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OF THE

**County Medical Officer of Health**

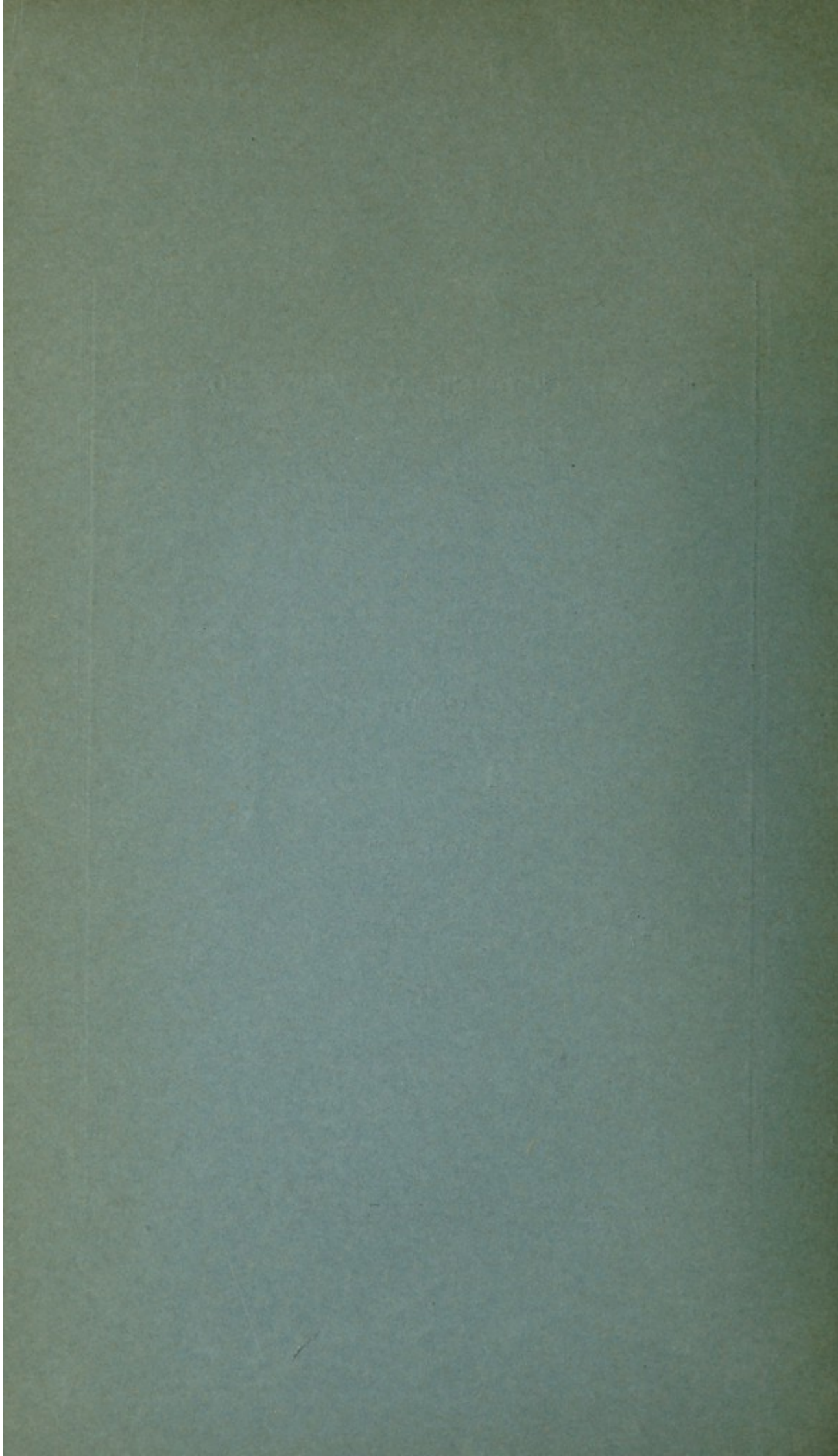
FOR THE

Year Ended 31st December, 1936

BY


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County Medical Officer and School Medical Officer.



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**County Medical Officer and School Medical Officer**—Ralph D. Smedley, M.A., M.D., D.P.H., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.; **Tuberculosis Officer, Deputy County Medical Officer and Deputy School Medical Officer**—William Templeton, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.; **Assistant Tuberculosis Officer**—J. E. Wallace, M.D., Ch.B., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.; **Assistant County Medical Officers and Assistant School Medical Officers**—H. M. Ayres, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.T.M. and H., D.P.H.; L. J. Newman, B.A., M.D., M.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., D.P.H.; C. F. Brockington, M.A., M.D., B.Ch., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.; **Matron—County Sanatorium—Aldingbourne House**—Miss L. J. Strange; **Clerical Staff—Chief Assistant**—S. G. H. Potter; **Assistant Clerks**—C. R. L. Boxer, V. H. Kirchin, W. C. Floyd, F. C. Saunders, S. C. Dorée, M. R. Attwater; **County Laboratory—1st Technical Assistant**—J. D. Beckett; **2nd Technical Assistant**—A. H. Edwards; **Boy**—H. Cotton. **Part-Time Officers—Inspector of Midwives and Assistant Medical Officer for Maternity and Child Welfare**—F. Erin Smedley, M.B., B.S.; **Medical Officer (Worthing Venereal Diseases Clinic)**—F. H. Lawson, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.; **Orthopaedic Surgeon**—H. J. Seddon, F.R.C.S. (From Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, London); **County Pathologist**—C. J. Harwood Little, M.B., Ch.B., O.B.E. (Appointed 1/5/36); **Orthopaedic Nurse**—Miss L. M. C. Maynard.

## MEDICAL OFFICERS OF LOCAL SANITARY AUTHORITIES.

**Bognor Regis U.D.**—H. M. Ayres, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.T.M. and H., D.P.H., Public Health Department, Town Hall, Bognor Regis.

**Chichester, City of, M.B.**—A. M. Barford, M.D., F.R.F.P.S., D.P.H., Cliftonville, The Avenue, Summersdale, Chichester.

**Worthing M.B.**—R. H. Wilshaw, M.D., M.R.C.P., D.P.H., The Town Hall, Worthing.

**Midhurst, R.D.**—L. J. Newman, B.A., M.D., M.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., D.P.H., County Hall, Chichester, appointed 1/6/36 (Dr. S. Child retired 31/5/36).

**Shoreham-by-Sea U.D.**

**Worthing R.D.**

**Southern Combine**

Comprising—

Arundel M.B.

Chanctonbury R.D.

Chichester R.D.

Littlehampton U.D.

Southwick U.D.

W. J. Butcher, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H., Mill Holt, Hillside Avenue, Worthing (also School Medical Inspector).

**North East Combine**

Comprising—

Horsham U.D.

Horsham R.D.

Petworth R.D.

C. F. Brockington, M.A., M.D., B.Ch., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H., Council Offices, Horsham Park, North Street, Horsham, appointed 1/9/36 (Dr. S. Child retired 31/8/36)

**Port Sanitary Authorities—**

Littlehampton

New Shoreham

W. J. Butcher, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H., Mill Holt, Hillside Avenue, Worthing.

## UNION OF DISTRICTS FOR APPOINTMENT OF MEDICAL OFFICERS OF HEALTH

During the year Dr. S. Child resigned, owing to ill health, his appointments as Medical Officer of Health of the Sanitary Districts in the Northern Combined Areas and it will be noted that he has been succeeded by Dr. L. J. Newman as Medical Officer of Health of the Midhurst Rural District (separated from the Northern Combine) and by Dr. C. F. Brockington as Medical Officer of Health of the Urban District of Horsham and the Rural Districts of Horsham and Petworth.

Under an Order No. 88325 made by the Ministry of Health on 1st January 1937, cited as the Horsham Urban Horsham Rural and Petworth Rural United Districts (Medical Officer of Health) Order, 1936, to come into operation on the eleventh day of January 1937, the Districts referred to in the Order remain in the Northern Combine.

## DISTRICT MEDICAL OFFICERS (Public Assistance) AND PUBLIC VACCINATORS.

District.	Medical Officer.	District.	Medical Officer.
<b>Chichester Area.</b>		<i>Horsham Area—continued</i>	
Chichester City	Dr. W. DICK	Steyning No. 1	Dr. F. H. SQUIRE
Westbourne No. 1	Dr. L. S. H. GLANVILLE	2	(a) Dr. G. P. SMITH
	2 Dr. D. A. LANGHORNE		(b) Dr. M. H. DOBBYN
	3 Dr. C. V. BULSTRODE	3	Dr. G. P. SMITH
Westhampnett No. 1	Dr. P. C. BARFORD		Dr. J. H. C. THOMPSON
	Dr. J. H. H. GOUGH	4	Dr. C. W. WHEELER- BENNETT
	2 Dr. A. H. BOSTOCK		
	3 Dr. C. V. BULSTRODE		
	4 Dr. A. B. COLLINS		
	5 Dr. R. O. SWAINE		
<b>Horsham Area.</b>		<b>Midhurst Area.</b>	
Horsham No. 1	Dr. G. SPARROW	Midhurst No. 2	Dr. D. C. DRUITT
	2 Dr. J. W. DEW	3	Dr. M. FAWKES
	3 Dr. S. R. MATTHEWS	4	Dr. G. MARTIN
	4 Dr. B. L. HUTCHENCE		(Resigned 31/12/35)
	5 } Dr. T. E. MATTHEWS	5	Dr. C. A. KIRTON (1/1/36)
	6 } Dr. T. E. MATTHEWS		Dr. E. S. JOHNSON
	7 } Dr. T. E. MATTHEWS	Petworth No. 1	Dr. E. E. HEENEY
	7 Dr. T. D. JAGO	2	} Dr. A. E. KERR
	8 Dr. H. G. BENNETT	3	
	10 Dr. R. M. MILLER	4	
<b>Worthing and East Preston Area.</b>			
		East Preston No. 1	Dr. R. W. PEARSON
		2	(a) Dr. G. B. BROWN
			Dr. H. WIGGINS
		3	Dr. C. E. LAST
		Thakeham No. 1	Dr. H. A. WHYTE- VENABLES
		2	Dr. A. J. HEAD

(a) District Medical Officer only.

(b) Public Vaccinator only.

## PUBLIC ASSISTANCE INSTITUTIONS—Medical Staff.

Institution	Medical Officer (part time).
Chichester Institution (closed 30/9/36)	.. Dr. W. DICK
Chichester Casual Ward .. ..	.. Dr. W. DICK
East Preston .. ..	.. Dr. F. M. M. EYTON-JONES
Horsham .. ..	.. Dr. G. SPARROW
Midhurst .. ..	.. Dr. B. E. G. BAILEY

In each instance the Medical Officer is also Public Vaccinator for the Institution.

## RELIEVING OFFICERS and VACCINATION OFFICERS

Area	Name	Address	Tel. No.
Bognor Regis .. ..	POPLE, G. S. .. ..	3 High Street Bognor Regis .. ..	Bognor Regis 453
Chichester North .. ..	HOTHAM, C. .. ..	Lisvane House, Cooper Street, Chichester .. ..	Chichester 723
Chichester South .. ..	FELTON, T. A. .. ..	Lisvane House, Cooper Street, Chichester .. ..	Chichester 723
Horsham and Billingshurst .. ..	JACKSON, E. .. ..	20 London Road, Horsham .. ..	Horsham 368
	ANSELL, W. P. .. ..	20 London Road, Horsham .. ..	Horsham 368
Littlehampton .. ..	HARDING, H. G. .. ..	27 Maxwell Road, Littlehampton .. ..	Littlehampton 460
Midhurst .. ..	WERRY, A. F. .. ..	Red Lion Street, Midhurst .. ..	Midhurst 245
Petworth .. ..	DIKE, H. H. .. ..	Meadow Cottage, North Mead, Petworth .. ..	Petworth 145
Pulborough and Steyning .. ..	DAVY, H. J. .. ..	Reeve House, Henfield .. ..	Henfield 79
	JERVIS, H. B. .. .. (Assistant)	Mulberry House, Storrington .. ..	Storrington 228
Shoreham-by-Sea .. ..	(a) DOWN, A. G. .. ..	30 East Street, Shoreham-by-Sea .. ..	Shoreham 52
	(b) SEARS, L. E. .. ..	22 Rosslyn Road, Shoreham-by-Sea .. ..	Shoreham 157 (Town Hall)
Worthing .. ..	(a) GRAVILLE, N. F. .. ..	8 Ashdown Road Worthing .. ..	Worthing 1482
	(b) LINFIELD, A. F. .. ..	8 Ashdown Road, Worthing .. ..	Worthing 1482

(a) Relieving Officer only.

(b) Vaccination Officer only.



## WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL.

## ANNUAL REPORT for the year 1936, by the COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER.

The Area in acres, including inland water, is as follows:—

AREA.			
URBAN DISTRICTS	..	..	.. 24636
RURAL DISTRICTS	..	..	.. 377429
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY	..	..	.. <u>402065</u>

## POPULATION.

The resident population of the Administrative County for the year 1936 was estimated by the Registrar-General to be as follows:—

URBAN DISTRICTS	..	..	.. 137300
RURAL DISTRICTS	..	..	.. 113200
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY	..	..	.. <u>250500</u>

In Table I (page 6) is shown the Estimated Population for each Sanitary District.

## CENSUS POPULATIONS.

	1901	1911	1921*	1931
URBAN DISTRICTS	.. 70223	83590	90044	114800
RURAL DISTRICTS	.. 81053	92718	94830	108195
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY	<u>151276</u>	<u>176308</u>	<u>184874</u>	<u>222995</u>

\*As amended by Registrar-General.

## INHABITED HOUSES (CENSUS, 1931).

	Urban Districts.	Rural Districts.	Administrative County.
Number of Inhabited Houses	.. 27345	27680	55025
Number of families or separate occupiers	.. 29607	28198	57805

Rateable Value of County .. .. . £2,308,169

**Product of Penny Rate—1936-37**

For General County Purposes .. .. . £9,871  
 For Special County Purposes (including Maternity and Child Welfare) .. .. . £6,571

**SOCIAL CONDITIONS.**

Agriculture, fruit growing, market gardening, etc., are the important industries in the County, and the seaside towns attract a large number of visitors during the season. Inland, many parts of the County are residential in character.

**SUMMARY OF VITAL STATISTICS, 1936.**

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	
<b>Live Births:—</b>				
Legitimate .. .. .	3269	1664	1605	} Birth rate per 1000 of the estimated resident population 13.76
Illegitimate .. .. .	179	96	83	
<b>Still Births</b> .. .. .	150	82	68	Rate per 1000 total (live and still) births .. .. . 41.69
<b>Deaths</b> .. .. .	3277	1543	1734	Death rate per 1000 of the estimated resident population 13.08

**Deaths from Puerperal causes:—**

	<i>Deaths</i>	<i>Rate per 1000 total (live and still) births</i>
Puerperal sepsis .. .. .	3	0.83
Other puerperal causes .. .. .	7	1.94
Total .. .. .	10	2.78

**Death rate of infants under one year of age:—**

All infants per 1000 live births .. .. .	35
Legitimate infants per 1000 legitimate live births .. .. .	33
Illegitimate infants per 1000 illegitimate live births .. .. .	67

Deaths from Measles (all ages) .. .. . 6

Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages) .. .. . 5

Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age) .. .. . 9

## VITAL STATISTICS.

Table I below gives the chief vital statistics of each Sanitary District, of the total Urban Districts, the total Rural Districts and Administrative County.

TABLE I.—VITAL STATISTICS, 1936.

Sanitary District.	Estimated Population to middle of 1936	No. of Births	Birth Rate	Illegitimate Births	No. of Deaths	Death Rate	Deaths under 1 year	Infant Mortality rate per 1,000 births	Pulmonary Tuberculosis Death Rate	Cancer Death Rate
<b>Urban Districts:—</b>										
Arundel (M.B.) .. ..	2460	26	10.57	2	43	17.48	2	77	0.40	1.6
Bognor Regis .. ..	18930	235	12.41	13	267	14.10	10	42	0.63	3.0
Chichester (M.B.) .. ..	15950	209	13.10	10	207	12.98	2	9	0.56	3.0
Horsham .. ..	14520	213	14.66	16	194	13.36	10	47	0.41	2.0
Littlehampton .. ..	10970	172	15.68	9	149	13.58	8	47	0.36	2.0
Shoreham-by-Sea .. ..	10280	143	13.91	13	110	10.70	8	56	0.78	1.4
Southwick .. ..	8650	141	16.30	2	80	9.24	5	35	0.12	1.4
Worthing (M.B.) .. ..	55540	654	11.78	39	870	15.66	23	35	0.40	2.7
Total Urban Districts .. ..	137300	1793	13.06	104	1920	13.98	68	38	0.46	2.4
<b>Rural Districts:—</b>										
Chanctonbury .. ..	16550	250	15.10	9	194	11.72	7	28	0.36	1.9
Chichester .. ..	31540	482	15.28	25	341	10.80	17	35	0.48	1.7
Horsham .. ..	22310	315	14.12	14	293	13.13	12	38	0.45	2.2
Midhurst .. ..	14410	203	14.09	7	188	13.04	7	34	0.49	1.5
Petworth .. ..	8190	115	14.04	7	103	12.58	3	26	0.12	2.1
Worthing .. ..	20200	290	14.36	13	238	11.78	8	28	0.84	2.0
Total Rural Districts .. ..	113200	1655	14.62	75	1357	11.98	54	33	0.49	1.9
Administrative County .. ..	250500	3448	13.76	179	3277	13.08	122	35	0.47	2.2

## BIRTH RATE.

The Birth Rate in the Rural Districts continues to be slightly higher than in the Urban Districts.

**BIRTH RATES:** Urban Districts, 13.06. Rural Districts, 14.62. Administrative County, 13.76.

TABLE II, showing number of Births and Birth Rates for years 1922-1936, for Urban and Rural Districts, Administrative County and England and Wales.

	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
<b>Urban Districts—</b>															
No. of Births .. ..	1345	1257	1276	1313	1317	1359	1399	1386	1474	1522	1477	1464	1636	1686	1793
Birth Rate .. ..	14.9	13.8	13.7	13.9	13.3	13.2	13.4	12.7	13.4	13.7	12.8	11.9	12.7	12.6	13.06
<b>Rural Districts—</b>															
No. of Births .. ..	1612	1588	1533	1560	1615	1558	1548	1514	1491	1612	1548	1471	1558	1626	1655
Birth Rate .. ..	16.8	16.4	15.6	15.7	15.6	14.8	14.5	14.5	14.2	15.3	14.1	13.6	14.3	14.6	14.62
<b>Admin. County—</b>															
No. of Births .. ..	2957	2845	2809	2873	2932	2917	2947	2900	2965	3134	3025	2935	3194	3312	3448
Birth Rate .. ..	15.9	15.1	14.7	14.8	14.5	14.1	14.0	13.6	13.8	14.5	13.4	12.7	13.4	13.5	13.76
<b>England &amp; Wales—</b>															
Birth Rate .. ..	20.6	19.7	18.8	18.3	17.8	16.7	16.7	16.3	16.3	15.3	15.3	14.4	14.8	14.7	14.8

## DEATH RATE.

DEATH RATES: Urban Districts, 13.98. Rural Districts, 11.98. Administrative County, 13.08.

TABLE III, showing number of Deaths and Death Rates for Years 1922-1936, for Urban and Rural Districts, Administrative County and England and Wales.

	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
<b>Urban Districts—</b>															
No. of Deaths ..	1157	1042	1248	1111	1241	1290	1308	1518	1401	1508	1629	1680	1683	1705	<b>1920</b>
Death Rate ..	12.7	11.4	13.4	11.7	12.5	12.6	12.5	14.0	12.8	13.6	14.1	13.7	13.0	12.7	<b>13.98</b>
<b>Rural Districts—</b>															
No. of Deaths ..	1096	953	1094	1175	1122	1156	1169	1300	1172	1300	1290	1283	1300	1331	<b>1357</b>
Death Rate ..	11.4	9.8	11.1	11.8	10.9	11.1	11.0	12.5	11.2	12.3	11.7	11.9	11.9	11.9	<b>11.98</b>
<b>Admin. County—</b>															
No. of Deaths ..	2253	1995	2342	2286	2363	2446	2477	2818	2573	2808	2919	2963	2983	3036	<b>3277</b>
Death Rate ..	12.1	10.6	12.2	11.8	11.7	11.8	11.8	13.3	12.0	13.0	13.0	12.8	12.5	12.4	<b>13.08</b>
<b>England and Wales—</b>															
Death Rate ..	12.9	11.6	12.2	12.2	11.6	12.3	11.7	13.4	11.4	12.3	12.0	12.3	11.8	11.7	<b>12.1</b>

The Causes of Death are shown in Table V (p. 8), the most important being Heart Disease (940), Cancer, Malignant Disease (541), (see also Table IV below), Cerebral Haemorrhage (217), Pulmonary Tuberculosis (119), (see also Table XVII, p. 25), Pneumonia (118), Acute and Chronic Nephritis (84), Congenital Debility and Malformation, Premature Birth (84), Bronchitis (77).

## CANCER.

The Mortality from this disease is referred to in the following Table:—

TABLE IV.—Showing Deaths and Death Rates from Cancer in the Urban and Rural Districts and the Administrative County for years 1922-1936, and corresponding Death Rate for England and Wales:

	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
<b>Urban Districts—</b>															
No. of Deaths ..	159	143	208	141	205	187	196	213	224	227	215	262	285	270	<b>329</b>
Death Rate ..	1.75	1.57	2.24	1.49	2.07	1.82	1.87	1.96	2.04	2.04	1.86	2.13	2.20	2.02	<b>2.39</b>
<b>Rural Districts—</b>															
No. of Deaths ..	131	152	123	158	146	145	160	167	160	175	187	170	199	204	<b>212</b>
Death Rate ..	1.37	1.57	1.26	1.59	1.41	1.39	1.50	1.60	1.52	1.65	1.70	1.56	1.82	1.83	<b>1.87</b>
<b>Admin. County—</b>															
No. of Deaths ..	290	295	331	299	351	332	356	380	384	402	402	432	484	474	<b>541</b>
Death Rate ..	1.56	1.57	1.73	1.55	1.74	1.12	1.69	1.78	1.79	1.86	1.78	1.86	2.03	1.93	<b>2.15</b>
<b>England and Wales—</b>															
Death Rate ..	1.22	1.26	1.29	1.33	1.36	1.37	1.42	1.43	1.45	1.48	1.51	1.52	1.56	1.58	<b>1.62</b>

## CAUSES OF DEATH.

The following Table shows for each Sanitary District the causes of death during the year 1936:—

TABLE V.—Showing for each District the Causes of Death during the year 1936.

Causes of Death	Arundel M.B.	Bognor Regis U.D.	Chichester M.B.	Horsham U.D.	Littlehampton U.D.	Shoreham-by-Sea U.D.	Southwick U.D.	Worthing M.B.	Chancetonbury R.D.	Chichester R.D.	Horsham R.D.	Midhurst R.D.	Petworth R.D.	Worthing R.D.	Totals
Typhoid and paratyphoid Fevers ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Measles .. .. .	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	6
Scarlet Fever .. .. .	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Whooping Cough .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	1	5
Diphtheria .. .. .	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	3
Influenza .. .. .	2	2	1	1	2	—	—	9	—	3	3	2	1	3	29
Encephalitis Lethargica .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2
Cerebro-spinal Fever .. .. .	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	3
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ..	1	12	9	6	4	8	1	22	6	15	10	7	1	17	119
Other Tuberculous Diseases .. .. .	—	2	2	3	—	1	—	3	3	1	1	2	—	1	19
Syphilis .. .. .	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	6
General Paralysis of the Insane, Tabes Dorsalis .. .. .	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	1	—	1	5
Cancer, Malignant Disease .. .. .	4	57	38	29	22	14	12	153	32	53	48	21	17	41	541
Diabetes .. .. .	—	4	2	5	—	4	1	9	6	2	4	4	—	3	44
Cerebral Haemorrhage, etc. .. .. .	1	14	18	10	18	6	3	64	12	13	22	21	5	10	217
Heart Disease .. .. .	19	82	43	56	41	38	20	252	63	93	86	33	36	78	940
Aneurysm .. .. .	—	1	4	—	—	—	—	7	—	3	—	—	—	—	15
Other Circulatory Diseases .. .. .	2	12	13	8	16	1	3	57	4	14	9	12	4	9	164
Bronchitis .. .. .	1	4	4	10	3	1	3	20	2	8	7	6	3	5	77
Pneumonia (all forms) .. .. .	1	9	10	12	1	2	4	27	8	19	13	5	3	4	118
Other Respiratory Diseases .. .. .	—	2	2	—	1	1	—	7	2	6	4	—	1	3	29
Peptic Ulcer .. .. .	—	3	1	2	4	1	—	13	2	2	4	3	—	2	37
Diarrhoea, etc. (under 2 years) .. .. .	—	2	—	2	—	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	9
Appendicitis .. .. .	—	3	1	—	2	—	1	6	1	5	3	—	—	1	23
Cirrhosis of Liver .. .. .	—	3	1	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	1	2	3	13
Other Diseases of Liver, etc. .. .. .	1	—	2	2	—	1	—	9	1	3	6	3	1	2	31
Other Digestive Diseases .. .. .	—	9	4	6	—	2	—	17	5	7	10	7	3	6	76
Acute and Chronic Nephritis .. .. .	—	8	7	5	4	2	3	27	7	9	—	3	3	6	84
Puerperal Sepsis .. .. .	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
Other Puerperal Causes .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	1	2	1	—	—	7
Congenital Debility, Premature Birth, Malformations, etc. .. .. .	2	6	1	5	6	4	4	18	4	13	10	4	3	4	84
Senility .. .. .	2	5	11	7	5	2	4	37	6	15	14	20	4	7	139
Suicide .. .. .	—	5	1	—	2	—	4	8	1	1	2	1	—	1	26
Other Violence .. .. .	2	6	7	3	4	5	5	14	7	17	12	10	8	9	109
Other defined diseases .. .. .	3	13	19	19	13	9	11	81	19	35	21	18	8	19	288
Causes ill-defined or unknown .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	3
Totals .. .. .	43	267	207	194	149	110	80	870	194	341	293	188	103	238	3277

The following Table gives the Causes of Death at different periods of life in the Administrative County during the year 1936:—

TABLE VI.—CAUSES OF DEATH AT DIFFERENT PERIODS OF LIFE IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY—1936.

Causes of Death	All Ages	Under 1 year	1-2	2-5	5-15	15-25	25-35	35-45	45-55	55-65	65-75	75 and up
Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers .. .. .	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Measles .. .. .	6	1	1	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Scarlet Fever .. .. .	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Whooping Cough .. .. .	5	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Diphtheria .. .. .	3	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Influenza .. .. .	29	—	1	1	—	1	—	2	1	6	8	9
Encephalitis lethargica .. .. .	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—
Cerebro-spinal Fever .. .. .	3	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System .. .. .	119	—	1	—	—	15	25	20	17	25	13	3
Other Tuberculous Diseases	19	1	5	3	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	1
Syphilis .. .. .	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	2	—
General Paralysis of the Insane, Tabes Dorsalis	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	1
Cancer, Malignant Disease	541	—	—	1	2	1	5	23	57	118	181	153
Diabetes .. .. .	44	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	3	8	18	12
Cerebral Haemorrhage, etc.	217	—	—	—	—	1	2	2	13	37	69	93
Heart Disease .. .. .	940	—	—	1	—	1	8	12	44	127	314	433
Aneurysm .. .. .	15	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	4	5	2
Other Circulatory Diseases	164	—	—	—	1	—	—	3	4	23	39	94
Bronchitis .. .. .	77	3	—	—	—	1	—	1	5	3	19	45
Pneumonia (all forms) .. .. .	118	13	12	4	—	2	3	5	11	13	26	29
Other Respiratory Diseases	29	—	—	—	2	—	1	2	2	4	7	11
Peptic Ulcer .. .. .	37	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	3	12	11	6
Diarrhoea, etc. .. .. .	20	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	4	4
Appendicitis .. .. .	23	—	—	—	2	2	2	4	4	1	6	2
Cirrhosis of Liver .. .. .	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	2	4	3
Other Diseases of Liver, etc.	25	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	—	9	7	4
Other Digestive Diseases .. .. .	61	1	2	1	2	4	2	6	9	10	9	15
Acute & Chronic Nephritis	94	—	—	—	1	1	4	5	9	23	35	16
Puerperal Sepsis .. .. .	3	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—
Other Puerperal Causes .. .. .	7	—	—	—	—	1	5	1	—	—	—	—
Congenital Debility, Premature Birth, Malformations, etc. .. .. .	84	82	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
Senility .. .. .	139	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	124
Suicide .. .. .	26	—	—	—	—	1	1	7	5	10	1	1
Other Violence .. .. .	109	2	2	2	3	18	9	7	9	17	11	29
Other Defined Diseases .. .. .	288	6	4	3	8	12	15	18	25	50	74	73
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown .. .. .	3	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Totals .. .. .	3277	122	30	19	30	63	93	131	233	513	879	1164

## INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

## ZYMOTIC MORTALITY, 1936.

In Table VII below is given the number of deaths from Zymotic diseases in each Sanitary District. The aggregate number of deaths in the administrative county was 26, and the death rate 0.10 per thousand of the population. The aggregate number of deaths in the Urban Districts was 18, and in the Rural Districts 8, the respective rates being 0.13 and 0.07 per thousand of the population.

TABLE VII.—Number of Deaths from Zymotic Diseases in each Sanitary District.

	Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers	Measles	Scarlet Fever	Whooping Cough	Diphtheria and Croup	Diarrhoea	Small-Pox	Total	Death Rate
<b>Urban Districts—</b>									
Arundel (M.B.) .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bognor Regis .. .. .	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	3	0.16
Chichester (M.B.) .. .. .	—	2	1	—	1	—	—	4	0.25
Horsham .. .. .	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	3	0.21
Littlehampton .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shoreham-by-Sea .. .. .	—	—	—	1	—	3	—	4	0.39
Southwick .. .. .	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	0.01
Worthing (M.B.) .. .. .	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	3	0.05
<b>Rural Districts—</b>									
Chanctonbury .. .. .	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	2	0.12
Chichester .. .. .	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	2	0.06
Horsham .. .. .	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	0.04
Midhurst .. .. .	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	0.07
Petworth .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Worthing .. .. .	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	2	0.09
Total Urban Districts .. .. .	1	4	2	2	1	8	—	18	0.13
Total Rural Districts .. .. .	—	2	—	3	2	1	—	8	0.07
Administrative County .. .. .	1	6	2	5	3	9	—	26	0.10

The following Table VIII summarises the deaths from Zymotic Diseases during the past ten years:—

TABLE VIII.—Zymotic Diseases Mortality—1927-1936.

	Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers	Measles	Scarlet Fever	Whooping Cough	Diphtheria and Croup	Diarrhoea	Small-Pox	Total	Death Rate
1927 .. .. .	—	4	1	11	9	5	—	30	0.14
1928 .. .. .	2	17	1	3	17	10	2	52	0.24
1929 .. .. .	4	1	—	8	7	8	—	28	0.13
1930 .. .. .	—	6	5	5	9	11	—	36	0.17
1931 .. .. .	—	1	1	8	6	11	—	27	0.12
1932 .. .. .	2	5	7	18	9	9	—	50	0.22
1933 .. .. .	—	5	6	9	6	11	—	37	0.16
1934 .. .. .	1	7	4	11	14	8	—	45	0.19
1935 .. .. .	2	3	11	3	13	12	—	34	0.14
1936 .. .. .	1	6	2	5	3	9	—	26	0.10
Total .. .. .	12	55	38	81	93	94	2	365	—
Average for ten years .. .. .	1.2	5.5	3.8	8.1	9.3	9.4	0.2	36.5	0.15

## NOTIFIABLE DISEASES.

Table IX below shows the distribution of notifiable diseases throughout the County:—

TABLE IX.—Cases of Infectious Diseases notified during the year 1936.

	Small-pox	Diphtheria	Erysipelas	Scarlet Fever	Enteric Fever	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Poliomyelitis	Cerebro Spinal Fever	Encephalitis Lethargica	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Other forms of Tuberculosis	Malaria	Dysentery	Pneumonia	TOTAL	Total cases removed to Hospital
<b>Urban Districts:—</b>																		
Arundel (M.B.) ..	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	4	2
Bognor Regis ..	—	39	6	42	4	1	1	1	—	—	—	17	8	—	—	3	122	71
Chichester (M.B.) ..	—	29	5	22	1	2	2	—	—	—	—	14	2	—	2	18	97	58
Horsham ..	—	—	—	34	—	—	1	1	2	1	1	2	4	—	—	1	47	29
Littlehampton ..	—	13	2	5	—	1	1	1	—	—	1	6	3	—	—	4	37	7
Shoreham-by-Sea ..	—	20	16	26	2	7	53	1	1	—	19	11	6	—	24	34	220	177
Southwick ..	—	3	1	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	—	—	—	3	29	13
Worthing (M.B.) ..	—	20	7	132	—	—	7	—	—	1	2	45	9	1	—	38	262	135
<b>Rural Districts—</b>																		
Chanctonbury ..	—	6	6	34	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	7	1	—	—	5	62	24
Chichester ..	—	32	17	20	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	16	12	—	—	21	121	46
Horsham ..	—	7	2	44	—	2	3	—	—	—	1	6	3	—	—	5	73	42
Midhurst ..	—	1	4	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	6	—	—	1	20	5
Petworth ..	—	1	2	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	2	—	2	3	21	4
Worthing ..	—	4	3	20	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	17	3	—	—	8	59	9
<b>Totals—</b>																		
Urban Districts ..	—	125	37	276	7	11	66	4	3	2	23	102	32	1	26	103	818	492
Rural Districts ..	—	51	34	129	—	2	10	1	1	—	4	52	27	—	2	43	356	130
Admin. County ..	—	176	71	405	7	13	76	5	4	2	27	154	59	1	28	146	1174	622

In addition 11 cases of Chicken Pox were notified in Shoreham-by-Sea U.D.

During the previous five years an average of 1,179 Infectious Cases were notified in the County, of which an average of 598 cases were removed to Isolation Hospitals.

## SMALLPOX.

No cases of Smallpox occurred in the County during the year.

## ISOLATION HOSPITAL AND SMALLPOX HOSPITAL ACCOMMODATION.

The Isolation Hospital and Smallpox Hospital accommodation is as set out in detail in my Annual Report for 1930; no accommodation exists in any of the Sanitary Districts in the Northern Combined Sanitary District, arrangements being made with neighbouring authorities to admit cases into their Isolation Hospitals at agreed charges for maintenance.

## GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA.

## HOSPITALS PROVIDED OR SUBSIDISED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

## Tuberculosis—

Name of Institution	Address	Supported wholly by County Council	Number of Beds
Aldingbourne House	Near Chichester	Yes	70
*Swandean Hospital	Durrington, near Worthing	Yes	12

\* Infectious Diseases Hospital provided by the Worthing Corporation, to which the County Council have been permitted to add and maintain a Tuberculosis Block for acute and advanced cases of both sexes.



### Mental Hospital.

The West Sussex County Mental Hospital at Chichester provides accommodation for 1045 patients (379 males and 666 females.)

Reference is also made to Hospital Treatment provided in various Hospitals in the Sections of this Report dealing with Tuberculosis, Maternity and Child Welfare, Orthopaedic and Venereal Diseases.

### VOLUNTARY HOSPITALS.

The General Hospital accommodation may be regarded as convenient and adequate for the needs of the County. In most districts there are Ambulance facilities, as shown on page 13.

The Public Assistance Committee has made arrangements for cases to be treated in the General and Cottage Hospitals at agreed rates of maintenance. The West Sussex Education Committee and the Midwives, Maternity and Child Welfare Committee have made arrangements with all the Hospitals in the County for the treatment of children suffering from enlarged tonsils and adenoids, at agreed rates. The Public Health and Housing Committee has an agreement with Worthing Hospital for the use of the Out-Patient Department as a Tuberculosis Dispensary and Venereal Diseases Clinic.

### CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES.

The following Statement shows the Clinics and Treatment Centres provided by the County Council:—  
**List of Clinics and Treatment Centres provided by the County Council.**

Address	Nature of Accommodation			
	T.B. Dispensary	School Clinic	M. & C.W. Centre	V.D. Clinic
<b>Arundel—</b>				
Granville House, Maltravers Street .. .. .	Yes	Yes	*Yes	—
<b>Bognor Regis—</b>				
Parochial Hall .. .. .	—	—	Yes	—
Council Schools, Lyon Street .. .. .	—	Yes	—	—
<b>Chichester—</b>				
Chapel Street .. .. .	Yes	Yes	Yes	—
<b>Horsham—</b>				
†The Health Centre, Hurst Road .. .. .	Yes	Yes	Yes	—
<b>Littlehampton—</b>				
20a, South Terrace .. .. .	—	—	*Yes	—
East Street Girls' School .. .. .	—	Yes	—	—
St. Catherine's R.C. School .. .. .	—	Yes	—	—
<b>Shoreham-by-Sea—</b>				
Town Hall .. .. .	—	—	Yes	—
Infants' Council School .. .. .	—	Yes	—	—
<b>Southwick—</b>				
Town Hall .. .. .	—	—	Yes	—
<b>Worthing—</b>				
Worthing Hospital, Lyndhurst Road .. .. .	Yes	Eye Clinic	—	Yes

\* The M. and C.W. Centre is provided by the Duchess of Norfolk.

In addition, Dental Treatment is carried out at a number of Schools and Temporary Centres and a number of M. & C.W. Centres are held in Village Halls, etc. For complete list of M. & C.W. Centres see page 16.

†Removed from Tan Cottage, Brighton Road, on 7th December, 1936.

### COUNTY LABORATORY

With the valuable assistance of Dr. C. J. Harwood Little, County Pathologist, and Dr. L. Jordan, Chief County Veterinary Officer, the staffing and equipment of the County Laboratory was completed in August.

Work of a varied nature undertaken in the Laboratory includes Bacteriological examination of milk under the Milk (Special Designations) Order, 1936, Biological testing of milk for Tuberculosis, Clinical examination (Pathological and Bacteriological), Veterinary pathology, etc.

**AMBULANCE FACILITIES.**

The following Statement shows the Ambulance Facilities in the County:—

	(a) For Infectious Cases.	(b) For Non-Infectious Cases and Accidents.
<b>Urban Districts—</b>		
Arundel (M.B.)	Ambulance of Authority providing accommodation.	Littlehampton St. John Ambulance.
Bognor Regis	Motor Ambulance provided by Local Authority.	Motor Ambulance provided by Local Authority.
Chichester (M.B.)	Motor Ambulance provided by City Council.	Three St. John Ambulances.
Horsham	Motor Ambulance provided jointly with Horsham Rural District.	One Police Ambulance and one St. John Ambulance.
Littlehampton	Motor Ambulance provided by Local Authority.	Littlehampton St. John Ambulance.
Shoreham-by-Sea	Ambulance of Authority providing accommodation.	Police Ambulance.
Southwick	Ditto.	Ditto.
Worthing (M.B.)	Motor Ambulance provided by Local Authority.	One Police Ambulance and two St. John Ambulances.
<b>Rural Districts—</b>		
Chanctonbury	Ambulance of Authority providing accommodation.	Police Ambulance.
Chichester	Motor Ambulance by arrangement with the City of Chichester.	Chichester St. John Ambulances. British Red Cross Society Ambulance, Slinden.
Horsham	Motor Ambulance provided jointly with Horsham Urban District.	St. John Ambulance, Crawley.
Midhurst	Ambulance of Authority providing accommodation.	British Red Cross Society Ambulance.
Petworth	Ditto.	Police Motor Ambulance.
Worthing	Ditto.	Littlehampton St. John Ambulance.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1929.

No formal declaration has been made under the Local Government Act, 1929, but the closest co-operation exists between the Public Assistance Committee and the other Committees of the County Council discharging functions under some of the special Acts set out in Section 5 (1). The Midwives' Maternity and Child Welfare Committee is responsible for the majority of the maternity cases requiring hospital treatment; the Committee for the Care of the Mentally Defective deals with a very large proportion of the mental defectives; the Public Health and Housing Committee deals with practically all cases of tuberculosis requiring institutional treatment; whilst, with rare exceptions, assistance to the blind is given through the West Sussex Association for the Blind.

**Poor Law Institutions:**—The following statement shows the Institutional accommodation as at present utilised:

(Abbreviations: M.—Men. W.—Women. C.—Children. T.—Total.)

Institution.	NUMBER OF BEDS.														
	Sick.				Infirm.			Other.				Grand Total.			
	M.	W.	C.	T.	M.	W.	T.	M.	W.	C.	T.	M.	W.	C.	T.
East Preston .. ..	52	95	2	149	71	47	118	41	34	8	83	164	176	10	350
Horsham .. ..	65	45	—	110	—	38	38	17	58	9	84	82	141	9	232
Midhurst .. ..	26	32	—	58	14	—	14	57	—	—	57	97	32	—	129
Total .. ..	143	172	2	317	85	85	170	115	92	17	224	343	349	19	711

Southlands Hospital (East Sussex County Council): About 125 beds are retained at this Institution. In addition, the following special and emergency accommodation is available:

	East Preston Institution		Horsham Institution			Midhurst Institution			Total				
	No. of Beds												
	M.	W.	T.	M.	W.	T.	M.	W.	T.	M.	W.	T.	
<b>Special Accommodation:</b>													
Maternity Wards .. ..	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2
Verandah Wards .. ..	—	4	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	4
Isolation Wards .. ..	—	5	5	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	5
Receiving Wards .. ..	—	3	3	6	—	—	—	4	4	8	7	7	14
<b>Emergency Accommodation:</b>													
Sick .. ..	—	—	—	—	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	3	3
Infirm .. ..	—	—	—	—	9	9	—	—	—	—	—	9	9
Other .. ..	—	—	—	—	12	12	—	—	—	—	—	12	12
	8	14	22	—	24	24	4	4	8	12	42	54	

## CHICHESTER CHILDREN'S HOMES

The Chichester Children's Homes were opened on 1st July, 1935, and provide the following accommodation:

	No. of Beds		
	Sick Children	Other Children	Total
Eight Cottage Homes ..	8	94	102
Nursery Block (children under 5 years of age) .. ..	2	20	22
Total .. ..	10	114	124
Isolation Block .. ..			4
Grand Total .. ..			128

In addition, 40 beds are retained at the Shoreham Children's Homes (East Sussex County Council).

**Boarded-out Children.**—Arrangements have been made for children boarded-out by the Public Assistance Committee to be visited by the Health Visitors once every six weeks, or more frequently, if necessary. At each routine visit the Health Visitor inspects the sleeping accommodation of the child and also reports on the condition of the child, home conditions, home training, etc. No adverse reports were received; in several instances physical defects detected in children were appropriately dealt with.

The number of children under supervision on the 31st December, 1936, was 59.

**MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE.**  
**INFANT MORTALITY.**

There were 122 deaths of infants under one year, which is equivalent to an Infant Mortality Rate of 35 per 1,000 births, as compared with the rate of 43 for the previous year.

**TABLE X.—Showing Infant Mortality Rates for Urban Districts, Rural Districts, Administrative County and England and Wales, for the years 1922-1936.**

	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
Urban Districts ..	49	48	46	46	42	43	44	46	43	42	51	51	37	39	38
Rural Districts ..	50	41	41	51	48	58	39	51	34	46	56	46	42	46	33
Administrative County ..	49	43	43	49	45	51	41	49	38	44	54	48	39	43	35
England and Wales ..	77	69	75	75	70	69	65	74	60	66	65	64	59	57	59

**ILLEGITIMATE BIRTHS.**

There were 179 illegitimate births (5.2 per cent. of the total births), and the infant mortality rate among illegitimate children was 67 per thousand births, as compared with a rate of 35 for legitimate children.

**NOTIFICATION OF BIRTHS (EXTENSION) ACT, 1915.**

The following figures do not include the Borough of Worthing, which is a separate Maternity and Child Welfare Authority:—

BIRTHS NOTIFIED: (1) Live Births, 2,667; (2) Still Births, 114; Total, 2,781.

BIRTHS NOTIFIED BY: (1) Midwives, 1,957; (2) By Doctors and Parents, 824

In the Borough of Worthing 535 births were notified by Midwives and 61 by Doctors and Parents.

**ANTE-NATAL WORK AND HEALTH VISITING.**

**Ante-Natal Work.**—As is shewn in Table XI the Ante-Natal work is extensively carried out by the Nurses. The attendance at the Ante-Natal Clinics, given in Table XII, is satisfactory at Chichester, Horsham and Shoreham, and in a few of the smaller Centres.

**TABLE XI.—Showing Number of Visits to Expectant Mothers, 1932-1936**

	No. of Ante-Natal Visits by Nurse.		No. of Cases attended.		Total Births (County).
	1st Visits.	Total Visits.	As Midwife.	As Maternity Nurse (Doctors' Cases).	
1932 .. .. .	1834	9270	1851	779	3025
1933 .. .. .	1753	9418	1701	689	2935
1934 .. .. .	1868	10567	1830	850	3194
1935 .. .. .	1903	10510	1866	938	3312
1936 .. .. .	1996	10489	1897	1091	3448
Total .. .. .	9354	50254	9145	4347	15914

**Health Visiting.**—It is the routine practice of the Health Visitor to visit children four times during the first year of life, twice a year during the second and third years of life, and once a year during the fourth and fifth years of life, but actually many more visits are paid, especially to children showing any departure from normal health or progress. A large proportion of the children are attended at birth by the Health Visitor in her capacity as Midwife or Maternity Nurse, but for the purpose of Health Visiting her first visit is recorded on the 14th day or thereabouts. During the year 1936, 35,219 health visits were recorded as follows:

**Number of Visits to Infants under one year**—(1) First visits, 2,526 (2) Total visits, 17,649.

**Total Number of Visits to Children aged 1 to 5 years**—17,570.

The following table gives the number of Centres working in the County at the end of the year, the days and hours of attendance, the numbers who attended for the first time, and the average attendance per session:—

TABLE XII.—Maternity and Child Welfare Centres in the County (1936).

Address	Weekly or fortnightly Sessions	Day and time of Meeting	Average Attendance per Session		Number who attended for the first time		Present Arrangements for Medical Supervision
			Expectant Mothers	Children	Expectant Mothers	Children	
<b>*Aldwick &amp; Pagham:</b> Welfare House, The Parish Hall, Aldwick	Weekly ..	Tuesday, 2.30	0.6	17	9	21	<i>Doctor Attends—</i> Weekly
<b>*Arundel:</b> Granville House, Maltravers Street	Weekly ..	Tuesday, 2 ..	1	32	12	29	First Tuesday in every month
<b>Beeding:</b> Village Hall, High Street ..	Fortnightly	Thursday, 2.30	0.3	17	4	46	Monthly
<b>Bognor Regis:</b> Parochial Hall ..	Weekly ..	Thursday, 2.30	2	60	37	157	Weekly
<b>Camelsdale:</b> Village Hall .. ..	Ditto ..	Ditto .. ..	—	16	—	31	First Thursday in every month
<b>Chichester:</b> Chapel Street ..	Ditto ..	Friday, 2.30 ..	—	75	—	179	Weekly
(a) Ditto .. ..	Special ..	Wednesday, 2.30	9	—	59	—	First Wednesday in every month
<b>Crawley:</b> Congregational Church Rooms .. ..	Fortnightly	Tuesday, 2.30	1.4	45	6	39	Fortnightly
<b>Henfield:</b> Parish Hall ..	Fortnightly	Tuesday, 2.30	0.5	26	7	44	Monthly
<b>Horsham:</b> Health Centre							
Hurst Road ..	Weekly ..	Friday, 2.30 ..	—	65	—	123	Weekly
(b) Ditto .. ..	Fortnightly	Tuesday, 2.30	7	—	50	—	Fortnightly
<b>Lancing:</b> Girl Guides' Hall, Penhill Road ..	Fortnightly	Friday, 2.30 ..	—	32	—	72	Fortnightly
<b>*Littlehampton:</b> 20a South Terrace ..	Weekly ..	Thursday and Friday, 2 ..	1.9	50	52	226	First Thursday every month and alternate Fridays
<b>Midhurst:</b> Petersfield Road ..	Weekly ..	Tuesday, 2.30	0.06	25	2	29	Fortnightly
<b>Milland and Rake</b> Women's Institute, Rake .. ..	Monthly	Second Wednesday in month, 2.30 ..	0.5	22	5	17	Monthly
<b>Northchapel:</b> Old School .. ..	Monthly	First Thursday in month, 2.30 ..	0.2	14	2	11	Monthly
<b>Petworth:</b> High Street .. ..	Fortnightly	Friday, 2.30 ..	0.14	23	4	27	Fortnightly
<b>Pulborough:</b> Church Room ..	Monthly	First Tuesday in month, 2.30	2.7	16	14	26	Monthly
<b>Roffey:</b> Leach Pool Lane ..	Fortnightly	Wednesday, 2.30	2.9	30	18	59	Fortnightly
<b>Shoreham:</b> Town Hall .. ..	Weekly ..	Thursday, 2.30	—	38	—	106	Fortnightly
(c) 52, Rosslyn Road	Fortnightly	Wednesday, 2.30	8	—	64	—	Fortnightly
<b>Southwick:</b> Town Hall .. ..	Weekly ..	Tuesday, 2.30	—	31	—	64	Fortnightly
<b>†Steyning:</b> Gervays Hall ..	Fortnightly	Tuesday, 2.30	—	20	—	30	Monthly
<b>Storrington:</b> Girl Guides' Hall, Brown's Lane ..	Fortnightly	Thursday, 2.30	1.2	41	11	54	Fortnightly
<b>Yapton:</b> Village Hall .. ..	Fortnightly	Tuesday, 2 ..	—	37	—	41	Monthly

\*Voluntary Centres.

(a) Twelve Special Sessions for Ante-Natal Work were held during the year.

(b) Twenty-four Special Sessions for Ante-Natal Work were held during the year.

(c) Twenty-four Special Sessions for Ante-Natal Work were held during the year.

Opened 25th June, 1936.

†Opened 8th September, 1936.

#### SUPPLY OF MILK FOR EXPECTANT AND NURSING MOTHERS AND FOR INFANTS.

During the financial year, 164 families were supplied with 580 orders for 15,773 pints of fresh milk, and, in addition, 4,465 lbs. of dried milk were distributed free, whilst 10,963 lbs. were sold, the approximate receipts being £887. The cost of the free milk, fresh and dried, was approximately £505.

## HOSPITAL TREATMENT.

The following statement summarises treatment provided during the year:—

Name of Institution	Receiving Treatment at beginning of Year	Number of			Still in at end of Year	Average number of days treatment. Completed Cases
		Admissions	Discharges	Deaths		
(a) Sussex Maternity and Women's Hospital, Brighton .. .. .	1	38	48	—	1	16
(b) Southlands Hospital, Shoreham-by-Sea .. .. .	13	261	266	2	11	27
(c) Royal Alexandra Hospital for Sick Children, Brighton .. .. .	—	3	3	—	—	58
(d) General Hospitals (Nose and Throat cases) .. .. .	—	11	11	—	—	4

During the past 5 years an average of 37 cases received treatment at the Sussex Maternity and Women's Hospital, Brighton, and during the past 5 years an average of 157 cases received treatment at Southlands Hospital.

In the City of Chichester and neighbourhood, emergency cases are generally referred by Medical Practitioners to the Royal West Sussex Hospital.

## MIDWIVES ACTS, 1902, 1918 and 1926.

**Midwives Practising in the County.**—During the year, 216 Certified Midwives notified their intention to practise. Twenty-one of these Midwives left the County during the year, eighteen notified for temporary duty, six ceased to practise, fifteen acted as Maternity Nurse only, four acted once only, and three were off duty ill. Excluding fourteen Midwives who resided without the County and were inspected by other Authorities, there remained at the end of the year 136 Midwives requiring inspection, 135 of whom are trained and one is bona-fide.

**Inspections.**—Quarterly visits were paid by the County Inspector of Midwives, and 158 routine visits of inspection and 14 special visits were made during the year.

**Notifications by Midwives.**—During the year 912 notifications were received as follows:—

Medical help for Mother .. .. .	640 639
Medical help for the Child .. .. .	89 90
Notifications of death of Mother .. .. .	—
Notifications of death of Child .. .. .	8
Notifications of still-birth .. .. .	29
Notifications of having laid out a dead body .. .. .	47
Notifications of liability to be a source of infection .. .. .	60
Notifications of artificial feeding .. .. .	39
	912

The 639 notifications of sending for medical help for mother received during the year included a number of cases where ante-natal treatment was required, and were as follows:—

Laceration of Perineum .. .. .	254	Illness of Mother .. .. .	10
Prolonged Labour:		Persistent Occipito Posterior .. .. .	9
1st Stage .. .. .	19	Uterine Inertia .. .. .	8
2nd Stage .. .. .	67	Small Measurements .. .. .	8
Ante-partum haemorrhage .. .. .	35	Oedema .. .. .	4
Rise of Temperature .. .. .	35	Vaginal Discharge .. .. .	3
Albuminuria .. .. .	34	Inflamed or Abscess of Breasts .. .. .	3
Retained Placenta or Membranes .. .. .	19	Prolapse of Uterus .. .. .	2
Miscarriage or Threatened Miscarriage .. .. .	17	Precipitate Labour .. .. .	2
Presentation Undiagnosed .. .. .	16	Heart Disease .. .. .	2
Breech and Complicated Breech .. .. .	15	Hydramnios .. .. .	2
Malpresentation		Epilepsy .. .. .	1
Foot and Hand .. .. .	1	Post Maturity .. .. .	1
Foot .. .. .	3	Growth on Cervix (Cancer) .. .. .	1*
Cord .. .. .	4	Polypus (Fibroid) .. .. .	1*
Arms .. .. .	2	Cystocele .. .. .	1
Legs .. .. .	2	Thrombosis .. .. .	1
	—	Placenta Praevia .. .. .	1
Post-partum Haemorrhage .. .. .	11	Other Causes .. .. .	24
Dangerous Varicose Veins .. .. .	11		
Phlebitis .. .. .	10		639

\* Condition diagnosed on Medical examination.

The 90 notifications of sending for medical help for child received during the year were as follows:

Discharging Eyes .. .. .	37	Malaena .. .. .	1
Dangerous Feebleness .. .. .	25	Deformed Penis .. .. .	1
Cyagnosis .. .. .	5	Convulsions .. .. .	1
Phimosis .. .. .	4	Malformation .. .. .	1
Asphyxia .. .. .	3	Congenital Heart .. .. .	1
Oedema .. .. .	2	Jaundice .. .. .	1
Prematurity .. .. .	2	Intestines decended into Umbilical Cord .. .. .	1
Stillbirth .. .. .	2	Other Causes .. .. .	3

### FEE TO DOCTORS CALLED IN BY MIDWIVES.

During the financial year ended 31st March, 1937, fees amounting to approximately £1101 were paid to Medical Practitioners in 752 instances. Contributions amounting to approximately £418 were received in respect of 464 cases. In 65 instances, fees amounting to approximately £57 were paid direct by patients to Doctors.

### OPHTHALMIA NEONATORUM REGULATIONS, 1926.

Early information is received on cases where a midwife is in attendance and information on other cases is received by telephone from the District Medical Officer of Health by whom the notification is received. In all cases, the Doctor in attendance is consulted and, when required, a Special Nurse is provided, otherwise the local Nurse deals with the case. During the year 1936, 13 notifications of Ophthalmia Neonatorum were received, and the following Statement summarises the cases which have occurred during the past five years:—

#### STATEMENT SHOWING NUMBER OF CASES OF OPTHALMIA NEONATORUM, 1932-36.

Year	Cases			Vision Unimpaired	Vision Impaired	Total Blindness	Deaths
	Notified	Treated					
		At Home	In Hospital				
1932	21	13	8	21	—	—	—
1933	16	8	8	16	—	—	—
1934	16	9	7	16	—	—	—
1935	24	14	10	24	—	—	—
1936	13	5	8	13	—	—	—

### BIRTH CONTROL.

Arrangements have been made with the Brighton Corporation for the attendance of suitable cases at the Brighton Contraceptive Clinic, held on the second and fourth Tuesdays in the month at Royal York Buildings, Old Steine, Brighton.

In accordance with Circular 1408, issued by the Ministry of Health on 31st May, 1934, advice and treatment are available for married women in whose cases pregnancy would be detrimental to health when there is organic disease such as tuberculosis, heart disease, diabetes, chronic nephritis, etc., in which childbearing is likely seriously to endanger life.

### MATERNAL MORTALITY.

During the year 1936, 10 deaths of mothers occurred as follows:—

Puerperal Sepsis, 3; Other Accidents and Diseases of Pregnancy, 7.

The mortality rate was equal to 2.9 per thousand births as compared with rates of 3.9 in 1935 and 4.1 in 1934. The rates in the Urban and Rural Districts were 3.3 and 2.4 respectively, as compared with rates of 4.2 and 3.7 the previous year.

The following table summarises the maternal deaths and rates during the past ten years:—

TABLE XIII.—MATERNAL MORTALITY AND RATES PER 1,000 BIRTHS—1927-1936.

YEAR	URBAN		RURAL		ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY		TOTAL
	Puerperal Sepsis	Other Accidents	Puerperal Sepsis	Other Accidents	Puerperal Sepsis	Other Accidents	
	Rate per No. 1000 Births	Rate per No. 1000 Births	Rate per No. 1000 Births	Rate per No. 1000 Births	Rate per No. 1000 Births	Rate per No. 1000 Births	
1927	1 (0.7)	5 (3.7)	5 (3.2)	3 (1.9)	6 (2.1)	8 (2.7)	14 (4.8)
1928	2 (1.4)	2 (1.4)	1 (0.6)	6 (3.9)	3 (1.0)	8 (2.7)	11 (3.7)
1929	2 (1.4)	2 (1.4)	2 (1.3)	4 (2.6)	4 (1.4)	6 (2.0)	10 (3.4)
1930	1 (0.7)	6 (4.0)	3 (2.0)	1 (0.6)	4 (1.3)	7 (2.4)	11 (3.7)
1931	2 (1.3)	6 (3.9)	3 (1.8)	2 (1.2)	5 (1.5)	8 (2.5)	13 (4.1)
1932	5 (3.4)	6 (4.1)	4 (2.6)	4 (2.6)	9 (3.0)	10 (3.4)	19 (6.3)
1933	5 (3.4)	3 (2.0)	2 (1.4)	3 (2.0)	7 (2.4)	6 (2.0)	13 (4.4)
1934	2 (1.2)	2 (1.2)	3 (1.9)	6 (3.9)	5 (1.6)	8 (2.5)	13 (4.1)
1935	2 (1.2)	5 (2.9)	3 (1.8)	3 (1.8)	5 (1.5)	8 (2.4)	13 (3.9)
1936	3 (1.7)	3 (1.7)	— (—)	4 (2.4)	3 (0.9)	7 (2.0)	10 (2.9)
Totals	25 (1.6)	40 (2.6)	26 (1.7)	36 (2.3)	51 (1.6)	76 (2.5)	127 (4.1)

The Maternity and Child Welfare Committee has still under consideration measures to be adopted with the object of securing a reduction in the maternal mortality.

**PUERPERAL FEVER AND PUERPERAL PYREXIA REGULATIONS, 1926.**

These Regulations came into force on 1st October, 1926, and made notifiable any febrile condition occurring in a woman within 21 days after childbirth or miscarriage.

Any febrile disturbance causing a temperature of 100.4 F. or more, sustained during a period of 24 hours or recurring during that period, must be notified forthwith, although the Doctor may be uncertain as to the cause of the febrile symptoms. By notifying the case as suffering from "Puerperal Pyrexia"—the term used in the regulations for the notifiable febrile disturbance (see above)—the Medical Practitioner takes the first step to prevent the spread of infection and he makes available to his patient any special services that may be provided by the Maternity and Child Welfare Authority of the area in which the patient is residing.

With the approval of the Ministry of Health, the following special arrangements have been made by the County Council:—

**1. Consultations.**—Any Medical Practitioner may obtain a second opinion on his case. The County Council, after consultation with the British Medical Association (Sussex Branch), have appointed the following Consultants:

DR. A. H. BOSTOCK, Westaway, Parkland, Chichester. Tel. No. Chichester 340.  
 MR. W. A. BOWRING, Furze Hill, Hove. Tel. No. Hove 4202.  
 DR. E. C. BRADFORD, Laneside, Horsham. Tel. No. Horsham 196.  
 DR. P. C. COLE, Broadwater Lodge, Broadwater Street East, Worthing. Tel. No. Worthing 309.  
 DR. LILIAN JEFFRIES, 10 Adelaide Crescent, Hove, Tel. No. Hove 3414.  
 MR. H. J. MCCURRICH, 19 Palmeira Avenue, Hove. Tel. No. Hove 1688.  
 MR. H. SEYMOUR, 17 First Avenue, Hove. Tel. No. Hove 4867.  
 DR. K. F. F. MACKENZIE, Lincoln Lodge, Manor Rd., Worthing, Tel. No. Worthing 2456.

**2. Bacteriological Examinations.**—Dr. C. J. Harwood Little, County Laboratory, County Hall, Chichester, and Dr. L. R. Janes, Pathological Department (Stephen Ralli Memorial), Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton, have been appointed to carry out this work.

**3. Hospital Treatment.**—Arrangements have been made for the treatment of cases at (1) The Brighton Sanatorium, by agreement with the Brighton Corporation; (2) Southlands Hospital, by agreement with the East Sussex County Council.

**4. Special Nurses.**—Arrangements are made with the County Nursing Association for the supply of Special Nurses as in former years.

**5. Other Investigations.**—The County Inspector of Midwives makes special inquiries into cases of Pyrexia. Special inquiries are also made into all maternal deaths, the Inquirv Form issued by the Ministry of Health being used by the County Medical Officer for this purpose.

**PUERPERAL FEVER.**

In Circular 722 issued by the Ministry of Health, dated 9th August, 1926, the opinion is expressed that it will ultimately be desirable to replace the term "Puerperal Fever" by the term "Puerperal Pyrexia." Puerperal Fever is not a definite disease such as Scarlet Fever, and often the condition cannot be accurately diagnosed in the early stages when a slight rise of temperature may be the chief symptom.

Under the Infectious Diseases (Notification) Act, 1889, Puerperal Fever has been for a number of years a notifiable disease, but in practice only the severe, generally fatal, cases have been notified owing to difficulties arising in the diagnosis of this condition.

The following statement gives the number of cases of Puerperal Fever and Puerperal Pyrexia notified during the year. The figures for the Borough of Worthing, which is an independent Authority for Maternity and Child Welfare, are shown separately:—

**Statement showing number of cases of Puerperal Fever and Puerperal Pyrexia notified during the year.**

	Number of cases notified		
	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Total
Administrative County (Less Worthing M.B.) .. ..	7 (3)	39 (2)	46 (5)
Worthing M.B. .. ..	—	7	7
<b>Total Administrative County</b>	<b>7 (3)</b>	<b>46 (2)</b>	<b>53 (5)</b>

The figures in brackets record Fatal Cases dying on or before 31st December, 1936.

The above figures do not include notifications received from Southlands Hospital relating to East Sussex and Hove.



The following statement indicates the distribution of the notified cases of Puerperal Fever and Puerperal Pyrexia, distinguishing between cases treated at home and those treated at Hospitals, Maternity Homes, etc.

	Number of Cases				
	Patients confined at their own Homes and			Patients confined at Maternity Homes	Patients confined at Hospital
	Nursed at Home	Removed to Hospital before notification	Removed to Hospital after notification		
Administrative County (less Worthing M.B.) ..	10	6 (3)	8 (1)	2	20 (1)
Worthing M.B. ..	3	1	2	1	—
Total Administrative County	13	7 (3)	10 (1)	3	20 (1)

The figures in brackets record fatal cases dying on or before 31st December, 1936.

#### NURSING HOMES REGISTRATION ACT, 1927.

This Act came into force on the 1st July, 1928, when Part II of the Midwives and Maternity Homes, Act, 1926, was repealed.

During the year, ten applications for registration, including two for re-registration on change of proprietor or address, were received, and in every instance registration was granted.

At the end of the year, there were 60 Nursing Homes, containing accommodation of 405 beds, as follows:

For Maternity cases only .. .. .	10
.. Maternity, Medical and Surgical Cases .. .. .	14
.. Maternity, Medical and Convalescent Cases .. .. .	1
.. Maternity and Medical Cases .. .. .	8
.. Medical and Convalescent Cases .. .. .	23
.. Mental Cases .. .. .	3
Rest Homes and Nursery Homes .. .. .	1
	60

These Nursing Homes are situated at: Apuldram (1), Arundel (2), Barnham (1), Bognor Regis (9), Crawley (2), Brooks Green (1), Easebourne (1), Ferring (1), Henfield (1), Horsham (2), Lancing (1), Littlehampton (2), Midhurst (1), Middleton (1), Petworth (1), Shoreham-by-Sea (2), Southwater (1), Southwick (1), Steyning (1), and Worthing (28).

No Orders have been made refusing or cancelling Registration, and no Applications for Exemption have been received.

#### INFANT LIFE PROTECTION.

The functions under Part I of the Children Act, 1908, were transferred to Maternity and Child Welfare Authorities on the 1st April, 1930, in accordance with Section 2 of the Local Government Act, 1929.

Important amendments to Part I of this Act have been made in Part V and the Second and Fourth Schedules of the Children and Young Persons Act, 1932, which came into force on the 1st January, 1933. The age of nurse children is raised from seven to nine years and notification has to be given before the children are received, that is to say, in the case of the first child not less than seven days before reception and in the case of any other child not less than 48 hours before reception. There are also important time limits in regard to the notification of:

- Change of residence (at least seven days before removal).
- Death of child (within 24 hours).
- Transference of child (within 24 hours).

The Health Visitors are authorised to exercise as Infant Protection Visitors, the powers of visiting and inspecting the children and the premises in which they are kept. Cases are visited once a Quarter, or more frequently, if necessary, and reports submitted to the County Medical Officer.

The following statement shews the number of children registered and the number of children removed from the register for various reasons during the year 1936:—

Number of cases on Register on 31/12/35 .. .. .	194
Number of new cases .. .. .	221
	415
Removed from Register:	
Returned to Parents or Guardians .. .. .	190
Attained nine years of age .. .. .	17
Transferred to care of Public Assistance Committee .. .. .	3
Legally Adopted .. .. .	4
Died .. .. .	1
Placed with Foster-mothers in other areas .. .. .	19
Left County with Foster-mothers .. .. .	7
	241
Number of Cases on Register on 31/12/36 .. .. .	174
	99

## ORTHOPAEDIC SCHEME.

The following statements summarise the Orthopaedic work during 1936:—

## CLINICS ATTENDED BY ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEON.

Clinic	Number of Sessions	Number of Cases seen			Total Attendances
		New	Old	Total	
Arundel .. .. .	8	40 (13)	70 (16)	110 (29)	212 (61)
Chichester .. .. .	9	97 (45)	142 (30)	239 (75)	393 (122)
Horsham .. .. .	5	65 (16)	76 (12)	141 (28)	240 (45)
Shoreham-by-Sea .. .. .	3	47 (15)	58 (13)	105 (28)	142 (39)
*Worthing .. .. .	5	49 (20)	79 (25)	128 (45)	198 (72)
	30	298 (109)	425 (96)	723 (205)	1185 (339)

Figures in brackets refer to children under school age and are included in totals.

\*With the approval of the Worthing Education Committee four special Clinics were held at the Worthing School Clinic, for children living near Worthing.

## INSTITUTIONAL TREATMENT.

	Name of Institution	Receiving treatment at beginning of year	Number of			Still under treatment at end of year
			Admissions	Discharges	Deaths	
Tuberculous Cases	Lord Mayor Treloar Cripples' Hospital, Alton	11 (3)	4	8 (1)	—	7 (2)
	Royal National Orthopaedic Hosp., Stanmore	1	2	1	—	2
Non-Tuberculous Cases	Lord Mayor Treloar Cripples' Hospital, Alton	12 (3)	6	9 (1)	—	9 (2)
	Royal National Orthopaedic Hosp., Stanmore	—	—	—	—	—
	Heritage School of Arts, Cripples' Hosp., Chailey	7 (4)	31 (8)	25 (7)	—	13 (5)
	St. Vincent's Orthopaedic Hospital, London ..	—	1 (1)	—	—	1 (1)
	Hospital, London ..	—	2 (2)	—	—	2 (2)
Grand Totals .. .. .		19 (7)	40 (11)	34 (8)	—	25 (10)

Figures in brackets refer to children under school age and are included in totals.

**CASES TREATED BY ORTHOPAEDIC NURSE.**

Total No. of Cases	No. of New Cases	No. of Attendances	No. of Different Places Visited
276 (42)	177 (33)	3451 (582)	57 (37)

Figures in brackets refer to children under school age and are included in totals.  
Twenty-eight children under school age were supplied with splints.

**DISEASES OF THE EAR.**

Reference was made in my Annual Report for 1930 to the arrangements which had been completed for the treatment of children suffering from diseases of the ear, and the following Table summarises the work done and treatment carried out during the year 1936:—

Clinic	No. of Clinics held	No. of Cases	No. of Attendances	Operative Treatment		Tonsils and Adenoids removed	Total Discharged
				Mastoid Operation	Paracentesis		
Chichester ..	8	68 (6)	89 (6)	—	—	7 (1)	31 (4)
Sussex Throat and Ear Hospital, Brighton ..	6	52 (2)	54 (3)	2	2	29 (1)	9
	14	120 (8)	143 (9)	2	2	36 (2)	40 (4)

Figures in brackets refer to children under school age and are included in totals.

**COUNTY NURSING SERVICE.**

At the end of the year, the West Sussex County Nursing Association employed a staff consisting of County Superintendent, Deputy County Superintendent, Assistant County Superintendent and three whole-time Health Visitors engaged partly for Public Health Work and partly for emergency work, which includes the nursing of cases of Ophthalmia Neonatorum, Septic Lying-in Cases and the relief of Nurse Midwives in illness or exceptional stress of work. There were also 73 affiliated District Nursing Associations employing 107 Nurses (including the Worthing District Nursing Association, employing four Queen's Nurses). Grant was paid by the County Council in respect of the whole-time staff and 96 Nurses employed by the District Nursing Associations.

In addition, grants of approximately £550 per annum are made to the County Nursing Association towards the cost of training the Midwives and towards the cost of Post-Graduate Courses for Midwives. During the past eight years an average of six nurses have attended Post-Graduate Courses.

**DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION**

A satisfactory start has been made with this work, which is being carefully organised by Dr. Templeton, with the help of the Medical Officers of Health of the Sanitary Districts and of the General Practitioners in attendance at the Maternity and Child Welfare Centres.

Children admitted to the Children's Ward at Aldingbourne House, the Chichester Children's Home and the Littlehampton Convent have been inoculated as a matter of routine.

At the end of the year immunisation on an extensive scale was started in some of the elementary schools.

During the next twelve months it is contemplated that the practice of immunisation will be firmly established in many areas.

## TUBERCULOSIS.

TABLE XIV.—PUBLIC HEALTH (TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS, 1912 and 1924.

SUMMARY of Primary Notifications during the period from the 1st January, 1936, to the 31st December, 1936.

Notifications on:	Form "A"											Total
	0	1	5	10	15	20	25	35	45	55	65 & Up	
<b>Pulmonary Tuberculosis:</b>												
Males .. .. .	—	—	—	1	5	7	20	16	15	16	3	83
Females .. .. .	—	—	3	2	6	6	25	9	3	11	6	71
	—	—	3	3	11	13	45	25	18	27	9	154
<b>Other Forms of Tuberculosis:</b> (Non-Pulmonary)												
Males .. .. .	—	2	7	6	1	2	4	2	1	—	—	25
Females .. .. .	—	6	5	6	4	3	4	3	1	2	—	34
	—	8	12	12	5	5	8	5	2	2	—	59

The following NEW cases of Tuberculosis came to the knowledge of the Medical Officer of Health, otherwise than by Notification on Form "A," in addition to the primary cases shown in the above Table:

	Age Periods											Total
	0	1	5	10	15	20	25	35	45	55	65 & Up	
Pulmonary Males .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	5	9	1	2	3	1	21
Pulmonary Females .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	2	6	1	—	1	1	11
Non-Pulmonary Males .. .. .	—	1	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	4
Non-Pulmonary Females .. .. .	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3

The following Statement shows the number of cases of Tuberculosis remaining on the Registers of Notification, kept by the District Medical Officers in the County, on the 31st December, 1936:

Total Cases	Pulmonary			Non-Pulmonary		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
1524	526	546	1072	218	234	452

The following Statement shows the number of primary Notifications of Tuberculosis during the past five years:—

	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
Pulmonary Tuberculosis .. .. .	172	151	136	135	154
Other Forms of Tuberculosis .. .. .	42	55	38	52	59
Total, all Forms .. .. .	214	206	174	187	213

## AVERAGE ANNUAL NOTIFICATIONS (FIVE YEARS—1932-1936).

Pulmonary .. .. .	150	Other .. .. .	49	All Forms .. .. .	199
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## TUBERCULOSIS.

The following Statement shows the number of new cases of Tuberculosis notified in the County and the number of deaths which have occurred in the area during 1936:—

Age Periods	New Cases *				Deaths			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0 .. .. .	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
1 .. .. .	—	—	3	8	1	—	4	4
5 .. .. .	—	3	8	5	—	—	1	—
10 .. .. .	1	2	6	6	—	—	1	—
15 .. .. .	5	6	1	4	2	5	1	—
20 .. .. .	12	8	2	3	3	9	—	—
25 .. .. .	29	31	6	4	11	12	1	—
35 .. .. .	17	10	2	3	11	9	1	—
45 .. .. .	17	3	1	1	14	4	—	1
55 .. .. .	19	12	—	2	20	5	—	2
65 and upwards ..	4	7	—	—	9	4	2	—
Totals .. .. .	104	82	29	37	71	48	11	8

\* Includes all primary notifications and NEW cases coming to the knowledge of the Medical Officer of Health during the year.

Of the 138 deaths which occurred during the year, 14 occurred in non-notified cases.

## TUBERCULOSIS MORTALITY.

Tuberculosis in its various forms accounted for 138 deaths, the death-rate being 0.55 per 1,000 population, as compared with 0.49 per 1,000 population in 1935. 4.2 per cent. of the total mortality from all causes was due to tuberculosis, as compared with 3.9 per cent. last year.

TABLE XV.—Showing number of deaths at different periods of life in the Administrative County, Urban Districts and Rural Districts:—

## A.—Tuberculosis of respiratory system.

	0	1	2	5	15	25	45	65	75
All ages	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1	2	5	15	25	45	65	75	& up
Urban Districts .. .. .	63	—	—	—	4	26	23	7	3
Rural Districts .. .. .	56	—	1	—	11	19	19	6	—
Administrative County .. .. .	119	—	1	—	15	45	42	13	3

## B.—Other Tuberculous Diseases.

	0	1	2	5	15	25	45	65	75
All ages	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1	2	5	15	25	45	65	75	& up
Urban Districts .. .. .	11	—	5	2	1	—	1	1	—
Rural Districts .. .. .	8	1	—	1	1	1	2	—	1
Administrative County .. .. .	19	1	5	3	2	1	2	1	1

From Table XVI p. 25 it will be noted that 99 per cent. of the deaths from Pulmonary Tuberculosis occurred after the age of 15 years—the most fatal period being between the ages of 25 and 45 years.

TABLE XVI.—Showing the number and percentage of deaths at various ages from Pulmonary and Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis during the year 1936:—

	Total all ages	Number and Percentage		
		0-5 years	5-15 years	15 years and over
<b>Pulmonary Tuberculosis:</b>				
Urban Districts .. .. .	63	—	—	63 (100%)
Rural Districts .. .. .	56	1 (1.8%)	—	55 (98.2%)
Administrative County .. ..	119	1 (0.8%)	—	118 (99.2%)
<b>Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis:</b>				
Urban Districts .. .. .	11	7 (63.6%)	1 (9.1%)	3 (27.3%)
Rural Districts .. .. .	8	2 (25.0%)	1 (12.5%)	5 (62.5%)
Administrative County .. ..	19	9 (47.4%)	2 (10.5%)	8 (42.1%)
<b>All Forms of Tuberculosis:</b>				
Urban Districts .. .. .	74	7 (9.5%)	1 (1.3%)	66 (89.2%)
Rural Districts .. .. .	64	3 (4.7%)	1 (1.6%)	60 (93.7%)
Administrative County .. ..	138	10 (7.3%)	2 (1.4%)	126 (91.3%)

Pulmonary Tuberculosis—From Table XVII it will be noted that this disease was the cause of 119 deaths (as compared with an average of 113 deaths during the past ten years), i.e. 86.2% of all deaths from all forms of Tuberculosis, giving a death rate for the County of 0.47 per 1,000 population, as compared with 0.42 per 1,000 in the preceding year.

TABLE XVII.—The following Table shows the number of deaths from Pulmonary Tuberculosis from 1927 to 1936:

	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
Urban Districts ..	53	63	61	68	72	63	74	62	67	63
Rural Districts ..	53	57	53	54	39	51	46	51	38	56
Admin. County ..	106	120	114	122	111	114	120	113	105	119
Death-rate per 1,000 living .. .. .	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.47

#### PUBLIC HEALTH (PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS, 1925.

It was not necessary to take any formal action under these Regulations during the year.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1925—SECTION 62

No cases have been dealt with under this Section during the year.

## TUBERCULOSIS SCHEME.

## (i) LIST OF DISPENSARIES, etc.

Address	Day and Time of Dispensary	Tuberculosis Officer	Nursing Assistance	Areas Served
*Arundel Dispensary, Granville House, Maltravers Street	Friday, 11 a.m.	Dr. W. Templeton	Wholetime Nurse employed by County Nursing Association	{ Arundel M.B. Littlehampton U.D. Chanctonbury R.D. (part) Worthing R.D. (part)
Chichester Dispensary, Chapel Street	Tuesday, 10.30 a.m.	Ditto	Ditto for Dispensary and School	{ Bognor Regis U.D. Chichester M.B. Chichester R.D. Midhurst R.D. Petworth R.D. (part)
†Horsham Dispensary, Health Centre Hurst Road	Wednesday, 11 a.m.	Ditto	Queen's Nurse—Horsham	{ Horsham U.D. Chanctonbury R.D. (part) Horsham R.D. Petworth R.D. (part)
Worthing Dispensary, Out-patient Dept., The Hospital, Lyndhurst Road	Monday, 10.30 a.m.	Ditto	Wholetime Health Visitor employed by Worthing Corporation	{ Worthing M.B. Chanctonbury R.D. (part) Shorcham-by-Sea U.D. Southwick U.D. Worthing R.D. (part)

\* This Dispensary is held monthly, and more frequently if found necessary.

† Removed from Tan Cottage, Brighton Road to Hurst Road, on 7th December, 1936

## (ii.)—Return showing the work of the Dispensaries during the year 1936.

Diagnosis	Pulmonary				Non-Pulmonary				Total				Grand Total
	Adults		Children		Adults		Children		Adults		Children		
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
A.—New Cases examined during the year (excluding contacts):													
(a) Definitely tuberculous ..	64	52	—	3	5	8	8	7	69	60	8	10	147
(b) Diagnosis not completed ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	5	3	9	23
(c) Non-tuberculous .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	60	92	79	75	306
B.—Contacts examined during the year:—													
(a) Definitely tuberculous ..	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	1	4
(b) Diagnosis not completed ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Non-tuberculous .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	14	21	17	62
C.—Cases written off the Dispensary Register as:—													
(a) Recovered .. .. .	4	4	3	1	2	2	12	8	6	6	15	9	36
(b) Non-tuberculous (including any such cases previously diagnosed and entered on the Dispensary Register as tuberculous) .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	78	115	100	92	385
D.—Number of Cases on Dispensary Register on December 31st:—													
(a) Definitely Tuberculous ..	342	294	28	24	46	57	37	55	388	351	85	79	903
(b) Diagnosis not completed ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	5	3	9	23
1. Number of cases on Dispensary Register on January 1st .. ..	879												
2. Number of cases transferred from other areas and cases returned after discharge under Head 3 in previous years .. .. .	52												
3. Number of cases transferred to other areas, cases not desiring further assistance under the scheme, and cases "lost sight of"	48												
4. Cases written off during the year as Dead (all causes) .. ..	78												
5. Number of attendances at the Dispensary (including Contacts)	2128												
6. Number of Insured Persons under Domiciliary Treatment on the 31st December .. .. .	94												
7. Number of consultations with medical practitioners:													
(a) Personal .. .. .	87												
(b) Other .. .. .	252												
8. Number of visits by Tuberculosis Officers to homes (including personal consultations) .. ..	146												
9. Number of visits by Nurses or Health Visitors to homes for Dispensary purposes .. ..	1421												
10. Number of:													
(a) Specimens of sputum, etc., examined .. .. .	253												
(b) X-Ray examinations made in connexion with Dispensary work	336												
11. Number of "Recovered" cases restored to Dispensary Register, and included in A(a) and A(b) above .. .. .	1												
12. Number of "T.B. plus" cases on Dispensary Register on Dec. 31st.	352												



## RESIDENTIAL INSTITUTIONS.

Name of Institution	No. of Beds	Type of Case Treated	Names of Medical Officers
1. Aldingbourne House	70	Observation and Sanatorium	Dr. R. D. Smedley, County Medical Officer Dr. W. Templeton, Tuberculosis Officer Dr. J. E. Wallace, Assistant Tuberculosis Officer Dr. J. B. Collins, Visiting Physician (emergency cases) Dr. R. H. Wilshaw, Medical Officer of Health, Worthing
2. Swandean Hospital	12	Acute & Advanced	
*3. Other Institutions	Beds are retained as required	Cases requiring Surgical and Light treatment	—

\* The accommodation reserved at Other Institutions during the year was as follows:

Name of Institution—	Average No. of Beds—
The Royal West Sussex Hospital, Chichester .. ..	0.81
Royal Sea Bathing Hospital, Margate .. ..	3.2
Lord Mayor Treloar Cripples' Hospital, Alton .. ..	6.4
Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Stanmore .. ..	1.3
Hospital for diseases of the chest, Brompton, London .. ..	0.6

## RESIDENTIAL INSTITUTIONS.

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

		In Institutions on Jan. 1st.	Admitted during the year	Discharged during the year	Died in the Institutions	In Institutions on Dec. 31st
Number of doubtfully Tuberculous cases admitted for observation	Adult males ..	1	6	4	—	3
	Adult females ..	2	14	12	1	3
	Children ..	9	13	16	—	6
	Total ..	12	33	32	1	12
Number of patients suffering from Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Adult males ..	28	67	51	15	29
	Adult females ..	25	73	55	13	30
	Children ..	1	12	8	—	5
	Total ..	54	152	114	28	64
Number of patients suffering from Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Adult males ..	2	5	5	—	2
	Adult females ..	1	7	6	—	2
	Children ..	16	13	18	—	11
	Total ..	19	25	29	—	15
Grand Total .. ..	85	210	175	29	91	

In addition, 5 patients suffering from Pulmonary Tuberculosis and 2 patients suffering from Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis received treatment during the year at Poor Law Institutions in the County.

## (C)—Return showing the immediate results of treatment of definitely Tuberculosis patients discharged from Residential Institutions during the year 1936.

Classification on admission to the Institution	Condition at time of discharge	Duration of Residential Treatment in the Institution.												Total		
		Under 3 months			3-6 months			6-12 months			More than 12 months					
		M.	F.	Ch.	M.	F.	Ch.	M.	F.	Ch.	M.	F.	Ch.			
Pulmonary Tuberculosis.	Class T.B. minus.	Quiescent .. ..	4	4	—	4	3	—	1	2	3	—	1	2	24	
		Not Quiescent .. ..	2	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	7	
		Died in Institution ..	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	
	Class T.B. plus Group 1.	Quiescent .. ..	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	
		Not Quiescent .. ..	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	
		Died in Institution ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
	Class T.B. plus Group 2.	Quiescent .. ..	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	4	
		Not Quiescent .. ..	3	6	—	6	5	—	—	3	—	4	2	—	29	
		Died in Institution ..	3	2	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	8	
	Class T.B. plus Group 3.	Quiescent .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
		Not Quiescent .. ..	3	7	—	4	7	—	5	—	—	2	1	—	29	
		Died in Institution ..	4	4	—	—	3	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	14	
	Totals (Pulmonary) ..		19	27	—	16	23	—	9	8	4	8	4	2	120	
	Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis.	Bones and Joints.	Quiescent or Arrested ..	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	4	1	—	4	10
			Not Quiescent .. ..	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2
Died in Institution ..			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Abdominal.		Quiescent or Arrested ..	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	6	
		Not Quiescent .. ..	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	
		Died in Institution ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Other Organs.		Quiescent or Arrested ..	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	
		Not Quiescent .. ..	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	
		Died in Institution ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Peripheral Glands.		Quiescent or Arrested ..	—	—	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	
		Not Quiescent .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
		Died in Institution ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Totals (Non-Pulmonary)		2	2	4	1	2	2	—	—	7	2	—	4	26		

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

Diagnosis on Discharge from Observation.	For Pulmonary Tuberculosis.						For Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis.						Totals.		
	Stay under 4 Weeks.			Stay over 4 Weeks.			Stay under 4 Weeks.			Stay over 4 Weeks.					
	M.	F.	Ch.	M.	F.	Ch.	M.	F.	Ch.	M.	F.	Ch.	M.	F.	Ch.
Tuberculous .. ..	—	—	—	—	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	6
Non-Tuberculous ..	—	1	1	4	9	9	—	—	—	—	1	—	4	11	10
Died .. ..	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Totals .. ..	—	1	1	4	11	14	—	—	—	—	1	1	4	13	16

### PUBLIC VACCINATION.

The functions under the Vaccination Acts were transferred to the County Council on 1st April, 1930, in accordance with Section 2 (b) of the Local Government Act, 1929, and are administered by the Public Health and Housing Committee.

The Vaccination Acts require that every child shall be vaccinated before attaining the age of six months, unless the child has already had Smallpox or exemption is claimed by the parents or guardians, before the child reaches the age of four months, by means of a statutory declaration of conscientious objection to vaccination. Also, vaccination may be postponed by medical certificate.

The Vaccination Acts of 1898 and 1907 have rendered exemption from vaccination an easy matter, and now only about 37 per cent. of children are vaccinated during infancy. In the County of West Sussex, 37 per cent of the children born in 1935 were vaccinated as compared with 40 per cent. for the previous year.

A list of the Public Vaccinators and Vaccination Officers is given at the beginning of this Report.

The following Summary has been prepared from Returns made by the Vaccination Officers:—

Number of births notified by Registrars to Vaccination Officers during year ended 31/12/35 ..	3400
.. Successfully Vaccinated .. .. .	1248
.. Insusceptible of Vaccination .. .. .	5
.. of Statutory Declarations of Conscientious Objections received .. .. .	1526
.. Died Unvaccinated .. .. .	104
.. of Vaccinations postponed by Medical Certificate .. .. .	26
.. of Removals to other districts .. .. .	139
.. Removed to places unknown .. .. .	163
.. Unaccounted for on 31st January, 1937 .. .. .	62

Return showing the number of persons successfully vaccinated and re-vaccinated at the cost of the rates by the Medical Officers of the Poor Law Institutions and Public Vaccinators during the year ended 30th September, 1936:—

Numbers of Successful Primary Vaccinations of Persons:—			Number of Successful Re-vaccinations
Under one year of age	One year and upwards	Total	
1002	70	1072	51

### VENEREAL DISEASES.

#### FACILITIES FOR TREATMENT

**Clinics.**—Treatment, provided free of cost at the Clinics, is available to any resident in the County suffering from, or suspected to be suffering from, Venereal Diseases in its earlier and at all communicable stages. Patients may attend the Clinics on the advice of their Medical Attendant or on their own initiative.

The following Statement gives the days and hours of the various Clinics serving this County:—

**Royal Portsmouth Hospital, Landport, Portsmouth.** (This Clinic is intended to serve persons resident in the Western part of the County)—

Men—Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. 5 to 7 p.m.	Women—Mondays, 3.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.
Wednesdays, 4 p.m.	Wednesdays, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. 5 to 7 p.m.	Fridays, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

**Worthing Hospital, Lyndhurst Road, Worthing.** (This Clinic is intended to serve persons resident in the Eastern part of the County)—

Men and Women—Wednesdays, Women, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.; Men, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.  
Fridays, Women, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Men, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

**Royal Sussex County Hospital, Eastern Road, Kemp Town, Brighton—**

Men—Mondays, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.	Women—Tuesdays, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Thursdays, 5.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.	Thursdays, 3.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.
Saturdays, 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.	Saturdays, 11.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.

A limited number of beds is reserved at the Hospitals for patients requiring In-patient Treatment on the recommendation of the Medical Officer in charge of the Clinic.

Complete secrecy as to the names and addresses of all patients is observed. This information is only required by the Medical Officer in charge of the Clinic for the purpose of communicating with the patients as to subsequent treatment, and in order to allocate the cost between the various Authorities having arrangements at the same Hospital.

#### TRAVELLING EXPENSES OF PATIENTS.

The County Council have authority, under certain circumstances, to defray the reasonable travelling expenses of patients attending the Clinics who are unable to bear the cost themselves.

#### PATHOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF SPECIMENS.

Specimens may be sent for pathological examination by any medical practitioner in the County. The examination and report are made without cost to either the doctor or the patient. Stamped outfits, with full directions for the collection of specimens are supplied free of charge, on application being made to the County Health Department.

#### SUPPLY OF DRUGS.

Arrangements are made for the supply of drugs to medical practitioners, but very few requests have been received.

#### TREATMENT OF CASES.

TABLE XVIII.—Showing the work done at the Clinics:—

	Sussex County Hospital, Brighton	Royal Portsmouth Hospital	Worthing Hospital	Total
Number of persons dealt with during the year for the first time and found to be suffering from:—				
Syphilis .. .. .	10	3	22	35
Soft chancre .. .. .	2	—	2	4
Gonorrhoea .. .. .	20	6	40	66
Conditions other than venereal .. .. .	39	3	67	109
Totals .. .. .	71	12	131	214
Total number of attendances at Out-Patient Clinics	1732	205	5156	7093
Aggregate number of "In-Patient Days" ..	24	19	198	241
Number of doses of Salvarsan Substitute given	131	54	575	750
Number of Pathological Examinations ..	805	115	791	1711

## WATER SUPPLY, DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

Details regarding Water Supply, Drainage and Sewerage were given in my Annual Report for 1930. The following is a list of work completed or commenced during the year:

### WATER SUPPLY

Bognor Regis U.D.	During the year a base-exchange water softening plant was installed at the Eastergate Pumping Station.
Littlehampton U.D.	During the year 1,216 yards of new mains were laid.
Shoreham-by-Sea U.D.	During the year 1,689 yards of new mains were laid.
Southwick U.D.	During the year 3,734 yards of new mains were laid.
Chanctonbury R.D.	During the year 8,546 yards of new mains were laid in the parishes of Ashington, Henfield, Pulborough, Parham, Storrington, Sullington, Thakeham, Washington and Woodmancote.
Horsham R.D.	The comprehensive water scheme adopted by the Council last year has been completed with the exception of Colgate and approximately 85 miles of water mains have been laid.
Petworth R.D.	The comprehensive District Water Scheme adopted by the Council was commenced at the end of the year when boring operations were started near the present Water Works in Petworth.
Worthing R.D.	During the year 8,938 yards of new mains were laid.

### DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

Bognor Regis U.D.	A tender has been accepted for carrying out a comprehensive Sewerage Scheme to include the whole of the Bognor Regis Area and in addition to make provision for receiving sewage from urbanised areas immediately adjoining.
Chichester M.B.	During the year, a Sewerage Scheme has been commenced to provide sewers for the added areas, and 6,361 yards of sewers had been laid at the end of the year.
Littlehampton U.D.	The Sewerage Scheme for the Northern Area was almost completed by the end of the year.
Shoreham-by-Sea U.D.	The main drainage scheme has been amended to discharge sewage through a new outfall at the Middle Pier, the existing outfall will be utilised for the disposal of storm water. Provision is made in the scheme for laying sewers in the developing areas which are not served by the existing scheme.
Chanctonbury R.D.	A report in respect of a scheme of sewerage for Amberley was considered and action upon it deferred for a time. Messrs. Howard Humphreys & Sons were asked to prepare schemes of sewerage for the parishes of Steyning, Bramber and Beeding and also a scheme for the improved treatment of sewage in the parish of Henfield.
Horsham R.D.	A scheme for new disposal works at Billingshurst was approved.
Midhurst R.D.	Work was commenced on the Sewerage Scheme for the parishes of Linchmere and Fernhurst.
Petworth R.D.	Draft schemes have been prepared for the sewerage of the parishes of Northchapel, Fittleworth and Bignor with West Burton and Bury, but no action is contemplated until after the completion of the Water Scheme.
Worthing R.D.	A Sewerage Scheme for the parish of Sompting is in course of preparation. A Scheme for extending the sewers to the Parish of Ferring was approved by the Ministry of Health.

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1929—Section 57

Under Section 57 of the Local Government Act, 1929, County Councils are empowered to contribute towards the expenditure of District Councils in the provision or maintenance of any sewers or sewage disposal works, or of a water supply, or in the improvement of an existing supply of water.

In this County it has been decided that contributions under this Section shall be limited to Rural District Councils, but application by a Local Authority other than a Rural District Council may receive consideration in special circumstances.

The conditions under which contributions will be made are set out in the proceedings of the County Council, dated 26th July, 1935.

## HOUSING.

As will be seen from the following Table XIX. prepared from the Reports of the District Medical Officers of Health, 4268 houses were erected in the County during the year, as compared with 4070 during the previous year, as follows:—

Sanitary District.	Total number of New Houses Erected.	With State Assistance under the Housing Acts, 1919, 1923 or 1924.		Private Enterprise.
		(i.) By Local Authority.	(ii.) By other Bodies or Persons.	
<b>Urban Districts—</b>				
Arundel (M.B.) .. ..	2	—	—	2
Bognor Regis .. ..	362	6	—	356
Chichester (M.B.) .. ..	302	—	—	302
Horsham .. ..	138	—	—	138
Littlehampton .. ..	120	—	—	120
Shoreham-by-Sea .. ..	166	—	—	166
Southwick .. ..	271	12	—	259
Worthing (M.B.) .. ..	1320	—	—	1320
<b>Total Urban Districts ..</b>	<b>2681</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2663</b>
<b>Rural Districts—</b>				
Chanctonbury .. ..	289	142	—	147
Chichester .. ..	324	18	—	306
Horsham .. ..	91	4	—	87
Midhurst .. ..	66	12	—	54
Petworth .. ..	32	18	—	14
Worthing .. ..	785	32	—	753
<b>Total Rural Districts ..</b>	<b>1587</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1361</b>
<b>Total Administrative County .. ..</b>	<b>4268</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>4024</b>

The following Table XX. shows the number of New Houses erected during the ten years from 1927-1936.

Year.	Total number of New Houses Erected.			With State Assistance under the Housing Acts, 1919, 1923 or 1924.						Private Enterprise.		
				(i.) By Local Authority.			(ii.) By other Bodies or Persons.					
	Urban Dist.	Rural Dist.	Total	Urban Dist.	Rural Dist.	Total	Urban Dist.	Rural Dist.	Total	Urban Dist.	Rural Dist.	Total
1927 .. ..	1045	1116	2161	269	359	628	365	331	696	411	426	837
1928 .. ..	811	857	1668	195	55	250	162	171	333	454	631	1085
1929 .. ..	875	767	1642	313	24	337	351	83	434	211	660	871
1930 .. ..	923	1130	2053	26	102	128	1	11	12	896	1017	1913
1931 .. ..	958	1174	2132	112	46	158	—	27	27	846	1101	1947
1932 .. ..	939	1200	2139	60	52	112	—	1	1	879	1147	2026
1933 .. ..	1766	1216	2982	92	12	104	—	—	—	1674	1204	2878
1934 .. ..	2158	1324	3482	—	44	44	—	—	—	2158	1280	3438
1935 .. ..	2426	1644	4070	46	72	118	—	—	—	2380	1572	3952
1936 .. ..	2681	1587	4268	18	226	244	—	—	—	2663	1361	4024
<b>Totals .. ..</b>	<b>14582</b>	<b>12015</b>	<b>26597</b>	<b>1131</b>	<b>992</b>	<b>2123</b>	<b>879</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>1503</b>	<b>12572</b>	<b>10399</b>	<b>22971</b>

TABLE XXI GENERAL HOUSING CONDITIONS IN THE COUNTY

The following Table XXI, prepared from the Reports of the District Medical Officers of Health, shows the number of houses inspected for defects during the year and the action taken to remedy same.

	1. Inspection of Dwellinghouses during the year										2. Remedy of defects (sub-sections (a) and (b) of formal notices)										3. Action under Statutory Powers during the year									
	(1) (a) Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for housing defects (under the Public Health or Housing Acts).	(b) Number of Inspections made for the purpose.	(2) Number of dwellinghouses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.	(3) Number of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation.	Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers.	(a) Proceedings under Sections 17, 18 and 23 of the Housing Act, 1930, in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs.	(2) Number of dwellinghouses 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 dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied.	(2) Number of dwellinghouses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices.	(a) By owners.	(b) By Local Authority in default of owners.	(c) Proceedings under Sections 19 and 21 of the Housing Act, 1930, in respect of which Demolition Orders were made.	(2) Number of dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders.	(d) Proceedings under Section 20 of the Housing Act, 1930, in respect of which closing orders were made.	(1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit.												
<b>Sanitary District.</b>																														
<b>Urban Districts:</b>																														
Arundel (M.B.)	111	139	28	28	28	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
Bognor Regis	797	1953	488	488	398	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
Chichester (M.B.)	926	4030	194	194	134	2	134	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
Horsham	336	691	325	325	271	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
Littlehampton	349	809	212	212	187	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
Shoreham-by-Sea	349	1410	210	210	179	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
Southwick	307	494	249	249	229	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
Worthing (M.B.)	479	1341	286	286	240	19	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
<b>TOTAL—Urban Districts</b>	<b>3654</b>	<b>10867</b>	<b>1992</b>	<b>1992</b>	<b>1666</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>												
<b>Rural Districts—</b>																														
Chancetonbury	924	4101	875	875	714	12	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
Chichester	676	1332	369	369	326	5	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
Horsham	392	428	117	117	122	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
Midhurst	466	604	297	297	39	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
Petworth	97	148	58	58	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
Worthing	650	1922	147	147	127	9	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—												
<b>TOTAL—Rural Districts</b>	<b>3205</b>	<b>8535</b>	<b>1863</b>	<b>1863</b>	<b>1339</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>												
<b>TOTAL—Admin. County</b>	<b>6859</b>	<b>19402</b>	<b>3855</b>	<b>3855</b>	<b>3005</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>												

## HOUSING (RURAL WORKERS) ACTS, 1926-1931.

The operation of this Act has been extended until 24th June, 1938, and it is to be hoped that more use will be made of this Act in future, as undoubtedly there are many cottages in the County which need improvements, such as could be provided by using the provisions of this Act.

Under the approved Scheme the County Council is prepared to make grants limited to £100 for any one house, but no grant will be made where the estimated cost of repairs is less than £50.

The word "repairs" includes:—

Structural alterations and repairs, additions to premises, water supplies and drainage, sanitary conveniences and other like works, but not ordinary repair and upkeep.

All plans, etc., must be approved by the Local Sanitary Authority before a grant can be made.

When the landlord accepts a financial grant, the following conditions apply, viz.:—

1. The estimated value of the dwelling on completion must not exceed £400.
2. The dwelling when completed must be fit for habitation.
3. For 20 years, the tenants must be agricultural workers or persons receiving similar wages.
4. For 20 years, the maximum rent will be "normal agricultural rent," as determined by the County Council, increased by 4% on the owners share in the estimated expenditure on the works.

Since the Act came into operation grants amounting to £10,310 have been paid in respect of 153 dwellings.

## MENTAL DEFICIENCY ACT, 1913.

At the end of the year there were under observation the following cases of Mental Deficiency—

Committee for the Care of the Mentally Defective—	Cases
Receiving Institutional Care .. .. .	121
Under Guardianship .. .. .	63
Under supervision of the West Sussex Association for the Care of the Mentally Defective	185
	369
West Sussex Education Committee—	
Attending Special Schools .. .. .	22
In Public Elementary Schools .. .. .	49
Not at School .. .. .	44
	115
Total .. .. .	484

The following Statement shows the number of cases receiving Institutional Treatment at the end of the year:—

## PUBLIC ASSISTANCE INSTITUTIONS:—

West Sussex—	Male	Female	Total
Horsham .. .. .	—	16	16
East Preston .. .. .	6	11	17
Midhurst .. .. .	11	—	11
East Sussex—			
Chailey .. .. .	12	4	16

## OTHER INSTITUTIONS:—

Besford Court, Worcester .. .. .	3	—	3
Dungates, Horeham Road, East Sussex .. .. .	3	—	3
Girls' Village Home, Essex .. .. .	—	3	3
House of Help, Bath .. .. .	—	1	1
Dovenby Hall Colony, Carlisle .. .. .	1	—	1
Royal Earlswood Institution, Redhill .. .. .	5	1	6
Stoke Park Colony, Bristol .. .. .	—	2	2
St. Joseph's Home, Sudbury .. .. .	—	3	3
St. Mary's Home, Alton .. .. .	—	1	1
St. Teresa's Institution, Lewisham .. .. .	—	6	6
Whittington Hall, Chesterfield .. .. .	—	3	3
Dovecot Certified Institution, Liverpool .. .. .	—	1	1
Coldeast Colony, Sarsibury, Near Southampton .. .. .	—	24	24
Rampton State Institution, Retford, Notts. .. .. .	1	—	1
Hortham Colony, Almondsbury, Bristol .. .. .	1	—	1
Princess Christian Colony, Kent .. .. .	—	1	1
Mount Olivet Institution, Frensham, Surrey .. .. .	1	—	1
	44	77	121



During the past five years the number of children notified by the West Sussex Education Committee to the Committee for the Care of the Mentally Defective is as follows:—

	1932		1933		1934		1935		1936		Totals
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	
<b>Ineducable Children—</b>											
Feeble-minded .. ..	4	3	2	2	13	10	9	9	4	2	58
Imbeciles .. ..	4	3	5	1	3	1	1	2	3	—	23
Idiots .. ..	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	2
Moral Defectives .. ..	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	2
Totals .. ..	8	6	7	3	18	12	11	11	7	2	85
<b>Educable Children—</b>											
Notified on leaving special school or under special circumstances ..	1	2	2	—	—	1	1	2	1	5	15
Grand Totals .. ..	9	8	9	3	18	13	12	13	8	7	100

There is still considerable difficulty in obtaining accommodation for cases requiring Institutional care, especially for children and high grade cases.

#### BLIND PERSONS ACT, 1920.

This Act is administered by the Public Health and Housing Committee.

The Scheme of the West Sussex County Council, under Section 2 of the Blind Persons Act, 1920, provides that no person's name shall be added to the Register of Blind Persons, until he or she has been examined and certified to be blind within the meaning of the Act, and such examination, except in the case of persons over 70 years of age whose blindness is not in doubt, shall be carried out by a Medical Practitioner with special experience in ophthalmology.

The West Sussex Association for the Care of the Blind, with the help of the Worthing Society for Befriending the Blind, is responsible for the general supervision of the blind, and the Association gives great assistance in the ascertainment of blind persons residing in the County. The Education Committee deals with children of school age, and with older persons requiring special training in Institutions for the Blind.

The following statement shows the number of cases on the Register:—

31st March, 1922 .. ..	202
“ “ 1927 .. ..	255
“ “ 1932 .. ..	308
“ “ 1935 .. ..	330
“ “ 1936 .. ..	333
“ “ 1937 .. ..	340

Classified according to age there were in March, 1936:—

1 case	under 5 years of age.
7 cases	5—16 “ “
3 “	16—21 “ “
23 “	21—40 “ “
50 “	40—50 “ “
107 “	50—65 “ “
39 “	65—70 “ “
110 “	70 and over
340	

## FOOD AND DRUGS (ADULTERATION) ACT, 1928.

Samples analysed by the Public Analyst under the above Act during the year ended 31st December, 1936.

Description	Number analysed	Genuine	Otherwise
New Milk .. .. .	175	161	14 (a)
Skimmed Milk .. .. .	1	1	—
Tinned Milk .. .. .	10	10	—
Cream .. .. .	1	1	—
Tinned Cream .. .. .	2	2	—
Butter .. .. .	17	16	1(b)
Ice Cream .. .. .	4	4	—
Whisky .. .. .	10	10	—
Flour .. .. .	3	2	1(c)
Ground Rice .. .. .	1	1	—
Rice Flakes .. .. .	1	1	—
Sausages .. .. .	11	10	1(d)
Minced Meat .. .. .	1	1	—
Meat Pies .. .. .	8	8	—
Boracic Ointment .. .. .	1	1	—
Parrish's Chemical Food .. .. .	1	1	—
Coffee Tablets .. .. .	1	1	—
Zinc Ointment .. .. .	1	1	—
Tincture of Quinine .. .. .	1	1	—
Glycerine .. .. .	1	1	—
Epsom Salts .. .. .	1	1	—
Calomel .. .. .	1	1	—
Cream Meringue .. .. .	1	—	1(e)
Cooked Meat .. .. .	1	1	—
Pear Drops .. .. .	1	1	—
Ground Almonds .. .. .	2	1	1(f)
Coffee .. .. .	5	5	—
Coffee and Chicory .. .. .	1	1	—
English Honey .. .. .	2	2	—
Fish Paste .. .. .	2	2	—
Jellies .. .. .	3	3	—
Lard .. .. .	4	4	—
Cooking Fats .. .. .	4	4	—
Dripping .. .. .	1	1	—
Tinned Peas .. .. .	1	1	—
	281	262	19

(a) 1 reported deficient in solids not fat. Farmer interviewed. Further samples taken proved genuine.  
 2 from one vendor. Farmer interviewed. Further samples genuine.  
 2 " " " " " " " " " "  
 2 " " " " " " " " " "  
 7 were reported slightly deficient. Farmer interviewed. Further samples genuine.

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(b) Contained excess moisture. Further samples to be taken.

(c) Slight amount of improver found. No further action.

(d) Very slight amount of preservative found. No further action.

(e) Seller cautioned re trade description applied.

(f) Further samples are to be taken to find if the sugar found in sample got there accidentally.

The average content of the samples of New Milk returned as genuine was:

Fat—3.85 per cent      Solids not Fat—8.91 per cent      Total Solids 12.76 per cent

## MILK AND DAIRIES (CONSOLIDATION) ACT, 1915.

## MILK AND DAIRIES ORDER, 1926

During the year the Public Health and Housing Committee continued to use the Veterinary Surgeons engaged by the Diseases of Animals Committee to carry out the provisions of the Tuberculosis Order made by the Board of Agriculture and adopted the same fees as fixed by the Diseases of Animals Committee.

Arrangements for biological, etc., examination of specimens of milk were continued with the Lister Institute of Preventive Medicine until August when the work was taken over at the County Laboratory, County Hall, Chichester.

During the year twenty notifications were received from Local Authorities under this Act and in every instance action was taken under the Tuberculosis Order, 1925. Cattle suffering from Tuberculosis were slaughtered in eight instances, and in the remaining instances the cattle were found free from evidence of tuberculosis.

#### PORT OF NEW SHOREHAM.

The number of vessels entering the Port during the year was 1481. Of these 1031 with a tonnage of 311,323 were from British Ports, and 450 with a tonnage of 108,439, were from Foreign Ports, showing an increase of 72 coast wise and an increase of 31 Foreign Vessels on the previous year.

**Inspection.**—165 British Vessels and 78 Foreign Vessels were inspected during the year. Three vessels were found with structural defects and three with dirt, vermin and other conditions prejudicial to health.

Six notices were given in respect of defects or nuisances found, and five of these have been remedied and in addition one outstanding notice has been complied with.

**Infectious Diseases.**—No cases of infectious disease have been observed or reported during the year among persons aboard vessels arriving at the port. Printed cards stating the place and times of Venereal Clinics available in the district were given to masters of vessels for the information of the crews Agreement with Brighton Corporation for removal of any cases to Isolation Hospital.

**Public Health (Regulations as to Food) Act, 1907.**—Cargoes of flour and potatoes arrived from British Ports, and vegetables and mineral waters arrived from Foreign Ports. These cargoes were inspected and found in good condition.

**Public Health (Shell Fish) Regulations, 1915.**—Public notices were posted during the year forbidding the removal or taking for sale for human consumption of any shell fish from the Harbour and the waters of the river Adur between the entrance to the Harbour and the town of Shoreham-by-Sea. No instances of selling shell fish taken from the prohibited area had been observed.

**Rats and Mice Destruction Act, 1919.**—Inspections and enquiries were made throughout the year in respect of rat infestation and no evidence of rat infestation has been found. Rat guards are available for use when required to prevent the passage of rats between the ship and the shore.

Printed cards have been given to the Masters of ships arriving at the Port indicating their responsibilities under the Rats and Mice Destruction Act.

The Port is not on the list of ports approved by the Ministry of Health for the issue of Deratisation and Deratisation Exemption Certificates in accordance with the provisions of Article 28 of the International Sanitary Convention of 1926.

#### PORT OF LITTLEHAMPTON.

The number of vessels entering the Port during the year was 161, with a tonnage of 31,100. Of these, 151 were from British Ports, and 10 from Foreign Ports, showing an increase of 14 vessels from British Ports compared with last year, and an increase of 3 from Foreign Ports.

**Inspection.**—The majority of the vessels were visited and inspected by the Port Sanitary Inspector. Four vessels were found with dirt, vermin and other conditions prejudicial to health, and eight with structural defects.

**Infectious Diseases.**—No cases occurred during the year. Arrangements have been made for isolation of cases at the Infectious Diseases Hospital belonging to the Littlehampton Urban District Council. A leaflet containing the information as to the Venereal Clinics available in the area is given to the Master of each vessel entering the Port, who has not previously received one.

**Public Health (Shell Fish) Regulations, 1915.**—No action has been taken during the year.

**Rats and Mice Destruction Act, 1919.**—No rat-infested ships entered the Port.

The Port Sanitary Authority has provided rat guards and these are used when deemed necessary.

Baiting and gassing of rats is periodically carried out in the neighbourhood of the wharves.

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