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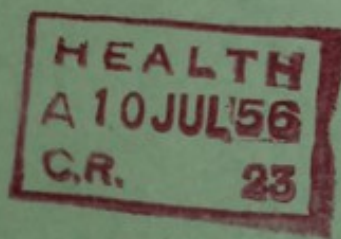
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BOROUGH OF SWINTON & PENDLEBURY

LIST OF MEMBERS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

on

31st December, 1955.

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G. WALTON, M.S.I.A. (a). (Appointed July, 1955).

(Commenced National Service November, 1955).

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- (b) Holds the Meat Inspector's Certificate granted by the Royal Sanitary Institute.
- (bi) Holds the Meat Inspector's Certificate granted by the Liverpool University.
- (c) Holds the Testamur of the Institute of Public Cleansing.
- (d) Certif. R.S.I. in Sanitary Science.
- (e) Associate Membership Inst. of Sanitary Engineers.

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
TOWN HALL,
SWINTON.

*To His Worship The Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors
of the Borough of Swinton and Pendlebury.*

May, 1956.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Report on the work of the Public Health Department for the year 1955, which has been drawn up in accordance with the Ministry of Health's circulars 28/54 and 17/55.

The population of 40,320, as stated by the Registrar General for mid-1955, shews a slight decrease on the previous year.

There has been a slight fall in the birth-rate of 12.1 as compared with 12.9 for 1954.

Eight infants failed to survive to their first birthday, giving an infant mortality rate of 17, compared with a rate of 30 for the previous year.

The total number of deaths at all ages was 492, which is an increase of 71 over the previous year. The death-rate was 13.5 compared with 11.5 for the previous year.

There has been no serious outbreak of infection, with the exception of Measles which was present in epidemic form during the first half of the year. Scarlet Fever continues to be of a very mild type.

The rather high dysentery figures of 1954 were not maintained, but sporadic outbreaks continue to require a great deal of official time in following up, obtaining faecal specimens and all measures to prevent spread.

Atmospheric pollution (legislation in regard to which is under consideration) continues a serious problem in the Borough. A Public Enquiry was held in the Borough to hear objections from your own and neighbouring authorities, along with private individuals, against the proposed extension of the Agecroft High Power Generating Station. Although the project is to be allowed to proceed, the Corporations' request for a higher chimney and certain undertakings regarding grit arresting and flue gas washing plant was acceded to.

Housing and Slum Clearance work continues, and the whole of the houses included in the Five Year programme have been inspected and are ready for representation at the appropriate time. A Public Enquiry, the first in the Borough since before the war, was held to consider objections to the confirmation of Clearance Areas. The result of the Ministry's findings is that all the houses, with the exception of two, standing in Clearance Areas before the war are now confirmed for demolition. These two, having been considerably improved and modernised, were taken out of the Clearance Areas at the Enquiry.

The Inspection of Meat and other foods in shops continues, and the Sanitary Inspectors continue to act as Certifying Officers under the Fatstock Guarantee Scheme.

The staffing problem continues acute, and vacancies for Sanitary Inspectors are almost impossible to fill despite repeated advertising. This results in undue strain particularly in these times when anticipation of the New Food and Drugs Regulations, and the heavy work in housing demands careful and sustained attention.

My department continues to work in close co-operation with the Divisional Health Office on matters of welfare, home helps, care of the aged, etc. This of course entails a worthwhile expenditure of time in being able to assist those citizens of our own Borough who find it difficult to make the journey to the Divisional Health Office, or for any other reason have difficulty in making the necessary contact.

In conclusion, I wish to express my thanks to the Health Committee for their help and consideration, to my colleagues of other departments for their co-operation, and to my staff for their loyalty and support.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Yours obediently,

A. E. WALL, *Medical Officer of Health.*

STATISTICAL SUMMARY, ETC.

Area of the district in acres	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,363
Population Registrar General's Estimate Mid-1955	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	40,320
Number of Inhabited Houses at 31st December, 1955 (Estimated)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13,157
Rateable Value, 31st December, 1955	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£239,706
Sum represented by a penny rate (Estimated 1955-56)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£945

VITAL STATISTICS BASED ON THE NET BIRTHS AND DEATHS AFTER CORRECTION FOR INWARD AND OUTWARD TRANSFERS AS FURNISHED BY THE REGISTRAR GENERAL.

							M.	F.	Total
Live Births	Legitimate	...	...	...	...	...	245	200	445
	Illegitimate	...	...	...	...	...	11	9	20
	Total	...	...	...	...	...	256	209	465
Birth-rate per 1,000 estimated population mid-1955							Crude 11.5	Adjusted 12.1	
Stillbirths							6	5	11
Rate per 1,000 (live and still) births							—	—	23
Deaths							262	230	492
Death-rate per 1,000 estimated population							Crude 12.2	Adjusted 13.5	
Deaths from pregnancy, childbirth, and abortion							—	1	1
Maternal mortality rate per 1,000 total (live and still births)..							—	—	2.10
Death-rate of Infants under one year of age :—									
All infants per 1,000 live births							—	—	17
Neo-natal mortality rate per 1,000 live Births							—	—	13

The above statistical rates are based on a population of 40,320 as estimated by the Registrar General mid-year 1955.

Table I.

VITAL STATISTICS.

	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
Population	40,970	41,000	40,580	40,470	40,320
Live Births :					
Males	288	275	278	249	256
Females	276	247	247	248	209
Total	564	522	525	497	465
Legitimates :					
Males	281	262	267	242	245
Females	269	235	239	241	200
Total	550	497	506	483	445
Illegitimates :					
Males	7	13	11	7	11
Females	7	12	8	7	9
Total	14	25	19	14	20
Birth Rate :	13.8	12.7	12.3	12.3	12.1
Stillbirths :					
Males	5	11	5	4	6
Females	8	5	5	2	5
Total	13	16	10	6	11
Stillbirth Rate :	23	30	19	12	23
Deaths :					
Males	296	252	201	204	262
Females	252	231	207	217	230
Total	548	483	408	421	492
Death Rate	13.4	11.8	11.0	11.5	13.5
Maternal mortality rate per 1,000 total births	Nil	1.86	1.87	1.99	2.10
Infant Deaths	13	15	9	15	8
Infant Mortality Rates :					
All Infants	23	29	17	30	17
Neo-natal mortality rate per 1,000 total births	16	23	11	24	13

Table II.

CAUSES OF, AND AGES AT DEATH, DURING THE YEAR 1955.

(Compiled from Records in the Department).

CAUSES OF DEATH	AGE DISTRIBUTION										WARDS							Non-Resident								
	Total (All Ages)	Male	Female	Uncertified	Inquests	Public Institutions	AGE DISTRIBUTION									Victoria Park	Old Park	Moorside	Newtown	Market	East	Clifton	Institutions	Others		
							Under 1 year	1 to 2	2 to 5	5 to 15	15 to 25	25 to 35	35 to 45	45 to 55	55 to 65										65 to 75	75 upwards
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
1. Tuberculosis, respiratory	3	2	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Tuberculosis, other ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Syphilitic disease ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diphtheria ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Whooping Cough ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Meningococcal Infection	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Acute Poliomyelitis ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Measles ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Other infective and parasitic diseases ...	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
10. Malignant Neoplasm—	6	3	3	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	3	—	1	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—
Stomach ...	9	8	1	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	5	2	3	1	2	3	1	1	2	—	—	—	—
11. Lung, Bronchus ...	6	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12. Breast ...	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Uterus ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms...	39	19	20	—	—	13	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	7	8	10	11	3	16	4	3	3	6	4	4	1
15. Leukaemia, Aleukaemia.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
16. Diabetes ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Vascular lesions of nervous system ...	68	35	33	—	—	22	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	5	11	22	26	7	8	9	12	4	14	14	6	—
18. Coronary disease, angina	29	18	11	—	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	7	13	5	4	7	7	5	—	2	4	—	1

Table II (continued).

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
19. Hypertension with	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Heart Disease ...	119	67	52	—	1	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	8	22	44	43	19	34	19	12	8	18	9	1	2
20. Other Heart Diseases ...	18	9	9	—	2	8	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	2	4	9	2	4	3	4	1	2	2	2	—
21. Other Circulatory Disease	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	—
22. Influenza ...	44	22	22	—	—	19	2	—	1	1	1	—	2	4	8	10	15	7	12	10	6	1	8	—	—	—
23. Pneumonia ...	9	6	3	—	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	2	—	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	—
24. Bronchitis ...	20	12	8	—	3	6	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	6	4	8	3	3	4	3	1	3	3	6	—
25. Other Diseases of	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Respiratory System ...	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Ulceration of Stomach	2	1	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
and Duodenum...	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Gastritis, Enteritis and	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Diarrhoea ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Nephritis and Nephrosis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Hyperplasia Prostate ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Pregnancy, Childbirth,	1	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Abortion ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Congenital Malformation	96	48	48	—	1	42	5	1	1	—	2	2	3	6	17	24	35	10	20	15	21	11	12	7	28	5
32. Other defined and ill-	3	3	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	1	1	1
defined Diseases ...	4	3	1	—	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	3	1	1	—	—	—	1	1	1	—
33. Motor Vehicle Accidents	6	4	2	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	1	2	—	1	2	—	1	—	2	—	—	—
34. All other Accidents ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35. Suicide ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
36. Homicidal & Operations	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
of War ...	491	261	230	—	26	147	8	2	2	1	4	9	16	46	94	149	160	60	117	80	75	32	75	52	70	10
Total ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

MORTUARY.

The Mortuary situate at the rear of the Pendlebury Public Hall is the responsibility of the Corporation. Its use is determined by the Lancashire County Police.

47 bodies were received into the mortuary during 1955 as follows :—

Fatal Street Accidents	...	...	3
Suicide	...	...	3
Natural Causes	...	...	41

Table III
STATISTICS OF SWINTON AND PENDLEBURY
FOR THE LAST TWENTY YEARS.

Year	Population	Deaths	Death Rate	Births	Birth Rate	Infantile Deaths	Infant Death Rate
1936	38,980	435	11.1	594	15.2	32	53.0
1937	39,690	488	12.2	555	13.9	34	61.0
1938	40,360	430	10.7	606	15.0	34	56.0
1939	41,120	495	12.1	599	14.6	30	49.0
1940	39,750	583	14.6	538	13.5	33	61.3
1941	38,700	499	12.8	524	13.5	30	57.2
1942	38,626	423	10.9	550	14.5	32	58.1
1943	37,727	460	12.1	650	17.2	22	34.9
1944	38,054	508	13.3	701	18.4	42	59.9
1945	38,893	463	11.9	641	16.4	38	59.2
1946	39,500	492	12.4	710	17.9	30	42
1947	40,170	482	11.9	805	20.06	27	33
1948	41,230	446	10.8	738	17.8	30	40
1949	41,480	517	12.5	647	15.6	13	20
1950	41,340	507	12.3	589	14.2	10	17
1951	40,970	548	13.4	564	13.8	13	23
1952	41,000	483	11.8	522	12.7	15	29
1953	40,580	408	11.0	525	12.3	9	17
1954	40,470	421	11.5	497	12.3	15	30
1955	40,320	492	13.5	465	12.2	8	17

Table IV.

Clinics and Treatment Centres in Operation.

CLINICS AND CENTRES	SITUATION	HOURS	STAFF	PROVIDED BY
ANTE-NATAL AND POST-NATAL.	1. Beechfield House, Folly Lane, Swinton.	9-11 a.m. every Tuesday.	Assistant D.M.O. & Health Visitors.	Lancs. C.C.
	2. Victoria House, Swinton.	2 p.m. every Monday *9 a.m. Third Monday in month.	do. do.	„ „
	3. Parish Hall, Clifton.	9-11 a.m. 2nd & 4th Fridays.	do.	„
ANTE-NATAL CONSULTANT.	Victoria House, Swinton.	10-12 a.m. every Thursday	Consultant Obstetrician & Health Visitors.	Lancs. C.C.
INFANT WELFARE.	1. Victoria House, Swinton.	1.30-4 p.m. every Thursday & Friday.	Assistant D.M.O. & Health Visitors.	Lancs. C.C.
	2. Beechfield House, Folly Lane, Swinton.	1.30-4 p.m. every Tuesday.	do.	„
	3. Parish Hall, Clifton.	1.30-4 p.m. every Wednesday.	do.	„
	4. Chorley Road, Methodist School, Swinton.	9-11.30 a.m. every Thursday.	do.	„
MINOR AILMENTS.	Victoria House, Swinton.	9-10.30 a.m. daily.	Asst. D.M.O. School Nurses & Health Visitors.	Lancs. C.C.
DENTAL.	1. Victoria House, Swinton.	9.30-12 noon daily.	Dental Surgeon and Dental Attendant.	Lancs. C.C.
	2. Beechfield House, Folly Lane, Swinton.	2-4.30 p.m. daily.	do.	„
OPHTHALMIC.	Victoria House, Swinton.	9-11 a.m. alternate Wednesdays and Tuesdays.	Visiting Surgeon, & School Nurse.	Lancs. C.C.
AURAL.	Victoria House, Swinton.	1-30 p.m. alternate Thursdays.	Visiting Surgeon & School Nurse.	Lancs. C.C.
ORTHOPAEDIC.	Victoria House, Swinton.	Once a month.	Visiting Surgeon & Physiotherapist.	Lancs. C.C.
MASSAGE & REMEDIAL EXERCISES.	Victoria House, Swinton.	10-12 noon Monday.	Physiotherapist.	Lancs. C.C.
ARTIFICIAL SUNLIGHT.	Victoria House, Swinton.	2 sessions per week. 1-30 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays.	do.	Lancs. C.C.
CHEST CLINIC.	Hope Hospital.	Thursday and Friday	Visiting Consultant	Lancs. C.C.
VENEREAL DISEASE.	St. Luke's Clinic, 11 Duke Street, Liverpool Road, Manchester, 3.	Daily. 10-0 a.m. to 4-30 p.m.	Medical Officer and Nursing Staff.	Salford Hospital Management Committee
CHIROPODIST	Victoria House, Swinton.	1-30 to 4-30 p.m. Tuesdays.	Chiropodist	Lancs. C.C.
SPEECH THERAPY.	Victoria House, Swinton.	9-30 to 12 noon 1-30 to 3 p.m., Wednesday	Vacant	Lancs. C.C.

*New Cases Only.

FACTORIES.

The numbers of factories on the register at the end of the year were as follows :—

With Mechanical Power	...	...	153
Without Mechanical Power	...	...	31
Other premises	...	...	—
			184

97 inspections were made during the year.

22 Outworkers premises were inspected and found satisfactory.

RODENT CONTROL.

In 1948 the Health Committee adopted the provisions of Circular NS.19 of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, and the free treatment of infestations in houses has continued. The cost of treatment of infestations in business premises is charged for on the basis of time spent and materials used on the premises.

In addition to the investigation of complaints received, a systematic search of premises of all types throughout the district is carried out, particular attention being paid to properties adjoining those on which an infestation is found.

During the year the sewer system in the borough received two maintenance treatments, one of which followed a test baiting of 10% of the manholes in the district. The several brook courses were inspected regularly and treated as required.

Co-operation with neighbouring authorities and officials of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries was well maintained during the year.

Altogether 8,085 visits and revisits were made to various premises, and 267 treatments carried out in 191 houses, 37 business premises, 4 farms, 35 local authority premises and installations. Good results were obtained.

Table V.

SANITARY ACCOMMODATION IN THE DISTRICT ON DECEMBER 31st, 1955.

DWELLING HOUSES ONLY.

WARD	No. of Houses	No. of Fresh Water Closets	No. of Waste Water Closets	No. of Privies	No. of Pails	No. of Bins	No. of Privy Ashpits	
							Double	Single
Victoria Park ...	1,509	1,589	—	—	—	1,514	—	—
Old Park ...	3,262	3,353	—	—	—	3,262	—	—
Moorside ...	2,483	2,525	—	—	—	2,495	—	—
Newtown ...	1,665	1,666	—	—	—	1,665	—	—
Market ...	888	900	—	—	—	901	—	—
East ...	1,931	1,954	—	—	—	1,940	—	—
Clifton ...	1,419	1,430	—	2	7	1,419	—	2
TOTALS ...	13,157	13,417	—	2	7	13,196	—	2

Table VI.

NUMBER OF HOUSES IN THE DISTRICT AND WARDS.

WARD	No. of Houses 1st January, 1955	Erected During the Year	Closed or Demolished During the Year	TOTALS 31st December, 1955
VICTORIA PARK ...	1,514	—	5	1,509
OLD PARK ...	3,246	16	—	3,262
MOORSIDE ...	2,492	3	12	2,483
NEWTOWN ...	1,651	14	—	1,665
MARKET ...	900	—	12	888
EAST ...	1,924	16	9	1,931
CLIFTON ...	1,327	92	—	1,419
TOTALS ...	13,054	141	38	13,157

Table VII.

COMPLAINTS INVESTIGATED.

NATURE OF COMPLAINT	No. of Complaints received during the year	No. Confirmed
Dampness	54	53
Defective Brickwork... ..	34	33
Defective Yard Walls	3	3
Defective Roofs	63	62
Defective Floors	19	18
Water under Floors, in Cellars, etc.	2	—
Defective or Choked Drains... ..	169	162
Absence of or Defective Eavesgutters and—or Downspouts	27	26
Defective Water Pipes and Fittings	19	17
Defective Wall and—or Ceiling Plaster	47	45
Absence of or Defective Washboilers	2	2
Defective Chimney Flues and Stacks	25	23
Defective Ashbins	168	168
General Defects	33	25
Defective Firegrates and Fireranges	11	9
Defective Windows and Doors	28	27
Defective Sinks and Washbasins	5	5
Defective Water Closet Fittings	37	35
Defective Yard Surfaces and Paths	1	1
Overcrowding	1	—
Rats and Mice	213	209
Accumulation of Offensive Matter and Rubbish... ..	88	83
Vermin	114	108
Keeping of Animals and Poultry	4	4
Defective Gas Fittings	—	—
Defective Electric Fittings	—	—
Dirty Premises	5	4
Miscellaneous	93	87
TOTALS... ..	1,265	1,209

Table VIII.

HOUSE INSPECTION—PARTICULARS OF DEFECTS FOUND.

NATURE OF DEFECT	No. Found	No. Remedied	NATURE OF DEFECT	No. Found	No. Remedied
Ceilings	30	25	<i>Brought Forward</i>	426	323
Cooking Ranges	4	7	Downspouts	32	20
Dampness	84	64	Eavesgutters	71	54
Doors	19	20	Flashings	15	12
Door Frames	4	3	Roofs	99	106
Floors	35	38	Soil and Ventilating Shafts ...	2	2
Flues	11	5	Yard Surfaces and Paths ...	8	7
Grates	14	3	Walls	61	52
Hearths	3	—	Miscellaneous	—	—
Plaster	77	54	<i>DRAINS :</i>		
Skirtings... ..	4	1	Blocked	200	190
Sinks	5	5	Inspections	29	—
Sink Waste Pipes	5	4	Defective	22	36
Staircases	4	1	Testing	35	—
Walls	5	2	Flooding... ..	11	11
Washboilers	2	—			
Water Supply (Fittings) ...	—	1			
" " (Pipes)	6	2			
Windows	46	38			
W.C. (Fittings)... ..	26	18			
Water Closets	23	23			
Chimneys, Pots and Stacks ...	19	9			
TOTALS	426	323	TOTALS	1,011	813

Table IX.

INSPECTIONS RE SANITATION AND FOOD SUPPLY.

TYPE OF INSPECTION	No. of Visits		TYPE OF INSPECTION	No. of Visits	
	Primary	Re-visits		Primary	Re-visits
Ashbins	122	1	<i>Brought Forward</i>	1,908	464
Deposits of Refuse	12	—	Confectioners' Shops	4	—
Dirty Premises	5	4	Cooked Meat Shops	3	—
Keeping of Animals and Poultry	9	2	Fish & Chip Shops	15	1
Manure Receptacles	2	1	Greengrocers' Shops	17	—
Overcrowding	2	—	Ice Cream Makers	4	2
Rivers and Streams	5	1	Ice Cream Shops	10	—
Verminous Houses	50	46	Market Stalls	988	—
" Premises	14	10	Meat Shops	40	2
Factories, Motive Power	36	5	Provision Shops	36	—
" No Power	34	3	Tripe Shops	1	—
Outworkers	44	—	Wet Fish Shops	6	—
Shops	195	5	Dairies	—	—
Tents, Vans, Sheds & Caravans	1	—	Milk Shops	3	—
Poliomyelitis	2	1	Cafes	4	—
Scarlet Fever	34	3	Canteens	13	—
Tuberculosis	8	—	Licensed Premises	1	—
Other	103	309	Milk Samples :—Bacteria ...	64	—
Disinfection	7	3	" " Chemical	72	—
Smoke Observation	18	1	" " Methelene Blue	44	—
Places of Entertainment	—	—	" " Phosphatase	46	—
Schools	7	1	" " Tubercle	23	—
Petrol	46	11	" " Turbidity	25	—
Land Charges Act	695	—	ICE CREAM SAMPLES :—		
Metal Brokers	—	—	Bacteria	7	—
Certificates of Disrepair	28	10	Chemical	18	—
Miscellaneous	197	24	Other Food Samples	66	—
Neglected Sites... ..	—	—	Water Samples :—Bacteria ...	12	—
Atmospheric Pollution	7	5	" " Chemical	13	—
Bakehouses	20	—	Food Inspection	233	10
Slaughter Houses	205	18	Food & Drugs Byelaws	176	4
TOTALS	1,908	464	TOTALS	3,852	483

Legal proceedings were taken in 12 cases under the following Acts, and convictions were secured in each case :—

Food and Drugs Act, 1938	1
Merchandise Marks Act, 1926	1
Public Health Act, 1936	6
Shops Act, 1950	4

Table IXa.

CARCASSES INSPECTED AND MEAT CONDEMNED WITHIN THE DISTRICT

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	195	13	20	883	129	Nil
Number inspected	195	13	20	883	129	Nil
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci:						
Whole carcasses condemned	2	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	77	4	Nil	137	16	Nil
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	40.51	30.7	—	15.51	13.18	Nil
Tuberculosis only :						
Whole carcasses condemned	2	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	26	2	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Percentage of number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	14.36	15.38	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cysticercosis :						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Carcases submitted to treatment by refri- geration	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Generalised and totally condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

Table X.

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 AND 1948.

1.—**INSPECTIONS** for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors).

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written notices (4)	Occupiers prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	31	36	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	153	61	—	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority † (excluding out-workers' premises)	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	184	97	—	—

2.—**CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.**

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	—	—	—	—	—
Overcrowding (S.2)	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)	—	—	—	—	—
(a) Insufficient	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective	1	1	—	1	—
(c) Not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Out-work)	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	1	1	—	1	—

† There are 22 out-workers in the Borough.

Table XI.

CLEARANCE PROGRESS UNDER THE HOUSING ACTS UP TO 31st DECEMBER, 1955.

TITLE OF AREA	Representation			Re-housing			No. of houses demolished	Area completed
	Date	No. of houses	No. of Persons	No. of houses vacated	No. of people rehoused	No. of New houses		
	1931	Pre-Five-Year Programme						
1. Newtown	7 Feb.	76	340	76	288	68	76	Yes
2. Swinton Hall Road	15 Mar.	8	59	8	62	11	8	Yes
3. Knowles Square and Croft	19 Oct.	95	501	95	494	113	95	Yes
	1933	Five-Year Programme						
4. Market Ward No. 1	1 Mar.	8	38	8	37	9	8	Yes
5. " " No. 2	1 Mar.	14	76	14	74	17	14	Yes
6. " " No. 3A	1 Mar.	2	8	2	8	2	2	Yes
7. " " No. 3B	1 Mar.	2	9	2	8	2	2	Yes
8. " " No. 4	1 Mar.	9	46	9	38	10	9	Yes
9. " " No. 5	1 Mar.	3	14	3	13	3	3	Yes
10. " " No. 6	1 Mar.	4	13	4	13	4	4	Yes
11. Station Road	8 Aug.	9	22	9	23	8	9	Yes
12. Woodgate Row	8 Aug.	17	72	17	63	17	17	Yes
13. Manchester Rd., Clifton No. 1	8 Aug.	2	6	2	6	2	2	Yes
14. Valley No. 1	13 Mar.	9	36	9	35	9	8	No
15. " No. 2	13 Mar.	28	129	28	118	31	28	Yes
16. " No. 3	13 Mar.	10	52	10	55	11	10	Yes
	1934							
17. Oak Street & Union Street	28 Nov.	106	430	106	441	121	106	Yes
18. Clifton Junction No. 1	30 Nov.	2	7	2	8	2	2	Yes
19. " " No. 2	30 Nov.	3	9	3	10	3	3	Yes
20. Rams Fold	30 Nov.	2	5	2	5	2	2	Yes
	1935							
21. Bold Row	25 Nov.	5	20	5	21	4	5	Yes
22. Chorley Road No. 2	25 Nov.	5	16	5	18	7	5	Yes
23. Deans Road	25 Nov.	3	7	3	6	3	3	Yes
24. Gate Street	25 Nov.	34	160	34	158	37	34	Yes
25. Grosvenor Street	25 Nov.	13	48	13	47	14	13	Yes
26. Moorside Road No. 1	25 Nov.	6	16	6	7	6	6	Yes
27. " " No. 3	25 Nov.	2	11	2	10	2	2	Yes
28. Ogdens Fold	25 Nov.	3	12	3	11	1	3	Yes
29. Poplar Road No. 1	25 Nov.	6	11	6	13	6	6	Yes
30. " " No. 2	25 Nov.	2	4	2	5	2	2	Yes
31. Bilston	23 Dec.	97	438	97	442	104	97	Yes
32. Moorside Road No. 2	23 Dec.	2	5	2	4	2	2	Yes
	1936							
33. Back Carlton Place	13 Jan.	5	17	5	15	4	5	Yes
	1937							
34. Folly Lane	1 Mar.	22	64	20	61	17	18	No
35. Manchester Road, Swinton	1 Mar.	2	4	2	5	2	2	Yes
36. Moss Colliery Rd., Clifton	1 Mar.	7	19	7	17	5	7	Yes
37. Mount Pleasant	1 Mar.	7	27	7	26	7	7	Yes
38. Wood Street No. 1	1 Mar.	12	32	12	27	10	12	Yes
39. " " No. 2	1 Mar.	3	11	2	5	2	3	Yes
40. Worsley Buildings	1 Mar.	23	109	23	110	27	23	Yes
41. Worsley Street No. 1	1 Mar.	4	22	4	22	1	4	Yes

Carried Forward

672

2,925

669

2,829

708

667

Table XI (continued).

TITLE OF AREA	Representation			Re-housing			No. of houses demolished	Area completed
	Date	No. of houses	No. of persons	No. of houses vacated	No. of people rehoused	No. of new houses		
Brought Forward		672	2,925	669	2,829	708	667	
	1938							
42. Long Fold & Whites Croft No. 1	7 Apr.	8	28	8	33	9	8	Yes
43. " " " " No. 2	7 Apr.	2	8	2	8	2	2	Yes
44. " " " " No. 3	7 Apr.	10	39	10	36	10	10	Yes
45. Slack Lane No. 1	7 Apr.	8	21	6	23	5	8	Yes
46. " " No. 2	7 Apr.	6	22	6	27	6	6	Yes
47. " " No. 3	7 Apr.	22	69	11	42	11	11	No
48. City Walk	7 Apr.	28	93	5	22	8	2	No
49. Hilton Square	7 Apr.	25	75	9	29	9	3	—
50. Holt Street, Clifton No. 1	7 Apr.	3	9	3	9	3	3	Yes
51. " " " " No. 2	7 Apr.	2	7	1	—	—	—	—
52. Manchester Rd., Clifton No. 2	7 Apr.	7	21	4	9	3	4	—
53. George St. & Thomas St.	7 Apr.	26	98	—	5	—	—	—
54. Henry Street	7 Apr.	2	11	—	—	—	—	—
55. Worsley Road No. 1	7 Apr.	5	18	5	18	6	5	Yes
56. " " No. 2	7 Apr.	7	27	7	29	7	7	Yes
57. " " No. 3	7 Apr.	8	26	8	19	7	8	Yes
58. " " No. 4	7 Apr.	5	15	—	—	—	—	No
59. " " No. 5	7 Apr.	5	16	5	17	5	5	Yes
60. Rake Lane, Clifton	7 Apr.	5	18	5	17	4	5	Yes
61. Worsley Fold No. 1	7 Apr.	3	9	3	8	3	3	Yes
62. " " No. 2	7 Apr.	6	24	6	17	5	6	Yes
63. Hopwood Street	7 Apr.	6	26	6	14	4	6	Yes
64. Spring Place	7 Apr.	5	14	5	6	3	5	Yes
65. Bowling Green View	7 Apr.	2	11	2	7	2	2	Yes
66. Chorley Road No. 1	7 Apr.	3	12	—	—	—	—	—
67. St. John Street, Pendlebury	7 Apr.	3	10	1	3	—	—	—
68. Moor Street	7 Apr.	2	4	2	3	2	—	—
69. New Street & Bolton Road	7 Apr.	11	41	5	23	6	—	—
70. Moorside Road No. 4	7 Apr.	3	6	3	—	—	3	Yes
71. Worsley Street No. 2	7 Apr.	9	33	—	—	—	—	—
72. Union Street, Swinton No. 1	7 Apr.	16	44	11	37	11	—	—
73. " " " " No. 2	7 Apr.	14	45	10	29	7	9	—
74. " " " " No. 3	7 Apr.	2	7	2	8	2	2	Yes
75. " " " " No. 4	7 Apr.	7	25	7	26	7	7	Yes
76. " " " " No. 5	7 Apr.	4	10	4	5	3	1	—
77. Little Moss Lane	7 Apr.	3	10	3	—	—	3	Yes
78. Swinton Hall Road No. 2	1 Sep.	7	25	7	22	7	7	Yes
79. Swinton Hall Road No. 3	1 Sep.	5	25	—	—	—	—	—
80. Albion Street	1 Sep.	11	31	—	—	—	—	—
TOTALS		978	3,958	841	3,380	865	808	

GRAND TOTALS

(1) Clearance Areas	978	3,958	841	3,380	865	808	—
(2) Individual Unfit Houses	228	794	214	684	204	204	—
TOTALS	1,206	4,752	1,055	4,064	1,069	1,012	—

Table XII

HOUSING STATISTICS

1. Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the year :—

(1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected formally or informally for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	1,249
(b) Number of inspections, formal or informal, made for the purpose	4,271
(2) Dwelling-houses unfit for human habitation and not capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit :	
(a) Number found during year	30
(b) Number (or estimated number) at end of year	275
(3) Number of dwelling-houses found during the year to be not in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation but capable of being rendered fit	528

2. Clearance Areas (Housing Act, 1936, and Housing Repairs and Rents Act, 1954 :—

(1) Number of dwelling-houses demolished during year :	
(a) Unfit houses	Nil
(b) Other houses	Nil
(2) Number of persons displaced	Nil

3. Houses not included in Clearance Areas :—

Number of

	Houses	Persons displaced
(1) Houses demolished or closed during year :		
(a) Housing Act, 1936—		
(i) Demolished as a result of formal or informal procedure (Section II) ...	19	95
(ii) Closed in pursuance of an undertaking given by owners under Section II and still in force	21	50
(iii) Parts of building closed (Section 12)	None	None
(b) Housing Act, 1949—		
(i) Closed as a result of closing orders under Sections 3(1) and 3(2)	None	None
(c) Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1953—		
(i) Closed as a result of closing orders under Sections 10(1) and 11(2) ...	None	None

(2) Repairs during the year :—

*No. of houses

(a) Unfit houses rendered fit and houses in which defects were remedied during the period as a result of informal action by the local authority under the Housing or Public Health Acts ...	360
(b) †Public Health Acts—action after service of formal notice—Houses in which defects were remedied—	
(i) By owners	109
(ii) By local authority in default of owners	None
(c) Housing Act, 1936—action after service of formal notice (Sections 9, 10, 11 and 16) Houses made fit—	
(i) By owners	None
(ii) By local authority in default of owners	None
(d) Housing Repair and Rents Act, 1954 :	
Houses reconstructed, enlarged or improved and Demolition Orders revoked (Section 5) ...	None

*A defective house remedied more than once during the year is included once only.

†Refers only to action taken with regard to housing defects. Notices with regard to other premises, drainage and other defects are included under Sanitary Inspections in Table IX.

Table XIII.

FOOD AND DRUGS SAMPLES.

NATURE OF SAMPLE	No. Taken		No. Found Genuine		No. Found Adulterated	
	Formal	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal	Informal
Beef Sausage	1	12	—	11	1	1
Borax and Honey	—	1	—	1	—	—
Baking Powder	—	1	—	1	—	—
Blackcurrant Jam	—	1	—	1	—	—
Black Puddings	—	1	—	1	—	—
Brawn	—	1	—	1	—	—
Camphorated Oil	—	1	—	1	—	—
Coffee and Chicory	—	1	—	1	—	—
Coffee	—	1	—	1	—	—
Chicken Spread	—	1	—	1	—	—
Fruit Squash	—	1	—	1	—	—
Gravy Browning	—	1	—	1	—	—
Ground Ginger	—	1	—	1	—	—
Ground Rice	—	1	—	1	—	—
Ground Nutmeg	—	1	—	1	—	—
Garden Mint	—	1	—	1	—	—
Ground Almonds	—	1	—	1	—	—
Ice Cream	5	11	5	6	—	5
Jelly	—	1	—	1	—	—
Lemon Juice	—	1	—	1	—	—
Lemon Pop Crystals	—	1	—	1	—	—
Lard	—	1	—	1	—	—
Lemon Curd	—	1	—	1	—	—
Milk	58	14	58	14	—	—
Mustard	—	2	—	2	—	—
Margarine	—	1	—	1	—	—
Orange Curd	—	1	—	1	—	—
Orange Drink	—	1	—	1	—	—
Olive Oil	—	1	—	1	—	—
Pepper	—	1	—	1	—	—
Pork Sausage	—	2	—	2	—	—
Potted Salmon	—	1	—	1	—	—
Pudding	—	1	—	1	—	—
Raspberry Vinegar and Olive Oil	—	1	—	1	—	—
Sweets	—	3	—	3	—	—
Self Raising Flour	—	1	—	1	—	—
Soda Bi Carb.	—	1	—	1	—	—
Savoury Spread	—	1	—	1	—	—
Sauce	—	1	—	1	—	—
Strawberry Jam	—	1	—	1	—	—
Sandwich Spread	—	1	—	1	—	—
Soup	—	2	—	2	—	—
Sponge Mixture	—	1	—	1	—	—
Tongue Paste	—	1	—	1	—	—
Tinned Apple	—	1	—	1	—	—
Tinned Raspberries	—	1	—	1	—	—
Tea	—	1	—	1	—	—
Vinegar	—	1	—	1	—	—
TOTALS	64	87	63	81	1	6

Food Surrendered as Unfit for Human Consumption :

Meat 1 ton 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ cwts., Fruit 34 lbs., Other Foods 99 lbs.

Animals slaughtered : 208 Beasts. 20 Calves. 129 Pigs. 883 Lambs.

Animals inspected : 208 Beasts. 20 Calves. 129 Pigs. 883 Lambs.

Table XIV.

BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS OF MILKS.

Where Produced	Type of Milk	Tubercle S. U.	Meth. Blue 4½ hrs. S. U.	Meth. Blue 30 mins. S. U.	Phosphatase S. U.	Turbidity S. U.
OUT OF DISTRICT.	Tuberculin Tested Pasteurised	21 —	— —	24 —	26 —	— —
	Pasteurised	— —	— —	17 1	17 1	— —
	Sterilized	— —	— —	— —	— —	25 —
IN DISTRICT	Tuberculin Tested	2 —	— —	— 2	— 2	— —
	TOTALS	23 —	— —	41 3	43 3	25 —

S.—Satisfactory.

U.—Unsatisfactory.

T.T. Pasteurised
T.T. Pasteurised

Meth. Blue Void 2
Animal Inoculation Test Void 1

Table XV.

BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS OF ICE CREAM.

Grade I	7	Satisfactory.	
Grade II	—		
Grade III	—	Unsatisfactory.	
Grade IV	—		
TOTAL	7	Satisfactory 7	Unsatisfactory —

Table XVI.

CHEMICAL EXAMINATIONS OF ICE CREAM.

Fat Content	No.
Under 5 per cent. ...	1
5-8 per cent. ...	5
8-12 per cent. ...	10
12-15 per cent. ...	2
Over 15 per cent. ...	—
TOTAL ...	18

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Table XVII on page 24 gives particulars of the occurrence of Infectious Diseases within the Borough during 1955. Of a total of 1,004 cases of Infectious Diseases notified, 34 were cases of Scarlet Fever, 767 were cases of Measles, 60 cases of Whooping Cough, and 103 cases of Dysentery.

Diphtheria has been non-existent in the Borough since 1948. This absence of the once dreaded disease emphasises the value of immunisation.

260 children were immunised against Diphtheria during the year, 244 of whom were under 5 years of age. In addition to this, 303 children were given boosting doses.

Three cases of paralytic Poliomyelitis were notified during the year. All three cases were treated in Hospital.

Of the 103 notified cases of dysentery during the year, the majority were due to Sh. Sonnei. Recovery in all cases was uneventful. 726 faecal specimens were sent to the Public Health Laboratory, of which 145 were positive and 581 negative.

There were two cases of food poisoning both due to Salmonella Stanley. Investigation shewed each case to be isolated.

Measles was present in the Borough in epidemic form in the first half of the year. All cases were of a mild type and there were no deaths.

Particulars of Tuberculosis notifications and deaths during 1955 are shown in Tables XVIII and XIX. The work in connection with the care and after-care of tuberculous patients is carried out by the Lancashire County Council. I am indebted to Dr. W. Lee, Consultant Chest Physician, for his co-operation and assistance in the grading of the patients on the Corporation's list of applicants for houses.

Scarlet Fever continues to decrease in numbers and severity, there being 34 cases as compared with 38 in the previous year. The majority of these cases were nursed at home and were of a mild type.

Table XVII.

NUMBER OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFIED ; NUMBER OF DEATHS FROM THESE DISEASES ;
NUMBER OF CASES REMOVED TO HOSPITAL, AND DEATHS IN HOSPITAL DURING THE YEAR 1955.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE	Number of Cases Notified (Ages in Years)											Total Cases Notified in each Ward						Total No. of Cases removed to Hospital	Total No. of deaths belonging to the District	Total No. of deaths in Hospital			
	At all Ages	Under 1 year	1 year	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 to 10 years	10 to 15 years	15 to 20 years	20 to 35 years	35 to 45 years	45 to 65 years	65 and over	Victoria Park	Old Park	Moorside	Newtown				Market	East	Clifton
Acute Encephalitis (post infect.)	2	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Small Pox ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Scarlet Fever ...	34	—	1	—	7	8	13	4	—	1	—	—	—	6	8	2	4	2	5	7	—	—	—
Diphtheria ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pneumonia ...	18	1	2	—	—	2	2	1	1	1	1	5	2	1	4	4	1	2	6	—	—	—	—
Erysipelas ...	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	3	2	2	2	2	1	5	—	—	—	—
Meningococcal Infection ...	5	—	2	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis Non-Paralytic	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis Paralytic	3	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Measles ...	767	18	67	99	94	145	295	32	11	6	—	—	—	90	130	157	77	60	96	157	3	—	—
Whooping Cough ...	60	2	16	10	8	8	12	1	1	2	—	—	—	5	12	7	8	6	20	2	7	1	—
Para-typhoid Fever ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Puerperal Pyrexia ...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dysentery ...	103	2	4	5	9	11	30	12	5	13	5	5	2	6	6	30	10	4	15	32	1	—	—
Food Poisoning ...	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
TOTALS	1004	23	95	116	121	174	352	50	18	25	7	16	7	110	164	204	102	74	151	199	16	—	1

Table XVIII.

NOTIFICATIONS AND DEATHS FROM TUBERCULOSIS.

AGE PERIOD	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Respiratory		Non-respiratory		Respiratory		Non-respiratory	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0- 1 year	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1- 5 years	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5-10 „	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
10-15 „	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
15-20 „	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
20-25 „	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
25-35 „	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
35-45 „	1	2	—	—	1	—	—	1
45-55 „	2	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
55-65 „	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
65 and over	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	1
TOTALS	5	9	3	—	4	—	—	2

Table XIX.

INCIDENCE AND MORTALITY OF TUBERCULOSIS, 1950-55.

	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
NOTIFIED CASES :—					
(a) Respiratory	34	30	32	28	14
(b) Non-Respiratory	5	3	4	5	3
DEATHS :—					
(a) Respiratory	7	5	10	4	4
(b) Non-Respiratory	2	—	—	2	2

The number of cases of tuberculosis on the register at 31st December, 1955
is shewn in the following table:

Respiratory			Non-Respiratory			Total Respiratory and Non-Respiratory		
Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
119	109	228	23	12	35	142	121	263

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
TOWN HALL,
SWINTON.

May, 1956.

*To His Worship The Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors
of the Borough of Swinton and Pendlebury.*

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting my report on the Cleansing work in the Borough during the year 1955.

The town's refuse continues to be disposed of at the Nelson Fold Tip, and the City of Salford are tipping on the Rabbit Hills site by agreement with the Borough Council.

The use of mechanical equipment on the tip has proved satisfactory both in efficiency and economy.

The Committee has given consideration to the provision of new vehicles for refuse collection and has agreed in principal to the adoption of large capacity vehicles, rear-loading and with mechanical trimming.

1,828 ashbins have been supplied under the Municipal Bin Replacement Scheme.

We have continued to collect waste paper and to maintain the terms of our contract with the merchants.

The amount of all salvage during the year was 466 tons $1\frac{3}{4}$ qrs., compared with 512 tons 2 cwts. in the previous year, and the income £3,511 1s. 3d., compared with £3,546 0s. 2d.

£754 18s. 10d. bonus was distributed amongst the men during the year.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

A. GILLIBRAND.

Chief Sanitary Inspector.

Table XX.

CLEANSING SYSTEM—CAPITAL EQUIPMENT.

ITEM	Particulars Relating to Purchase		Rate of Depreciation per Annum Spread over 8 Years	Depreciation Charged Year Ending 31-3-56	Value on Books 31-3-56
	Date	Price			
S.D.1. JTC 230	31/3/48	£ 1,111 8 8	£ 137 11 5	£ 137 11 8	£ 10 15 10
S.D.2. JTE 140	30/6/48	1,337 0 0	166 3 8	166 3 8	45 17 8
S.D.3. JTE 623	30/6/48	1,337 0 0	166 3 8	166 3 8	49 1 7
S.D.4. JTE 624	30/6/48	1,337 0 0	166 3 8	166 3 8	49 1 7
S.D.5. KTJ 679	1/11/49	1,337 5 0	166 3 8	166 3 8	276 4 8
FORDSON LTJ 839	4/7/50	752 7 0	94 0 10	94 0 10	211 12 0
FORDSON (No. 7) NTJ 820	25/2/52	764 16 11	95 12 1	95 12 1	382 8 7

Table XXI.

COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF REFUSE—1955-56 (52 WEEKS).

WORKING COSTS (INCLUDING PROPORTION OF COST OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT)														
					Motor* Collection	Total		Receipts		Net Cost				
					£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
S.D. FREIGHTERS.														
Motors	...	...	...	...	3,998	3	0							
Motor Drivers	...	...	...	...	3,137	14	5							
Binmen	...	...	...	...	11,122	2	11							
Other Charges	...	...	...	...	305	8	4							
Total	...	...	...	...				18,563	8	8	3,550	10	6	
ESTIMATED TONNAGE COLLECTED														
S.D. Freighters	...	...	...	...	T.	C.	Q.	T.	C.	Q.				
Total Weight...	...	...	...	...	13,952	10	2	13,952	10	2				
Cost per ton	...	...	...	...								1	1	6
CONTROLLED TIPPING.														
Men	...	...	...	...	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.				
Loan Charges...	...	...	...	...	1,263	11	4							
Other Charges	...	...	...	...	1,053	1	8							
Total	...	...	...	...	481	1	3							
								2,797	14	3	217	7	6	
Tonnage Disposed of								T.	C.	Q.				
Disposal Cost per ton	...	...	...	...				13,952	10	2				
												3	8	

*Includes 1 waggon collecting waste paper on an average of 3 days per week.

Table XXII.

SALVAGE COLLECTION AND SALES DURING THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31st, 1956.

Material	Quantity			Total Income		
	Tons	Cwts.	Qrs.	£	s.	d.
Waste Paper	274	12	3	2,563	16	0
Rags	7	16	3	172	10	8
Carpets	9	0	0	45	0	0
Scrap Iron	50	4	2	92	8	0
Metals, Non-Ferrous ...	2	2	2½	162	18	3
Pig Food	121	18	0	472	7	2
Miscellaneous	0	5	3½	2	1	2
Totals	466	0	1¾	3,511	1	3
Totals for Year 1954	512	2	0	3,546	0	2

WEIGHTS & RECEIPTS FOR SALVAGE SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN FEBRUARY, 1940.

Year	Weight			Amount Received		
	Tons	Cwts.	Qrs.	£	s.	d.
1940	352	13	2	1,329	4	10
1941	297	19	2	1,151	3	6
1942	581	8	0	2,286	8	1
1943	627	15	3	2,249	6	10
1944	454	4	3	1,706	6	11
1945	443	1	1	1,540	15	6
1946	511	8	0	2,215	0	10
1947	513	14	2	2,343	2	11
1948	568	13	3	2,871	3	4
1949	609	15	0	2,963	1	1
1950	534	12	2	3,038	10	1
1951	530	11	2	5,580	4	4
1952	526	16	0½	3,682	10	6
1953	494	3	0	3,184	7	11
1954	512	2	0	3,546	0	2
1955	466	0	1¾	3,511	1	3
Total	8,024	19	2½	43,198	8	1

The sum of £754 18s. 10d. was distributed amongst the men during the year as an Incentive bonus.

