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Alfred. It would relieve the position e wereHospitals provided in the villages and towns named above.

BIRTH RATE FOR THE AREA.

The Births are as under European 252, Coloured 133, Native 447, Asiatic 8. On a percentage of these totals the ollegitimacy rates are European 1, Coloured 40%, Natives 45%, Asiatics mil.

European Birth Rate per 1000 of population is 20.39. Coloured 43.30.

Native 37.65.

Death Rate.

Deaths. European 175. Coloured 105. Native 544. This works out at per 1000 population. European 10.49. Coloured 35.08. Native 41.93. The Non-European death rate is high, due makerily principally to high mortality at ages under 5 from respiratory and diarrhocal diseases.

Epidemics of measles and whooping cough added to this total.

INFANTILE WORTALITY. (Deaths under 1 year). per 1000 live births.

European 44.11. Coloured 220.00 and Native 416.00.

TUBERCULOSIS.

1 case, 3 deaths Turopsen, 8 cases, 13 deaths Coloured

VENERBAL DISEASES.

European 8 male, 4 female. Non-European 133 male, 124 female
The total attendance on V.D. Patients was 1388, in addition to 823
intravenous injections. The total number of patients is larger than
last year by 225. Deaths from congenital syphilis were 10 in
Grahamstown. There was one death in 1941.

MALNUTRITION.

In European, Coloured and Native sections of the community malautrition exists. Among Europeans it may be more due to the wrong kinds of food eaten. In the Coloured and Native sections while this may be equally true it is aggrevated by a very real lack of suffucient food. The drought conditions of this area have been marked during a part of last year and a part of this year. Vegetables have been searce and costly, meat prices have risen for beyond the previous purchasing values. The supply of mealines for the Native population has become so scarce that a most serious situation has developed which looks very much

(a) is not enough as a pint of milk a day would use up the full 10/- in thirty days.

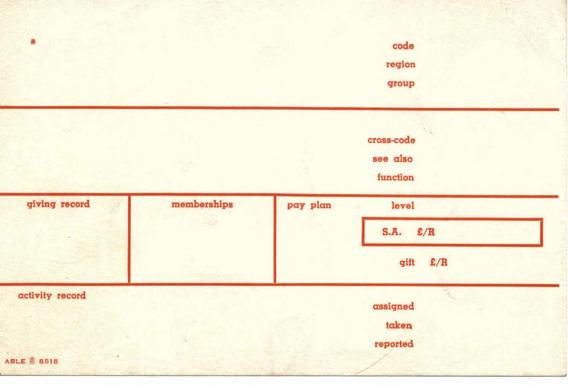
(b) We must emphatically favour the extension of the Childrens

Act to seet the social welfare of African children.

(c) We recommend the building of new certified hostels for accommodation of younger children, particularly the pre-deliquents are in need of care, so that such children will not go to reformatories.

- (d) More emphasis in the work of I robation officers should be placed on corrective work by probationers.
- (6) A mother with a husband during working age should work from choice and not from necessity as the breadwinner should be well paid for the welfare of the family.

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