in urine and weight gain is immediately notified to her doctor either by telephone or by letter, the patient being told to go to bed and await doctor's orders. The midwife visits daily and records blood pressure if needed.

In cases where the mother, on attending clinic, is found to have excessive toxic characteristics, she is, with her consent, taken from the clinic to the maternity hospital by ambulance.

All clinic defaulters are followed up by the midwife booked for the confinement. Monthly visits are made to the patient's home by the midwife after the sixth month of pregnancy, monthly visits to the Ante-natal clinic up to the seventh month of pregnancy and every two weeks to the eighth month then weekly until delivery. The midwife will visit between these clinic attendances if necessary.

### (C) HOME NURSING SERVICE

During the year the public demand for the Home Nursing Service has again increased. It is pleasing to report that all calls upon the service have been met despite this heavy demand.

The headquarters of the Home Nursing Service is situated at 39, Greek Street, Stockport, and the premises are owned by the Corporation. There is accommodation for 8 nursing staff the remainder being non-resident, but reporting twice daily for briefing and giving reports of patients' conditions to the Superintendent.

A member of the staff is on duty until 10 p.m. to attend to emergency calls and give nursing attention to those patients requiring late evening injections. In the case of night duty a nurse is on call for special emergency.

The Home is approved as a training centre by the Queen's Institute of District Nursing and one student only has been trained during the year, she was successful in the examinations set by the Institute.

There has been no difficulty in the recruitment of staff and it is hoped to be able to increase the number of Home Nurses with the demand.

The Domiciliary Home Nursing Service has been strengthened by the addition of two full time Bathing Attendants. They are strong motherly types with some nursing experience but no qualifications and deal with the elderly and infirm patients. They have proved very successful and relieve the trained staff of some of the chronic work. It is hoped to increase this service with the demand.



The Voluntary Committee, through the funds of the Stockport Sick Poor Nursing Association have provided a supply of full size sheets for loan to the elderly sick and infirm. They have also undertaken to pay for all laundry used by these patients where difficulty arises in obtaining clean linen. Blankets and night wear have been provided in necessitous cases.

### Transport

Each nurse provides her own transport, two nurses using motor assisted cycles, the Assistant Superintendent and the remainder of the nurses using bicycles, for which a payment is made by the Corporation to the nurse. Casual user motor car allowance is paid to the Superintendent.

### DETAILS OF SERVICES RENDERED DURING THE YEAR, 1958

#### Summary of patients nursed

	<i>Cases Nursed</i>	<i>Visits Paid</i>
Medical .. .. .	1,554	25,983
Surgical .. .. .	1,408	33,853
Operations .. .. .	1	15
Totals	<u>2,963</u>	<u>59,851</u>

#### Work carried out month by month as follows:

<i>Month</i>	<i>Number of patients carried forward at beginning of month</i>	<i>Number of New Cases</i>	<i>Total number nursed during the month</i>	<i>Nursing visits paid</i>
January	512	225	737	5145
February	517	256	773	5208
March	541	186	727	4542
April	513	224	737	5072
May	511	180	691	4691
June	494	187	681	4644
July	509	173	682	4857
August	502	158	660	4642
September	502	255	757	5282
October	488	198	686	4895
November	494	196	690	5082
December	496	213	709	5791
		2451		59851

**Outcome of cases ceasing to be nursed :**

MONTH	<i>Convalescent</i>	<i>Hospital</i>	<i>Died</i>	<i>Removed from books for other causes</i>
January	35	31	39	15
February	127	42	38	25
March	129	31	27	27
April	144	28	21	33
May	115	31	23	28
June	106	28	16	22
July	112	25	23	20
August	106	22	15	15
September	195	30	17	27
October	129	22	21	20
November	114	39	17	24
December	126	31	38	15
	1,538	360	295	271

**Types of cases nursed**

<i>Disease</i>	<i>No. of cases</i>	<i>No. of visits</i>
Tuberculosis .. .. .	35	1,794
Respiratory infections (other than T.B.)	176	2,668
Diseases of the Heart .. .. .	292	8,018
Carcinoma .. .. .	173	4,151
Accidents in the home .. .. .	46	1,026
Gynaecological .. .. .	80	1,717
Maternal Complications .. .. .	68	871
Post-Operative dressings .. .. .	208	3,533
X-Ray Preparations .. .. .	220	440
Giving of injections only .. .. .	846	21,389
School children .. .. .	50	378
Children under 5 years .. .. .	48	339
Patients over 65 years .. .. .	1,343	36,620
Patients who had over 24 visits paid ..	911	67,965

**Nursing Equipment**

1,242 articles of nursing equipment have been issued to Patients in their own homes. More articles have been loaned, and have remained out on loan for longer periods. This is due to a greater number of old chronic patients taking advantage of this service.

In the majority of cases the loan was made to ease the work of the Home Nurse in her routine nursing care of the patient.

No charge was made for the loan of articles, all having been provided by the voluntary committee of the Stockport Sick Poor Nursing Association.



The equipment available for use include :

Bed-pans, Bed-rests, Bed cradles, Bedblocks, Bed tables, Dunlopillo Mattresses, Dunlopillo Rings, Air rings, Douche apparatus, Crutches, Commodes, Cotton Draw Sheets, Hot water bottles, Feeding cups, Raising apparatus, Rubber sheets, Tan-sad Invalid chairs, Sand bags, Splints, Steam kettles, Spinal carriage, Walking aids; 2 Oxford Hoists; 1 St. Benedicts Bed Chair.

Blankets, sheets, night-dresses, pyjamas, and extra nourishment have also been given to elderly and Tuberculosis patients, by the voluntary committee, and 40 food parcels were distributed to elderly sick poor patients at Christmas.

Two McCullagh Combined Commode and Bedside Chairs, and a supply of full size sheets have been purchased and added to the equipment stock by the Voluntary Committee of the Stockport Sick Poor Nursing Association.

#### (D) DOMESTIC HELP SERVICE

On the 31st December, 1958, the staff of the Domestic Help Service consisted of one Organiser and one Deputy Organiser, 7 full-time Domestic Helps and 74 part-time Domestic Helps. The following table gives an analysis of the type of work which has been undertaken by this Service during the year.

1958	Maternity	Chronic and Old Age	Tuberculosis	Others	Total
January	9	364	3	-	376
February	9	20	-	-	29
March	12	17	-	-	29
April	10	21	-	-	31
May	9	24	-	1	34
June	8	8	-	-	16
July	7	11	1	-	19
August	6	33	-	-	39
September	3	22	-	2	27
October	7	15	-	1	23
November	8	10	-	1	19
December	12	10	-	-	22
	100	555	4	5	664

There is no doubt that the demand which has been made on this Service during the year indicates that there is need for expansion, and from the details in the statistical table it will be seen that there is a growing demand on this Service, particularly in connection with the care of the elderly. The following financial summary gives a complete account of the cost of the Service and indicates that there is a fairly high degree of financial recovery in relation to the maternity cases.



Type of Case						Amount Recovered		
						£	s.	d.
Maternity	..	..	..	..	..	512	5	1
Domestic	..	..	..	..	..	425	17	4
						£938	2	5

The cost of this Service to the individual is dictated by a scale which is laid down by the Association of Municipal Corporations. In very many instances because of the poor financial circumstances of many people who request this service, they may apply for reduction in fee and are assessed according to their income.

There is no doubt from the information which reaches the Department through the general medical practitioners and health visitors, that this Service, even although at present excellent in quality, will have to be strengthened numerically in order that it may be able to face the demands on it in the coming years.

The expansion of the Service will probably entail the employment of more part-time workers, and recently more people have come forward to offer their services for this type of work. This increase in the number of staff, both full-time and part-time, together with the number of additional cases which will be taken on, will, no doubt, be an additional strain on the administrative machinery in connection with this Service and it may well be that this position will have to be kept under constant review.

#### (E) DAY NURSERIES

The total attendances of children at the Daw Bank and Whitehill Nurseries for 1958 are given below, together with the comparative figures for 1957 :-

				1958	1957
Daw Bank Nursery	..	..	..	8,372	7,401
Whitehill Nursery	..	..	..	9,484	9,123

#### REPORT OF ATTENDANCES FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1958

			Daw Bank Children 6 months-2 years	Whitehill Children 6 months-2 years
Approved Accommodation	..	..	35	52
Total Attendances during the year			8372	9484
Average Daily Attendances for period	..	..	34.17	38.55
Maximum Daily Attendance	..	..	42	51
Days Open	..	..	245	246

The amount of fees collected as a result of the attendances at Daw Bank and Whitehill Nurseries during 1958 are as follows :-

Daw Bank :- £1184 15s. 6d.

Whitehill :- £1339 5s. 0d.





## MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES



## SECTION VII

## Mental Health Services

## (a) Introduction

During the year under review the work in all sections of the Mental Health Service has steadily increased.

In the mental health field there has been an easing of the situation with regard to the admission of female patients into mental hospitals. The total number of admissions—male and female—into mental hospitals was 186 as compared with 184 in 1957.

The position with regard to finding accommodation for border-line senile dementeds also improved. A number of cases of this nature, suffering from physical illness, have been admitted to Chronic Sick Wards or requests made for priority on the waiting list. Cases not suitable under these categories have been referred to the Health Department for visits by the Health Visitor, Domestic Help Service, or Home Nursing Service. Cases have also been referred to the Stockport Council for Social Service.

Full advantage has been taken of the service available at three Psychiatric Clinics—St. Thomas' Clinic, Stepping Hill Clinic, Stockport, and Rose Mount Clinic, Macclesfield. Appreciation must be expressed here for the friendly and helpful co-operation received from the Staffs at these Clinics. Domiciliary consultations, arranged through the patient's own doctor, are given in the more urgent cases and these have proved invaluable in early diagnosis and treatment. The interchange of information, advice, and assistance between the Consultant Psychiatrist and Mental Health Officers takes place as the occasion arises.

In the mental deficiency field the main difficulty has been that of finding accommodation in institutions for mental defectives. The Manchester Regional Hospitals Board has been helpful and co-operative in assisting this Authority whenever it has been within their power. The policy of Short Term Stay has helped, in a number of cases, to alleviate the difficulties of parents with children awaiting institutional care and those under supervision.

A close and friendly liaison exists between this Service and :

(a) *Corporation Departments*—information and advice is freely inter-changed with all departments. This covers angles regarding Welfare, Housing, Health, Education, etc. A record of appreciation must be made to the Chief Constable for the invaluable assistance and help afforded this service whenever same has been requested.

(b) *Local Hospitals*—full co-operation exists between the three hospitals in the town. Cases, after investigation, found to be suffering from physical illness are usually admitted to Chronic Sick Wards. Other cases, with symptoms doubtful in character from a purely mental illness angle, are admitted for observation. This has been of great value in the early diagnosis of serious physical disorders and obviating the detention of such cases in a mental hospital. Nursing staff is provided in the removal of patients from hospitals. There is a free, but confidential, inter-change of patients' records, X-Ray films, etc.



During the year under review, a steady demand for beds for cases of mental illness has been made on the Medical Superintendent, Parkside Hospital, Macclesfield—in control of the Bed Bureau for this County Borough—and appreciation must be expressed here for the consideration and co-operation afforded this Service.

(c) *Medical Practitioners*—full use is made of the Mental Health Services in the County Borough. There is a rapidly growing tendency for local Medical Practitioners to contact this Service in the early stage of a patient's mental illness. This, in conjunction with domiciliary visits by the Consultant Psychiatrist, visits to Clinics, and Out-patient treatment, enables many patients to be restored to health without hospitalisation. Co-operation with the Medical Practitioners is one of the strongest links in the chain of preventive work in the mental health field.

(d) *Government Departments and Voluntary Organisations*—Contacts of a reciprocal nature are maintained with these Departments and Organisations. In particular with Government Departments regarding problems of employment, re-habilitation, national assistance, probation, etc. Contact is made with the appropriate Organisation in problems connected with moral welfare, marriage guidance, N.S.P.C.C.

(e) *Public*—an increasing number of the general public come of their own volition seeking advice, information, and help, in mental health and mental deficiency problems. This appears to be an indication of the awareness amongst the public of the advantages of taking early advice and treatment. The most pleasing point of this, however, is the apparent lessening of the fear and stigma of mental illness.

(f) *County and Borough Magistrates*—a friendly relationship has been built up between the Magistrates and the Service. A note of appreciation must be expressed here for their keenness and willingness to give their services at all times whenever the same has been requested.

The domiciliary service includes :

The ascertainment of cases of mental illhealth and mental deficiency.

The initial proceedings for obtaining detention and reception orders and transferring persons of unsound mind to establishments under the Regional Hospital Board and arranging interviews at Psychiatric Clinics.

The statutory and non-statutory supervision, provision of after-care, etc., of mental defectives living in the community.

The provision of occupational treatment for mental defectives.

## (b) Administration

(i) The Medical Officer under the direction of the Health Committee is responsible for the control of this Service. Meetings are held each month.

(ii) *Administrative Officer—Medical Officer of Health (Part-time).*



Medical Officer-(i) Medical Officer from nearest Mental Hospital under the Regional Hospital Board (Part-time); (ii) Senior Assistant School Medical Officer (Part-time).

In addition to the above, four Medical Officers of the Local Health Authority, one Medical Officer of the Regional Hospital Board and two General Practitioners are approved under Sections 3 and 5 of the Mental Deficiency Act, 1913, for the purpose of giving Medical Certificates.

Three Mental Health Officers-2 males and 1 female-are employed by the Local Health Authority. These Officers also act in the capacity of Mental Health Workers and Visitors.

(iii) Co-ordination is maintained with Regional Hospital Boards and Hospital Management Committees-the Local Health Authority provided the following reports :

- (a) Home conditions of patients who fall due each quarter for reconsideration by the Statutory Visitors under Section 11.
- (b) Home conditions in respect of applications for Holiday or Trial leave.
- (c) Progress and Supervision Reports on patients who are absent from Institutions on Trial leave-usually at monthly intervals during the first three months and subsequently quarterly.

(iv) The Local Health Authority undertakes the pre-care work of cases reported and the after-care work of cases notified by the various mental institutions and hospitals. Regular supervisory visits being conducted. Full social histories of cases are compiled at the request of Medical Superintendents.

(v) The Local Health Authority undertakes all duties-none being delegated to Voluntary Associations.

**(c) Account of Work Undertaken in the Community. Mental Treatment**

Number of patients in Mental Hospitals on the 31st December, 1958 .. .. .	M.	F.	Total
Cases investigated and action taken by the Mental Health Officers during the year 1958:-	139	218	357
(i) Patients admitted to Mental Hospitals:-			
Section 16 (Certified) .. .. .	5	4	9
Section 20 (and subsequently certified)..	-	-	-
Section 21 (and subsequently certified)..	2	3	5
Voluntary patients (including patients admitted under Section 20 (4 males, 3 females) and Section 21 (18 males, 22 females) who were accepted as voluntary patients on the expiration of the Order) .. .. .	70	73	143
Magistrates' Courts Act, 1952-Section 30	-	-	-
Criminal Justice Act, 1948-Section 4 ..	-	-	-
Discharged following period of observation (Section 20 : 1 male, 1 female; Section 21: 1 male, 8 females) .. .. .	12	9	21
Died during period of observation (Section 20 : 0 males, 0 females; Section 21 : 1 male, 2 females) .. .. .	1	2	3
Remaining under observation on 31st December, 1958 (Section 20 : 0 males, 1 female; Section 21 : 1 male, 3 females) ..	1	4	5
	91	95	186



## (ii) Other Cases, Disposal:-

Admitted to Hospital Sick Wards .. .. .	10
Referred to other Departments of the Local Authority .. .. .	13
Referred to Patient's Doctor .. .. .	33
Transfers from one Mental Hospital to another ..	-
No action deemed necessary .. .. .	30

## (iii) Care and After-Care:-

Referred direct to Psychiatric Clinics .. ..	24
Attendances, escorting patients to Psychiatric Clinics, for examination/outpatient treatment..	13
Pre-care and Supervisory visits .. .. .	430
After-care visits (where the patient has consented to such action .. .. .	81

A 24-hour service is maintained by the Mental Health Service. A rota is issued weekly to General Hospitals in the town, Parkside Bed Bureau, Consultant Psychiatrist, Chief Constable, and Ambulance Service, informing them of the Mental Health Officer on duty after office hours.

Medical Practitioners have been informed of this service and asked to contact the Police Department for the name of the Mental Health Officer on duty.

**Mental Deficiency**

Statistics at the 31st December, 1958:

(a) Cases in Hospital (including 1 on Licence).. ..	151
(During the year 6 patients were admitted, 2 discharged and 1 died).	
(b) Cases awaiting admission .. .. .	12
(c) Cases under statutory supervision .. .. .	126
(d) Ascertained defectives notified during the year and found 'subject to be dealt with' .. .. .	17
Disposal: Hospital .. .. .	-
Statutory Supervision .. .. .	17
(e) Cases reported during the year and found 'not at present subject to be dealt with' .. .. .	15
Disposal: Voluntary Supervision .. .. .	15
Action unnecessary .. .. .	-
(f) Cases for whom care was arranged .. .. .	4
N.H.S. Hospitals .. .. .	4
Elsewhere .. .. .	-

**Work in the Community**

At the 31st December, 1958, the total number of cases referred for non-statutory supervision was 40. These are referred to by Medical Practitioners, Parents, Local Education Authority, and Prison Medical Officers.



## General

When a new case is notified the Mental Health Officer compiles a case history. This is the basis for deciding the degree of urgency for institutional care or attendance at an Occupation Centre. Close liaison exists with the Local Education Authority in regard to child defectives. Visits are made to the homes of defectives and advice given to parents.

Visits made during the year .. .. . 763

In addition, many parents were seen at the Mental Health Offices.

Supervisory action for licensed cases has continued. This supervision extends to those working in the area belonging to other authorities. The progress reports compiled and forwarded to the respective Medical Superintendents are of assistance to the appointed Visitors in determining whether the licensed case may be discharged from Order.

Supervision of two females under Guardianship, resident in the County Borough, was carried out at the request of another authority.

At the request of Medical Superintendents visits were paid to homes in respect of applications for holiday licences or Section 11 reports and during the period there have been 94 visits.

## (d) Occupation Centres

### Prospect House :

Opened 6th March, 1951. Approved accommodation 36.

Average attendance, 1958 .. .. 21.30

On the register December, 1958 .. 14 males, 12 females.

### Beacon House :

Opened 26th March, 1957. Approved accommodation 60.

Average attendance, 1958 .. .. 35.52

On the register December, 1958 .. 22 males, 27 females.

At Beacon House in addition to catering for Stockport's needs it has been possible to allot six places to the Cheshire County Council, and during the year two Cheshire cases have been attending.

## Meals and Transport

The School Meals Service continues to provide for each pupil a hot mid-day meal, at which the pupils are instructed in table manners. The meals continue to be adequate and of a high nutritional value, and free milk continues to be supplied to all pupils attending the Centres. The children, transported by Corporation bus both to and from the Centres from selected points en route are away from their homes from about 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mondays to Fridays, inclusive, thus allowing the parents a little relaxation which they would not have otherwise.



### Medical Supervision

During the year each pupil attending the Centres received a physical examination, which was carried out by the Medical staff of the School Health Service.

### Curriculum

This is framed on simple and elementary lines, the general direction being towards the achievement of clean habits, good manners, physical development, and a knowledge of simple manual occupations.

### General Activities

A Christmas party was held at each Occupation Centre and both were very successful : the Mayor, Mayoress and Members of the Health Committee, together with parents, enjoyed the concerts at both Centres. Several organisations and individuals provided gifts for the children and these, with a grant from the Committee, enabled every child to receive a suitable present. Articles which were made by the children were displayed.

Under arrangements kindly made by the proprietors of the *Evening Chronicle*, 50 children and 8 staff spent an enjoyable half-day at Belle Vue Circus on December 24th.

### Students

The National Association for Mental Health continues to utilise the Centres for practical training for students who are studying for their examination.

### (e) Ambulance Service

Ambulances from the Central Ambulance Station are available for the removal of patients as and when required.



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## SECTION VIII

### PREVENTION OF ILLNESS

#### CARE AND AFTER-CARE

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## SECTION VIII

## Prevention of Illness-Care and After-Care

## (a) Health Education

The Local Health Authority has continued its endeavour to keep the public informed on health matters, and of the preventive measures against disease. Particular emphasis was made on Prevention of Accidents in the Home, Clean Food, and Vaccination against Poliomyelitis and other diseases. Posters with a topical interest have been displayed on the Empire Marketing Board Frames situated in different part of the Borough.

Copies of 'Better Health', the official journal of the Central Council for Health Education, have again been distributed to the public through the medium of the Health Department and Welfare Centres. A booklet entitled 'Advice to Mothers and Fathers' has also been made available at the Welfare Centres and the Centres have again been utilised for the display of posters and distribution of leaflets on a variety of topics. Similar publicity has been on display to members of the public visiting the Health Department.

Health Visitors have again assisted in the important field of Health Education by giving lectures on Mothercraft and Hygiene to senior girls at school. Prizes have been provided by the Local Health Authority for essays submitted in this connection. The Health Visitors have also advised mothers both at the clinics and when visiting their homes.

Talks have been given to selected audiences by the Medical Staff on various subjects, and the Chief Public Health Inspector has given talkson Food Handling.

The Welfare Centres have been placed at the disposal of the Stockport Voluntary Committee for the conduct of Mothercraft Classes.

The Health Committee has agreed to co-operate with the Manchester Committee on Cancer in extending its present scheme of cancer education. The scheme aims to reduce the number of needless deaths from cancer by reducing the considerable delay on the part of patients before seeking a doctor's advice when certain warning signs occur. Expert speakers will be available free at any time to any club or society that cares to ask.

## (b) Tuberculosis

The Ministry of Health has approved the Stockport scheme for B.C.G. Vaccination of 13-year-old children, and arrangements commenced in September, 1958, for those children attaining this age the following year.

The following table gives in detail the response to the scheme:

No. of Schools	Total No. of 13-yr. old children	No. of Acceptances		Total
		Girls	Boys	
21	2178	700	677	1377

Arrangements are in operation for the carrying out of the recommendations of the Joint Tuberculosis Council for the protection of organised groups of children from the risk of infection by adults suffering from tuberculosis.



Facilities have been available since 1954 for the skin testing of children attending at Infant Welfare Centres.

All candidates for employment involving close contact with infants and children have had X-ray examinations of the chest before appointment.

No person with respiratory tuberculosis is considered for such employment unless and until the disease is certified as arrested, i.e., has been quiescent for two years, with negative sputum in this period.

The Chest Physicians have continued to give B.C.G. Vaccination for the protection of negative re-actors in groups of persons exposed to risk of immediate contact. During the year 78 persons were vaccinated with B.C.G. at the Chest Clinic. B.C.G. Vaccination is also made available for all babies born in St. Mary's Hospital, Manchester, and 53 babies were vaccinated there during 1958.

The Medical Research Council is still keeping under medical observation, the children who took part in the trial scheme in connection with B.C.G. vaccine. The facilities of the Welfare Centres have again been made available for the follow-up examinations, and School Nurses have assisted in the completion of follow-up enquiry forms.

Consideration has also been given during the year to the re-housing of tuberculosis families and new housing accommodation has been provided for 12 families.

Health Visitors undertake visits to the homes of tuberculosis cases on receipt of notification, and they are also responsible for visiting cases of tuberculosis on discharge from sanatoria. Visits are undertaken at three-monthly intervals in the case of pulmonary tuberculosis, six-monthly intervals in cases of tuberculosis of bones and joints, and yearly in cases of tuberculosis of the skin. Additional visits are paid in exceptional cases. The Health Visitors also visit homes for the purpose of following-up cases where, only at death, was the person found to have had tuberculosis.

During the year under review, Health Visitors made 140 first visits and 1,770 visits in respect of after-care.

The following table gives the incidence of tuberculosis during recent years, together with particulars of contacts:

	Notifications		Contacts		Number of Contacts Tubercular	Deaths	
	Pul- monary	Non- Pulmonary	Examined	Not Examined		Pul.	Non- Pul.
1955	129	14	412	27	10	18	1
1956	63	19	387	13	4	10	7
1957	51	4	262	11	3	9	1
1958	74	3	264	9	2	16	2

No organised visit of the Mass Miniature Radiography Unit was possible during this year, but Miniature X-ray was carried out in particular groups as required during the year.

During the year arrangements were made for colony care at Wrenbury Hall and the following table gives details of the cases dealt with during the year:

Patients	From	To	No. of Days
1	1-1-58	29-3-58	88



Number of cases on Clinic Register	..	..	..	..	..	1,113
Number of attendances at the Clinic	..	..	..	..	..	8,706
Number of specimens of sputum examined:						
Negative	..	..	..	..	..	1,109
Positive	..	..	..	..	..	33
						1,142

	Adults	Children
	<i>M.</i> <i>F.</i>	<i>M.</i> <i>F.</i>
Pulmonary .. .. .	36      21	2       2
Non-Pulmonary .. .. .	-          -	-          -
Number of Contacts examined during the year .. .. .	..       ..	264
Number of Contacts found to be tubercular .. .. .	..       ..	2
Number of Contacts not submitting to examination .. .. .	..       ..	9
 Number Mantoux tested:		
Mantoux Negative .. .. .	197	
Mantoux Positive .. .. .	317	
Number of Children vaccinated with B.C.G. .. .. .	..       ..	78
Home Visits during the year .. .. .	..       ..	61
Number of Persons recommended for N.A. Grants .. .. .	..       ..	87
Number of Persons recommended for rehousing .. .. .	..       ..	14
Number of Persons found employment .. .. .	..       ..	31
Number of refills performed at Stepping Hill Hospital .. .. .	..       ..	-



## (C) VENEREAL DISEASES

Return relating to Stockport Cases treated at Great Egerton Street during the year 1958.

	Syphilis		Gonorrhoea		Conditions Other Than Venereal		TOTALS 1958		
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	TOTAL
Persons under treatment or observation on 1st Jan. 1958.	36	58	6	4	31	34	73	96	169
Old cases returned	-	2						2	2
New cases: -									
Syphilis primary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
.. secondary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
.. latent first year	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
.. cardio vascular	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
.. nervous system	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	2
.. other latent stages	1	4	-	-	-	-	1	4	5
.. congenital	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Gonorrhoea	-	-	20	5	-	-	20	5	25
Non venereal cases	-	-	-	-	150	54	150	54	204
Conditions undiagnosed at 31/12/58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cases transferred from other areas	-	1	2	-	1	-	3	1	4
TOTALS	39	67	28	9	182	88	250	164	414
Cases discharged after cure	26	34	16	6	112	54	154	94	248
Defaulters									
(a) Syphilis	2	3					2	3	5
(b) Gonorrhoea before 3 months			6	2			6	2	8
(c) Non venereal					38	8	38	8	46
Number of cases under observation which died.									
From the disease	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
From other causes									
Cases ceasing attendance before completing treatment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Syphilis less than 1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Syphilis more than 1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Syphilis congenital under 1 yr.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Syphilis congenital over 1 yr.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gonorrhoea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cases transferred to other centres	-	1	1	-	2	1	3	2	5
Cases remaining under treatment on 31/12/58	10	29	5	1	30	25	46	55	101
TOTALS	39	67	28	9	182	88	250	164	414
Number of attendances for medical treatment	134	372	86	40	552	195	772	607	1379
Number of attendances for intermediate treatment	48	154	4	6	106	15	158	175	333

During the year 77 visits were made to a total of 29 patients. These visits included visits to alleged sources of infection as well as to patients who had defaulted from treatment or post treatment observation. As a result the attendance of 21 patients was secured.

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#### **(d) Mental Illness and Mental Deficiency**

The Mental Health Officers undertake the domiciliary visiting of mental defectives under supervision, on licence, or discharged from Order. Escorts to Psychiatric Clinics, pre-care and after-care visits are carried out in respect of patients suffering from mental illness.

The Local Health Authority maintains Occupation Centres for Mental Defectives at Derby Road, Heaton Moor, and Whitelea Drive, Adswold. A detailed report of the activities of these Centres is to be found on pages      and      .

Details of the domiciliary work carried out by the Mental Health Service are given on pages      ,      , and      ..

#### **(e) Other Types of Illness**

Cases notified by Hospital Authorities as being in need of after-care on discharge from hospital have in the main been attended by the Staff of the Home Nursing Service. The Health Visitors and the Domestic Help Service have also given assistance in such cases. To ensure the closest liaison between the family doctors and the Local Health Authority, contact was made with each doctor by the Superintendent Health Visitor during the year.

Informal conversations were held at which the Health Visitor for the district was present. The result of this co-operation has been of great benefit to many patients.

A considerable amount of time has again been devoted to old people in need of care and attention, both by the Home Nursing Service and the Domestic Help Service, and in particular to cases where old people have been found to be living in unsatisfactory conditions and who are unable or unwilling to obtain hospital treatment.

#### **(f) Provision of Nursing Equipment and Apparatus**

An adequate supply of nursing equipment and apparatus is available at the Nurses' Home, Greek Street. The Voluntary Committee of the Stockport Sick Poor Nursing Association has provided supplies of bed linen, mattresses, bed rests, bed pans, hot water bottles, etc., to meet the needs of persons being nursed in their own homes. This Association has also maintained two Mobile Physiotherapy Units, which have operated from the Nurses' Home. Our thanks are due to the Voluntary Committee for their valuable assistance in this work.

#### **(g) Convalescent Treatment**

As in previous years, Convalescent Treatment has been made available to adults and children. Adults are generally recommended for Convalescent Treatment by their family doctors, whilst children are recommended by School Medical Officers.

In all cases where financial assistance is requested, family incomes are ascertained, and allowances as set out in the National Assistance Act, 1948, and subsequent Amendments are deducted, and the amount to be paid is assessed in accordance with the Association of Municipal Corporations' recommended scales.

During the year 12 children were sent to Convalescent Homes, as compared with 25 during the previous year.

38 adults were provided with Convalescent Treatment during 1958, as compared with 34 during 1957.

#### SUMMARY, 1958

##### CHILDREN

Craig Convalescent Home for Children, Morecambe .. .. .	7
Ormerod Convalescent Home for Children, St. Annes-on-Sea .. ..	5
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#### SUMMARY, 1958

##### ADULTS

West Hill Convalescent Home, Southport .. .. .	35
Grey Court Convalescent Home, Hest Bank, Morecambe .. ..	3
	<hr/> 38

The usual period of convalescence is two weeks for adults.

Strict control is maintained to prevent applicants abusing the scheme and having an annual holiday at the public expense.

It is a requirement of the Department that the assessment fee should be paid before final arrangements for an applicant's admission to a Convalescent Home are completed.





## SECTION IX

### Ambulance Services

(a) General

The Ambulance Service has been fully expanded and the responsibilities of the Board of Health have been carried out accordingly. The Board of Health has provided for the number of patients carried and the number of vehicles required. It is estimated that in 1954 the number of patients carried was 1,100 and the number of vehicles required was 10. It is estimated that in 1955 the number of patients carried was 1,200 and the number of vehicles required was 11. This increase in the number of patients carried and the number of vehicles required is due to the increase in the number of patients carried and the number of vehicles required.

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## SECTION IX

### AMBULANCE SERVICES

(b) Vehicles

The number of vehicles required is estimated to be 11. It is estimated that in 1954 the number of vehicles required was 10 and in 1955 the number of vehicles required was 11.

(c) Charges

It is estimated that the charges for ambulance services will be 1.00 per patient. It is estimated that in 1954 the charges for ambulance services were 1.00 per patient and in 1955 the charges for ambulance services were 1.00 per patient.

(d) Details of Services Carried out by the Ambulance Service during 1954

1954

GENERAL CASES

1953	1954	
14,500	17,500	Stockport residents to/from Stockport
2,712	4,100	Stockport residents to/from Manchester and District
100	217	Stockport residents to/from Outside District
1,000	2,170	Cheshire County residents to/from Stockport
100	100	Cheshire County residents to/from Manchester and District
25	25	Cheshire County residents to/from Cheshire District
25	25	Cheshire County residents to/from Outside District

SPECIAL CASES

1953	1954	
1,717	1,717	In Stockport Area
25	25	Cheshire County Area



## SECTION IX

## Ambulance Services

## (a) General

The Ambulance Service has been fully extended and the year shows an increase in the number of patients carried and mileage run. The Radio Communication System established early in 1954 between vehicles and the depot has proved of great value, and it is doubtful whether the service could have been maintained in its present form without it. This installation has resulted in a considerable saving of mileage.

Measures have continued to be taken to reduce any abuse of the service by those who could travel by ordinary transport, and contact has been made with Hospitals to prevent overloading of the service by such patients.

Arrangements continue to be made for long distance cases to be conveyed by train to relieve pressure on the Ambulance Service.

Facilities are available at the Ambulance Depot for the training of Civil Defence Volunteers and this training is undertaken by members of the Ambulance Service.

Of the 31 Driver/Attendants 6 hold the St. John Ambulance and Home Nursing Certificate, and 25 hold the St. John Ambulance Certificate only.

## (b) Vehicles

The number of journeys undertaken in connection with the transportation of midwives to and from cases was 1,597.

## (c) Garages

No structural alterations were made to the Ambulance Depot during the year.

The Health Committee has decided to erect a new Ambulance Depot. A site has been chosen at Heaton Lane. The area is the subject of a Compulsory Purchase Order.

## (d) Details of Work Carried out by the Stockport Ambulance Service during 1958

## GENERAL CASES

	1958	1957
Stockport residents to/from Stockport .. ..	17,804	14,480
Stockport residents to/from Manchester and District ..	4,226	3,714
Stockport residents to/from Outside Districts ..	517	509
Cheshire County residents to/from Stockport ..	2,179	1,600
Cheshire County residents to/from Manchester and District .. ..	197	202
Cheshire County residents to/from Cheshire Districts ..	25	33
Cheshire County residents to/from Outside Districts ..	24	58

## ACCIDENT CASES

In Stockport Area .. ..	1,337	1,277
Cheshire County Area .. ..	245	226

## COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

		1958	1957
Stockport residents to Stockport	.. ..	691	805
Stockport residents to outside Sanatoria	.. ..	-	2
Cheshire residents to Stockport	.. ..	31	58
Cheshire residents to outside Sanatoria	.. ..	-	-
	Totals	<u>2,7276</u>	<u>22,964</u>

The total mileage run by all Ambulances during the year was 185,813—of these, 27,305 miles were chargeable to Cheshire County Council.





## SECTION X

FOR NEGLECTED CHILDREN



## SECTION X

## Co-ordinating Committee for Neglected Children

The Co-ordinating Committee has continued to meet each month since its formation on the 7th February, 1951, as a result of a recommendation contained in the joint circular of the Ministries of Health and Education and Home Office. The Medical Officer was appointed by the Council as the Designated Officer, i.e., responsible for co-operation between local Statutory and Voluntary services.

The Committee consists of Officers of the Corporation and Officers of Statutory Bodies concerned with the well being of children, together with representatives of voluntary organisations who are concerned with the same problem.

The composition of the Committee is as follows:

Medical Officer of Health	Director of Education
Welfare Officer	Chief Constable
The Children's Officer	Chief Public Health Inspector
The Housing Manager	Superintendent Health Visitor
Probation Officer	

and representatives of the under-mentioned organisations:

National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children	Ministry of Pensions
National Assistance Board	Council of Social Services
Women's Voluntary Services	Marriage Guidance Council
Children's House	Shrewsbury Diocesan Children's Rescue Society
Family Service Unit	

A classification index as indicated below is used for determining the urgency of the problem in these families:-

- A - Constant Supervision
- B - Intermediate ..
- C - Supervision from time to time

An analysis of cases under supervision at the year end, compared with December, 1957, is shown:

	31st December, 1958	31st December, 1957
A Cases .. ..	24	24
B Cases .. ..	7	6
C Cases .. ..	3	8
	<u>34</u>	<u>38</u>

The combined knowledge and efforts of the members constituting this Committee have been of great value in determining the best approach to be made with the families in these groups coming under review.

Attention is directed to the children in particular, and every effort is made to ensure that their meals and clothing are adequate and that they are receiving proper care. In addition to the duties performed by statutory officers, reference is again made to the outstanding work of the local Inspector of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and to the Women's Voluntary Service, and to the Police Clothing Fund, all of whom have assisted with the provision of household necessities and clothing.

During the year 2 new cases were reported and 6 cases were taken off the records during the year, as they were considered sufficiently rehabilitated not to require further supervision.

Reference has been made previously to the difficult nature of the many problems associated with these families, and that improvements came slowly, and again it is pleasing to note that the figures show an improvement on the previous year. The Case Worker from the Family Service Unit has been used in a number of cases in a supportive role, and has had the assistance of a female Case Worker for this purpose. The Unit has assisted in the provision of clothing and arrangements for holidays for children of these families. The Women's Voluntary Service has been very active in arranging holidays, too.

The Housing Committee has again been of great assistance in re-housing several families during the year where the need was great and the families deserving of consideration.

From experience it is known that there will still be families who show little improvement after much has been done for them, but despite these discouraging features there is always the possibility that repeated efforts will effect rehabilitation. The fact that the children's interests are being safeguarded is of incalculable benefit, and gives added stimulus to the work of the Committee.





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