

and, further, it has the advantage of being much cheaper. The following table gives the figures for yaws injections, and the injections given for conditions other than yaws.

	Number inspected.	Cases of Yaws.	Number of Injections.	Number of Injections for Conditions other than Yaws.
First quarter	25	75	15
Second quarter	809*	80	231	..
Third quarter	4,604†	87	251	45
Fourth quarter	7	21	24
Totals	5,413	199	578	84

* Denotes children inspected at Government and subsidized schools.
inspected in villages on Sundays.

† Denotes men, women, and children

“The different types of yaws treated were as follows :—

(1) Planter and palmar dermatitis	87
(2) Doubtful cases of (1)	36
(3) Tonas	64
(4) Secondary ulceration	2
(5) Sabre-blade tibia	4
(6) Old scars breaking down	5
(7) Gummatons infiltration	1
Total	199

“*Cancer*.—Two cases of this condition—one, epithelioma of the lip, and one of the inguinal glands—were treated. It is understood that these are the first cases of cancer on record amongst the Niueans.

“*Eye Condition*.—Regularly cases of conjunctivitis come up to the outpatients department for treatment. The cases are all mild, and there has been no tendency for this condition to assume an epidemic form.

“*Skin Condition*.—Several cases of scabies and impetigo were treated. An attempt was made to deal with cases of diffuse ringworm. Gratifying results were obtained with chrysarobin and iodine. It takes two to three months to clear up old standing cases, but the Natives object to being in hospital for such a lengthy period. If they could be persuaded to face weeks of treatment the island could be completely cleaned of this condition.

“*Rounds*.—Weekly the villages at the north end of the island were visited on Wednesdays, and those at the south end on Fridays. 419 people received treatment at their respective villages.

“*Hospital* :—

European in-patients	2
Native in-patients (includes fourteen infants under one year)	176
Average duration of stay was 22 days.	
Patients treated at dispensary and out-patients department	2,857
Out-patients, dressings	2,716
Operations, major	4
Operations, minor	57

During the year Miss Butler was relieved by Miss de Ridder, and one change was made in the Native staff. The work of the staff has been highly satisfactory.”

POSTAL.

The following figures show the postal business transacted during the year, the total volume of business amounting to £4,697 7s. 4d., as against £6,640 2s. 10½d. for 1925 :—

	£	s.	d.
Money-orders issued	1,894	10	0
Money-orders paid	312	13	11
Savings-bank deposits	1,006	14	0
Savings-bank withdrawals	112	16	11
New Zealand postal notes issued	111	10	0
New Zealand postal notes paid	6	12	4
British postal orders paid	9	1	4
Miscellaneous payments	837	18	10
Stamp sales	405	10	0
	£4,697	7	4