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# ANNUAL REPORT

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The Medical Officer of Health

for

ALDERLEY EDGE  
CHEADLE AND GATLEY  
and WILMSLOW URBAN DISTRICTS


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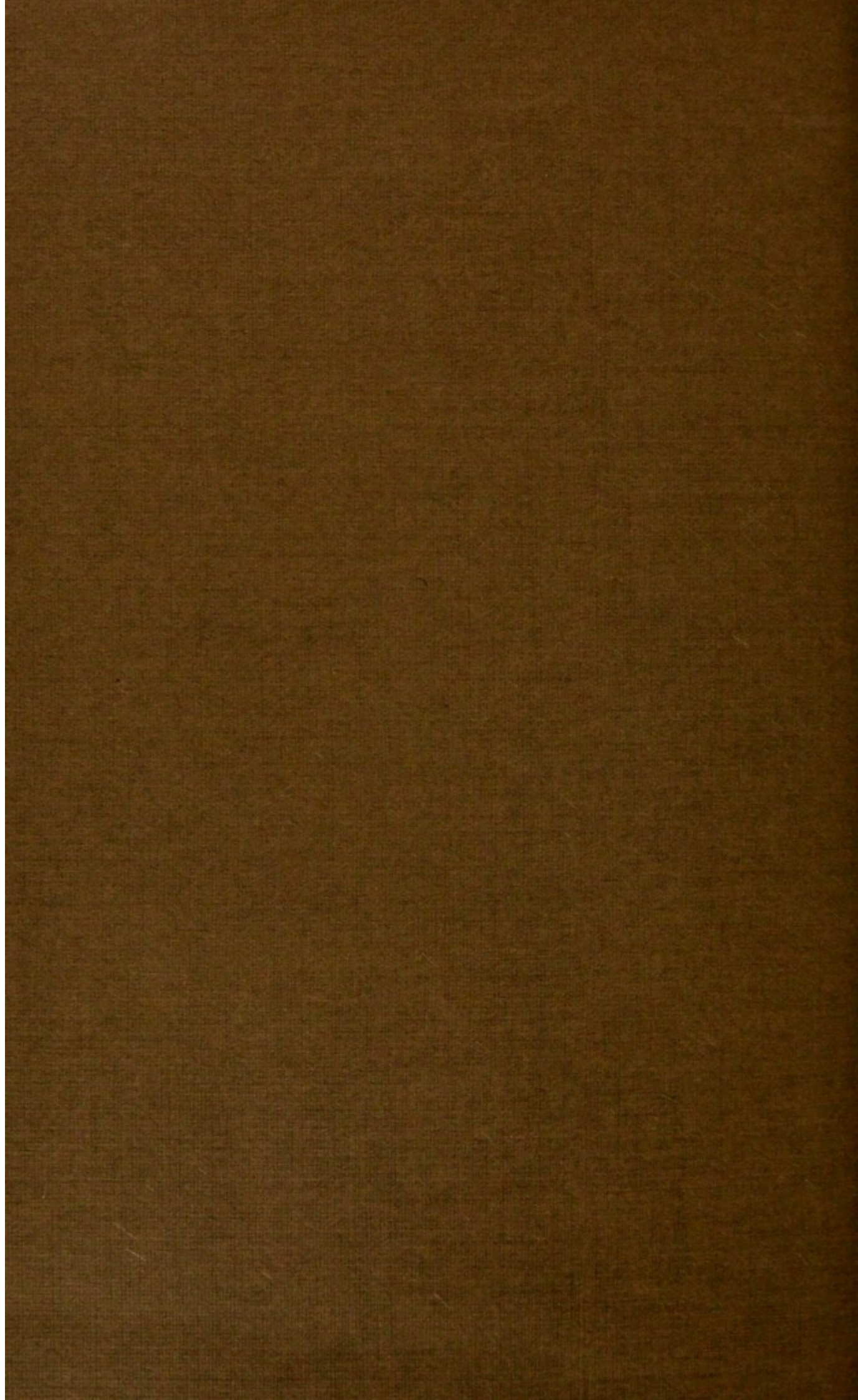
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The Chief Public Health Inspectors

*For the Year 1960*







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THE TOWN HALL,  
CHEADLE,  
May, 1961

*To the Chairmen and Members of the Alderley Edge, Cheadle and Gatley, and Wilmslow Urban District Councils.*

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my annual report for the year 1960, and in doing so have ventured to express a personal opinion on some aspects of community health.

Coronary thrombosis, by far the commonest single cause of death, and lung cancer continued to take a relentless toll of life and it is sad to reflect that accidental deaths were more numerous than in previous years. These tendencies are likely to continue unless the habits of sedentary living, overeating and tobacco smoking are eschewed by the individual, and a sense of personal responsibility replaces complacency with regard to hazards in the home and on the roads.

There were no reported complications in the notified cases of measles, scarlet fever and whooping cough, and although a troublesome outbreak of dysentery occurred during the summer the usual measures of control proved effective. The few sporadic cases of food poisoning and paratyphoid fever were fortunately mild and it was not possible to trace courses of infection in these cases.

Food premises were found to be generally of a satisfactory standard and proprietors and managers have been anxious to co-operate with the Health Department in effecting improvements and eliminating potential sources of food contamination. There is however still room for improvement in the personal habits of some individual food handlers—a matter more for the conscience and enlightenment of the individual than the enforcement of regulations.

The work of inspection and control regarding the various aspects of environmental hygiene continued unabated under the diligent supervision of the Senior Public Health Inspectors, due emphasis being placed on the value of informal advice and discussion rather than arbitrary enforcement of regulations.

I readily acknowledge the assistance of all members of the staff, the Clerks of the three authorities and other chief officials.

It is also a pleasure to record my appreciation of the support of the Public Health Committees at all times.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

H. MERVYN-THOMAS,  
*Medical Officer of Health*



ANNUAL REPORT  
*of the*  
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH  
*and*  
THE REPORTS OF THE  
CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS  
FOR THE THREE URBAN DISTRICTS OF  
ALDERLEY EDGE, CHEADLE AND GATLEY, AND  
WILMSLOW

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## EXTRACT OF VITAL STATISTICS

|                                    | <i>Alderley Edge</i> | <i>Cheadle and Gatley</i> | <i>Wilmslow</i> |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Estimated Population .. (Mid 1960) | 3770                 | 41,870                    | 21,220          |
| Total Live Births ..               | 44                   | 945                       | 374             |
| Illegitimate Births ..             | —                    | 22                        | 18              |
| Still Births ..                    | 1                    | 16                        | 7               |
| Adjusted Birth Rate ..             | 10.9                 | 22.2                      | 15.6            |
| Deaths of Infants under 1 year ..  | —                    | 16                        | 5               |
| Deaths of Infants under 1 month .. | —                    | 12                        | 5               |
| Deaths of infants under 1 week ..  | —                    | 11                        | 4               |
| Infant Mortality Rate ..           | —                    | 16.9                      | 13.3            |
| Maternal Deaths ..                 | —                    | 1                         | —               |
| Total Deaths from ALL Causes :     |                      |                           |                 |
| Males ..                           | 25                   | 206                       | 98              |
| Females ..                         | 30                   | 215                       | 120             |
| Adjusted Death Rate ..             | 12.9                 | 11.6                      | 11.0            |

## CAUSES OF DEATH

|   | <i>Alderley Edge</i> | <i>Cheadle and Gatley</i> | <i>Wilmslow</i> |
|---|----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Cancer—all forms ..                             | 11                   | 73                        | 33              |
| Cancer of the Lung ..                           | 3                    | 8                         | 10              |
| Coronary thrombosis ..                          | 12                   | 92                        | 42              |
| Vascular lesion of the central nervous system.. | 6                    | 58                        | 45              |
| Other Circulatory and Heart Diseases ..         | 9                    | 77                        | 37              |
| Bronchitis and Pneumonia                        | 8                    | 31                        | 19              |
| Tuberculosis (Respiratory) ..                   | —                    | 1                         | 1               |
| Diabetes ..                                     | —                    | 4                         | 1               |
| Ulcer (Stomach and Duodenal) ..                 | —                    | 5                         | 2               |
| Gastritis, enteritis, nephritis ..              | —                    | 3                         | 3               |
| Nephritis ..                                    | —                    | 2                         | 2               |
| Hyperplasia of prostate                         | —                    | 1                         | —               |
| Pregnancy ..                                    | —                    | 1                         | —               |
| Congenital Malformations ..                     | —                    | 2                         | 1               |
| Other defined and ill defined Disease ..        | 6                    | 48                        | 17              |
| Motor Vehicle Accidents                         | —                    | 3                         | 3               |
| Other accidents ..                              | —                    | 12                        | 2               |



The above table shows a striking preponderance of deaths from cardio-vascular disease and cancer which perhaps is understandable having regard to the large proportion of people reaching advancing years when the incidence of these diseases is highest. Coronary thrombosis however has again shown a disturbingly high incidence among those in the prime of life, the youngest victim being in the late thirties. The growing incidence of this disease is a matter of considerable concern and there is much evidence to show that the chief predisposing factors in its genesis are overindulgence in food, lack of exercise and tobacco smoking—habits which have become only too prevalent in an affluent society.

Lung cancer has also claimed several individuals in the forties and fifties and is not by any means essentially a disease of old age. The evidence in support of cigarette smoking being a factor in the cause of this disease is overwhelming.

Fatal accidents in this area have contributed to the grim national picture. The local record over the past seven years is as follows:-

| <i>Year</i> | <i>Road Accidents</i> | <i>Domestic and Other Accidents</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|-------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| 1954 .. ..  | 4                     | 10                                  | 14           |
| 1955 .. ..  | 6                     | 11                                  | 17           |
| 1956 .. ..  | 9                     | 13                                  | 22           |
| 1957 .. ..  | 5                     | 6                                   | 11           |
| 1958 .. ..  | 9                     | 8                                   | 17           |
| 1959 .. ..  | 7                     | 11                                  | 18           |
| 1960 .. ..  | 6                     | 14                                  | 20           |

In contrast to the foregoing sombre picture, Tuberculosis, which claimed no fewer than 20 deaths in 1920 when the local population was but a fraction of what it is today, barely earns a place in the mortality table for 1960.

## INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The cases notified during the year were as follows:-

|                         | <i>Alderley Edge</i> | <i>Cheadle and Gatley</i> | <i>Wilmslow</i> |
|-------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Scarlet Fever .. ..     | 1                    | 75                        | 3               |
| Whooping Cough .. ..    | 4                    | 10                        | 10              |
| Measles .. ..           | 4                    | 248                       | 9               |
| Dysentery .. ..         | 30                   | 12                        | 14              |
| Acute Pneumonia .. ..   | 2                    | 1                         | —               |
| Erysipelas .. ..        | —                    | 1                         | —               |
| Tuberculosis—           |                      |                           |                 |
| Respiratory .. ..       | 4                    | 9                         | 3               |
| Tuberculosis—           |                      |                           |                 |
| Non-respiratory .. ..   | —                    | 2                         | 1               |
| Food poisoning .. ..    | —                    | 4                         | —               |
| Paratyphoid Fever .. .. | —                    | 2                         | —               |
| Non-paralytic           |                      |                           |                 |
| Poliomyelitis .. ..     | —                    | 1                         | —               |
| Virus Meningitis .. ..  | —                    | —                         | 1               |



## INFECTIOUS DISEASES (cont.)

The notified cases of dysentery were all of the "Sonne" type, a usually mild if troublesome disease. The comparatively large number in Alderley Edge represents an explosive outbreak which occurred during the summer term amongst pupils attending the local primary school. Investigations at the school and school canteen failed to reveal a source of infection, and it was presumed that the infection was introduced from outside by one of the pupils. Actions was undertaken to exclude those affected and to investigate their home contacts. Other cases in Cheadle and Gatley and Wilmslow were sporadic, and responded to the usual methods of treatment and control. Sonne Dysentery is generally such a mild disease that no doubt substantial numbers of cases in the community do not reach the notice of a doctor. These patients are an important factor in the spread of the disease.

There was a further decline in the incidence of TUBERCULOSIS and one looks forward to the time when this disease will be completely eradicated. Nowadays all cases of tuberculosis can be regarded as being of human origin, milk borne infection with the bovine bacillus having been virtually eliminated by modern conditions of milk production and the widespread practice of pasteurisation. It is essential however to continue to fight against tuberculosis by pursuing the various methods of contact tracing and case finding together with B.C.G. Vaccination. Modern chemotherapy is effective in all but the most advanced forms of the disease.

The isolated cases of Food Poisoning and Paratyphoid Fever which occurred in the Cheadle and Gatley Urban District again underline the need for a high standard of personal hygiene amongst those engaged in the preparation and sale of food to be maintained at all times. It is not sufficient that food premises alone conform to the required standards.

There were no cases of Diphtheria or of paralytic Poliomyelitis. Prophylaxis against these diseases is freely available and indeed must be continued so as to maintain the highest possible level of immunity throughout the population.

## FACTORIES ACTS

### **Prescribed particulars on the administration of the Factories Act, 1937.**

#### *Part 1 of the Act*

1.—Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors) :-



| <i>Premises</i>  |         | <i>Number<br/>on<br/>Register</i> | <i>Ins-<br/>pections</i> | <i>No. of<br/>written<br/>notices</i> | <i>Owners<br/>Prose-<br/>cuted</i> |
|--|---------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| (1) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.                    |         |                                   |                          |                                       |                                    |
|  | A.E.    | 7                                 | 6                        | —                                     | —                                  |
|  | C. & G. | 56                                | 34                       | 4                                     | —                                  |
|  | W.      | 24                                | 5                        | —                                     | —                                  |
| (ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.                    |         |                                   |                          |                                       |                                    |
|  | A.E.    | 23                                | 40                       | 2                                     | —                                  |
|  | C. & G. | 87                                | 77                       | 13                                    | —                                  |
|  | W.      | 87                                | 35                       | 2                                     | —                                  |
| (iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) |         |                                   |                          |                                       |                                    |
|  | A.E.    | —                                 | —                        | —                                     | —                                  |
|  | C. & G. | 15                                | 22                       | 3                                     | —                                  |
|  | W.      | 22                                | 12                       | 2                                     | —                                  |
| TOTAL :  |         |                                   |                          |                                       |                                    |
|  | A.E.    | 30                                | 46                       | 2                                     | —                                  |
|  | C. & G. | 158                               | 133                      | 20                                    | —                                  |
|  | W.      | 133                               | 52                       | 4                                     | —                                  |

2.—Cases in which defects were found (headings where all satisfactory not given) :-

| <i>Particulars</i>                   |         | <i>Found</i> | <i>Remedied</i> | <i>Referred<br/>by H.M.<br/>Ins-<br/>pector</i> |
|--------------------------------------|---------|--------------|-----------------|---|
| Want of Cleanliness (S.I.) ..        |         |              |                 |   |
|                                      | A.E.    | —            | —               | —   |
|                                      | C. & G. | 3            | 3               | —   |
|                                      | W.      | —            | —               | —   |
| Ineffective Drainage of Floors (S.6) |         |              |                 |   |
|                                      | A.E.    | —            | —               | —   |
|                                      | C. & G. | 1            | 1               | —   |
|                                      | W.      | —            | —               | —   |
| Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)          |         |              |                 |   |
| (a) Insufficient ..                  |         |              |                 |   |
|                                      | A.E.    | —            | —               | —   |
|                                      | C. & G. | 2            | 2               | 2   |
|                                      | W.      | 2            | 2               | 1   |
| (b) Unsuitable or defective ..       |         |              |                 |   |
|                                      | A.E.    | —            | —               | —   |
|                                      | C. & G. | 14           | 13              | —   |
|                                      | W.      | 2            | 3               | —   |
| Other offences against the act ..    |         |              |                 |   |
|                                      | A.E.    | 2            | 2               | —   |
|                                      | C. & G. | —            | —               | —   |
|                                      | W.      | —            | —               | —   |
| TOTAL :                              |         |              |                 |   |
|                                      | A.E.    | 2            | 2               | —   |
|                                      | C. & G. | 17           | 16              | 2   |
|                                      | W.      | 4            | 5               | 1   |

*Part VIII of the Act*

OUTWORK (Sections 110 and 111)

Alderley Edge—Nil Cheadle and Gatley—Nil  
Wilmslow—16



## ALDERLEY EDGE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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*To the Chairman and Members of the  
Alderley Edge Urban District Council*

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Sir, Mrs. Bickmore, Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting my Annual Report on the work done by the Public Health Inspector's Department for the year 1960.

The branches of the work have been placed under separate headings and comments made where necessary.

I wish to thank you for the consideration which you have given me and I also thank the Officials of the Council for their help during the year.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

W. A. BARKER, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.

*Public Health Inspector.*



## SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS AND VISITS

| <i>Classification</i>      | <i>Total<br/>No of<br/>Inspections<br/>and<br/>visits</i> | <i>Informal<br/>Notices<br/>Served</i> | <i>Informal<br/>Notices<br/>Complied<br/>with</i> | <i>Statutory<br/>Notices<br/>Served</i> | <i>Statutory<br/>Notices<br/>Complied<br/>with</i> |
|----------------------------|---|--|---|---|--|
| <b>Dwellings :</b>         |   |  |   |   |  |
| Public Health Acts ..      | 6   | 6                                      | 5   | —                                       | —  |
| Re-Inspection .. ..        | 9   | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Housing Acts .. ..         | 34  | 1                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Re-Inspection .. ..        | 7   | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Council House Applications | 4   | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| <b>Food Premises :</b>     |   |  |   |   |  |
| Ice Cream Premises ..      | 8   | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Provision Shops .. ..      | 44  | 1                                      | 1   | —                                       | —  |
| Butchers' Shops .. ..      | 33  | 2                                      | 2   | —                                       | —  |
| Fried Fish Shops .. ..     | 13  | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Restaurant Kitchens ..     | 24  | 6                                      | 4   | —                                       | —  |
| Bakehouses .. ..           | 15  | 2                                      | 2   | —                                       | —  |
| Greengrocery and Wet Fish  | 18  | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Other Food Premises ..     | 23  | 2                                      | 1   | —                                       | —  |
| <b>General :</b>           |   |  |   |   |  |
| Infectious Diseases ..     | 32  | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Schools .. ..              | 9   | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Smoke Nuisances .. ..      | 41  | 10                                     | 10  | —                                       | —  |
| Shops Act .. ..            | 7   | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Dairies and Milk Shops     | 29  | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Food Condemnation ..       | 1   | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Factories Act .. ..        | 47  | 2                                      | 2   | —                                       | —  |
| Outworkers .. ..           | 1   | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Rent Act .. ..             | 2   | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Drainage .. ..             | 15  | 2                                      | 2   | —                                       | —  |
| Rats and Mice Destruction  | 46  | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Rag Flock Act .. ..        | 1   | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Pet Shop .. ..             | 4   | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Ashbins .. ..              | 10  | 3                                      | 3   | —                                       | —  |
| Slaughter of Animals Act   | 4   | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| General Nuisances ..       | 10  | 3                                      | 3   | —                                       | —  |
| Offensive Trade .. ..      | —   | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Farms .. ..                | 16  | 3                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Totals ..                  | 513   | 43                                     | 35  | —                                       | —  |



## HOUSING

During the year five houses were condemned as unfit and occupants were being rehoused into existing Council Houses.

Negotiations for planning consent and for the acquisition of a site were started with a view to the provision of housing accommodation for further action under the Housing Acts.

## INSPECTION OF FOOD AND FOOD PREMISES

(1) There are in the Urban Area, the following premises where food is prepared, stored and sold:-

|                           |    |    |    |    |
|---------------------------|----|----|----|----|
| Confectionery             | .. | .. | .. | 7  |
| Bakehouses                | .. | .. | .. | 3  |
| Butcher's Shops           | .. | .. | .. | 5  |
| Cooked Meat Manufacturers | .. | .. | .. | 6  |
| Fried Fish and Chip Shops | .. | .. | .. | 3  |
| Hotel Kitchens            | .. | .. | .. | 4  |
| Ice Cream Dealers         | .. | .. | .. | 10 |
| Ice Cream Makers          | .. | .. | .. | 1  |
| Staff Canteen Kitchens    | .. | .. | .. | 2  |
| Restaurant Kitchens       | .. | .. | .. | 4  |
| School Kitchens           | .. | .. | .. | 4  |
| Provision Shops           | .. | .. | .. | 16 |
| Fish and Greengrocery     | .. | .. | .. | 3  |
| Greengrocery              | .. | .. | .. | 1  |

During the year all food premises were routinely inspected under the Provisions of the Food Hygiene Regulations. All actions taken under the Regulations were of an informal nature.

### (2) Food Surrendered and Condemned

During the year two articles of food were condemned as unfit giving a total of 4 lbs. in weight.

(3) There are ten registered dealers in Ice Cream, one manufactures his own for sale at his premises, the remainder sell well-known products made by various national firms.

Twelve samples were taken and submitted to the Laboratory for examination and their bacteriological examination indicated that ten were Grade 1 and two were in Grade II, this being very satisfactory.

## MILK AND DAIRIES

During the year, The Milk Special Designations Regulations, 1960 came into force on the 18th October, 1960.

These Regulations gave the Food and Drugs Authority of the area the powers of granting licences to dealers. The Food and Drugs Authority in this area is the Cheshire County Council.



During the year 24 samples were taken for Laboratory Examination and were submitted for Phosphatase Test, Turbidity Test and Methylene Blue Reduction Test, all the samples were satisfactory under test.

Four Raw (T.T.) Milks were submitted for animal inoculation test and no evidence of Tuberculin infection was found in any of the samples.

### RAG FLOCK

There is one Registered factory in the area to which the Act applies and this factory has been inspected.

### RODENT CONTROL

One trained part-time operative is employed and he uses methods approved by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries. Domestic dwellings are treated free of charge, but a charge is made for treatment of business premises.

There is now no special grant by the Ministry towards the expenditure created by the work of inspection and disinfestation.

The following table gives details of the work done by the Rodent Operative during the year.

| <i>Type of Property</i>   | <i>No. of Infestations by Rats</i> | <i>No. of Properties infested by Mice</i> | <i>No. of Visits Undertaken</i> |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Owned by Local Government | 8                                  | —   | 24                              |
| Dwellings .. ..           | 14                                 | —   | 36                              |
| Businesss Premises ..     | 5                                  | 2   | 11                              |
| Agricultural Premises     | 1                                  | —   | 3                               |
| Totals ..                 | 28                                 | 2   | 74                              |



## **SHOP INSPECTIONS**

As Sanitary Authority, this Council is responsible for the enforcing of the provisions concerning Heating, Ventilation and Sanitary Conveniences, of the shops Act, and during the year shops were inspected for this purpose.

## **WATER SUPPLY**

All houses in the Area are supplied from the Stockport Corporation mains, except a small-holding which has water hand-pumped from a well.

## **REFUSE COLLECTION**

The Refuse Disposal is by controlled tipping on a site at "Tanyard Farm", Chelford Road. A weekly collection is maintained.

## **SALVAGE**

60 tons 8 $\frac{1}{4}$  cwts. of salvage were sold during the year giving an income to the Authority of £392.13.1.



# CHEADLE AND GATLEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Public Health Department,

Town Hall,

Abney,

Cheadle,

Cheshire.

May, 1961

*To the Chairman and Members of the  
Cheadle and Gatley Urban District Council*

Mr. Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen,

## **PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR 1960**

I have the honour to present my annual report on the work of the Public Health Inspectors for the year 1960.

This report is drawn up on the basis of the recommendations of Circular 1160, issued by the Ministry of Health, as to the information to be supplied in the annual reports.

Of the four Clearance Areas submitted to the Ministry during 1959 thirty of the houses were purchased by the Council by agreement. Three others belonging to one owner were demolished. The remaining four were made the subject of a Clearance Order and, at the subsequent enquiry the Council were successful in having the Order confirmed. During the year under review four further Orders have been submitted to the Ministry, embracing twenty-two houses, but no further decision has been arrived at up to the present.

Considerable progress has been made in surveys under the Clean Air Act. One area covering 807 acres in the South west part of Heald Green Ward and part of Cheadle Hulme South Ward has been made the subject of an order, and submitted to the Ministry for confirmation. Preliminary approval has been given to two further areas covering an acreage of 3,164.

I desire to express my thanks to Mr. Riley and Mr. Hill, and other members of the Council's staff for the help and co-operation received from them during the year.

I am,

Your obedient servant,

T. HAYES,

*Senior Public Health Inspector.*



## SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE DISTRICT

| <i>Nature of Inspections</i>                         | <i>No. of visits</i> | <i>Informal Notices Served</i> | <i>Informal Notices Complied with</i> | <i>Statutory Notices Served</i> | <i>Statutory Notices Complied with</i> |
|--|----------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| <b>Houses inspected under the Public Health Act—</b> |                      |                                |                                       |                                 |  |
| Houses inspected after complaint .. ..               | 185                  | 55                             | 55                                    | —                               | —                                      |
| Houses inspected otherwise                           | 36                   | —                              | —                                     | —                               | —                                      |
| No of re-visits to the above                         | 97                   | —                              | —                                     | —                               | —                                      |
| <b>Houses inspected under the Housing Act—</b>       |                      |                                |                                       |                                 |  |
| Houses inspected after complaint .. ..               | 31                   | 29                             | 29                                    | —                               | —                                      |
| Houses inspected otherwise                           | 109                  | 69                             | 16                                    | —                               | —                                      |
| Number of re-visits to the above .. ..               | 86                   | —                              | —                                     | —                               | —                                      |
| <b>General :</b>                                     |                      |                                |                                       |                                 |  |
| Infectious Diseases .. ..                            | 48                   | —                              | —                                     | —                               | —                                      |
| Water Supply .. ..                                   | 6                    | —                              | —                                     | —                               | —                                      |
| Tents, Vans and Sheds .. ..                          | 19                   | —                              | —                                     | —                               | —                                      |
| Stables and Piggeries .. ..                          | 10                   | 1                              | 1                                     | —                               | —                                      |
| Smoke Observations .. ..                             | 92                   | —                              | —                                     | —                               | —                                      |
| Public Conveniences .. ..                            | 3                    | —                              | —                                     | —                               | —                                      |
| Factories and Workplaces                             | 133                  | 20                             | 19                                    | —                               | —                                      |
| Shops, all types .. ..                               | 457                  | 35                             | 30                                    | —                               | —                                      |
| Petroleum Acts .. ..                                 | 25                   | —                              | —                                     | —                               | —                                      |
| Rats and Mice Destruction                            | 427                  | —                              | —                                     | —                               | —                                      |
| Places of Public Entertainment, Public Houses etc.   | 33                   | —                              | —                                     | —                               | —                                      |
| Verminous Premises .. ..                             | 27                   | —                              | —                                     | —                               | —                                      |
| Drainage .. ..                                       | 251                  | —                              | —                                     | —                               | —                                      |
| Slaughterhouses .. ..                                | 284                  | —                              | —                                     | —                               | —                                      |
| Hairdressers .. ..                                   | 49                   | —                              | —                                     | —                               | —                                      |
| Rent Acts .. ..                                      | 5                    | —                              | —                                     | —                               | —                                      |
| <b>TOTALS .. ..</b>                                  | <b>2513</b>          | <b>209</b>                     | <b>150</b>                            | <b>—</b>                        | <b>—</b>                               |



## Clean Air Act 1956

For the purpose of carrying out the detailed surveys required before a Smoke Control Order can be made the Council employed two technical Assistants to help in this work. The number of visits and re-visits made by these two Officers, and the regular staff, amounted to more than 8,000. This was mainly due to the fact that a large proportion of the residents in this district are out at work all day, and this resulted in appointments having to be made during the evenings and on Saturday mornings. However, generally speaking the staff have been well received, and the majority of the householders are welcoming the scheme wholeheartedly.

## Prevention of Damage by Pests Act 1949

During the year considerable work has been carried out by the Council's Rodent Control Operative. A free service is available to the occupiers of all dwelling houses, and the occupiers of business premises are always anxious to co-operate in giving the Operative free access to examine and treat the premises—if found necessary. All business premises pay for these treatments, and large works are dealt with under annual agreements.

The sewerage system in the district has remained particularly free from infestation. Whenever extensions to the sewers have been made on new housing estates tests have been carried out with a view to checking as to whether infestation of the sewers could take place from the surface, or, alternatively, if surface infestation was taking place from the sewers. In all cases the results have been negative.

There were no serious cases of major infestation of either rats or mice in any part of the district.

The following is a record of the treatments and inspections carried out in connection with this work during the period under review.

|  | <i>Type of Property</i> |                        |                      |   | <i>Total</i> |
|--|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|---|--------------|
|  | <i>Local Authority</i>  | <i>Dwelling Houses</i> | <i>Agri-cultural</i> | <i>All other premises (including Business and Industrial)</i> |              |
| No of Properties inspected by the local Authority during 1960 as a result of |                         |                        |                      |   |              |
| (a) Notification ..  | 9                       | 317                    | 0                    | 25  | 351          |
| (b) Survey under the Act   | 0                       | 0                      | 0                    | 0   | 0            |
| (c) Otherwise, <i>e.g.</i> when visited primarily for some other purpose ..  | 0                       | 427                    | 15                   | 10  | 452          |



Numbers of properties inspected which were found to be infested by

|  |    |    |     |   |    |     |
|--|----|----|-----|---|----|-----|
| (a) Rats :Major  | .. | 0  | 0   | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| Minor  | .. | 10 | 317 | 1 | 26 | 354 |
| (b) Mice : Major   | .. | 0  | 0   | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| Minor  | .. | 0  | 111 | 0 | 1  | 112 |
| <hr/>  |    |    |     |   |    |     |
| Number of infested properties treated by the local Authority |    | 10 | 428 | 1 | 27 | 466 |

### Disinfestation

During the year several properties were treated for the elimination of minor pests such as fleas, cockroaches, wasps and hornets nests. The normal insecticidal sprays were successful in getting rid of these pests. There was one serious case of infestation by bugs, and the house was treated with hydrocyanic gas.

### Meat Milk and other Foods.

The number of premises, and mobile vehicles in the district which are concerned with the sale of all types of food and drink is as follows :-

|  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|--|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Ice Cream Manufacturers and retailers          | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 51 |
| Milk Distributors (excluding farmer producers) | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 21 |
| Catering Establishments                        | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 18 |
| Confectioners (including bakehouses)           | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 29 |
| Grocery and provisions                         | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 77 |
| Butchers                                       | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 33 |
| Fishmongers                                    | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3  |
| Fish and Greengrocery                          | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 28 |
| Greengrocery only                              | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3  |
| Fish and Chip shops                            | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 9  |
| Licensed premises (including clubs)            | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 34 |
| Food Hawkers                                   | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 22 |

As regards the last item in the above table, food hawkers have been registered under the Cheshire County Council Act 1953. There are various types, ranging from greengrocery to fishmongers and butchers. Food hawkers who have shops in the area do not come within the provisions of this act.

Frequent inspections are made at the food premises listed above including hawkers' vehicles. There have been no difficulties up to the present in asking the proprietors to comply with the Food Hygiene Regulations.

There are no Clean Food Guilds in the area, but from time to time if informative circulars etc, have been received from the Ministry, information of use to the retailers has been extracted from these circulars and distributed to the shop managers.

### Milk and Dairies Orders :

Attached hereto is a table setting out the number of samples of milk procured during the year, and the results obtained. As this area is now within a specified area only pasteurised, sterilised and tuberculin tested milk may be sold in this district. There are two pasteurising establishments, and they are both well kept.



# 1960

| Type of Milk      | Total Samples Submitted | Methylene Blue (Keeping Quality) |              |                  | Phosphatase (Sufficiently Heat-Treated) |              |                  | Tubercle Bacilli |        |         | Turbidity Test |                  |
|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------|------------------|---|--------------|------------------|------------------|--------|---------|----------------|------------------|
|                   |                         | Total                            | Satisfactory | Not Satisfactory | Total                                   | Satisfactory | Not Satisfactory | Total            | Absent | Present | Satisfactory   | Not Satisfactory |
| Pasteurised       | 30                      | 30                               | 30           | 0                | 30                                      | 30           | 0                | —                | —      | —       | —              | —                |
| T.T. Pasteurised  | 40                      | 40                               | 40           | 0                | 40                                      | 40           | 0                | 8                | 8      | 0       | —              | —                |
| Tuberculin-Tested | 20                      | 20                               | 18           | 2                | —                                       | —            | —                | 16               | 16     | 0       | —              | —                |
| Sterilised        | 14                      | —                                | —            | —                | —                                       | —            | —                | —                | —      | —       | 14             | 0                |
| TOTALS            | 104                     | 90                               | 88           | 2                | 70                                      | 70           | 0                | 24               | 24     | 0       | 14             | 0                |



## Foodstuffs :

The following table is a record of the foodstuffs for which Certificates of Voluntary Surrender have been issued during the year:-

|                    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |               |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|---------------|
| Boneless Ham       | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 30 tins       |
| Ox Tongue          | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 9 tins        |
| Pork Luncheon Meat | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 4 tins        |
| Chopped Pork       | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3 tins        |
| Corned Beef        | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 9 tins        |
| Beef..             | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 54 lbs.       |
| Assorted Fruits    | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 7 tins        |
| Tomatoes           | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 tin         |
| Evaporated Milk    | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 tin         |
| Bourn-vita         | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 tin         |
| Baked Beans        | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 4 tins        |
| Packaged Cheese    | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 package     |
| Butter             | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 43 lbs.       |
| Cod fillets        | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 170 lbs.      |
| Halibut            | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3 stone 1 lb. |
| Fish Cakes         | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 12 lbs.       |

There have been no special cases requiring the examination of particular stocks or bulk consignments.

## Slaughterhouse Work :

The following statistics are a record of the numbers of animals slaughtered and inspected in the area, with the items condemned. The slaughterhouses in the area have been well maintained and kept in a clean condition. Generally speaking the quality of the animals slaughtered in the district is very high.

Total number of animals slaughtered during the twelve months ending 31st December, 1960 :-

|                 |    |    |    |    |    |    |       |
|-----------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|-------|
| Oxen            | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 711   |
| Calves          | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 42    |
| Sheep and lambs | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 4,165 |
| Pigs            | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2,446 |

**Oxen, or part of oxen condemned due to tuberculosis :**

8 heads

**Pigs, condemned, due to tuberculosis :**

2 carcasses complete  
54 plucks  
55 heads

**Condemnation due to "Other Causes".**

|        |                    |    |    |    |    |    |                         |
|--------|--------------------|----|----|----|----|----|-------------------------|
| Oxen : | 23 livers          | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | flukes                  |
|        | 5 livers           | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | cirrhosis               |
|        | 8 livers           | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | cirrhosis and abscesses |
| Pigs : | 1 carcase complete | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | septicaemia             |
|        | 30 carcasses       | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | fevered                 |
|        | 19 carcasses       | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | swine erysipelas        |
|        | 2 carcasses        | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | acute peritonitis       |
|        | 2 carcasses        | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | emaciation              |
|        | 6 hindquarters     | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | fractures and arthritis |
|        | 1 hindquarter      | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | fractures               |



|               |    |    |    |    |                                 |
|---------------|----|----|----|----|---------------------------------|
| 1 hindquarter | .. | .. | .. | .. | fractured pelvis                |
| 21 hind legs  | .. | .. | .. | .. | fractures                       |
| 7 legs        | .. | .. | .. | .. | arthritis                       |
| 83 plucks     | .. | .. | .. | .. | pneumonia                       |
| 138 plucks    | .. | .. | .. | .. | pneumonia and peri-<br>carditis |
| 4 livers      | .. | .. | .. | .. | abscesses                       |
| 10 livers     | .. | .. | .. | .. | Milk spot and abscesses         |

### **Slaughterhouses Act :**

During the year the Council submitted a report on the present slaughtering facilities, with a review of future requirements, as laid down in Section III Sub-Section (1) of the Act of 1958. This report was duly published and submitted to the Ministry for approval.

The report set out provisionally that two of the slaughterhouses in use could be made to comply with the Act and that two others could not. The final decision on the matter had not been received by the end of the year.

### **Water Supply :**

During the year there was a considerable improvement in the water supply from the statutory authority, but complaints were still being received regarding the discolouration of the water in several parts of the district. This was found to be caused mainly by manganese of iron, due to the fluctuation in the flow of water and pressures in the mains. Flushing of the mains by the statutory authority appeared to relieve the trouble.

### **Hairdressers and Barbers :**

Under the Cheshire County Council Act the business, or profession of a hairdresser or barber is subject to registration, and, during the year, the Council adopted byelaws which were approved by the ministry, controlling this particular type of business. The number actually on the register for this district is 43.

## **FACTORIES ACTS**

### **Prescribed particulars on the administration of the Factories Act, 1937.**

#### *Part 1 of the Act*

1.—Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors) :-



| <i>Premises</i>   | <i>Number<br/>on<br/>Register</i> | <i>Ins-<br/>pections</i> | <i>No. of<br/>written<br/>notices</i> | <i>Owners<br/>Prose-<br/>cuted</i> |
|---|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| (i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.                     | 56                                | 34                       | 4                                     | —                                  |
| (ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.                     | 87                                | 77                       | 13                                    | —                                  |
| (iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises). | 15                                | 22                       | 3                                     | —                                  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>158</b>                        | <b>133</b>               | <b>20</b>                             | <b>—</b>                           |

2.—Cases in which defects were found :-

| <i>Particulars</i>                 | <i>Number of cases in which defects were found</i> |                 |                                       |
|------------------------------------|--|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
|                                    | <i>Found</i>                                       | <i>Remedied</i> | <i>Referred by<br/>H.M. Inspector</i> |
| Want of cleanliness (S.1.) .. ..   | 3  | 3               | —                                     |
| Overcrowding (S.2.) .. ..          | —  | —               | —                                     |
| Unreasonable temperature (S.3.) .. | —  | —               | —                                     |
| Inadequate ventilation (S.4.) ..   | —  | —               | —                                     |

| <i>Particulars</i>   | <i>Number of cases in which defects were found</i> |                 |                                       |
|--|--|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
|  | <i>Found</i>                                       | <i>Remedied</i> | <i>Referred by<br/>H.M. Inspector</i> |
| Ineffective drainage of floors. (S.6.) ..  | 1  | 1               | —                                     |
| Sanitary Conveniences (S.7.) .. ..   | 2  | 2               | 2                                     |
| (a) Insufficient .. ..   | 14   | 13              | —                                     |
| (b) Unsuitable or defective .. ..  | —  | —               | —                                     |
| (c) Not separate for sexes. .. ..  | —  | —               | —                                     |
| Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Out-work) .. .. | Nil  | Nil             | Nil                                   |
| <b>TOTAL .. ..</b>   | <b>17</b>  | <b>16</b>       | <b>2</b>                              |



## WILMSLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Public Health Department,

Green Hall,

Wilmslow,

*April, 1961.*

**To the Chairman and Members of the Wilmslow Urban District Council.**

Mr. Chairman, Mrs. Evans and Gentlemen,

I present herewith my Annual Report on the work carried out by your Public Health Inspectors for the year 1960.

The report contains the usual statistical information required by the Minister of Health in accordance with Circular 1/61 of that department and I have no further observations to make.

I desire to express my thanks to members of my own staff and to the other officers of the Council for their co-operation and assistance during the year.

I am,

Mr. Chairman, Mrs. Evans, and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

G. H. LANCASTER,

*Chief Public Health Inspector.*



## SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE DISTRICT

| <i>Nature of Inspections</i>                 | <i>No. of<br/>Visits</i> | <i>Informal<br/>Notices<br/>Served</i> | <i>Informal<br/>Notices<br/>Complied<br/>with</i> | <i>Statutory<br/>Notices<br/>Served</i> | <i>Statutory<br/>Notices<br/>Complied<br/>with</i> |
|--|--------------------------|--|---|---|--|
| <b>Housing.</b>                              |                          |  |   |   |  |
| Houses inspected under P.H.A. .. .. .        | 95                       | 63                                     | 48  | 1                                       | 1  |
| Re-inspections under P.H.A. .. .. .          | 395                      | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Houses inspected under Housing Acts .. ..    | 20                       | 5                                      | 4   | 1                                       | 1  |
| Re-inspections under Housing Acts .. ..      | 81                       | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| <b>General.</b>                              |                          |  |   |   |  |
| Refuse Collection and Disposal .. ..         | 225                      | 23                                     | 22  | —                                       | —  |
| Infectious Diseases ..                       | 228                      | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Water Supply .. ..                           | 71                       | 1                                      | 1   | —                                       | —  |
| Caravans, Tents, etc. ..                     | 49                       | 2                                      | 2   | —                                       | —  |
| Stables and Piggeries ..                     | 14                       | 1                                      | 1   | —                                       | —  |
| Smoke Control Areas and Observations ..      | 125                      | 2                                      | 2   | —                                       | —  |
| Public Entertainment and Public Houses .. .. | 19                       | 3                                      | 2   | —                                       | —  |
| Hairdressers and Barbers ..                  | 27                       | 2                                      | 3   | —                                       | —  |
| Agricultural Premises ..                     | 16                       | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Factories .. ..                              | 43                       | 4                                      | 5   | —                                       | —  |
| Work Places .. ..                            | 11                       | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Pet Shops .. ..                              | 5                        | 2                                      | 2   | —                                       | —  |
| Petroleum Acts .. ..                         | 132                      | 30                                     | 20  | —                                       | —  |
| Special Visits .. ..                         | 288                      | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Rodent Control .. ..                         | 37                       | 31                                     | 31  | —                                       | —  |
| Insect Pests .. ..                           | 27                       | 1                                      | 1   | —                                       | —  |
| Noise Nuisances .. ..                        | 10                       | 1                                      | 1   | —                                       | —  |
| <b>Meat and Food Inspection.</b>             |                          |  |   |   |  |
| Slaughterhouses .. ..                        | 270                      | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Butchers Shops and Stalls ..                 | 21                       | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Wet Fish Shops .. ..                         | 15                       | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Fried Fish Shops .. ..                       | 6                        | 1                                      | 1   | —                                       | —  |
| Other Food Shops .. ..                       | 85                       | 2                                      | 2   | —                                       | —  |
| Bakehouses .. ..                             | 9                        | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Restaurant Kitchens .. ..                    | 23                       | 1                                      | 1   | —                                       | —  |
| Ice Cream Premises .. ..                     | 21                       | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Dairies, Milk Shops and Distributors .. ..   | 90                       | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
| Food Hawkers .. ..                           | 12                       | —                                      | —   | —                                       | —  |
|  | <u>2,470</u>             | <u>175</u>                             | <u>149</u>  | <u>2</u>                                | <u>2</u>   |



## COMPLAINTS

The complaints registered during the year numbered 419, and are classified as follows :-

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| Defective Housing Conditions .. .. .                                       | 16  |
| Choked and Defective Drains, Cesspools and Septic tanks and Sewers .. .. . | 43  |
| Insanitary Conditions of Ditches and Ponds .. .. .                         | 10  |
| Flooding .. .. .   | 23  |
| Accumulations of Refuse and Rubbish, etc. .. .. .                          | 6   |
| Offensive Odours .. .. .   | 28  |
| Smoke and Dust Nuisances .. .. .   | 7   |
| Noise Nuisances .. .. .  | 6   |
| Unsound Food .. .. .   | 8   |
| Water Supply .. .. .   | 72  |
| Rats and Mice Infestation .. .. .  | 139 |
| Infestations by Flies, Mosquitoes, Ants, Wasps, etc. .. .. .               | 53  |
| Infestations by Rabbits, Moles and Foxes .. .. .                           | 5   |
| Keeping of Animals and Hens .. .. .  | 1   |
| Miscellaneous .. .. .  | 2   |
|  | 419 |

All complaints were investigated immediately and the necessary action taken to abate any nuisance found.

## DISINFECTION AND DISINFESTATION

The following table shows the amount of spraying and fumigation undertaken in connection with the control of infectious diseases and verminous conditions :-

|                             | <i>No. of<br/>Premises</i> | <i>Number of Rooms<br/>Sprayed or<br/>Fumigated</i> | <i>Household<br/>Effects<br/>Treated<br/>Separately</i> |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---|---|
| Bed Bugs .. .. .            | —                          | —   | —   |
| Other Vermin .. .. .        | 3                          | 5   | —   |
| Infectious Diseases .. .. . | 1                          | 6   | —   |
| Other causes .. .. .        | 2                          | 8   | —   |
|                             | 6                          | 19  | —   |

In addition to the above, 40 wasps' nests were also destroyed on private property.

## HOUSING

One house only (The Cottage, Morley Green) was made the subject of an individual Demolition Order during 1960.

Nine families, however, were rehoused—eight by the Council and one privately—from unfit houses which have been made the subjects of Demolition Orders, prior to 1960.



## MOVEABLE DWELLINGS

The Oversley Ford camping ground is the only licensed site in the district and the maximum number of caravans permitted at any one time is 45.

Under the Public Health Act, 1936, two licenses were issued during 1960 permitting individual vans on isolated sites to be used for residential purposes for short periods.

In future, caravans will be controlled by the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960, which came into operation on the 29th of August, 1960, and no further licences for this type of dwelling will be issued under the Public Health Act, 1936.

## INSPECTION OF MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

### Slaughterhouses :

The report on slaughtering facilities as required by Section 3 of the Slaughterhouses Act, 1958, was submitted to the Ministry in April, 1960, and the appointed day has been fixed as the 1st July, 1961, when all slaughterhouses in the area must comply with the Construction Regulations. There is no public slaughterhouse in the area and only one private slaughterhouse.

### Meat Inspection :

The post-mortem inspection of animals slaughtered locally is given in the form required by the Minister of Health in the following table:-

### RECORD OF MEAT INSPECTION FOR 1960

|   | <i>Cattle<br/>Excluding<br/>Cows</i> | <i>Cows</i> | <i>Calves</i> | <i>Sheep<br/>and<br/>Lambs</i> | <i>Pigs</i> | <i>Horses</i> |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Number killed (if known) ..   | 454                                  | 181         | 14            | 1,611                          | 1,702       | —             |
| Number inspected ..   | 454                                  | 181         | 9             | 1,219                          | 1,661       | —             |
| <b>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci :</b>  |                                      |             |               |                                |             |               |
| Whole Carcases condemned  | —                                    | 3           | 1             | 5                              | 1           | —             |
| Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned  | 148                                  | 58          | 1             | 49                             | 108         | —             |
| Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci | 33%                                  | 34%         | 22%           | 4%                             | 6%          | —             |
| <b>Tuberculosis only :</b>  |                                      |             |               |                                |             |               |
| Whole Carcases condemned  | 2                                    | —           | 1             | —                              | —           | —             |
| Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned .. ..  | 72                                   | 54          | 3             | —                              | 22          | —             |
| Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis ..                                | 16%                                  | 30%         | 44%           | —                              | 1%          | —             |



**Cysticercosis :**

Carcases of which some  
part or organ was con-  
demned .. .. 2 — — — — —  
Carcases submitted to  
treatment by refrigeration 2 — — — — —  
Generalised and totally  
condemned .. .. — — — — —

**MEAT CONDEMNED****Tuberculosis**

| <b>Cattle</b>             |    |    |    |    |    | <i>No.</i> | <i>Weight<br/>lbs.</i> |
|---------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|------------|------------------------|
| Whole Carcase and Offal   | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2          | 520                    |
| Lungs .. ..               | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 139        | 1,190                  |
| Forequarters              | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 5          | 340                    |
| Heads .. ..               | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 25         | 700                    |
| Skirt .. ..               | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 5          | 10                     |
| Udders .. ..              | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 4          | 40                     |
| Messentery and Intestines | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 6          | 300                    |
| Livers .. ..              | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 13         | 182                    |
| Stomach and Intestines    | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 7          | 420                    |
| Side .. ..                | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1          | 165                    |
| <b>Pigs</b>               |    |    |    |    |    |            |                        |
| Heads .. ..               | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 16         | 209                    |
| Part Hind .. ..           | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1          | 12                     |
| <b>Calves</b>             |    |    |    |    |    |            |                        |
| Whole Carcase and Offal   | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1          | 56                     |
| Lungs .. ..               | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3          | 15                     |

**Other Causes**

| <b>Cattle</b>                       | <i>No.</i> | <i>Weight<br/>lbs.</i> | <i>Cause of Condemnation</i>                             |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------------------|--|
| Whole Carcase and Offal             | 3          | 1,390                  | Fevered, Deformity                                       |
| Hinds                               | 2          | 220                    | Fracture   |
| Trimnings                           | —          | 20                     | Oedema   |
| Flank and Brisket                   | 1          | 60                     | Oedema   |
| Lungs                               | 72         | 720                    | Congestion, Pleurisy, Abscess,<br>Actino, Cysts, D.H.    |
| Udders and Flanks                   | 4          | 132                    | Mastitis, Bruising.                                      |
| Heads                               | 6          | 168                    | Abscess, Cysticercus, Bovis,<br>Actino.                  |
| Skirt                               | 5          | 9                      | Cysticercus Bovis, Contamination,<br>Peritonitis         |
| Kidneys                             | 6          | 16                     | Cysts, Nephritis.  |
| Livers                              | 221        | 2,994                  | Angioma, Cirrhosis, D.H.<br>Abscess, Necrosis, Neoplasm. |
| Heart                               | 2          | 8                      | Cysticercus Bovis  |
| Steak Pieces and one round          | 3          | 92                     | Fracture   |
| Brisket, Skin and flank<br>bruising | —          | 65                     | —  |



**Calves**

|         |   |    |                |
|---------|---|----|----------------|
| Carcase | 1 | 60 | Moribund.      |
| Liver   | 1 | 4  | Contamination. |

**Pigs**

|                          |    |     |  |
|--------------------------|----|-----|--|
| Whole Carcase and Offal. | 1  | 280 | Abscess, Oedema, Efficacy of Bleeding.                                       |
| Shank                    | 13 | 16  | Arthritis, Abscess.  |
| Forelegs                 | 1  | 4   | Abscess.   |
| Trimmings                | 1  | 1½  | Bruising.  |
| Shoulder                 | 1  | 57  | Fracture   |
| Plucks                   | 34 | 151 | Pleurisy, Peritonitis, Pneumonia, Pericarditis, Parasites, Contamination.    |
| Lungs                    | 7  | 25  | Pleurisy, Pneumonia, Congestion,   |
| Part Lungs               | 2  | 18  | Fracture.  |
| Livers                   | 56 | 196 | Cirrhosis, Necrosis, Parasites, Ascaris, Peritonitis, milk spots, Infection. |
| Hearts                   | 3  | 2   | Pericarditis.  |
| Kidney                   | 4  | 2½  | Atrophy, Degeneration, Cyst.   |

**Sheep**

|                         |    |     |  |
|-------------------------|----|-----|--|
| Whole Carcase and Offal | 8  | 285 | Dropsy and Oedema, Moribund Mutilation, Severe Bruising. |
| Pluck                   | 1  | 2   | Congestion.  |
| Livers                  | 44 | 93  | Parasites, D.H. Distomatocis, Cysts, Part Livers.        |
| Lungs                   | 1  | 3   | Abscess.   |

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5 tons 0 cwts. 54 lbs.

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**Other Foods**

The following amounts of foodstuffs have been condemned as the result of complaints or routine inspection of food shops, necessitating the issue of 35 condemnation certificates.

**Tinned and Preserved Food Condemned :**

|                               | <i>lbs.</i> | <i>ozs</i> |
|-------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| Meats .. .. .                 | 261         | 14         |
| Fruits .. .. .                | 77          | 7          |
| Other Preserved Foods .. .. . | 2           | 13         |
|                               | <hr/>       | <hr/>      |
|                               | ....342     | 12         |

**Other Food Condemned :**

|                  |       |       |
|------------------|-------|-------|
| Ducks .. .. .    | 169   | 0     |
| Meats .. .. .    | 44    | 0     |
| Sausages .. .. . | 10    | 0     |
|                  | <hr/> | <hr/> |
|                  | 223   | 0     |



## FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

### Food Hygiene Regulations :

Regular inspections have been made of the various types of premises where food is stored or handled. Although several minor infringements of the Regulations were found and rectified no serious offences were discovered.

From the following list it will be seen that there are 358 types of food businesses carried on in 173 premises, as follows :-

|  |    |    |    |    |     |
|--|----|----|----|----|-----|
| Grocers and Provision Merchants        | .. | .. | .. | .. | 56  |
| Bakers and Confectioners               | .. | .. | .. | .. | 15  |
| Bakehouses                             | .. | .. | .. | .. | 7   |
| Greengrocers and Fruiterers            | .. | .. | .. | .. | 15  |
| Butchers                               | .. | .. | .. | .. | 21  |
| Fishmongers                            | .. | .. | .. | .. | 10  |
| Fish Fryers                            | .. | .. | .. | .. | 4   |
| Sweet Shops                            | .. | .. | .. | .. | 21  |
| Ice Cream Premises                     | .. | .. | .. | .. | 54  |
| Restaurants, Cafes and Snack Bars      | .. | .. | .. | .. | 27  |
| Public Houses                          | .. | .. | .. | .. | 19  |
| Residential Hotels and Boarding Houses | .. | .. | .. | .. | 10  |
| Non-Residential Clubs                  | .. | .. | .. | .. | 7   |
| Industrial and Staff Canteens          | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3   |
| Kitchens preparing school meals        | .. | .. | .. | .. | 7   |
| Schools serving school meals           | .. | .. | .. | .. | 10  |
| Cooked Meats                           | .. | .. | .. | .. | 56  |
| Market Stalls                          | .. | .. | .. | .. | 6   |
|  |    |    |    |    | 358 |

## MILK SUPPLY

### Distribution :

The number of persons registered as distributors of milk and the number of dairies, other than dairy farms, are as follows :-

|              |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|--------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Distributors | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 22 |
| Dairies      | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2  |

### Sampling—Raw Milk

Tuberculin Tested Milk is the only raw milk which can be sold in the area. Thirty-five samples of this grade were taken and submitted to the statutory tests with the following results :-

#### Bacteriological Examination of T.T. Milk

| Designation       | From<br>Retailers | Satis-<br>factory | Unsatis-<br>factory | Experi-<br>ments<br>Spoilt | Total |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|-------|
| Tuberculin Tested | .. 57             | 56                | 1                   | —                          | 57    |

Whenever an unsatisfactory result of the statutory test is obtained enquiries are made into the possible cause and further samples taken. The Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food are also requested in most cases to check on the methods of production at the farm.



## Heat Treated Milk

### The Milk (Special Designation) (Pasteurised and Sterilised Milk) Regulations, 1949.

Heat treated Milk has been sampled regularly and submitted to the statutory tests with the following results :-

|                         |    |    |    | <i>From Local Pasteuring Plant</i> |                           |                             |                              |
|-------------------------|----|----|----|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
|                         |    |    |    | <i>No.<br/>taken</i>               | <i>Satis-<br/>factory</i> | <i>Unsatis-<br/>factory</i> | <i>Experiment<br/>spoilt</i> |
| <b>Pasteurised Milk</b> |    |    |    |                                    |                           |                             |                              |
| Methylene Blue          | .. | .. | .. | 35                                 | 33                        | —                           | 2                            |
| Phosphatase Test        | .. | .. | .. | 35                                 | 35                        | —                           | —                            |
|                         |    |    |    | <i>From Outside Sources</i>        |                           |                             |                              |
|                         |    |    |    | <i>No.<br/>taken</i>               | <i>Satis-<br/>factory</i> | <i>Unsatis-<br/>factory</i> | <i>Experiment<br/>Spoilt</i> |
| <b>Pasteurised Milk</b> |    |    |    |                                    |                           |                             |                              |
| Methylene Blue          | .. | .. | .. | 35                                 | 33                        | —                           | 2                            |
| Phosphatase Test        | .. | .. | .. | 35                                 | 35                        | —                           | —                            |
| <b>Sterilised Milk</b>  |    |    |    |                                    |                           |                             |                              |
| Turbidity Test          | .. | .. | .. | 7                                  | 7                         | —                           | —                            |

The number of licences granted under the Special Designation Regulations were as follows :-

|                   |    |    |    | <i>Dealer's<br/>Licences</i> | <i>Supplementary<br/>Licences</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|-------------------|----|----|----|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Tuberculin Tested | .. | .. | .. | 7                            | 7                                 | 14           |
| Pasteurised       | .. | .. | .. | 17                           | 5                                 | 22           |
| Sterilised        | .. | .. | .. | 15                           | 3                                 | 18           |

The above information appears in this report for the last time as all licences other than those issued by the Minister will be issued by the County Council from the last January, 1961. Arrangements have been made by the County Council to take routine samples of milk from all local retailers from time to time and the results of these examinations will be supplied to the Council.

## EXAMINATION OF MILK FOR TUBERCULOSIS

Samples of Tuberculin Tested Milk were also examined for the presence of tubercle bacilli, but no positive samples were found as the following table shows :-

### SUMMARY OF SAMPLES EXAMINED FOR TUBERCULOSIS

|                    |    |    |    | <i>No. of<br/>Samples<br/>Taken</i> | <i>Positive</i> | <i>Negative</i> |
|--------------------|----|----|----|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <i>Designation</i> |    |    |    |                                     |                 |                 |
| Tuberculin Tested  | .. | .. | .. | 37                                  | —               | 37              |



## ICE CREAM

There are 54 premises where ice cream is sold in a prepacked form and in one case only is any ice cream made on the premises.

A summary showing the results of the samples examined is given below :-

|                         | <i>Total</i> | <i>Grade<br/>I</i> | <i>Grade<br/>II</i> | <i>Grade<br/>III</i> | <i>Grade<br/>IV</i> | <i>Experi-<br/>ments<br/>Void</i> |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Manufactured locally .. | —            | —                  | —                   | —                    | —                   | —                                 |
| Made elsewhere ..       | 16           | 12                 | 12                  | —                    | —                   | 2                                 |
|                         | —            | —                  | —                   | —                    | —                   | —                                 |
|                         | 16           | 12                 | 12                  | —                    | —                   | 2                                 |
|                         | —            | —                  | —                   | —                    | —                   | —                                 |

## WATER SUPPLY

The quality of Wilmslow's main water which is supplied by Stockport Corporation gave rise to many complaints during the year. Unlike the previous year, there was no shortage of water during 1960, but more complaints of discolouration and the presence of sediment were received than in the previous year.

Three samples of mains water taken from different premises were submitted for both chemical and bacteriological examination, and the Analyst's report showed that the water was not unfit for drinking purposes. It was obvious, however, from samples provided by complainants that from time to time the quality of the water was not suitable for all domestic purposes, particularly laundering. The Council are fully aware of these complaints, and very active measures are being taken by them, which it is hoped will result in a satisfactory supply being provided at all times and for all purposes.

### Premises not provided with main supply

The number of houses not connected to a main supply was reduced by 3 during 1960, but there are still 14 premises where the only source of supply is a well. These premises are situated in the following areas :-

| <i>Ward</i>       | <i>No of premises<br/>Without mains<br/>supply</i> |
|-------------------|--|
| Dean Row .. .. .  | 1  |
| Handforth .. .. . | 2  |
| Hough .. .. .     | 5  |
| Morley .. .. .    | 6  |
|                   | —  |
|                   | 14   |
|                   | —  |



## CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956

### Smoke Control Areas

The following Smoke Control Orders are now in operation in the district and all of them are situated in the Handforth Ward :-

| <i>Area</i>  | <i>No. of<br/>Premises</i> | <i>Acres</i> | <i>Date of<br/>operation</i> |
|--|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Wilmslow Urban District Council No. 4<br>(Handforth Ward (Part)) Smoke Control<br>Order, 1959 .. .. .  | 209                        | 22.56        | 1st October,<br>1960         |
| Wilmslow Urban District Council No. 1<br>(Handforth Ward (Part)) Smoke Control<br>Order, 1960. .. .. . | 92                         | 12.76        | 1st January,<br>1961         |
| Wilmslow Urban District Council No. 5<br>(Handforth Ward (Part)) Smoke Control<br>Order, 1960. .. .. . | 86                         | 16.15        | 1st January,<br>1961         |
|  | 387                        | 51.47        |                              |

### RATS AND MICE DESTRUCTION

The following summary gives details in brief of the work performed by the Rat Catcher during 1960 :-

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| No. of premises surveyed .. .. .       | 1,055 |
| No. of premises treated .. .. .        | 801   |
| Methods employed :                     |       |
| No. of pre-baits laid .. .. .          | 84    |
| No. of poison baits laid .. .. .       | 3,297 |
| Cases where traps used .. .. .         | 117   |
| Post Baits laid .. .. .                | 34    |
| Results obtained : No. of bodies found |       |
| Rats .. .. .                           | 544   |
| Mice .. .. .                           | 439   |

In addition to the destruction of rodents, the Rodent Operative also carries out disinfection following infectious diseases and insect pest destruction as required.

### PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951

One licence only was issued in respect of premises where animals are sold as pets. Occasional inspections were made to see that the conditions of the licence were being observed.



## HAIRDRESSERS AND BARBERS

These premises were inspected at least once during the year when a few minor contraventions of the byelaws were found. Steps were taken to obtain compliance with the byelaws in every respect, and generally speaking the conditions existing at these establishments is very good.

The number of premises registered at the end of the year was :

|                      |    |    |    |    |    |
|----------------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Ladies' Hairdressers | .. | .. | .. | .. | 19 |
| Barbers              | .. | .. | .. | .. | 5  |

## REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

### Collection

The average number of collections of refuse made from each house in 1960 was 48, which is just below a weekly collection. An additional refuse collection vehicle was placed on order in July and delivery was expected towards the end of the year. Unfortunately the vehicle was not delivered as promised, and it will not be possible to improve on the present position until the extra vehicle and men are available.

### Disposal

Land owned by the council in Newgate, continues to be the only site in the district for the disposal of house refuse.

### Salvage

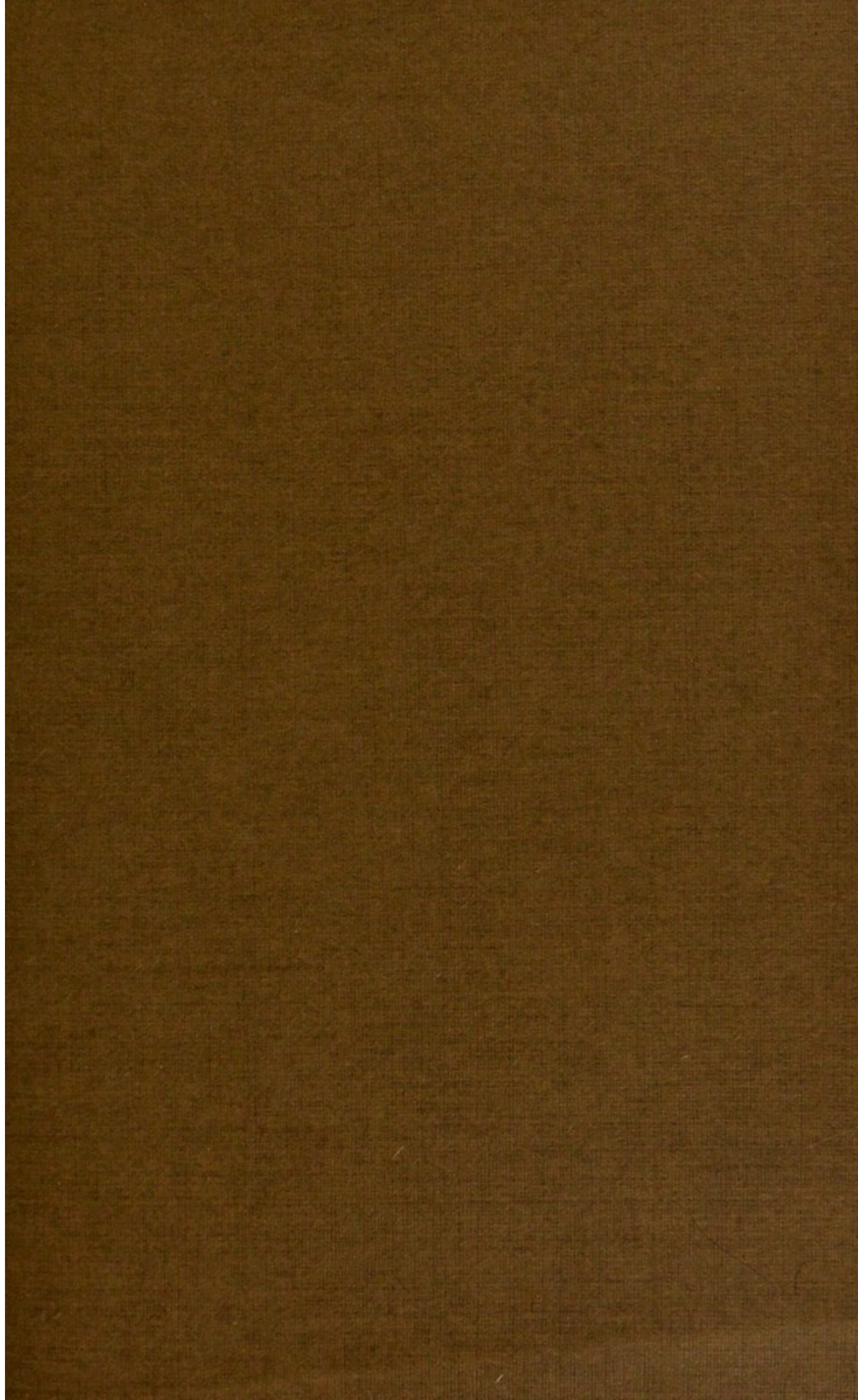
The reclamation of the salvage from the house refuse was continued and the amounts of the various materials separated and sold were as follows :-

|                             | <i>Weight</i> |              |             | <i>Value</i> |           |           |
|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|
|                             | <i>Tons</i>   | <i>cwts.</i> | <i>lbs.</i> | <i>£</i>     | <i>s.</i> | <i>d.</i> |
| Mixed Paper .. .. .         | 300           | 17           | 56          | 2,106        | 2         | 6         |
| Heavy Iron .. .. .          |               | 10           | 0           | 2            | 10        | 0         |
| Aluminium .. .. .           |               | 1            | 100         | 6            | 12        | 6         |
| Copper .. .. .              |               | 1            | 46          | 7            | 15        | 2         |
| Brass .. .. .               |               | 2            | 28          | 9            | 0         | 0         |
| Lead .. .. .                |               | 1            | 56          | 4            | 2         | 6         |
| Mixed Rags .. .. .          | 9             | 17           | 67          | 214          | 14        | 6         |
| Carpets and Sacking .. .. . | 5             | 2            | 8           | 17           | 17        | 3         |
| String .. .. .              |               | 4            | 80          | 1            | 3         | 6½        |
| Cuttings .. .. .            |               | 10           | 93          | 3            | 13        | 4½        |
| Used Batteries .. .. .      |               |              |             | 2            | 0         | 0         |
|                             | 317           | 9            | 86          | 2,375        | 11        | 4         |











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