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Leprosy: Number examined, 9. Nasal smears, 1; throat smears, 1; sections and nodular scrapings, 7. Positive, 4.

Animal innoculations: Number done, 2. Puncture fluid, 1; gland, 1. Positive, 1.

Vaccines prepared: Total, 13. Autogenous, 11; stock, 2.

Tissue for section: Number forwarded in block, 2; number examined for migrans, 1.

Glands from theatre: For filarial worms, 2.

Ringworm, 1.

Stomach-contents for examination: Fractional test, 1 (five samples); chemical, 1.

Number of times Number of samples of beer, &c., for estimation of alcohol totalled 49. summoned to High Court as witness in proceedings, 6.

Copra analysis: Number of tests for oil content, moisture, and free fatty acids, 1. Analysis of milk for fat, solids, ash, and water, 1. Water analysis, 0.

Number of simple chemical tests for arsenic, antimony, and such metallic poisons (Marsh tests), 0; opium and its compounds, 1.

General analysis (simple), 2.

Apia Hospital: Report of the X-ray Department, 1930.

X-ray examinations, 71; assorted films taken, 85 (including 3 dental films); screenings only, 7; barium meals, 0.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

The Grade II schools at the close of the year numbered thirty-six—thirty London Missionary Society, four Methodist Mission, one Seventh Day Adventist Mission, and one Government—with a total attendance of 2,912 pupils.

In some localities, owing to increased attendance, additional teachers have been supplied, and

new schools opened at convenient centres in the districts.

Many requests for new schools have been received, but, as the number of trained teachers has been limited, the policy of stabilizing schools already in operation has been adhered to.

Refresher courses for the Native teachers of the Grade II schools have been held periodically in the Islands of Upolu and Savai'i.

Malifa Training-school.—This school is still the largest operating, and is wholly under the control

of well-trained Native teachers, who undertake the training of the young teachers offering.

Malifa Senior School.—This school, acting as a college for the whole Group, builds on the educational foundation established first in the Grade II schools, and later in the schools of Vaipouli and/or Avele, through which boys must pass before qualifying for Malifa. It aims especially at the development of efficient workers in primary occupations, and the provision ultimately of competent leaders in the community. In this school the pupils are resident, and are obliged to work after school hours on the large plantations of banana, taro, and bread-fruit, which have supplied all the necessary food throughout the year. Six pupils entered for the New Zealand Proficiency Examination; four obtained complete passes and two received certificates of competency.

If If School (for Europeans).—The work of this school has been consistently good, as evidenced by the result of the New Zealand Annual Proficiency Examination. Sixteen candidates were successfully presented. Classes in cookery were conducted by the infant-mistress, and the first

assistant master conducted classes in woodwork for the senior pupils.

Vaipouli School.—It has been found that the area of land attached to this school was too much for the boys to cope with successfully. Towards the close of the year certain areas were relinquished, thereby placing the school on the same proportions of outdoor and indoor work as Malifa and Avele. As a consequence, the school-roll number has increased, and indications point to a larger attendance in the near future.

Avele School.—This school has progressed most satisfactorily, and good work has been accomplished. At the commencement of the last term it was necessary to limit the roll number, as the accommodation had been fully taxed.

AVERAGE ATTENDANCES AT GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1931.

Date.	 In In.	Malifa (Senior).	Vaipouli (Boys only).	Malifa Training-school.	Avele (Boys only).	Total.
31st March, 1930 30th June, 1930 30th September, 1930 31st December, 1931	 192 206 211 213 216	98 89 90 82 82	48 52 50 47 52	350 360 400 396 390	72 90 91 90 92	760 797 842 828 832

Grade II Roll Numbers (including Malifa Training-school, which is a Grade II (but not a mission) school).—31st March, 1930, 2,767; 30th June, 1930, 2,707; 30th September, 1930, 2,995; 31st December, 1930, 3,064; 31st March, 1931, 2,912.

JUSTICE DEPARTMENT.

The work of the Department has proceeded normally. Reference to the detailed police report will show an increase in crimes against persons and property, but serious crime is not an important factor in Samoa. As usual the majority of the Court cases are of a minor character. The total amount of fines inflicted during the year amounted to £649 16s., and the amount of costs defendants were ordered to pay totalled £72 8s.