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ANNUAL REPORT

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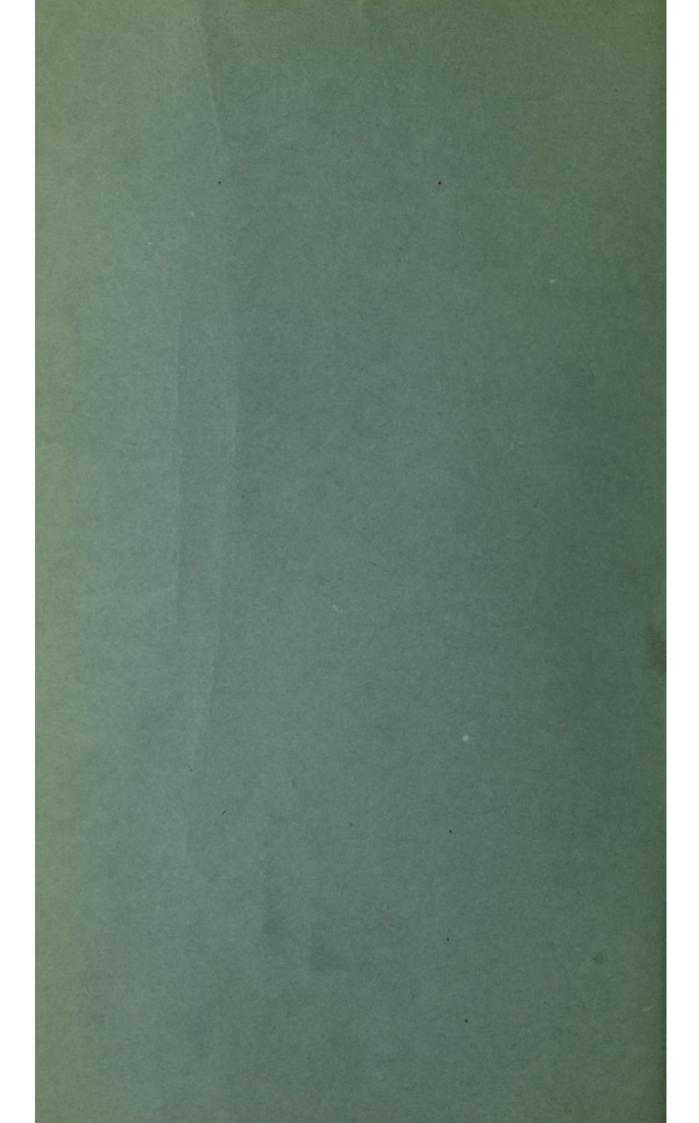
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M.RC.S. [Eng.], L.R.C.P. [Lond.], D.P.H., County Medical Officer

AND

T. J. BARRY, County Sanitary Inspector.

FOR THE YEAR 1947



Department of Health for Scotland. County Council of Orkney. Town Council of Kirkwall. Town Council of Strommess. 10. PARKE ROAD.

lemen,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Report on the Lic Health Administration in the County of Orkney and the the of Kirkwall and Stromness, for the year ended 31st omber, 1947; also the Annual Report of T.J. Barry, County Stary Inspector.

I am,

Gentlemen,

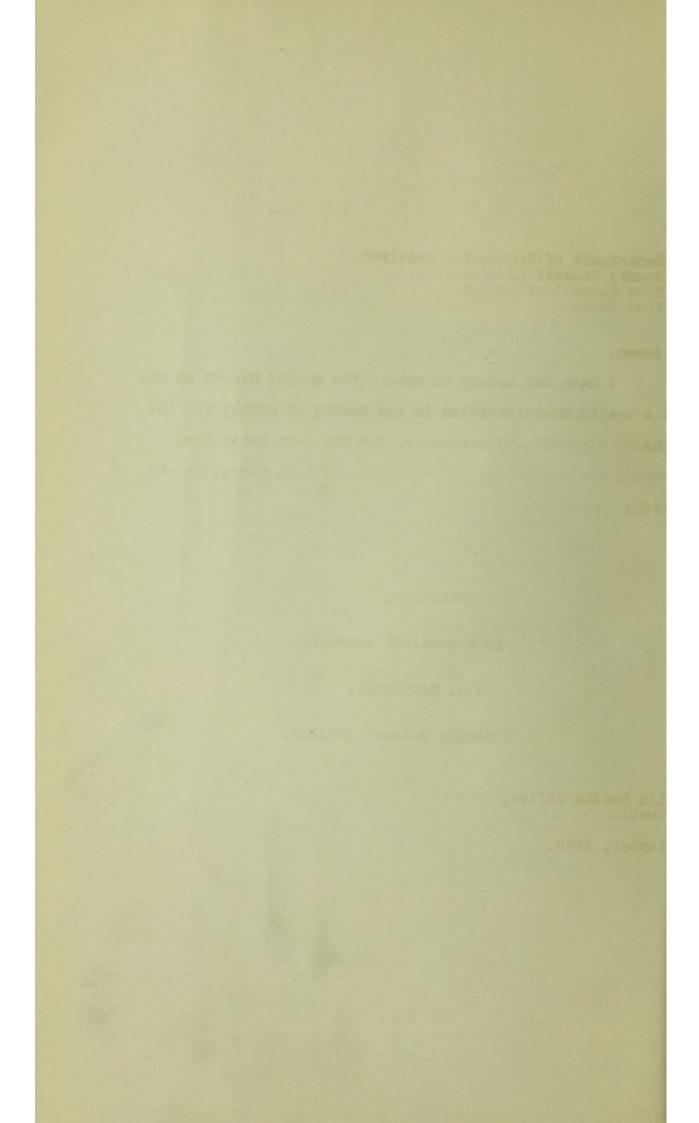
Your obedient servant,

W.B. BANNERMAN,

County Medical Officer.

lic Health Office,

tember, 1948.



COUNTY OF ORKNEY

INCLUDING.

BURGES OF EIRIWALL AND STROMNESS.

Medical Officer and Tuberculosis Officer
WALTER B. BANNERMAN, M.R.C.S., (Eng.), L.R.C.P., (Lond.),
D.P.H.

Sanitary Inspector -

T.J. BARRY,

Bacteriologist - '

Dr. Smith, City Hospital, Aberdeen.

Public Health Clerk -

Cocelia J.S.McGibbon.

ACTIONS NOT HELD ON THE PARTY OF THE PARTY O

COUNTY OF ORKNEY.

The general condition of health for the County during the car can be considered satisfactory. We opidemic occurred, calling any special measures from my Department. The winter months the year, were, on the whole, fairly good from a health point view. A survey of general health conditions during these onths shows that in November and December there were the usual inter epidemics of colds and mild inflammatory conditions of the espiratory tracts accompanied by sore threats.

oprociable numbers though many cases of illness were named as

As bearing out the general satisfactory condition of the palth of the County, only 19 notifications of Infectious Diseases are notified during the year, as follows:-

aboroulosis - all forms - 12. carlot Fover - 1. noumonia - 6.

There were epidemics of the non-notifiable diseases of nicken-pox, whooping cough, and measles (both variaties). The everor types of Infectious Diseases such as Diphtheria, Dysentor and Typheid did not occur.

GEMERAL SANITATION.

ffensive Trades. None are carried on within this County.

isposal of Sowage. For the Burghs of Kirkwall and Stromness, by means of direct flow into the sea. No sowage works exists. Tromness Burgh is efficiently drained but there are times in the Burgh of Kirkwall when a high tide flows into the streets by the seas of the various drains. Parts of the Burgh are low, there sing just enough flow to carry the sowage away. No complaints are received by my Department.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Dotails in Tabular Form will be found in appendix.

Hospital accommodation for Tuberculosis, General

Meetious Diseases and Smallpox.

Accommodation for Tuberculosis 16 patients in the Sanatorium (12 bods for Pulmonary)
(4 bods for non - pul.)

Other Infectious Diseases.

14 bods for general inflectious diseases and 8 cubicles or special cases, viz., Puerperal Fover or Pyrexia, Pnoumonias.

One case of scarlet fever and 5 cases of measles were lmitted during the year.

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AMBULAMCES.

The County Council has one Motor Ambulance which serves o Mainland and one Horso-drawn Vehicle which is despatched to

o Islands when necessary to remove a case.

I consider another Motor Ambulance to be necessary, for occasionally happens that the ambulance is out removing a case Infectious Discese and is urgently wanted elsewhere, and before can be used for the second case, it has to be fumigated and urgent cases from the Islands are brought in by air or

special stoomer.

oumonia

NOTIFIABLE INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

porculosis - all forms 12 cases (Pul., 9; Non-pul., 3) arlot Fever 1 caso

6 cases.

The total number of cases of Infectious Diseases for yoar was 19 casos.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

During 1947, 107 pro-school children and 13 school

The Medical Practitioners and the District Nurses loavour to got the parents to allow their children to be stocted. A large proportion of the children have been protected i it is the intention to endeavour to get the children, who ve now reached school ago, and who were not protected in their -school days, to be immunised.

I should like to mention that prior to the war, Diphther an uncommon disease in this County, and there has not been cases in the County since early in 1944.

DEATHS .

lignant Diseases. - 34, a decrease on 1946 of 2 deaths.

plexy. - 33, a decrease on 1946 of 16 deaths. irt Diseasc. - 112 deaths. This figure has been increasing for irs throughout the County, and is one of the problems of the or rather, its causative factor is, viz., Acute Rhoumatism Rhoumatic Fever and other Rhoumatic conditions. An increase 36 deaths was registered for this illness over the provious r 1946.

numonia. - Discasos of Respiratory Tracts caused 15 deaths itly to persons aged from 55 years to 85 years and over. icor. This has been a slowly increasing cause of death for irs, the figure for 1947 being 34 deaths, which showed an reason on 1946 of 2 deaths.

At present, the cause of this securge is unknown but the rernment is alive to the ravages of it and has passed a "Cancer I" which, no doubt, will be a very valuable means towards diagnosis and treatment. sovers detrie someliment more and less of least the contract of the contract o and and a to about our recommend a 122 a cause of the country of t and to employed the two at the college the point of the college and the colleg udrach di boanat minert profesionate agament a vetto agament a vetto agament del profesionate ag

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TREATMENT OF VENEREAL DISEASES.

A scheme for treatment was arranged some years ago with City Hospital, Aberdeen, and, during the year ended 31st Dec. 7, no cases were notified to this Office under Regulation 33B. cases of Syphilis in the primary or secondary stage of the ease were brought to my notice.

ber of new cases ber of attendances at door department 3. ber of in-patients ber of laboratory 140. (13 positive, 127 negative). minations ber of doses supplied Practitioners and titutions 44

There is no clinic held in Orkney and I do not consider t there is any need for one.

INSULIN.

The free provision of Insulin to persons suffering from betes, claiming to be wholly or partially necessitous, was e use of by eight cases during the year in the County.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT.

Refer to County Sanitary Inspector's Annual Report.

DAIRIES, COWSHEDS AND MILK STORES.

Refer to County Sanitary Inspector's Annual Report.

WATER SUPPLIES.

gh of Kirkwall,

In pro-war days, the water gathered for the use of the gh often went to the danger point during dry summers and the ply had to suffer cuts of various durations. On the outbreak war, the Admiralty approached the Town Council, regarding plies, and on being informed that Kirkwall could not possibly ply water, a scheme was brought into being, of obtaining water m Lock Kirbister about 5 miles distant, the water being pumped the Kirkwall reservoir and from there branched off in several ections to supply service camps. This water wasschlorinated the Pumping Station at the Lock side, and again on its way out m the reservoirfor distribution. The double chlorination was essary to make safe the water that flowed into the reservoir m tho gathoring areas.

Frequent constant examinations of this supply showed it be a safe water bacteriologically, but as it never passed ough filtering beds, it was not a very clean water after the h had been thoroughly stirred up by a gale.

Water supplies were installed in other parts of the Count supply service camps, and in all instances, many of the civilithe pipe route benefitted and have now become water minded. s service to civilians is being continued.

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rghof Stromness.

This supply was made full use of by the Military based this Burgh. The supply steed up pretty well to the demands do on it. It is pure and fit for all demestic uses.

Elsewhere the County is dependent on surface wells and inwater tanks for all purposes. Many of these wells are poorly do and no doubt are not of first rate quality as regards purity, recent examinations in connection with Dairy water supplies ows many below the standard required.

When the proposed water scheme for the mainland is mpleted the following villages will get a water supply and wage scheme: Finstown, Holm, Dounby and St. Margaret's Hope. Margaret's Hope, though situated on the Island of South maldshay, is now connected with the mainland by a readway instructed by the admiralty as also is the Island of Burray. Is small village of Burray will also be supplied.

The general idea is that all the mainland will possibly piped and a water supply will be taken into the houses. No rther progress in the County Water Scheme has taken place ring the year 1947, but no doubt in the course of time the scheme 11 be carried out.

The Island of Stronsay has a water supply that was stalled privately for supplying the fishing boats and stations. is supply could be adapted for providing the village of Whitehall the water if and when satisfactory arrangements can be completed or the purchase of the water works.

The Island of Rousay could be provided with water by avitation from locks situated in the hills. This is included part of the General Water Scheme for the County.

WATER SAMPLES.

63 samples of water were taken for analysis during the ear.
emples found to be of satisfactory quality for demostic use - 31.
"" " " " " - 32.

The presence of Bacillus Coli in excess or very unsatisactory chemical analysis or the combination of both caused the indemnation.

Included in the figures of unsatisfactory water supplies three public water supplies. These were used by the services wing the war years, but the water was subjected to chlorination.

Chlorination will again be brought into action bofore may are used as public supplies.

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COUNTY HOME.

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The County Home is the Public Assistance Residence for sing the aged, poor and sick people.
Accommodation provided is for 49 inmates, divided up as

Infirm - 13 Malos - 12 Fomalos. Chronic Sick - 7 Malos - 7 Femalos. Acuto Sick - 4 Malos - 4 Femalos.

The general condition of the building is up to date and facilities for baths and hot water are sufficient for the

mates. The building is now lighted by electric light.

There are two day rooms in the Home - one for males and for fomales. These two have been found to be adequate for this stitution. They are equipped with comfortable chairs, book cases, rtable radio and gramaphone with records. The inmates approciate day rooms very much and amke use of them freely.

Staff. - Two visiting medical officers, who take a

riod of duty altornately.

One Matron, four nurses and seven domestic staff.
All children admitted to the Home come under the Matron's ocial care, and in her absence off duty, temporarily under that a nurse, Whilst any are in the Institution they attend Kirkwall ammar School and also Sabbath School outside the Home. They are all times kept apart from the adult immates. Whendver possible, wever, boarding out is promptly arranged for by Mr. Robertson, unty Social Welfare Officer.

Congonial employment is allocated to those inmates who ght be able and willing to perform it. Light garden work and eaking of firewood etc. for the males, and the repairing etc. of use Clothing and light housework for the females. However, as le years progress, the number of inmates admitted who might be

is applies to this Home.

During the war years no real standard of fooding as proved by the Department of Health in 1937 could be followed ing to the rationing, but I think that the inmates were adequated for but not on such a variety of foods as pro-war standard. Extras for the sick and special diet for these who require it are

I am satisfied that the patients are generally well cared or, and that the other inmates are well looked after. In the rangements for the fooding of inmetes, one can only approciate at it means by a visit at meal times, and it is a good thing

The males and females are hept separate at all times. Porsons of "unsound mindy are admitted to the Home only tosmor, and, in all cases, there is an attendant for such during heir stay at the Home.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT.

The general work of the Assistant Medical Officers broughout the County has been carried out well, and the patients are received all the attention and the care that was necessary or the relief of their suffering. The District Nurse is called a, whenhaecessary, by the Practitioner.

The following table gives the number of sick persons he were attended during the year 1947.

a) Persons who received outdoor medical M. relief in the Council's area 38	F.	C.	Total 143
b) Poor porsons who received medical treatment under the Poor Iaw in the Council's institution, including combination			
institutions in which the Council has a share.	36	-	65.
Total 67	99	42	208.

BED ACCOMMODATION OF INSTITUTIONS WITHIN COUNTY.

arden			bods.
county	Sanatorium, Eastbank (Tuberculosis) -	16	beds,
lounty	Isolation Hospital, Eastbank -	20	bods.
OFFICE		49	bods.

COUNTY SANATORIUM.

cases were discharged throughout the year 1947.
cases were discharged throughout the year 1947.
cases died in the Institution during the year 1947.

Extra nourishment, oggs, milk and butter, are allowed to patients under the Domiciliary Treatment Scheme, also medicines and drossings are provided.

COMMON LODGING HOUSES.

There are none registered in the County or the Burghs.

ASSESSMENT OF THE PARTY OF

TUBERGULOSIS.

In provious reports I have pointed out that the natorium has to deal with cases in all stages of the diseases, cluding the advanced case where there is no hope of getting tter, but removal from home is absolutely necessary for the etection of other immates. It should be borne in mind that the iginal purpose of a Sanatorium was the treatment of the early so, with a view to arrest or curs of the disease.

Rogarding the fact that so many cases are only found and tified in an advanced stage, or in a stage where the lesion ough small is obvious and can no longer be regarded as early, am inclined to think that the blame rests on the affected, though t always. One can hardly blame the breadwinner, who knews he s a cough and knews he is not feeling up to his usual condition health after influenza. Frankly he is afraid to seek medical lp, as he fears he will be laid off his work, and possibly lose s job. So he puts off the visit to the Dector until circumstance mpel him to seek advice, and then so often the disease is beyond a possibility of a cure or permanent arrest.

Again, another fact is that, in many cases, the enset is ow and insidious, and the affected case may well be advanced fore he feels any necessity to seek advice. Truly, tuberculesis a disease presenting many "faces". But with other aids to agnosis such as X-Ray, Diagnostic Skin Tests, and Ineculation of inea Pigs with suspected material, very few early cases should missed, and I advise that all avenues of help should be

ployed rather than one early case be missed.

Rogarding tuborculosis as a curable disease, this is not unreasonable aim. There are two great reasons in my opinion y those advanced and hopeless cases should not be admitted to example the first being that these advanced cases cannot better and they go down and down steadily. The other immates this case getting werse and werse and finally there is an pty bed. This is not good for the mental feed of the other ses who have a better chance of recovery, and no doubt affects air mental attitude towards recovery very much. Another view that the general public gains the impression when the news is eacheast that there must be semething wrong with the Institution the treatment, and begin to regard the Sanatorium as a place by for the dying. This is very apt, and not without reason, to eate unfavourable attitude towards the Sanatorium in the minds those who are slightly affected and are capable of deriving greenefit from Institutional treatment.

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SCHEMES IN FORCE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY

1. Provision of Insulin.

Provision of Diphtheria Anti-toxin. 2.

Provision of extra food and milk under the Nursing Scheme, to mothers, infants and expectant mothers, and also medical aid in certain cases of emergency.

Provisions of extra food, modicines and dressings under

the Tuberculesis Scheme.

Provision of special foods, clothing and boots for necessitous cases by the Education Committee.

Education Committee's Scheme for free dental treatment. Education Committee's Scheme for operations on tonsils 7.

and adonoids free.

8. Scheme for air ambulance for North and South Islands free to necessitous cases when required.

PORT SANITARY REGULATIONS.

Port Sanitary Regulations, (Scotland) Act, 1933, came into force in May, 1933. These Regulations are an improvement on the older ones and bring our procedure into line with other foreign ports. It really amounts now to an International Scheme. As far as this County is concerned, very little shipping arrives from foreign ports, and those ports, up to date, are European Ports, and none of those Ports have been scheduled as being infocted with the various infectious diseases that need the attention of the Health Authorities. The necessary declarations of health have been duly received from the Masters of ships arriving from foreign ports and forwarded to my effice. Up to date, no action on my part on on part of the Customs has been called for in ordering vessels to their special moorings in the harbours or at the piors. No docdaration has been called for.

VACCINATION (SCOTIAND) ACT, 1907.

Under the above Act, 63 persons intimated conscientious objection to vaccination of their children. Other figures are as follows:-

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MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE SERVICES.

In connection with the Maternity Child Welfare work during the war, no changes were made in the arrangements, and the generalwork of the nurses concerned was satisfactory and of a good standard.

The work carried out by the same nurses in connection with the Public Health side i.e. Tuberculesis and Public Assistanceses, was also carried out satisfactorily throughout the County and including the Burghs of Kirkwall and Stromness.

Attached is a table showing the work carried out by the District Nurses during the year ending 31st December, 1947.

There is no real clinic established in this County, but the Nurses of the Burghs of Kikkwall and Stromness held a kind of clinic monthly at their residences, where informal talks and advice are given to methers. A cortain number of expectant methers also attend those gatherings, which is really a combination of social and maternity service.

One outstanding and important service developed during the war years was the provision of the vitamin additions of orange juico and other proparations, Cod Liver Oil, and, when required, Thoso proparations were distributed throughout additionalmilk. the County, and the District Nurses administered its distribution. Apart from this, I gather that a lot of parents purchased these

proparations from the chemists.

The general arrangements with the Local Mursing Associations, by which these nurses carry out cortain statuatory duties romains the same as in provious years. Although much excellent work is dono, the system is in a way unsatisfactory, in as much that it is only the large Islands and some of the Mainland distric that can provide a nurse, since the maintenance of the nurse is kopt going by the number of members in the associations, plus grants from the County Council, Education Committee and the Department. The areas of some of the Districts on the Mainland are really too big and unwieldy, and in winter and in times of opidomics, some nurses are too heavily worked.

Thus all the small Islands are unable to provide a nurse as the population could not raise enough money, and in connection with the monetary side, I consider the subscription is too small

for the services given.

Possibly whon the New National Health Service is established, these voluntary District Nursing Associations will be replaced and worked by the County Council, there might be a better area of distribution.

There are 13 State Registered District Nurses, all holding the C.M.B. Certificate, in the County, and I nurse without the

C.M.B. Cortificato.

The following areas are without nursing facilities:-North Ronaldshay, Papa Wostray, Flotta, Shapinsay and Graomsay.

MATERNITY SERVICES ACT.

Maternity services Schome under the above Act came into force on 15th March, 1943. The workings of the Scheme is rather irrogular and has not been worked at all in some areas. For instance, from the Burghs of Kirkwall and Stromness, no applicctions are received, whilst on the other parts of the Mainland the Scheme is going fairly strong. Also some Islands present luite a large number of cases and others do not seem to be lacorosted.

the compared to the precious of the contract o .

The total number of cases accepted by the County Council the ond of 1947 was 108. Of these, 3 had to be removed from their homes for various reasons and sent into Hospital for the tenfinement and for pre-natal treatment.

Total number of cases confined in Hospital, private cases and county cases was 104. In 6 of these cases, Caesarian sections

was performed.

About the middle of 1945, a ward of the Old Balfour lospital was adopted as a Maternity Ward. This block gave a labour soom and a general ward of six bods. Though not ideal by a long say, it has answered its purpose well, in previding hospital accommodation for expectant mothers.

Many of the cases are admitted for one or other of the

following roasons:-

Bad homo conditions.

No one to look after the case after confinement.

Casos requiring hospital treatment i.e. Albuminatia,

Provious history of difficult labour.

Expoctant mothers who wish Hospital accommodation in

proforonce to being confined at home. Urgent surgical reasons.

INFANTILE MORTALITY.

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MATERNAL MORTALITY.

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Statistics of Births, Deaths etc. during the year 1947.

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			nil b	nil.				Cases attended by midwives in Institutions
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Questionnaire from District Murses during the year, 1947.

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berculosis			
Sputum	18	37	55
Chest Fluids	-	37 2 3	2 3
Cerebro-spinal fluids	-	3	3
nereal Diseases			
Bloods for Wasserman R.	5	50	55
Bloods for Laughlen T.	5	50	55
Pus smears for gonococci	1 3	13	16
Bloods for gonococcal			
complement fixation test	-	11	11
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Sputum for organisms			1
Pus for organisms		. 24 39 %	6
Cerebro-spinal fluids (r leutic)	8
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the following is a summary of the principal statistics for year .947. Figures for the years 1944, 1945 and 1946 are given for comparison:-

Year 1947.

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Births								
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births	21	4	6	"23	14	8	52	(3)
ages	159	4.77	-	200	7.50	200	7.2	(1
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oulosis,				9	5	4	0.41	
orms culosis,			_	0	0	-2	0.41	
system	4	-	-	6	2	4	0.27	
.Epidemic	Dis	-	0	8	2 5	4 3	0.36	(1)
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Causes ill-defined or unknown All causes	67	21	239

Causes- Both Sexes - 327.

Malos - 150

Females - 177

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Where a case is notified as suffering from both pulmonary and non-pulmonary tuberculosis it should be included under Pulmonary only.

TUBERCULOSIS - STATISTICAL RETURNS, 1947.

l. Return of cases of tuberculosis notified during the year.

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Return showing number of cases which received treatment under the perculosis Scheme in Sanatoria during the year.

	Number institution lst Jan. 1.	of patients. Admitted Guring year S.	Discharged during year 3.	Die	stitut	In instit.
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column 4 those who were in final residence 28 days or over column 5 those who were in final residence under 28 days patients of 15 years and upwards classed as adults.

Return of number of persons who died from tuberculosis in the s during the year with particulars as to period elapsing between Ification and death and between discharge from an institution and th.

	-0	PULMONARY Males	Females	NON-PUI Males	LMONARY Females
	of persons died of T.B. whom:-	.3	3	1	-
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	1 - 2 years	1	1	ī	=
	AL	3	3	1	-

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3. Return of number of persons resident in the area at 31st Dec. 7, who were known to be suffering from tuberculosis.

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Hetern of number of persons resident in the area at Sist Dec.

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HOUSING.

The County Council under Restriction of Ribbon Development 1935, and Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act, 1943.

LANDWARD AREA.

of plans passed	-	185
of Houses	-	58.
fully approved	-	39.
temporarily approved	-	19.
nsions to Houses	-	23.
ellaneous Approvals	-	85.

KIRKWALL BURGH .

of	plans passed	_	12
105	completed	-	6
ies :	in course of erection	-	5
of ·	4 apt. houses	-	4
	5 apt. houses	-	1
ing	covered with concrete		
	blocks	-	4

STROMNESS BURGH .

is passed	-	6
ses completed	-	2
ses in course of erection	-	2
It of stone or concrete		6
of 4 apt. houses	-	6.

COUNTY SAMITARY INSPECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT - 1947.

Milk and Dairies.

Improvement to Premises.

Rapid progress is still being made with the erection, reestruction and equipment of dairy premises, and it is a pleasure
observe that this progress has not been confined to the newmers but that most of the old registered dairies have undergone
estantial changes for the better. The most successful method of
eling with these old buildings is by persuading the owners to do
certain amount of structural work each year until the premises
a be regarded as suitable in all respects. In this manner one
es gradual improvements in lighting, ventilation and drainage,
laying of floors, renewal of trevisses and improved equipment.

Since the establishment of the Milk Marketing Board's Cheese ctory in 1946, some 70 producers have been granted Provisional gistration under conditions, involving the provision of a operly equipped dairy and scullery before this registration is ented, and the completion of all other work within a specified

me, usually two years.

All this work of erecting new byres and dairies, reconstructg old buildings, introducing ample water supplies and installing e necessary equipment has been carried out with great speed and a satisfactory manner.

As a measure of the standards reached within two years it y be pointed out that there were only 3 graded milk licences in a County at the beginning and 23 at the end of the year, with other 10 in the qualifying stages for a "T.T." or Standard Licence.

In prescribing the structural requirements at each of the rms I have adopted the recommendations of the Secretary of State's mmittee on Farm Buildings, and on these lines the work has been andardised so far as is compatible with the varying conditions countered at each place.

The major part of this work will be completed during 1948 ta great number of extensions are in hand and I expect that the

ructural work will go on until 1951.

Milking Methods.

Most of the milk sold by retail is a much purer commedity an in pre-war days but much work has still to be done either in rsuading or compelling the old-established producers to observe dern standards of care and cleanliness.

The newcomers have shown great willingness to learn as much possible about dairy hygiene but a great deal of advisory work still required among these producers, a fact which was strikingly monstrated during the hot Summer of 1947, when there was a marked op in the quality of the milk sold wholesale.

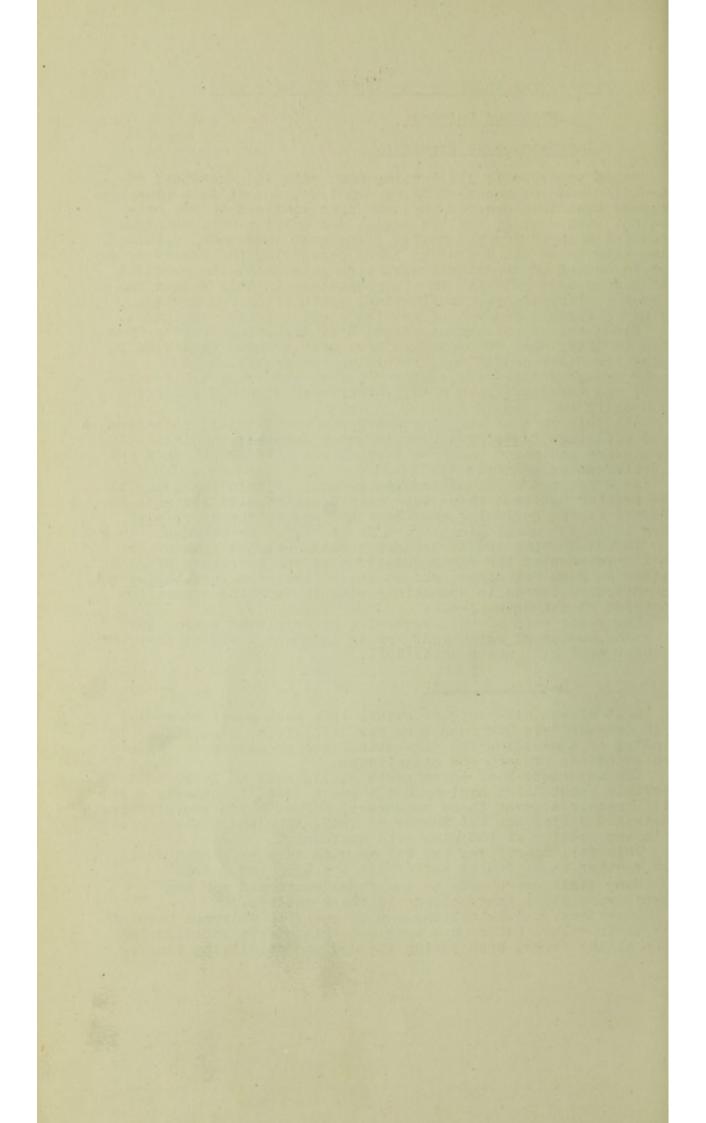
This falling-off was due not so much to a prolonged spell

hot weather as to faulty methods in the byre and dairy.

Many vixits were made to the farms concerned and the

cducers were given instructions in these matters.

Occasional demonstrations and lectures to dairymen have of urse their value, but do not bear comparison with individual ition at the farms, both during the day and at milking times.



Exempted Bremises.

It is impossible to state the number of premises from which 1k is sold to neighbours in small quantities. There are hundreds such places throughout the County, which in general is too attered to allow of the trade being confined to registered dairies.

There are however, a few districts where in the near future will be possible to prohibit the sale of milk from unregistered emises, and this possibility is being kept very much in mind.

Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Order, 1934.

The requirements of this Order are, on the whole, well served but a few of the old registered dairies should have suitable iry sculleries, as the Order forbids the use of demestic boilers washing dairy utensils.
This metter is also having attention.

Other figures required by the Department are given below:-

Retail Purveyers - 18.
Wholesale Dealers - 72.
Approximate No. of Cows. - 1700.

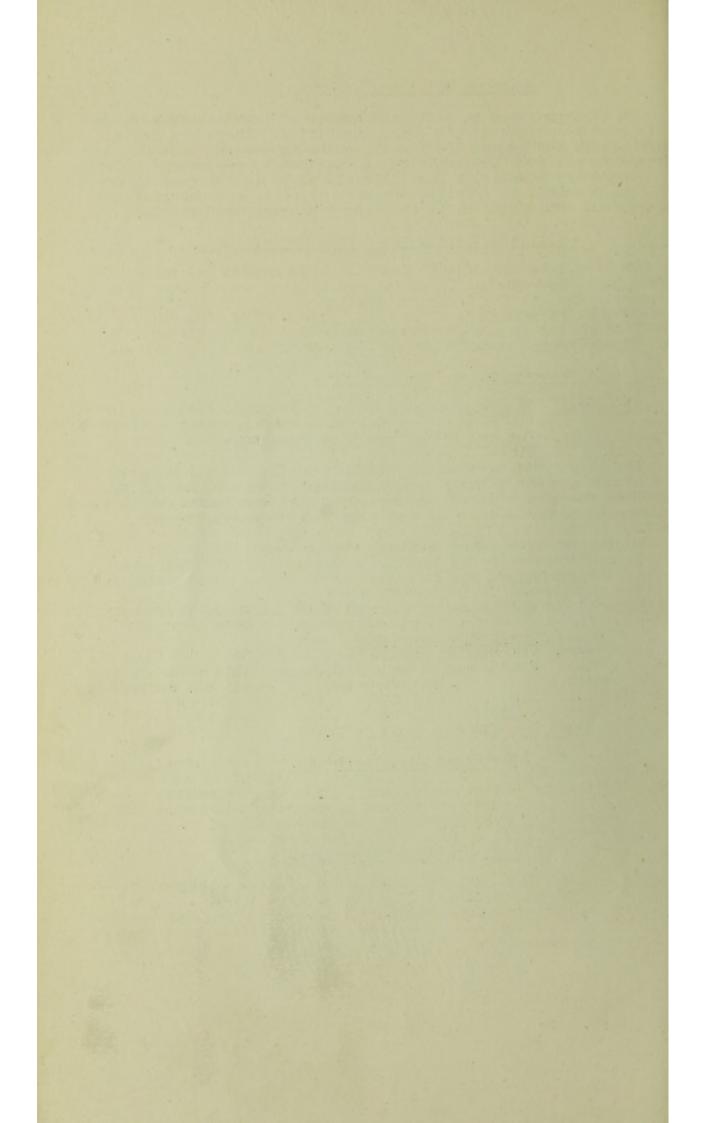
Slaughterhouses and Meat Inspection.

The slaughterhouses in the Burghal and Landward areas have on well managed and kept in a clean and sanitary condition. The fuse from the slaughterhouses, including condemned meat and offals, removed to dumps in the landward area and kept under proper atrel.

During the year a new drainage system was installed at unby Slaughterhouse and is working successfully. The drainage om this slaughterhouse was defective and had been giving rise to aplaints of nuisance in the neighbourhood.

Figures for slaughtering and meat inspection are given below:

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iss of	animals.	Number of	animals			
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Landward Slaughterhouses.						
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Food and Drugs (Adulteration) Act, 1928.

The following samples were taken for analysis during the year :-

ormal: - Sweet Milk, 6; Sausages, 4; Sausage Meat, 1; Mince, 1; veet Spirits of Nitre, 1; Paregoric, 1; Cheege, 1; Pepper, 1; ad Flour, 2.

iformal: - Sweet milk, 6; Cream of Tartar, 1; Sauce, 1; Coffee, 1; ilsamic emulsion, 1; and Flour, 1.

One informal sample of milk was found to contain 10% of ided water but the retailer had ceased selling milk before a formal imple could be taken.

One formal sample of milk taken in December, contained 3% added water and proceedings were taken against the vendor, who led not guilty. The verdict was "Not Proven".

Supervision of Food Supplies.

Fredstuffs condemned during the year included butter, poultry rned beef, rabbits, catmeal, prunes and a miscellaneous assortment tinned goods. The weight condemned amounted to 1 ton 5 cwts., tincluding 600 tinned foodstuffs.

Objection was taken to the dirty condition of two butchers tops in the country districts, a considerable improvement in meral cleanliness was then effected, but the back premises of the shops are not capable of being readily cleansed and are to be ructurally improved. One baker was also notified of the dirty sate of his bakehouse, with satisfactory results.

General Sanitation.

naged by the Burgh Surveyors and the dumps are frequently seted by the Department.

The Peerie Sea dump is well controlled by the Burgh Cleansi partment but it will never be satisfactory so long as irresponsitizens continue to dump miscellaneous refuse along the shore of seerie Sea.

Housing - Building Construction.

Figures for building proposals accepted by the Council are nteined in the Medical Officer's Report. Although there are no illding Byelaws in the Landward areas, these proposals are semined so far as drainage and general suitability are concerned in the owners advised where amendments are necessary. In connection the these matters, 125 visits of inspection were made during the sar.

ctories. In general, the factories, bakehouses and warehouses re found to be well kept.

Repairs, extensions and provision of conveniences are being it in hand at several of the factories but the shortage of labour id materials makes for slow progress.

