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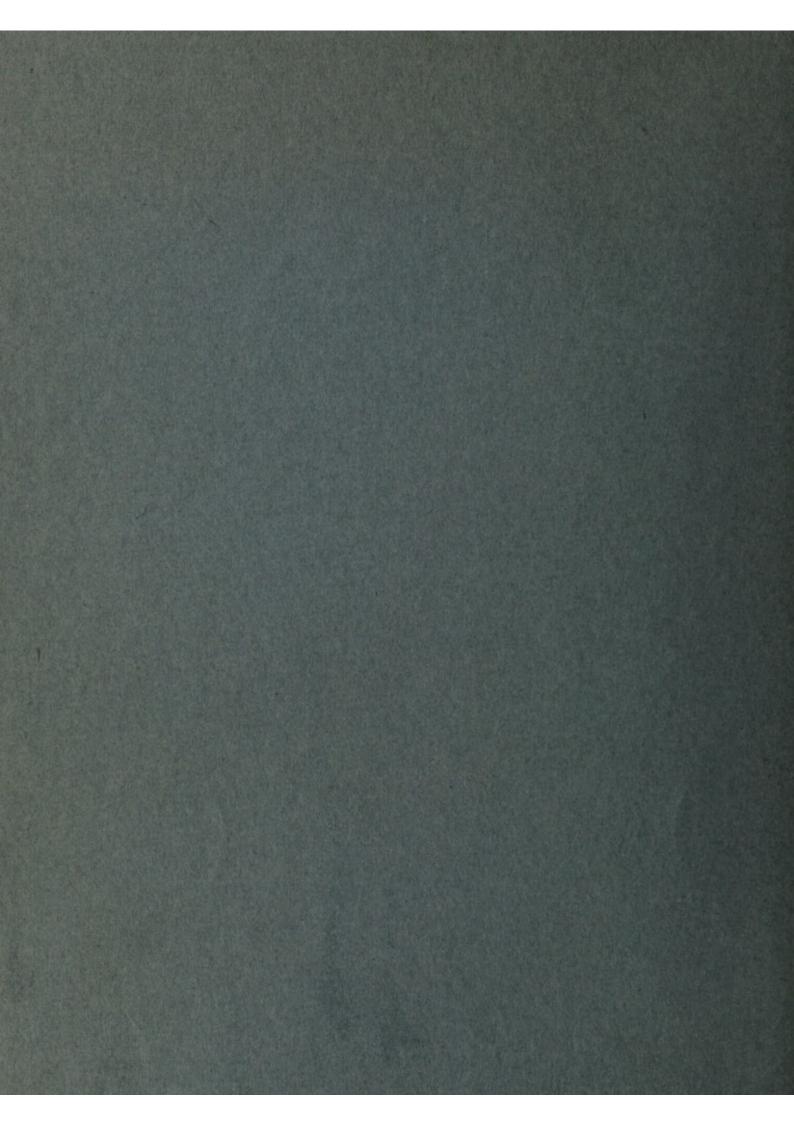
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#### COUNTY OF WESTMORLAND

Health Department, County Hall, Kendal.

December, 1970.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

#### ANNUAL REPORT 1969

Infectious Disease during the past year was quiet. There were no epidemics of note. The low level of Mantoux positive school-children seems to be maintained, and would suggest that the unknown reservoir of T.B. infection is decreasing. On the whole the figures of vaccination in general are better than that of the average for England and Wales, although this does not suggest that they cannot be improved upon.

The gradual change taking place in the functions and districts of the Nurses is commented on in the appropriate section of this report.

In the School Health Service, I regret the impending resignation of Dr. Currah who is of sterling value in the sphere of Child Guidance. There will be difficulty in replacing her. The complete absence of T.B. neck glands in schoolchildren is a tribute to all those who are concerned in the campaign against T.B. The diet of many schoolchildren leaves much to be desired. Many children commence the day with a totally inadequate breakfast, and school milk or even the mid-day meal is often the first proper food the child receives in the day.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all my staff for their ungrudging, cheerful and efficient work through all the years I have been with them, to the Committees for their forbearance and encouragement and to the Chairmen for their support, and to the voluntary workers who have helped so much especially in the Infant Welfare Clinics.

I have the honour to be, Your obedient Servant,

JOHN A. GUY,

County Medical Officer of Health and Principal School Medical Officer.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE AUTHORITY IN 1969

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Other Offices	Principal School Medical	Deputy Principal School Medical Officer	Consultant Chest Physician	Consultant Chest Physician	Consultant Chest Physician	Principal School Dental	School Dental Officer	School Dental Officer	School Dental Officer	School Dental Officer				-		1	
Whole or Pt.Time	Whole	Whole	Part	Part	Part	Whole	Whole	Whole	Whole	Whole	Whole	Whole	Whole	Whole		Whole	Whole
Office	County Medical Officer	Deputy County Medical Officer	Tuberculosis Officer	Tuberculosis Officer	Tuberculosis Officer	Principal Dental Officer	Dental Officer	Dental Officer	Dental Officer	Dental Officer	Mental Welfare Officer	Mental Welfare Officer	Superintendent Nursing	ome I	nent	Chiropodist	Chiropodist
Qualifications	M.D.,D.P.H.	M.A., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.	M.D., M.R.C.P.	M.B., Ch.B., M.R.C.P., D.P.H.	M.B., Ch.B., M.R.C.P.	L.D.S.	B.D.S., L.D.S.	L.D.S., R.C.S.	B.D.S.	B.D.S.	Social Science Certificate	S.R.N., R.M.N.	S.R.N., S.C.M.,	Diploma in Institution	al & Catering Management	S.R.Ch., F.R.S.H.	L.Ch., S.R. Ch.
Name	John A. Guy	I. S. Bailey	R. Douglas Young	W. Hugh Morton (Retired 12.8.69)	R.J.C. Southern	M. D. McGarry	J. B. Millar	B. C. Tomlinson (Resigned 31.7.69)	A. Dunn	K. M. Burnett (Commenced 1.8.69)	P. G. Holloway	A. Matthews	E. Nicoll	S. M. Head		E. Bland	H. M. Wrigley

## STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Area (in acres, land and inland water)	sident		504,917 71,710 ,601,754
Estimated product of a Penny Rate (General Courfinancial year 1969/70			£10,542
EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS IN TH	E YEAR 1	.969	
	Total	Males	Females
Live Births - Legitimate	986 86	529 40	
	1,072	569	503
Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident Birth Rate, England and Wales, Illegitimate Live Birth per cent of total			16.3
	Total	Males	Females
Stillbirths		2	6
	Total	Males	Females
Total Live and Stillbirths	1080	571	509
	Total	Males	Females
Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age Death-rate of Infants under 1 year of age:	17	12	5
All infants, per 1,000 live births			16
Legitimate infants, per 1,000 legitimate : Illegitimate infants, per 1,000 illegitimate			
Infant Death Rate, England and Wales,			18
	Total	Males	Females
Neo-Natal Deaths (under four weeks) Rate per 1,000 live births, 14.	15	10	5
Neo-Natal Mortality Rate, England and Wald Early Neo-Natal Mortality Rate (deaths under or Rate per 1,000 live births			
Perinatal Mortality Rate (Stillbirths and death Rate per 1,000 total live and stillbirths Deaths from Pregnancy, Childbirth or Abortions	hs under 19	one wee	k):
Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) bir Maternal Mortality Rate, England and Wales (live and still) births, 0.19.	ths Ni		al

Total Males Females

Death Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population .. 10.3

Death Rate, England and Wales, 11.9.

#### POPULATION

	Area in acres	Population
DISTRICT	(Land and Inland Water)	Registrar General's estimate Mid 1969
URBAN		
Appleby	1,877	1,900
Lakes	49,917	5,250
Kendal	3,705	20,160
Windermere	9,723	7,680
RURAL	A Tankardana dala	Cana , o Salar rail (1985)
North Westmorland	288,688	15,800
South Westmorland	151,007	20,920
WESTMORLAND	504,917	71,710

## Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated resident population

				1967	1968	1969
7.				26.2	13.7	15.9
				19.3	19.8	18.7
				11.3	12.3	11.6
		Week his		18.6	19.1	15.2
and				18.8	19.0	17.8
and				19.0	16.7	17.0
			od to	18.6	17.9	17.0
	11111111111111	ho	alle.	17.2	16.9	16.3
	and and	and	and	and	and	and

The Birth Rates in the Table above are calculated using the comparability factor supplied for the purpose by the Registrar General.

Live Births registered in the last five years were as follows:-

Year	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
Number of births	1,045	992	1,121	1,105	1,072

#### DEATH RATE

#### Death Rate per 1,000 estimated population.

District URBAN				1967	1968	1969
Appleby	AND THE		11.	15.4	14.0	14.4
Kendal	Action state	denote of		8.9	11.6	11.6
Windermere	avant.	RE CORT	100.00	8.8	6.7	8.3
RURAL North Westmorland				12.6	12.2	9.7
South Westmorland	9			10.1	11.7	10.2
WESTMORLAND	porter c	and the		11.0	10.8	10.3
ENGLAND AND WALES				11.2	11.9	TTOD

The Death Rates in this Table are calculated using the comparability factor provided for the purpose by the Registrar-General.

The chief causes of death in Westmorland in 1967 and 1968 in order of maximum fatality in 1969 were as follows:-

				1967	1968	1969
Heart Disease			 	300	314	326
Cancer			 	173	188	164
Cerebral Haemor	rhage		 	143	146	132
Other Circulato	ry Diseases		 	43	39	47
Pneumonia			 	20	28	35
Bronchitis			 	28	32	32
Violence (inclu	ding acciden	t)	 	49	50	30

It should be noted that owing to changes in the International Classification of Diseases the analysis of causes of death supplied by the Registrar-General is not strictly comparable with the classifications hitherto used.

#### MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE

#### INFANTILE MORTALITY (Under 1 Year)

#### Rate per 1,000 Live Births

District		1967	1968	1969
URBAN				
Appleby	N MARKET	23	-	n ob A
Kendal	pylo.coaf	17.0	25.0	14.0
Lakes	**305	2705	-	
Windermere	1	2001	19.0	12.0
RURAL				
North Westmorland	1.77	16.0	11.0	27.0
South Westmorland	27AR	13.0	25.0	14.0
WESTMORLAND	49,917	13.0	19.0	16.0
ENGLAND AND WALES	3	18.3	18.0	18.0

The Infant Mortality Rates are now given by the Registrar-General and are shown as whole numbers only.

Causes of death during 1969 in Infants under 1 year of age:-

Congenital heart disease Weidnig Hoffman Syndrome			1
D			7
Hydrocephalus	 .T		2
Intracranial haemorrhage			2
Septicaemia			1
Atelectasis			2

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#### COMMENT ON VITAL STATISTICS

For several years it has been customary in this Report to comment on the Vital Statistics, always with the warning that figures relating to relatively small groups must always be viewed with caution, and the same warning applies to the comments below. As stated below the relevant tables on page 9 of this Report, the Birth and Death Rates, are calculated, using the Comparability Factor supplied for this purpose by the Registrar-General. This factor is designed to compensate for variations in the age and sex structure of the population of different areas, and to make the rates so calculated comparable to those of other areas and to the figures for England and Wales.

The number of livebirths during the year, 1,072 is 33 less than in the previous year, and the adjusted Birth Rate has fallen from 16.9 to 16.3. Deaths totalled 53 less than in 1968 and the Death Rate fell to 10.3. Illegitimate births as a percentage of total births rose from 7.5% to 8.0%.

The stillbirth rate (7) dropped and remains below that for England and Wales (13). This rate being based on very small figures, is apt to fluctuate very considerably, but has, for the last five years, been below the national figure.

During the immediate post-War years the infant death rate fell rapidly, and during the last 16 years the rate for England and Wales has continued to fall, though more slowly. The figure for the County on the other hand has fluctuated from rates little over half those for England and Wales to rates slightly above the national figure. The Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths of infants under 4 weeks) is an increase on last year, (14 compared with 9.1) and is above that for England and Wales (12), but this is another classic example of a rate which, being based on very small figures, is bound to fluctuate widely.

#### NURSING SERVICES

There is a gradual change taking place in the Nursing Services. Twenty years ago it was possible to recruit nurses who possessed qualifications in Health Visiting, District Nursing and Midwifery. Now we find that nurses with Health Visiting qualifications wish to do Health Visiting duties only. Similarly State Registered Nurses wish to do Home Nursing duties only. This has now led to the position where a dichotomy has to be made in the nurses' duties. Thus an arrangement has to be made where a Health Visitor takes over the Health Visiting duties of two or more nursing districts whilst a State Registered Nurse continues to do the nursing in each nursing district. Owing to the general shortage of nurses the pattern likely to emerge is where the fully qualified nurse directs a team of less qualified or even unqualified persons to do the nursing within her district. This arrangement makes sense to me in that a fully qualified nurse is not required for bed bathing and other time consuming tasks which can be adequately undertaken by unqualified staff properly supervised.

#### Nursing Staff

Triple qualified	22
S.R.N., S.C.M.	12
S.R.N.	6
S.C.M., S.E.N.	1
S.E.N.	6
Auxiliary Nurses	5
Night attenders	3

#### VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION

Since the Council submitted its original Proposals for providing vaccination against smallpox and immunisation against diphtheria, to take effect from the appointed day (4th July, 1948) for the National Health Service Act, 1946, a number of changes have been made possible by advances in immunology. The Secretary of State for the Department of Health and Social Security is advised on this subject by a Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation, consisting of experts on the subject and as a result of that Committee's recommendations, the following extensions to this branch of the service have been made:-

- 1949 B.C.G. vaccination of contacts with Tuberculosis.
- 1950 Immunisation against whooping cough
- 1954 B.C.G. Vaccination against Tuberculosis of children between 13th and 14th birthdays.
- 1956 Vaccination against Poliomyelitis.
- 1959 Immunisation against Tetanus
- 1967 Vaccination against Anthrax of persons in trades involving risk.
- 1968 Vaccination against Measles.

Active immunity against these diseases is induced either by the use of a living organism of the disease, attenuated to reduce its virulence, e.g. B.C.G. vaccine, oral poliomyelitis vaccine, the measles vaccine at present generally used in this country, and smallpox vaccine; by the use of vaccines using inactivated organisms, e.g. whooping cough vaccine; or by the use of prophylactics, e.g. tetanus and diphtheria, which depend for their action on toxoid which is bacterial toxin rendered harmless with formalin. A common factor of all these products is that they produce their protective effect by stimulating the production, in the person to whom they are administered, of antibodies.

There are a number of conflicting influences needing consideration in determining the optimum sequence and timing of injections, the aim being to secure the most effective immunisation with the minimum of undesirable reaction, and to do so to cover the period when the risk of infection is greatest.

There is however general agreement that immunisation should not commence before the child reaches 6 months of age, as in younger infants the antibody-forming system is not fully developed. The recommended intervals between doses are now longer than was customary in the past, and it is no longer felt inadvisable to give poliomyelitis vaccine at the same time as diphtheria/whooping cough/tetanus vaccine.

As the Department's advice as to recommended times for the various procedures is given in very general terms, e.g. "During the first year of life" it has been felt desirable to advise mothers in rather more specific terms, and the following scheme is recommended in this County.

- (1) 6 months ... Diphtheria, Tetanus, Whooping Cough (Triple) Poliomyelitis Oral.
- (2) 8 months ... Second dose (Triple & Poliomyelitis).
- (3)14 months ... Third dose (Triple & Poliomyelitis).
- (4) 2 years ... Measles.
- (5) 2 years 1 month ... Smallpox.
- (6) 5 years ... Diphtheria and Tetanus. Poliomyelitis oral.
- (7) Between 11 & 12 years B.C.G. (Tuberculosis).
- (8) At 15 years or ... Poliomyelitis oral. Tetanus. (Smallpox re-vaccination if necessary).

Although in the early years of the immunisation campaigns by far the majority of the work fell on the medical staff of local authorities, general practitioners have in recent years taken an increasing part in this work, and the new arrangements between the practitioners and Ministry for remuneration for the work, dating from 1st April, 1967, have accelerated this tendency. Indeed, so few mothers now apply to the Health Department for primary courses of immunisation that it is becoming increasingly uneconomic to arrange special sessions for this work, and an enquiry has been made of the Local Medical Committee as to whether the general practitioners may be willing to undertake the whole of this work.

the produ-	Childa	ren born	Childa	Small- pox			
onsiderations, and	Whooping Cough		Polio- myelitis	Whooping Cough	Diphth- eria	Polio- myelitis	(Chil- dren under 2
a the risk o	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
England & Wales	81	83	80	66	67	65	31
Westmor- land	86	86	86	69	69	54	41

Appendices A, B and C show, in the form submitted to the Department of Health and Social Security, details of the work done during 1969, whilst the above Table, showing the percentages of children vaccinated against various diseases in Westmorland, together with comparable national figures, has been supplied by the Department.

The figures in columns (1) - (6) are calculated to show the percentage of children born in 1967 and 1968, who have been vaccinated at any time.

Column 7 includes only children who were vaccinated during 1969 and were under 2 years old at the time, and is calculated as a percentage of children born during 1968.

Investigation of returns over a number of years indicates that by the time they attain the age of 5 years approximately 90% of the children in the County of Westmorland have received a primary course of protection against diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus and poliomyelitis, and approximately 55% against smallpox.

#### APPENDIX A

#### SMALLPOX VACCINATION

Year Ended 31st December, 1969

Age at date of	Number of Persons Vaccinated (or revaccinated during period)				
Vaccination	Number vaccinated	Number revaccinated			
0 - 3 months 3 - 6 months 6 - 9 months 9 - 12 months 1 year 2 - 4 years 5 - 15 years	7 2 4 42 399 139 35	- - - - 3 50			
TOTAL	628	53			

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#### TUBERCULIN TEST AND B.C.G. VACCINATION

#### Year Ended 31st December, 1969

Number of persons vaccinated through the Authority's approved arrangements under Section 28 of the National Health Service Act.

#### A. CONTACTS

(1)	No.	skin tested		40				
(ii)	No.	found positive		10				
(iii)	No.	found negative	21	30				
(iv)	No.	vaccinated		47	(this	includes	infants	vaccinated

without previous testing).

#### B. SCHOOL CHILDREN AND STUDENTS

(i)	No.	skin tested	 747
(ii)	No.	found positive	 12
(iii)	No.	found negative	 716
(iv)	No.	vaccinated	 716

#### APPENDIX C

#### VACCINATION OF PERSONS UNDER AGE 16 COMPLETED DURING 1969

Table 1 - Completed Primary Courses - Number of persons under age 16.

Type of vaccine or dose	1969		of b:		1962-65	Others under age 16	Total
1. Quadruple DTPP 2. Triple DTP 3. Diphtheria/Pertussis	80	- 464 -	-	- 4	6	- 11	- 591 -
4. Diphtheria/Tetanus 5. Diphtheria 6. Pertussis	-	1 - -	1 -	2 -	11 - -	-	15 - -
7. Tetanus 8. Salk 9. Sabin 10. Measles	61		- 103 179	- 19 113	1 - 36 197	23 - 13 24	25 - 632 649
ll. Lines 1+2+3+4+5 (Diphtheria)	80	465	27	6	17	11	606
12. Lines 1+2+3+6 (Whooping cough)	80	464	26	4	6	וב	591
13. Lines 1+2+4+7 (Tetanus)	80	466	27	6	18	34	631
14. Lines 1+8+9 (Polio)	61	400	103	19	36	13	<b>6</b> 32

Table 2 - Reinforcing Doses - Number of persons under age 16

T	Type of vaccine or dose		Year of birth 1969 1968 1967 1966 1962-65					Total
	1. Quadruple DTPP 2. Triple DTP 3. Diphtheria/Pertussis	- 3 -	101	201 -	- 31 -	- 158 -	- 25 -	- 519 -
	4. Diphtheria/Tetanus 5. Diphtheria 6. Pertussis	1.1.1	13	55 - -	12	752 3 -	52 - -	884 3 -
-	7. Tetanus 8. Salk 9. Sabin 0. Measles	- 8	1 - 80 -	2 - 101 -	2 - 14 -	29 - 469 -	146 - 35 -	180 - 707 -
1	1. Lines 1+2+3+4+5 (Diphtheria)	3	114	256	43	913	77	1406
1	2. Lines 1+2+3+6 (Whooping cough)	3	101	201	31	158	25	519
1	3. Lines 1+2+4+7 (Tetanus)	3	115	258	45	939	223	1583
1	4. Lines 1+8+9 (Polio)	8	80	101	14	469	35	707

#### INFANT WELFARE CENTRES

The Local Health Authority provides 15 infant welfare centres, four of which are staffed by Health Visitors only, the remainder being attended by Local Health Authority Medical Officers. The clinics range in frequency from once weekly to once per month; Kendal and Appleby operate weekly, whilst two others operate fortnightly. The Local Health Authority provides no specialist's clinics; there are however ophthalmic, orthopaedic, paediatric and ear, nose and throat clinics run by the Regional Hospital Board to which mothers and children can have access. Owing to the scattered nature of the population many of the clinics tend to be small, but one feels that there is a definite need even for a small clinic.

In addition to the arrangements outlined on the following pages for the distribution of Welfare Foods, the Local Health Authority has also made other dried milks and nutrients available at the Kendal Infant Welfare Centre, which acts as a mother centre to all the other clinics. Details of Infant Welfare Centres in operation at the end of the year are given below:-

Area	(a=400)	Centre held at	I	Frequency of Sessions	-
Ambleside		An		Monthly Weekly	
Bampton		36		Monthly	
Bowness-on-Winde	rmere	9 00		1	
Brough		Church Hall		" TOTAL STATE	
Burneside		Bryce Institute		ii q les contre 4	
Endmoor		Working Men's Club		"	
Kendal	25	Health Services Clinic		Weekly	
Kirkby Lonsdale		Institute Hall		Monthly	
Kirkby Stephen		Youth Centre		Fortnightly	
Milnthorpe	ng	Parish Church Hall		n colasek	
Shap		Methodist Chapel Hall		Monthly	
Staveley		Working Men's Institut		"	
Tebay		Methodist Chapel Hall		II monday	
Windermere	. 585	St. John Ambulance Roo		lines legujes	

Once again thanks are due to the local branches of the British Red Cross Society, the St. John Organisation and all other voluntary workers, for their assistance in the running of the Centres.

Attend	ance at	entres	
	1967	1968	1969
Under 1 year	2,878	2,244	2,441
Over 1 year	6,655	6,274	6,129
Amount was accorded	76 0	70 0	70 7

#### DISTRIBUTION OF WELFARE FOODS

The Council is responsible for the distribution to expectant and nursing mothers and children under 5 years, of Welfare Foods, previously a function of the local offices of the Ministry of Food.

A main centre for this work was established at the Kendal Clinic, and other subsidiary centres throughout the county; some at welfare centres, others at the homes of District Nurses, others run by the various voluntary associations, and others by local shopkeepers. To all who have taken a hand in this work, the thanks of the authority and of the mothers are due.

The annual distribution figures for Welfare Foods during the preceding 14 full years during which the Local Health Authority has been responsible for distribution are given in the following table:-

Year	National	Cod	Vitamin	Orange
	Dried Milk	Liver Oil	Tablets	Juice
	Tins	Bottles	Packets	Bottles
1955	34,430	8,858	3,089 3,251 3,502 2,924 3,420 3,404 2,706 1,761 1,679 1,634 1,630 1,692 1,564 1,295	38,822
1956	33,108	7,676		40,979
1957	25,768	7,198		41,824
1958	20,894	4,301		24,875
1959	20,202	4,218		26,212
1960	18,117	4,271		24,017
1961	14,990	2,894		15,564
1962	15,423	1,263		10,513
1963	14,595	1,108		12,204
1964	13,135	1,092		12,966
1965	12,585	1,129		13,330
1966	9,156	1,017		13,447
1967	8,350	913		13,958
1968	7,846	787		14,553
	THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN 2 I			

The quantities distributed during 1969 were:-

Period	National Dried Milk Tins	Cod Liver Oil Bottles	Vitamin Tablets Packets	Orange Juice Bottles
1st Quarter	1,603	235	301	3,665
2nd Quarter	1,494	128	294	4,252
3rd Quarter	1,483	166	230	4,342
4th Quarter	1,383	237	275	3,955
Total for Year	5,963	766	1,100	16,214

Increases in the price of National Dried Milk and Orange Juice and the imposition of charges for Vitamin Tablets and Cod Liver Oil would appear to be the reason for the noticeable fall in the quantities distributed from time to time.

Whilst a more varied and adequate diet is certainly available than was the case when these supplements were first issued during wartime, it has been generally accepted that they have contributed in no small measure to the health of the young children, and it remains to be seen whether the same high standard will be maintained without them.

In addition to the commodities referred to above, a fairly wide selection of proprietary infant foods and vitamin supplements is available at the Kendal Clinic for purchase at favourable rates. Foods to the value of £2,225 were disposed of during the 1969-70 financial year.

#### CHIROPODY

At the end of April, 1960, the approval of the Ministry was received to the Council's proposals to provide a Chiropody Service. The approved proposals are as follows:-

The Council will provide a chiropody service by utilising the services of qualified chiropodists or by aiding voluntary bodies willing to assist in the provision of the service.

Priority will be given to the elderly, physically handicapped and expectant mothers.

The services will initially be based on Kendal and will be extended as circumstances permit to the remainder of the County. The frequency of the service to be provided in any particular part of the County will depend on the demand for the service and the availability of qualified chiropodists.

Where possible use will be made of the Council's clinics, but use will also be made of other suitable premises, including chiropodists' own surgeries, and domiciliary visits will be paid where necessary.

Until July 1967, the work was carried out by a full-time chiropodist who undertook all surgery and domiciliary work in the Kendal, Lakes, and South Westmorland areas, whilst two part-time chiropodists dealt with the cases in the extreme north of the area. Due to the increasing demands on the service, a second full-time chiropodist was appointed on 1st August, 1967, and all the work under the Council's scheme has, since that date been undertaken by the two full-time officers. Since October, 1969, a part-time Chiropodist has been employed in the Patterdale area.

The Ministry now requires the submission of statistics relating to chiropody treatment, and the following is a simplified version of the return for the year ended 31st December, 1969:-

Number of persons treated:-

(i) Persons aged 65 and over (ii) Expectant mothers (iii) Others	1,518
	1,521
Number of treatments given:-	Nursee, e
(i) In clinics (ii) In patients' homes (iii) In old people's homes (iv) In chiropodists' surgeries	3,644 1,520 817 21
	6,002

#### CERVICAL CYTOLOGY

The Health Committee first considered this matter early in 1965, at which stage the Ministry of Health were disposed to regard cytological screening as primarily a personal preventive technique for the family doctor, with local health authorities providing facilities only to the extent that such provision was necessary to complement the work of the general practitioners.

After consultation with the Regional Hospital Boards, Consultant Pathologists, and the Local Medical Committee it became apparent that because of limited facilities for examining these specimens at the pathological laboratories, it would be a better arrangement if the clinics were operated under the aegis of the Health Department, and an appropriate amendment of the Council's Proposals for carrying out the duties under the National Health Service Act was submitted to the Minister in July 1965.

Discussion of details with various interested persons and bodies, and the continuing shortage of qualified laboratory technicians delayed the introduction of the scheme until May 1966. When applications for the tests were first invited, the response, in relation to the limited capacity of the laboratories to examine the smears, was overwhelming, and from May to December 1966, 193 tests, all that the laboratory could accept, were carried out.

By the end of 1966 the laboratory was in a position to deal with up to 40 specimens per month and the waiting list was soon cleared, since when the response to repeated advertisement has been somewhat disappointing, a situation which has been commented on in many parts of the country. During 1969, 265 new patients were examined: 242 were normal, 13 required treatment for non-malignant conditions, 9 specimens were technically unsatisfactory, and 1 suspicious case was reported.

All cases requiring further investigation or treatment are referred to the family doctor for treatment or reference to a consultant as he may consider necessary.

Clinics are held in Kendal and arranged when the numbers warrant one. The Service is advertised in the press, approximately at three monthly intervals.

#### UNMARRIED MOTHERS AND THEIR CHILDREN

The Superintendent Nursing Officer is responsible for investigating and advising these cases, but it should be noted that by no means all unmarried expectant mothers come to her notice; some are dealt with entirely by the Diocesan Moral Welfare Workers, whilst in other cases the girl's family are able, and willing, to make all necessary arrangements for the confinement and subsequent care of the baby.

Births of Illegitimate Chi	ldren	notif	ied	1.	40
Confinements in:- Mother's own home Helme Chase Maternity Ho Penrith Maternity Home City Maternity Hospital, Other addresses		isle	in hills	edd Bo	- 32 3 - 5
Disposal of Infants:-  Mother keeping baby Baby in care of aunt Baby died Left district To foster parents Adopted Parents now married					32 - - 4 - 2 2

Institutional accommodation for these cases is provided under arrangements made with the undermentioned voluntary homes:-

#### St. Monica's Maternity Home, Kendal

The Home possesses 21 maternity beds, and during the year 52 maternity cases were admitted, for 15 of whom the Westmorland County Council assumed financial responsibility.

In the case of this Home the apparently low number of admissions relative to the number of beds is largely explained by the fact that patients are admitted at least a month before confinement and retained for at least six weeks afterwards, so as to afford an opportunity for the making of arrangements for the care of the babies.

Cases are also sent to Mother and Baby Homes outside the County when these seem appropriate to the circumstances of particular cases, and in an increasing number of such cases the Diocesan Moral Welfare Workers are now recommending this.

#### CARE OF PREMATURE INFANTS

The following Table gives details of premature infants born to Westmorland mothers during 1969:-

Born in Hospital: Stillbirths			4
Live Births Died within 24 hours of birth Died between 1 and 7 days of birth			6
Survived 28 days	•••		34
Born at Home or Nursing Home			
Stillbirths			-
nursing home	pla	14	1
Died within 24 hours of birth		000	-
Died between 1 and 7 days of birth			
Survived 28 days			1
Live Births transferred to Hospital			-
Died within 24 hours of birth			-
Died between 1 and 7 days of birth			-
Survived 28 days			-

#### REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES

(Sections 187 to 194 of the Public Health Act, 1936)

There were 2 registered homes at the end of the year, providing beds for 21 maternity patients and 31 other patients. One other home surrendered its Certificate of Registration during the year. They have been inspected at regular intervals.

In August 1963, the Minister of Health made "The Conduct of Nursing Homes Regulations, 1963", which enable registration authorities to ensure that standards of accommodation, staffing, equipment and facilities generally are appropriate to the type of work done, and the kind of patients accommodated in the home. The authority is also enabled to prescribe the number of patients (both in total, and of any particular type) who may be kept in the home at any time.

These Regulations fill a long-felt need in the field of Nursing Homes Registration, as under the provisions of the Public Health Act, 1936, it was almost impossible to exert any form of control over a Nursing Home once it had been registered.

It is pleasing to be able to report that such changes as were felt to be necessary in the Nursing Homes registered by this Council were in general agreed with the proprietors without resorting to the formal procedure provided for in the Regulations.

The conditions of the homes were satisfactory.

## REGISTRATION OF DAY NURSERIES AND CHILD MINDERS

Under the Nurseries and Child Minders Regulation Act, 1948, the Local Health Authority was required to register, and empowered to supervise:-

- (a) premises in their area, (referred to as Day Nurseries) other than premises wholly or mainly used as private dwellings, where children were received to be looked after for the day or a substantial part thereof, and
- (b) persons, (referred to as Daily Minders) who for reward received into their own homes children under the age of five, to be looked after for the day or a substantial part thereof.

The Act did not apply to residential nurseries or to foster parents, nor was it an offence for a daily minder to receive into her home up to two children of whom she was not the relative, or more than two children from the same household.

The demand for registration of premises or persons was never heavy and apart from one daily minder, generally known in the locality as a "nursery school", though not recognised as such by the Department of Education and Science, who has been registered continuously since June, 1956, a further nursery was registered in 1965, a nursery (belonging to a local factory) and one daily minder, were registered in 1966, and one further nursery in 1967. One or two other persons applied for registration either of themselves or premises, but either did not proceed with their applications or relinquished their Certificates of Registration after very short periods.

About the latter part of 1967 however, considerable interest in day nurseries (usually described as "Play Groups" or Nursery Schools) became apparent and a further 5 nurseries and one child minder were registered during 1968.

Amendments to the Nurseries and Child Minders Regulation Act, 1948, enacted in the Health Services and Public Health Act, 1968, which became operative on 1st November, 1968, extended the scope of the original Act and strengthened local authorities' powers in the following directions:-

- (a) a period of two hours in the day (or an aggregate of two hours), was substituted for "a substantial part of the day",
- (b) the provision that an offence is committed by a daily minder only if she received more than two children from more than one household is deleted and an offence is now committed by any unregistered person who receives into her home for reward one or more children to whom she is not related.
- (c) the maximum penalties for offences are increased to a fine of £50 for a first offence, and for a subsequent offence, to imprisonment for up to three months, a fine not exceeding £100, or both.

The authority is also enabled to refuse to register persons or premises because of the condition, situation, construction, or size of the premises, or the condition of the equipment thereof, or for reasons connected with other persons in the premises concerned. A statement is also required that no person to be employed, or who lives at the premises would be disqualified under the Children Act, 1958, from taking foster children without the consent of the local authority, or has had a child removed from her care under the Adoption Act, 1958.

When registering a person for the care of children in her own home the authority may determine the maximum number of children to be received, and make requirements concerning the number and qualifications of the persons who are to look after the children, the safety and maintenance of the premises and equipment, the feeding of the children and the keeping of records regarding them.

Power is also given to any person authorised by the authority to enter and inspect the home of any registered daily minder, the children received there and the arrangements made for them, including the records. Such a power previously existed only with regard to premises registered as a nursery, the only power of entry to a home being by virtue of a warrant obtained where admission had been refused and there was reason to believe that children were being received in contravention of the 1948 Act.

When enquiries or applications for new registrations are received, in respect either of persons or premises, the County Medical Officer of Health investigates the matter in person, gives such advice as is necessary, and when, in his opinion, the circumstances so require, obtains the advice of the Fire Prevention Officer. The Council has authorised the Clerk of the Council to effect registration in any case in which a satisfactory report has been received from the County Medical Officer and in which the applicant has accepted any recommendation which he may have considered necessary.

The General Purposes Panel has been authorised to determine applications where unfavourable reports may be made, but this has not so far been necessary, as in the few cases where the County Medical Officer has not felt able, for any reason, to recommend registration, the applicant has either found alternative accommodation or has decided not to proceed with her application.

Follow-up inspections of registered premises or persons have in the past been made either by the Deputy County Medical Officer or an experienced Health Visitor, and it is intended that such visits should be made, without prior notice, at intervals of not more than 6 months, normally by a member of the Council's nursing staff.

## DENTAL TREATMENT FOR EXPECTANT AND NURSING MOTHERS AND YOUNG CHILDREN

During 1969, 95 sessions were devoted to the treatment of mothers and young children. In addition, the equivalent of 10 sessions was devoted to discussions and talks with mothers attending baby clinics.

My thanks to the nursing staff, as always, for their continued help and co-operation in referring patients and for their constant dental health education of these priority groups by increasing their awareness, where necessary, of the advantages of regular dental attention.

M. D. McGARRY.

Part A. Attendances and Treatment.

Number of Visits for Treatment during year

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a to surriver series of Stanes like wine to	Children 0 - 4(incl.)	Expectant and Nursing Mothers			
First Visit	170	69			
Subsequent Visits	94	164			
Total Visits	264	233			
Number of Additional Courses of Treat- ment other than the First Course com- menced during the year	63	22			
Treatment provided during the year - Number of Fillings	233	284			
Teeth Filled	205	259			
Teeth Extracted	87	58			
General Anaesthetics given	39	4			
Emergency Visits by Patients	17	1 0			
Patients X-rayed	3	19			
Patients Treated by Scaling and/or Removal of Stains from the teeth (Prophylaxis)	3	41			
Teeth Otherwise Conserved	72	shability in a street			
Teeth Root Filled Inlays		3			
Crowns		5			
Number of Courses of treatment com- pleted during the Year	213	73			

#### Part B. Prosthetics

Patients	Supplied	with	F.U.	or F	.L.	(First	Time)	 	5
Patients	Supplied	with	other	r Den	ture	s		 	5
Number of	Dentures	Supp	plied	war.	.079	day ou	1000	 	15

### Part C. Anaesthetics

General Anaesthetics Administered by Dental Officers .. 38

#### Part D. Inspections

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Number of Patients given First Inspections during year	A. 329	D. 83
Number of Patients in A and D above who required Treatment	В. 189	E. 69
Number of Patients in B and E above who were offered Treatment	C. 189	F. 69

#### Part E. Sessions

Number of Dental Officer Sessions (i.e. Equivalent Complete Half Days) devoted to Maternity and Child Welfare Patients:

For	Treatment		10.00	 G.	95
For	Health Educati	on		H.	10

#### HOME HELP SERVICE

The Home Help Service is available to those in need of domestic help for such reasons as: old age, infirmity, confinement, physical disability, mental strain or disability, general illness, pre-operative and post-operative care, and for the care of young children during the absence of their mother.

Help is given on the recommendation of a doctor, midwife, health visitor, district nurse, medical social worker, mental health worker, welfare worker, etc. Any direct application from a prospective patient or unqualified person is carefully checked and help is only given if the Organiser is satisfied there is a real need. If the Organiser is doubtful she seeks the advice of the family doctor.

Prospective patients are visited before help is arranged. The question of charges is discussed and settled as far as possible. Payment for the service is made at the full cost rate of 7/- per hour or alternatively an assessment form is completed and the patient is charged on an income and expenditure basis. If the head of the family is in employment the assessment is based on his gross pay plus family allowances and any other income. If the patient is retired, income from all sources is taken into account, capital assets being dealt with in the manner laid down by the Ministry of Social Security Act. The following scale of allowances is used, when determining the charge.

#### Basic Expenditure (Normal Requirements)

Husband and Wife For person living alone who is a householder	£ 6 4	s. 13 1	
For Dependants			
Over 21  Over 18 - under 21  Over 16 - under 18  Over 11 - under 16  Over 5 - under 11  Under 5	2	9 15 7 15 8 3	0
Rent and Rates Hire Purchase Payments when in respect of necessary household furniture		Actua	
Resident Home Help	1	13	6
Lodgers	1	5	6
Sons and Daughters (not dependants):  Over 21 Under 21	1	5 14	6

Administration of the Home Help Service is probably one of the most relatively costly branches of the Health Committee's functions. Not only is the supervision of the workers and allocation of their services a time-consuming job, but the checking of time-sheets, allocation of the time to individual patients for recharging purposes, recording of the charges due, rendering accounts, receiving payments, assessing and reassessing charges due, involve an enormous amount of the time of the staff of the Health and Treasurer's Department, relative to the cost of the actual useful work done for the patients, despite every effort to reduce paper-work to absolute essentials.

#### MIDWIVES' ACT

Total number of Midwives practising at the end of the year	50
District Nurse Midwives	32
Midwives in Institutions:-	
(a) Helme Chase Maternity Home (b) St. Monica's Maternity Home, Kendal	12 6 18
Midwives' Notification Forms received during 1969 were as followed	ows:-
Sending for Medical Aid	1 10 - 1

#### CARE OF BLIND PERSONS

Under the National Assistance Act, 1948, the County Council no longer has the power to give financial assistance to blind persons, but it is required to "make arrangements for promoting the welfare" not only of blind persons but also of the partially-sighted. Administrative responsibility for this work devolves upon the Council's Social Welfare Department, but the County Medical Officer is responsible for advising the Committee on "all matters relating to health or medical services arising in connection with the Council's functions under the Act . . including, in particular, arrangements for the medical examination of applicants for registration as blind persons."

## MENTAL HEALTH

The Training Centre has again proved very popular and is now in the position of having a small waiting-list. The Special Care Unit has proved its worth by taking some of the burden off parents who have hitherto been tied to the house by reason of a severely subnormal child. The Centre is now producing a range of useful household articles and even does picture framing.

## AMBULANCE SERVICE

The Ambulance and Sitting Case-car Service have functioned with their customary efficiency during the past year.

AMBULANCE SERVICE 1st January - 31st December, 1969

Patients Carried

CALLS

Abortive

				51	
Mileage	81,010 5,234 15,564 11,838	113,646	105,869		
Total	3,409	3,953	3,428		
and Service Journeys	80246	103	110		1967
Patient Carrying Journeys	3,324 153 225 148	3,850	3,318		1969 1968 28.75 30.88
Total	4,740 207 261 179	5,387	4,013	1967	27.35 35.87 62.44 74.00
Others	4,065 102 154 126	4,447	3,115	note	
Maternity	257 39 39	112	258 271	1968	25.51 34.8 64.4 78.79
Accidents	405 688 54	614	626	1969	23.47 33.13 67.96 75.4
Infectious	12 1 1 1 2 2 1 1 1	15	14,	per journey	Kendal Ambleside Appleby Kirkby Stephen
No.	2444	00	97	miles p	
Station	Kendal Ambleside Appleby K.Stephen		1968	Average mi.	

On behalf of other Authorities 76 journeys were carried out with a mileage of 2,668.

#### TUBERCULOSIS

The Tuberculosis work in the County is now divided between the Manchester and Newcastle upon Tyne Regional Hospital Boards, the former being responsible for Kendal Borough, Windermere Urban District, Lakes Urban District and South Westmorland Rural District, whilst the latter is responsible for Appleby Borough and North Westmorland Rural District.

The co-ordination of the prevention and treatment aspects of the tuberculosis problem is secured through the arrangements made by the Local Health Authority under which the Consultant Chest Physicians employed by the Manchester and Newcastle upon Tyne Regional Hospital Boards act as the Council's Tuberculosis Officers for the parts of the County falling under their jurisdiction for diagnostic and treatment purposes. The Chest Physicians give general directions to the work of the Tuberculosis Visitors.

The County Council has also agreed to accept financial responsibility for cases where admission to a rehabilitation colony or village settlement is recommended by the Tuberculosis Officers, but it is many years since this was found necessary.

Since 1949 B.C.G. vaccination has been available under arrangements with, and on the advice of, the Chest Physicians to contacts who appeared particularly susceptible to the disease, and during 1969 40 contacts were tested, of whom 10 were found positive. 47 contacts were vaccinated. This latter figure includes a number of newborn infants vaccinated without any preliminary skin test.

Since the Spring of 1955 B.C.G. Vaccination has been available to schoolchildren between their thirteenth and fourteenth birthdays in accordance with the suggestions of Ministry of Health Circular 22/53, and from May 1959 this was extended to all young persons in attendance at schools or other educational establishments.

The following Table gives details of the work done under the scheme during 1969:-

Number Skin Tested	Found Positive	Vaccinated
747	12	716

A significant feature of this work is the almost uninterrupted fall in the number of children showing a positive reaction to the test (indicating that they have previously been exposed to infection) since the commencement of the scheme, as shown in the following Table:-

Year.			Percentag found		
1955				4.0	
1956				5.6	
1957				7.6	
1958			2	8.0	
1959			1	4.3	
1960			1	5.6	
1961			1	0.7	
1962		5		7.8	
1963				7.9	
1964				4.6	
1965				4.1	
1966				3.4	
1967				3.6	
1968				1.2	
1969				1.7	

### TUBERCULOSIS

In the following table are the figures for the notifications of, and death from Tuberculosis in 1969:-

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Age Periods	Respi	iratory		on- iratory	Respi	iratory		n- ratory
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65	1	2	-		-	-	% <u>-</u>	-
75	-	-	-	-	- 1	-	-	-
1969	2	2	-	2	-	-	-	-
1968	5	2	-	1		-	-	-

## TUBERCULOSIS AND OTHER CHEST DISEASES NORTH WESTMORLAND

1969 has seen some notable changes at the chest centre. With the retirement of Dr. Morton in August, the medical staff has been reduced by 33\frac{1}{3}\text{%}. During the year reductions of 33\frac{1}{3}\text{%} have been made in nursing staff and of 25\text{%} in clerical staff.

As the number of new patients referred to the chest centre has shown a reduction of only 162 over 1968, some streamlining of the work has been necessary to prevent the service being completely overwhelmed. Many cases of chronic non-tuberculous respiratory disease are no longer being seen at the chest centre routinely, but only at the request of their doctors, and the unrewarding long-term follow-up of contacts of successfully treated cases of tuberculosis has also been curtailed. It remains to be seen whether these measures are sufficient or whether some curtailment of the present service will be unavoidable.

The new X-ray Department at the City General Hospital was opened in the latter part of the year. Although much less convenient for our patients, who now have to go outside to the new building for their x-rays, a more rapid and efficient service is provided.

A total of 9,637 attendances was recorded at the chest centre during the year, of these 1,437 were new cases; this compares with 1,772 new cases seen at the medical out-patient clinics.

### Tuberculosis

Table I shows the number of cases of tuberculosis on the Register at 31.12.69:-

Table I

	East	Carlisle	North
	Cumberland	City	Westmorland
Respiratory	130	145	16
Non-Respiratory	18	21	2
Total	148	166	18

63 cases were removed from the Register during the year, of which 29 died of various causes.

Table 2 shows the number of new cases diagnosed during the year, for the three areas of East Cumberland, the City of Carlisle, and North Westmorland, and the the previous five years:-

Table 2

Year	East	Carlisle	North
	Cumberland	City	Westmorland
1964	25	14	3
1965	14	20	-
1966	11	20	4
1967	23	13	2
1968	6	12	1
1969	10	12	1

The 11 remaining beds at Blencathra Hospital were given up during the year, all patients now being treated either in Ward 18 at the Cumberland Infirmary or at Longtown Hospital.

The number of chest beds available during 1969 with the number of patients discharged during the years 1968 and 1969 are shown in Table 3.

Table 3

Hospital	Beds	No.discharged	No.discharged
	available	in 1969	in 1968
Ward 18, Cumberland Infirmary Longtown Hospital Blencathra	13 26 * Nil	247 115 24	239 134 29

\* since September 1969.

Two effective new drugs - Rifampicin and Ethambutol - have become available during 1969 and these have proved valuable in treatment of the few drug resistant patients. Any but the most advanced case of tuberculosis can now be almost guaranteed a cure if the correct treatment is given. The old problems remain - the patient who stops taking his drugs after discharge from hospital, the vagrant who decamps in the middle of his treatment, and the contact who refuses to attend for examination.

A disquieting fact is that of the 18 new cases of respiratory tuberculosis notified in 1969, 14 or 77% had a positive sputum test; five years ago this was about 30%. A number of these patients had extensive disease and must have been infectious for months before diagnosis. One wonders whether the absence of mobile mass radiography during the last two years has any bearing on the failure to diagnose cases in the early stages.

Examination of contacts has continued as before. We depend upon the local Authority nurses to supply the names and addresses of those who should be examined. All contacts under the age of 21 are Mantoux tested, and negative reactors are vaccinated with B.C.G. vaccine.

A total of 1,296 new cases were seen compared to 112 for 1968. One case of notifiable disease resulted from these examinations.

Table 4 shows the number of B.C.G. vaccinations carried out during the year:-

Table 4

ton is dramatically a	Male	Female	Total
Carlisle City East Cumberland North Westmorland Hospital staffs	45 28 2 6	40 32 9 55	85 60 11 61
	81	136	217

The routine examination of all Mantoux positive schoolchildren has been continued. No case of active disease has been found amongst these children during the year.

### Bronchial carcinoma

Table 5 shows the number of new cases of bronchial carcinoma seen during the year; the figures show an increase of one case.

Table 5

25 14	Males	Females	Total
East Cumberland New cases Submitted for surgery	21	4 -	25 6
Carlisle City New cases Submitted for surgery	16	8 -	24
North Westmorland New cases Submitted for surgery	8 -	1 famino	9

17 cases were discovered by Mass Radiography. The outlook remains extremely depressing and 23 of the 58 cases diagnosed had died before the end of the year. There have been no new developments in treatment and prevention remains of prime importance. It is surprising how many of these patients are able to give up smoking cigarettes after the diagnosis has been made and sad that so few smokers are able to stop before they

become ill.

Some of these patients have received palliative radiotherapy at Carlisle and others at Newcastle.

### Asthma

Asthma is becoming more prevalent and several interesting discoveries have been made in the past few years. The importance of allergy to the house dust mite as a cause of asthma has been established, and also the place of the mould Aspergillus Fumigatus in the production of transient x-ray shadows. The risk of sudden death from over-dosage of packet inhalers is now accepted. Finally, the place of the new drug Di sodium cromoglycare (Intal), which is dramatically successful in some cases of asthma is becoming clearer.

An attempt is being made to put the treatment of asthma on a more scientific basis through the use of sensitivity tests and tests of lung function.

### Mass Radiography

The static unit at 1, Brunswick Street has continued to operate throughout the year and there has been an increase in the number of films taken. Table 6 is a summary of the work done.

Table 6

angulouse Laldemond to measo what to	1969	1968	1967
Miniature films	6,419	6,259	5,726
	324	360	316
	4	3	7
	14	25	9
	5	7	19
	17	15	17
	1	1	-
	2	2	3
	29	36	29
	3,152	2,966	2,719
	37	251	59
	2,416	2,368	2,335
	814	667	613

The value of a mass radiography unit tends to be judged by the number of cases of active tuberculosis discovered, and such cases may not seem an impressive total, but many other significant abnormalities are brought to light through mass radiography, not all of which are specified in the table. Negative reports may also, of course, be most valuable.

### Acknowledgements

My thanks are due to Dr. H.L.R. Sargant and to the nursing and clerical staff for their hard work and co-operation during the past year.

R. J. C. SOUTHERN, M.B., M.R.C.P.

Consultant Chest Physician.

TABLE I

ANTE-NATAL, MOTHERCRAFT and RELAXATION CLASSES

Number of women who	Institutional booked	312
attended during the year	Domiciliary booked	1
coverses the design of the	Total	313
Total attendances during th	e year	1,514

### TABLE II

### DOMESTIC HELP

(1)	Aged 65 vear	s or o	ver			 	352
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	Mentally dis				 	 • • •	2
(4)	Maternity					 	15
(5)	Others				 	 	17

### TABLE III

### HOME NURSING

Production and Service Sandard Constitution of the Constitution of	Persons aged under 5 yrs.at first visit	Persons aged 5-65 yrs.at first visit	Persons aged over 65 yrs.at first visit	Totals
No.of persons nursed during the year	180	867	2,295	3,342
No.of visits paid during year	675	12,415	53,582	66,672

CHILD WELFARE CENTRES

TABLE IV

1 88	19	
of were	1964-67	3328
Total attendances of children who were born in:-	1968	2801
atte child	1969	2801
Total number of	sessions	267
У	Hospital Medical Staff	
sessions held by	Health G.Ps. on Fisitors sessional	93
No. of sessi	Health Visitors	76
No	Medical Officers	80
No.of children who attended and who were born in:-	1968 1964-67	422
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No. of cases visited	911,1	1,447	2,427	1,116 1,447 2,427 4,990	312	312 735	32	45	182	29
No. of visits	7,937	5,593	7,494	7,937 5,593 7,494 21,024 1,463 4,087	1,463	4,087	151	89	687	78

TABLE VI

DELIVERIES ATTENDED BY DOMICILIARY MIDWIVES

Number of cases delivered in hospitals and other institutions but discharged and attended by domiciliary midwives before 10th day	to bediete applied three common alegals of the common and the comm	1,063
attended ments	Total	31
Number of domiciliary confinements attended by midwives under N.H.S. arrangements	Doctor booked	28
Number of domicil	Doctor not booked	3

TABLE VII

AMBULANCE SERVICES

Dioagging 3	No. of Vehicles at 31.12.69.	Total No. of patients	Total No. of Journeys	No. of emergency patients included in col.(3)	Total mileage during period
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(9)
Ambulances Cars	See below*	5,387	3,953	4L9 24,8	113,646

NOTE - \* The Sitting-case Car Service was provided by voluntary drivers and taxis.

4.3

MENTAL HEALTH ACT, 1959
PATIENTS IN COMMUNITY CARE

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### STAFF OF THE SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE

Principal School Medical Officer - JOHN A. GUY, M.D., D.P.H.

Deputy Principal School Medical Officer I.S. BAILEY, M.A., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.

Principal School Dental Officer - M. D. McGARRY, L.D.S.

School Dental Officers -

J. B. MILLAR, B.D.S., L.D.S.

B. C. TOMLINSON, L.D.S., R.C.S. (Resigned 31.7.69)

A. DUNN, B.D.S.

K. M. BURNETT, B.D.S. (Commenced 1.8.69)

Audiometrician - Part-time: MRS. V. I. BIELBY.

### SPECIAL CLINICS AND CONSULTANTS

Diseases of the Eye - O. M. DUTHIE, M.D., F.R.C.S.

Diseases of the Chest -

Dr. W. HUGH MORTON, Consultant Chest Physician, Chest Centre, Carlisle. (retired 12.8.69).

Dr. R.J.C. SOUTHERN. (Commenced 12.8.69). (Consultant Chest Physician).

Dr. R. DOUGLAS YOUNG, Consultant Chest Physician, Lancaster and Kendal.

Consulting Psychiatrists -

Dr. R. C. CUNNINGHAM, Medical Superintendent, Royal Albert Hospital, Lancaster.

Dr. J. CURRAH, M.B., B.S., D.P.M., Consultant Child Psychiatrist, Lancaster Moor Hospital, Lancaster.

### THE EDUCATION AREA

Journ	Area Popula	tion		mate	 ed mid-1969 'ld. Rate,		/70	504,917 71,710 £10,542	acres
	Number	of	School	s -	Primary Secondary			80	
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	Number	of	pupils	100	nuary 1969 Primary	) -	90510	6,427	
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### MILK IN SCHOOLS SCHEME

The Local Education Authority now enters into annual contracts with dairymen for the supply of milk to schools. The responsibility of the Principal School Medical Officer for approving the source of supply remains unaffected. Despite efforts to obtain the safest milk available, too many schools are still supplied with Untreated Milk, and the position cannot be regarded as entirely satisfactory until all supplies are heat-treated and delivered in one-third pint bottles.

### County Schools

	No.of	schools
Desi	ignation of milk supplies.	
	Untreated Pasteurised	22 59
		81
	Number of schools taking milk in other than $\frac{1}{3}$ pint containers	13

By arrangement with the Council's sampling Officer, milk supplied to schools is submitted to bacteriological and pathological examination periodically, and out of 44 samples taken 11 failed to satisfy the prescribed tests.

From the end of the Summer Term, 1968, supplies of milk to all schools, maintained or independent, having senior pupils on their registers, were terminated as part of the Government's economy measures, and the Local Education Authority, owing to the need to curtail its expenditure, no longer felt it possible to continue to supply milk under this scheme to any Independent School after the end of the 1968-69 financial year.

### Infestation (Uncleanliness)

During the past year 19,860 examinations were carried out by the District Nurses, and the number of children found to be infested with lice or nits was 115 compared with 84 during the previous year. These figures show an unwelcome increase over the record low figure reported in 1965, but compare favourably with 708 children found unclean in 1945.

The following Table shows the incidence of infestation during the past ten years.

Year	o.of exami			of chil	Per cent of children found unclean.		
1960 1961 1962 1963 1964 1965 1966 1967	18,693 19,124 19,287 18,736 18,502 16,956 15,691 19,029			107 94 82 110 71 35 72 71		1.5% 1.8% 1.3% 1.7% 1.0% 0.5% 1.0%	
1968	 16,615	entat al	•••	115	 00.1.00	1.1%	

The numbers of individual pupils found unclean are expressed in the right-hand column of the foregoing Table as a percentage of the number of pupils on the registers during the respective years.

### Ear, Nose and Throat Conditions

The enlargement of tonsils and adenoids now comprise only a small proportion of the list of defects found at school medical inspection to require treatment, and it is interesting to note that although only 10 pupils were referred to hospital on account of this defect as a result of school medical inspection, evidence is available to show that no less than 125 children received operative treatment for adenoids and chronic tonsillitis during the year. This no doubt reflects largely the fact that patients are now usually referred to hospital by the School Medical Officer only after repeated observation and also that by far the majority of the children are referred for this operation by their family doctors.

The Department of Education and Science is interested in the wide variations in the proportion of children in different parts of the country who have undergone tonsillectomy and is now asking medical officers to record for each child seen at periodic inspection whether he or she has undergone the operation at any previous time.

The figures observed in this County in 1969 are as follows:-

		No. examined	No.who had had tonsillectomy	Percentage
Entrants		1,117	10	0.9
Intermedia	tes	1,002	93	9.0
Leavers	90 03 1	700	90	12.9
Others		293	53	18.1

Children with special defects or abnormalities are referred to the hospitals in Kendal, Lancaster and Carlisle, to be seen by the consulting surgeons. This procedure has been helpful in dealing with such cases as chronic otorrhoea, increasing deafness and infected sinuses, and particularly children found to be deaf as a result of routine audiometric surveys in the schools. The following list illustrates the type of case referred:-

Condition	No.of children referred.
Defective hearing	 20
Enlarged tonsils and adenoids with other symptoms	 10
Other ear, nose and throat defects and infections	 5

### Speech Therapy

Numbe	er of	children	who	have	attended	for	Speech	
							Therapy	 112
Numbe	er of	attendand	es :	made	foresoin		ho.mol	 1,728

Up to the time of writing we have still been unable to obtain a permanent full-time Speech Therapist to replace Miss Cade who resigned in August 1963, although, since April 1966, we have had the part-time services of Mrs. Spencer, and, since 1st November, 1968, the whole-time services of Miss Wilkinson, who was available until the summer of 1969. Miss Wilkinson left on the 31st July 1969.

### Audiometric Surveys

In 1960 the Committee decided to institute routine audiometric surveys of children in attendance at maintained schools in the County. Now that this work is carried out by a part-time member of the staff who has no other duties it is possible to arrange the programme at times more convenient to the schools, and arrangements were made for the Audiometrician to receive instruction at Mr. Freeman's Ear, Nose and Throat Clinic, and also to attend a course of instruction in this work at Manchester University.

The normal procedure is for all children in attendance at a school to be subjected to a Sweep Test, using the Amplivox Pure Tone Audiometer. Any children failing to respond satisfactorily to this test are investigated more fully by being given a more thorough test either at the school, or if, as frequently happens, conditions there are unsatisfactory on account of noise, etc., at a clinic. Many failures at Sweep Test may be due to catarrhal conditions, and when these exist the test is repeated when the condition has resolved.

Children whose response to further testing is still unsatisfactory are then seen by a member of the Medical Staff of the Department who decides in each case whether reference to an Ear, Nose and Throat Consultant is necessary.

Figures showing the work undertaken in this connection are given below: -

Schools visited	 50
Number of children Sweep tested	 1,093
Number of diagnostic tests	 177
Requiring further investigation	 131

### Child Guidance Clinic

Since 29th July, 1968, the Authority has had the services for one day per week of Dr. Joan Currah, Consultant Child Psychiatrist of the new Child Psychiatric Unit set up by the Manchester Regional Hospital Board at Lancaster Moor Hospital. Dr. Currah holds regular clinics in Kendal.

The services of Dr. R. C. Cunningham continue to be available for advice in cases of mental abnormality and educational matters relative thereto.

Number	of	cases during	1969	 	55
Number	of	attendances		 	263

### School Clinics

The Department has requested that this Report should give the location and details of the sessionsheld at the School Clinics, and the relevant information is given below:

Location	Types of Clinics	of Sessions
Health Services Clinic, Kendal	Dental treatment Ophthalmic examination Speech Therapy Vaccination Child Guidance	Daily Weekly As required As required Weekly
U.D.C. Offices, Ambleside.	Dental	As required
Appleby Clinic	Dental Vaccination	As required As required

### Orthopaedic Scheme

All cases within reasonable reach of Kendal are referred to the Orthopaedic Out-Patient Department at the Westmorland County Hospital, and Mr. Kitchin, the Orthopaedic Specialist, has undertaken to arrange for remedial exercises, etc., and follow-up treatment of these cases.

Number of children known to be attending Hospital Out-Patient Departments during the year was 111.

### Handicapped Pupils

Under the Education Act, 1944, it is the duty of the Local Education Authority to ascertain what children require special educational treatment. These children are usually reported by the school-teachers or the Educational Adviser to the School Medical Officer who examines them and reports to the Local Education Authority. The number of cases examined during the year was 47, of whom 12, were recommended for admission to Special Schools for educationally subnormal pupils, 1 for partially hearing pupils, and 1 for blind pupils.

In addition, 2 children were found to be ineducable and recommended for action under Section 57(4), Education Act, 1944. Thirteen children were referred for further examination after a trial period; 15 children were recommended for special help in ordinary schools, and 3 children were referred to Child Guidance Clinic. A copy of the report on each case is submitted to the Educational Adviser so that any special attention possible in the ordinary school may be given to those children needing it.

The position with regard to the placing of pupils in special boarding schools is now much improved, and the opening of Ingwell and Higham Special Schools by the Cumberland Local Education Authority, and of Eden Grove Special School as a private venture, has enabled places to be found for most of the pupils whose parents are willing for them to attend, whilst the opening of Roundhills School, Kendal, a day Special School for Educationally Subnormal Pupils has gone far to remove the main cause of objection on the part of parents, i.e. unwillingness to allow children to leave home.

I am indebted to the Director of Education for the figures in the Tables on pages 65, 66 and 67.

### Treatment of Defective Vision

All schoolchildren found to be suffering from refractive errors are referred for examination under the General Ophthalmic Service administered by the Executive Council under the National Health Service Act, and spectacles, where necessary, are supplied under the provisions of that Act. By arrangement with the Local Executive Council, sessions are held as required at the Kendal Clinic, but parents are given the opportunity to make their own arrangements with opticians if they prefer it.

Mr. O. M. Duthie, F.R.C.S., formerly Consultant Ophthalmologist at Manchester Royal Eye Hospital, now undertakes the work at the Kendal Clinic.

Children whose eye condition necessitates treatment other than the provision of spectacles are referred to the Ophthalmic Consultants at the Westmorland County Hospital or at the Cumberland Infirmary.

Total number referred for testing of vision .. 437

### B.C.G. VACCINATION OF SCHOOLCHILDREN

A full report on the B.C.G. Vaccination arrangements is given in the Report of the County Medical Officer of Health, but it may be mentioned here that during 1969 the following work relating to schoolchildren was undertaken:-

Number	Number	Number	Percentage
Skin Tested	Positive	Vaccinated	Positive
747	12	716	1.7

The percentage of children found positive shows a slight increase on the figure for the previous year,

### POLIOMYELITIS VACCINATION

This work is carried out under the control of the Local Health Authority, but I would here like to acknowledge once again the ready co-operation of the teachers and their forbearance in the frequent interruption of the school routine which repeated visits to the schools in connection with this work entails.

### REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL SCHOOL DENTAL OFFICER FOR THE YEAR 1969

I have the honour to present the Annual Report for the School Dental Service for the County of Westmorland for 1969. The Statistical tables will be found on pages 63 and 64.

### Staff

The only change to report during 1969 was the resignation of Mr. B.C. Tomlinson with effect from 31st July, and his immediate replacement by Mr. K.M. Burnett who took up duty on 1st August.

### Dental Inspection and Treatment

Inspection figures overall show a 12% increase from 1968. It is unfortunate that the schedule of one of our Mobile Dental Clinics was disrupted when the Clinic was destroyed by fire in the latter part of the year.

Treatment figures show an appreciable increase. In so far as it is possible to measure the output of a dental service, the overall increase is of the order of 15%.

Output alone is not truly indicative of the success of the service but it does at least indicate the enthusiasm of the Staff.

### Dental Health Education

Slightly more time was devoted to dental health education than in 1968. A comprehensive Dental Health Exhibit was on show at the County Show in September. This included a Mobile Stand provided by the General Dental Council and one of our own Mobile Clinics. Unfortunately weather conditions affected the attendance at the Show and the exhibit did not have the impact for which we had hoped.

### Clinical Accommodation

The fixed Clinic in Kendal is satisfactory. The fixed Clinic in Appleby is substandard but we look forward to its replacement in the near future.

The part-time fixed Clinic in Ambleside is unsatisfactory and the amount of work which can be economically carried out there has fallen over the years.

As in previous years, I would strongly recommend the discontinuance of this clinic and its replacement by a Mobile Dental Clinic with much more flexible possibilities of use.

Our 10 year old Mobile Clinic was destroyed by fire as mentioned earlier in this report. The fabric is being replaced by a new caravan and the equipment is being refurbished apart from those items which have been written off and have to be replaced.

Our other Mobile Clinic is now 12 years old. Its condition is excellent for its age, but its replacement by a new vehicle with more up to date equipment must be considered within the next few years.

Our patients are entitled to treatment with the most modern equipment and techniques reasonably available. Good clinical accommodation and equipment is in itself an advertisement for the Service.

Finally, our staff, who have worked so enthusiastically must not be subjected to the frustration of working in poor accommodation or with obsolete equipment.

In conclusion, I wish to thank Dr. Guy for his continued support, the teaching staff for their generous co-operation and all members of the dental staff for another year's continuous effort on behalf of the Service.

M. D. McGARRY,

Principal School Dental Officer.

### STATISTICAL TABLES

## PART I

# MEDICAL INSPECTION OF PUPILS ATTENDING MAINTAINED PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS

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. condition	Inspected	Unsatis-	factory		No.	(4)	in E	-	10	101		1	115	1.	1	The rela	1		lin lin
Physical	of Pupils	Satis-	factory	No.	No.	(3)	991	742	509	7.1	99	38	965	137	29	22	29	200	3112
-	No. of	Pupils	Ins-	pected	0	(2)	166	742	209	17	99	38	865	137	29	22	29	002	3112
The last	Age Groups	Inspected	(By year	of birth)		(1)	1965 and later	1964	1963	1962	1961	0961	1959	1958	1957	1956	1955	earlier	Total

Nil 1 ada N Col. of percentage 4 Col. O Col. of percentage 8 M Col.

	STATE OF		B - 0	THER INS	PECTION	IS			
Number	of Spec	ial In	spections	3			1	67	7
Number	of Re-1	Inspect:	ions			. velo	F7.(8)	3,69	1
						Total	6.(6)	3,758	3
									-
			C - INFI	ESTATION	WITH VI	ERMIN			
				ations in authoris				19,860	
	otal nuinfested			dual pupi		nd to be		115	
- (		ng noti	ces were	ipils in issued (	Section	54(2),		ion 12	
	cleansir	ng orde	rs were	upils in issued (S	ection	54(3), E			
1	Act, 194	14)						NIL	

PART II. - DEFECTS FOUND BY PERIODIC AND SPECIAL MEDICAL INSPECTIONS DURING THE YEAR

Def- ect	Defect or Disease	988	Perio	odic Insp	pections	S	Special Inspec-
code			Entrants	Leavers	Others	Total	tions
4	Skin	TO	2 36	12	2 24	4 72	70-2007
5	Eyes (a) Vision	TO	11 61	16 31	52 183	79 275	11 12
18	(b) Squint	TO	12 51	1	3 16	15	-
	(c) Other	TO	- 4	-	7	11	1
6	Ears (a) Hearing	TO	6 85	1	53	8 139	1 16
	(b) Otitis Media	TO	1 35	2	25	1 62	1
	(c) Other	TO	- 2	-	-	- 3	=
7	Nose and Throat	TO	7	0.0-10	- 3 67	10	1
8	Speech	TO	217	5	2 8	289	1 1
9	Lymphatic Glands	T	21	1 -	-	30	-
10	Heart	T	180	4	49	233	- 4
11	Lungs	O	5	2	-	7	- (51)
12	Develop-(a) Hermia	T	29	1	22	55	-
	mental (b) Other	T	15 3	-	3	19	-
13	Ortho- (a) Posture	O	42	-	30	72	-
	(b) Feet	O	3	5	5	5	-
		0 T	97	21	69	187	-
7.1	(c) Other	O	20	4	16	40	1 -
14	System (a) Epilepsy	O	-	1 -	1	2	-
	(b) Other Psycho- (a) Devel-	O	15	1	11	27	1 -
15	logical (a) opment	OT	2	1	5	8	2
	(b) Stability	OT	2	7-	8	10	3
16	Abdomen	0	4	2	8	14	-
17	Other	TO	18	12	39	69	3

T = found to require treatment.
O = found to require observation.

### PART III

### A - EYE DISEASES, DEFECTIVE VISION AND SQUINT

Number of cases known to have been dealt with:	
External and other, excluding errors of refraction and squint	-
Errors of refraction, including squint	437
Additional nourses of Total	437
Number of pupils for spectacles were prescribed	189
B - DISEASES AND DEFECTS OF EAR, NOSE AND THROAT	
Number of cases known to have been treated:	
Received operative treatment:-	43.5
(a) for diseases of the ear	3
(b) for adenoids and chronic tonsillitis	125
(c) for other nose and throat conditions	18
Received other forms of treatment	13
Total	159
Total number of pupils known to have been provided with hearing aids:-	
(a) in 1969	4
(b) in previous years	21
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C - ORTHOPAEDIC AND POSTURAL DEFECTS	
Number of pupils known to have been treated:-	
(a) Treated at clinics or out-patient departments	111
(b) Treated at School for postural defects	-
	-
Total	111
realth on the than that carried out under the Authorities'	DED TO

# D - DISEASES OF THE SKIN (excluding Uncleanliness, for which see Table C of Part I)

		010 0 01	1410 17			
				Number o		
				to have	been	treated
Ringworm - (a) Scal					73-	
(b) Body	7	Auxage 9			72-1	
784 Las						
Scabies	0.				68-	
Impetigo	pedriose	ed eater w	. ppectagle		10	
Other skin diseases	7.				-	
		Tota	10.00 200		10	
		3.5			-	
	E - CHILD	GUIDANCE	TREATMENT			
E Noge and Thros	4	- 1 217 70				
Pupils treated at Ch	nild Guidanc	e Clinics	onto has to		55	
			test to			
	F - S	PEECH THE	RAPY			
Pupils treated by Sp	peech Therap	ists			112	
	G - OTHER	TREATMEN	T GIVEN			
Number of cases know	m to have h	een deelt	with.			
Number of Cases know	vii to nave b	een deart	WIGHT.			
(a) Pupils with	n minor ailm	ents			-	
(b) Pupils who				atment		
	ol Health Se		CONTRACTOR PROPERTY.		10	
(c) Pupils who	received B.	C.G. vacc	ination		747	
(d) Other:	-TBeylog	ers mas d'un	WALL OF MY			
Miscel	llaneous Med		Surgical onditions		147	
					-	
		Tota	1		894	
					10	

NOTE - It should be observed throughout Part III above that the figures given for treatment other than that carried out under the Authorities' arrangements can be regarded only as incomplete. Information received from hospitals varies considerably, whilst little or no information is available regarding treatment carried out in Private Nursing Homes or by general practitioners.

### SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE

1. Attendances & Treatment	Ages 5 to 9	Ages 10 to 14	Ages 15 and over	Total
First Visit	2,172 1,099 3,271	1,780 1,640 3,420	651 547 1,198	4,603 3,286 7,889
Additional courses of treatment commenced Fillings in permanent	357	264	182	803
teeth Fillings in deciduous tee	, , -	3,928 72	1,661	7,177 2,346
Permanent teeth filled Deciduous teeth filled		3,389	1,481	6,219
Permanent teeth extracted Deciduous teeth extracted General anaesthetics	1,233	554 410 52	237	878 1,643 298
Emergencies	286	130	27	443
Number of Pupils X-rayed Prophylaxis Teeth otherwise conserved Number of teeth root fill Inlays Crowns Courses of treatment comp	ed	etataba sol	and and a	72 273 732 12 7 12 4,179
2. Orthodontics				
Cases remaining from pre			:: ::	40 54
Cases completed during J Cases discontinued during Number of removable appl	year			44 6 61
Number of fixed appliance Pupils referred to Hospi	es fitted			25

			860 TS	376 0 31	Part 1)		
	Total	Ages 15	Ages 10 to 14	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 and over	Total
5.	Prosth	etics	1.780	27.1.2		12244	Jazza
		supplied w L. (first t		1,060 JT	30 8	3	Laton
	other	supplied w dentures t time)	ith as	. 357 1,188	13	ment come	22
	Number	of denture	s 985 8	2,274 1,149 13,069	15		29
			254 410 52	1,233	befortza soi:		Deciduo General Emergen
4.	Anaest	hetics					
5.	Inspec	l Anaesthet	ics adminis	stered by	Dental Off		255 redauX Ivaqoxi o dreeT redauX avalnI
	(a) Fi	rst inspect	ion at scho	ool. Numbe	er of Pupil	s	8,653
	Nu	rst inspect mber of (a) mber of (a)	+ (b) four	nd to requ	ire treatm		454 6,012 5,644
	(c) Pur Nu	pils re-ins mber of (c)	pected at s found to r	school cli require to	inic	ontine	994 853
6.		ns					Cases-
	Session Session	ns devoted ns devoted ns devoted	to treatmento inspecti	nt	seventions seventions streptetter	of fixed referred	1,310 97

# RETURN OF HANDICAPPED FUPILS

Total		()	(H)		33	17		17	34	1944 3	944 NIL	21 23
(9)Epileptic (10)Speech	Defects	10-1	(10)		1	1		,	1	ion Act,	Education Act, 1944 NIL	1.1
	De	(0)	(6)		1			1	1	Educat: 57A of	ducation	1.1
(7) Maladjusted (8) Educa-	tionally	subnormal	(8)		31	16		15	31	recorded under Section 57 of the Education Act, under the provisions of Section 57A of the	E 4	27 2
	ti		(2)		П	7		Н	П	ection ions of	et, 194	1 11
(5) Physically Handi-	capped	licate	(9)		1	1		1	1	under Se provis:	ation Ac	11
		(é)De	(2)		1	1		.1	1	orded er the	e Educ	
(3)Deaf (4)Partial	hearing	1.1.	(3) (4)		Н	Н		1	Т		of th	1 1 1
	h	17	(3)		1	1		1	ı	ecisio	57A(2)	- 11
(1)Blind (2)Partially	sighted	177	(1) (2)		1	1		Н	П	to new d	Section	
(2)(2)		,	(1)		1	-		1	1	bject	under	 
		In the Calendar Year:-	A. Handicapped Pupils newly	assessed as requiring educa-	Boarding in homes	B.(i)Handicapped Pupils(included at A)Newly placed in Special Schools or Homes	(ii)Of the children assessed prior to January, 1969, numbers who were newly	placed in special schools (other than Hospital Special Schools)or boarding homes	Total B(i) and B(ii)	Number of children who were subject to new decisions recorded under Section 57 of the Education Number of children for whom reviews were carried out under the provisions of Section 57A of the	Number of decisions cancelled under Section 57A(2) of the Education Act, 1944	C.On 22nd January, 1970, Number of Handicapped Pupils requiring places in Special Schools (i) Total - (a) Day (b) Boarding

# RETURN OF HANDICAPPED PUPILS (continued)

Total	(11)	THE STORE		15	-			Н	67			7/2	12		12
(9)Epileptic 10)Speech Defects	(10)	STATE AND THE		negative total				1	1			1	10 To		1355-45600
(60)	(6)	94 8		1	1			1	- 1			- 1	1		1
(7) Maladjusted (8) Educa- tionally subnormal	(8)	The state of		10-10-0				Н	2			73	10		2
(7) Ma (8) Ed ti su	(7)	7		1	1			1	1			1	1		1
(5) Physically Handi-capped (6) Delicate	(9)	A molecus		200									erroces		City -
(5)Ph Hai ca; (6)De	(5)			1				1	1			н	7		1
ing	(4)			1	1			I	1			1	7		9
(3)Deaf (4)Parti	(3)			5	1			1	1			1	9,		,
ally	(2)	a a		1				1	1				-		7
(1)Blind (2)Partially sighted	(1) (2)	3		,	1		requi	1	1			1	1		2
(2)		94.			2	Ve but	4	day	2 . 02		118	pec-		of	
		o ha	1		Tace	o ha	sed	ting	rding places		Pup	ed S Pupi	•	ers	
		re wh	20	Laces	rng p	re wh	refu	Awai	boar		pedd	ntain	11s	Spec	. :
		abor	3	ay p	pard	abor	had	1 (a)	ting	-:026	ndica	mair s as	E Pul	ne re	- 50
		(1)	3	ng d	ng p	(1)	ents	choo.	(b) Awaiting boarding places	y, 1	f Han	ding	rdin	on tl	
		er in	1 5	a) Awaiting day places	(b) Awaiting boarding places	er in	par par	lal S	(a)	nuar	Number of Handio	(a)attending maintained Spec- ial Schools as Day Pupils	As Boarding Pupils	(b) were on the registers of non-maintained Special	Schools
		(ii)Number in (i) above who have	Vears -	(a) An	(D) AT	Numbe	whose parents had refused	Special School (a) Awaiting day		nd Ja	Numb Program	(a)e	As	(b)	S
		(11)				(iii)Number in (i) above who have	STO TO			On 22nd January, 1970:-	D. (i)Number of Handicapped Pupils				
19										1000	Charles .	THEFT	74		

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# RETURN OF HANDICAPPED PUPILS (continued)

Total 1-10	(11)
(9)Epileptic (10)Speech Defects	(9) (10)
(3)Deaf (5)Physically (7)Maladjusted (9)Epileptic Total y (4)Partial Handi- (8)Educa- (10)Speech 1-10 hearing capped tionally Defects (6)Delicate subnormal	(4) (8)
(5)Physically Handi- capped (6)Delicate	
(3)Deaf (4)Fartial hearing	(3) (4) (5) (6)
(1)Blind (2)Fartially sighted	(1) (2)

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			1
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register	Schools	made by	
e on the	ependent	angements	hority)
(ii)Wer	Ind	arr	aut

E.Number of Handicapped Pupils being educated under arrange- ments made under Section 56 of the Education Act, 1944:-
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nge-	56 of		:	:	
being educated under arrange-	ments made under Section 56 of	the Education Act, 1944:-	:	sdno	
ed und	under S	n Act,	(i) In Hospitals	In other groups	(iii) At home
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18 ed	S me	Educ	) Ir	J. Ir	) At
bein	ment	the	(1	(11	111

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### TYPE OF EXAMINATION AND/OR TREATMENT

provided, at the School Clinics, either directly by the Authority or under arrangements made with the Regional Hospital Board for examination and/or treatment to be carried out at the Clinic.

> Number of School Clinics (i.e.premises) where such treatment is provided -

	Examination and/or treatment	directly by the	he	under arrangements made with Regional Hospital
	(-)			Boards or Boards of Gov- ernors of Teaching Hospitals
	(1)	(2)		(3)
Α.	Minor ailment and other non-specialist examina-			
	tion or treatment	- 33		0 - 00 8
B.	Ophthalmic *	1		9 9
C.	Ear, Nose and Throat	-		0 0 0 0
D.	Paediatric +	- 1		C. Land Land
E.	Speech Therapy	1		
F.	Sunray (U.V.L.)	- 4		C.C. CAR
G.	Vaccination and Immuni- sation	2		E. Print
н.	Audiology			A TOTAL DIE

<sup>\*</sup> Arrangements made with the Supplementary Ophthalmic Service are returned in Column (2).

+ Clinics for children referred to a specialist in children's diseases.

### CHILD GUIDANCE CENTRES

Number of Child Guidance Centres provided by the Authority

Staff of Centres	(a) Number	(b) Aggregate in terms of the equivalent number of whole-time officers
Psychiatrists	1 11:	0.2
Educational Psychologists	1	0.1
Psychiatric Social Workers	Nil	Nil
Others (specify) Mental Welfare Officer	1	0.4

The Psychiatrist is made available by the Manchester Regional Hospital Board.

