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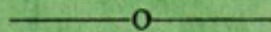
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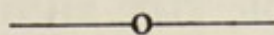
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for the year

1967



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ALTON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL,
COUNCIL OFFICES,
HIGH STREET, ALTON, HANTS.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF
HEALTH FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1967**

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Report for 1967, prepared as instructed by the Ministry of Health.

The health of the Town has been good. The only outstanding incident was an outbreak of Sonné Dysentery in the Spring which is fully reported below. Two subjects have become prominent at national level which touch us here.

The first is Brucellosis in milk.

This is mainly an agricultural and veterinary problem since the organism *Brucella* causes abortion in cattle; but it touches human health in two ways—by direct infection of people working with cattle and by the carrying of infection in milk. Pasteurisation of milk, of course, kills the infection, but there is still a surprising number of people who like their milk and cream unpasteurised. So far as the Town is concerned our action is confined to taking samples of any unpasteurised milk products offered for sale.

The second is *Salmonella* infection in meat—the organism of food poisoning.

Any animals or birds can harbour germs and when they are crowded together in modern intensive rearing establishments and dealers yards, one animal can infect a whole batch. Modern transport enables an infected batch to be moved long distances and distributed to several destinations, infecting the new premises and the vehicles in the process. The situation is made worse by dosing the animals with antibiotics, which may suppress the symptoms without being enough to kill the germs. This in fact can make the germs resistant to further doses of antibiotics.

From the human health aspect, the vital link in the chain is the slaughterhouse or processing plant and here of course both the Ministry's Veterinary Surgeon and the Town's Public Health Inspectors are active. There is, however, need for better control of the earlier stages and compulsory notification of *Salmonella* in animals has been suggested.

In conclusion, I must record my appreciation of the support and encouragement which I have received from the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee and of the ready assistance and efficiency of Mr. Ling and my staff of the Public Health Department.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
I. H. C. MORTON,
Medical Officer of Health.

Part 1

General

The Registrar General's estimate of population is 10,220, an increase of 120 on 1966. This still does not match the record increase of 390 in 1964.

The immediate building programme was completed during the year. The main event has been the construction of a new set of 12 old peoples' bungalows and warden's quarters. Although a survey in 1965 revealed very few people who would admit to needing warden accommodation there has been no difficulty in filling the new bungalows.

A special Council meeting was held in February on the County Council's plan for the re-development of the Town. Although much useful detail was discussed, the whole situation is clouded by the restriction on expansion which is imposed by the Government's policy for South East England. Meanwhile, rebuilding of old property is proceeding. The chain stores are moving in on the High Street and a private firm is starting on a new housing estate.

All this puts extra strain on the sewerage system and the need for a new works becomes more urgent. Now, a new complication is appearing in the "disposable" baby's nappy, etc.—an inevitable concomitant of new housing estates. These things are disposable only in the sense that they cease to be individual objects. Their outer coverings disintegrate in water and their contents become an amorphous mass of insoluble material which deposits in slow running sewers and packs tight under pressure—an Engineer's nightmare.

Health of the Town

Infectious Diseases

Sonné Dysentery. There was an outbreak in February which lasted until May. It first appeared in an infant school and soon reached the associated junior schools. With the co-operation of General Practitioners—to whom I must record my thanks—an attempt was made to standardise treatment and assess the results. Briefly, it appeared that 60% of the children with symptoms had positive stools and 60% of these were cleared (3 negative stools) by one course of antibiotic, usually Terramycin or Neomycin. The others all cleared in time, some taking three months, and further antibiotics had little influence on their course.

There were 384 cases.

I must thank the Laboratory at Lord Mayor Treloar Hospital for their invaluable assistance.

Measles

As will be seen from the table, the pattern of epidemics in alternate years seems to be changing to a three year cycle. However, with the advent of measles vaccination in 1968, it is hoped that this will be the last epidemic year.

Tuberculosis

No new cases were notified.

Venereal Diseases.

No cases of Syphilis were reported.

There was one of Gonorrhoea and three of other infections.

Infectious Diseases notified during the past five years

	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967
Scarlet Fever	-	-	1	-	2
Whooping Cough	5	3	-	-	3
Measles	24	192	19	79	155
Pneumonia	6	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	3	2	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	1	-	-
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	384

Causes of Death

There is nothing significant in these. It is pleasing to see fewer deaths from lung Cancer. One infant death was due to accident and the other to congenital deformity.

Immunisation

The scheme remains as before.

The following tables show immunisation recorded during the year :-

Date of Birth	Triple		Polio		Smallpox	
	Prim.	Bstr.	Prim.	Bstr.	Prim.	Re-vacc.
1967	70*	-	56	-	4	-
1966	99	10	120	1	107	-
1965	7	16	14	3	25	-
1964	1	1	5	2	3	-
1960/63	5	129	10	97	11	4
Others under 16 ...	2	118	1	43	-	15
Totals ...	184	274	206	146	150	19

*2 of these received Diph.-Tet. only.

Tuberculosis (B.C.G.) Given to children of 13 and upwards

No. of children 13 and upwards HEAF Tested	No. of children found positive	No. of children given B.C.G.
333	15	303

Immunisation State of the Town

The following table shows the immunisation state of children born in 1964, 1965, 1966 and 1967.

Born in	Immunised Against		
	Triple	Polio	Smallpox
1964 (197)	167 (84%)	148 (75%)	117 (59%)
1965 (203)	161 (79%)	139 (68%)	125 (61%)
1966 (213)	177 (83%)	182 (85%)	91 (43%)
1967 (186)	79	59	3

The figures shown as born in the respective years are the numbers of birth notifications adjusted for moves in and out of the district. The numbers immunised are the numbers of record cards held.

Hospital Services

Difficulties continue over the staffing of the Casualty Department at the Lord Mayor Treloar Hospital. In fact, the future role of the whole hospital in the Wessex Regional Hospital Board Scheme is at present uncertain.

The Family Planning Clinic, opened last year, is well patronised and expanding its activities.

The Elderly

The second group of Warden accommodation—12 bungalows—was nearing completion at the end of the year and has since been occupied.

A site has been allocated for a residential Home to be built by the County Council.

Meals on Wheels

I am indebted to Councillor Mrs. Harckham for the following notes :-

2039 meals were served at a cost to the recipients of 1/6d.

59 people received meals (not all for the whole year) and the resulting contacts led to other needs being met.

One happy by-product has been visiting by pupils from the Alton Secondary Modern School who have performed various services like gardening or shopping.

Road Accidents

I am indebted to the Chief Constable of Hampshire for the following information :-

There were no fatal accidents in the District and eighteen serious injuries, which is an improvement on last year.

In the County generally the commonest causes of accidents were :-

Motor Vehicles—

- Misjudging clearance.
- Turning right carelessly.
- Losing control.
- Overtaking improperly.

It was noted that less than half of the motor cyclists involved wore crash helmets, and only one in twenty of the motorists wore safety belts.

Pedal Cyclists—

- Turning right carelessly.

Pedestrians—

- Stepping into the road carelessly—especially from behind a stationary vehicle.

Dogs, etc.—

- Animals straying in the road came high on the list; 88% were dogs not under proper control and two deaths were caused.

A special analysis of accidents by time of day has shown that since the introduction of the breath test, accidents between 10 p.m. and midnight have gone down by 55%.

Thanks to the co-operation of the Salvation Army, a local branch of the Tufty Club has been formed.

Home Accidents

I am indebted to the Records Department of the Lord Mayor Treloar Hospital for the following information about accidents which required attention at the Hospital.

There were 110 in all.

Only 5 involved persons over 60—1 a severe scald.

53 were children under 5 and 27 were 2 or less.

Causes among the 2 and unders were—

Filling a hot water bottle.

Swallowing objects.

Severe sunburn.

Unguarded fires.

The total for children is well above last year's (39 under 5) and most of the causes are preventable if parents exercise proper supervision.

Water Supply

Samples have been satisfactory. Natural fluoride is less than one part per million.

Sewerage

This is a point on which the Ministry of Health asks Medical Officers to comment :-

The need for a new sewage works has been apparent for some years and the Council has been battling with the preliminaries of purchase orders and loan sanctions. The contract for the first phase should start in 1968.

In order to make the most of existing facilities, serial samples through the works were taken weekly during the last quarter. A simple turbidity test was used and it was possible to point out individual filters and humus tanks which were not performing satisfactorily and to obtain some improvement.

In December, the Council decided to appoint a Sewage Works Manager who could give more constant supervision and who would be already on hand during the enlargement of the works.

Health Education

Cervical cytology was publicised to stimulate use of the local facilities.

In the schools, drugs and smoking were covered. In one school, which runs a "Learning to Live" series, there was a talk on emotional and ethical aspects of sex which produced a very lively question time.

Food handling and kitchen hygiene were pushed during the summer months and instruction given to staff in the local abattoir.

Swimming Bath

Regular sampling showed a constant satisfactory standard of purity. There was one complaint of a verruca infection but no evidence of any widespread incidence.

National Assistance Act, 1948

No action was required.

Provision of General Health Services

Ambulance

Provided by the Hampshire County Council.

Application is made as under :-

Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.	} Aldershot Ambulance Station (Tel. Ald. 22244).
Postal Applications	

Weekdays, 6 p.m. to 8 a.m.	} Central Ambulance Station, Winchester. (Tel. 61644).
Weekends, Saturday to Monday, 8 a.m.	
Public Holidays, all day	

Child Welfare

A Clinic is held at the Inwood Health Clinic every Tuesday and two Fridays a month from 2—4 p.m.

Welfare Foods

Foods are distributed at Inwood Clinic on Tuesdays, 2—4 p.m.

Ante Natal

Clinic—every Thursday at 2 p.m., at Alton General Hospital.

Relaxation Class—every Wednesday at 2.30 p.m., at Inwood Clinic.

Health Visiting

The Health Visitors for Alton are :-

Mrs. J. E. Morrow, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V., 13, Whitedown, Alton.
Tel. Alton 2097.

Miss D. McKenzie, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V., c/o. East Worldham Manor. Tel. East Worldham 3191.

They are based at Inwood Clinic.

Midwifery and Home Nursing

The Nurse Midwives for Alton are :-

Mrs. M. A. Staples, S.R.N., S.C.M., 1 Pond Cottages, Chawton.
Tel. Alton 2379. Attached to the practice of Drs. Larcombe, Shortt and Wilks.

Mrs. E. W. Roylance, S.R.N., S.C.M., 8 Hall Road, Alton. Tel. Alton 2079. All other work in Alton.

Home Help Service

Application is made to the Divisional Organiser at Town Hall, Petersfield (Tel. Petersfield 2771), accompanied by a Medical Certificate.

Laboratory Service

Bacteriological examinations are made at the Public Health Laboratory, Winchester, and in emergencies at the Laboratory at Lord Mayor Treloar Hospital.

Chemical analysis are done by arrangement with the Public Analyst, Portsmouth.

I should like to record my thanks to the respective Directors for their kindness and co-operation.

School Health Service

Clinics are held as follows :-

Orthopaedic—Lord Mayor Treloar Hospital.

E.N.T.—Alton General Hospital.

Dental—School Dental Centre, Old Odiham Road, and at Schools.

Ophthalmic and Orthoptic—Alton General Hospital and once at month at Inwood Clinic.

Speech—Inwood Clinic.

Child Guidance—Aldershot.

Tuberculosis

Chest Clinics are held at :-

Aldershot—Northfield Hospital. Tel. Aldershot 21365.

Basingstoke—Basingstoke General Hospital.
Basingstoke 5001.

Winchester—Royal Hampshire County Hospital.
Tel. Winchester 5151.

Mass X-ray

A weekly session (by Doctor's appointment) is held in Farnham by the Surrey Mass X-ray Unit.

Public sessions are held from time to time in Alton by the Hampshire Mass X-ray.

Venereal Diseases

Clinics are held at :-

Aldershot General Hospital

Men—Monday, 12—1 p.m., Wednesday, 4—6 p.m.

Women—Monday, 11 a.m.—12 p.m., Wednesday, 2—4 p.m.

Winchester—Royal Hampshire County Hospital

Men and Women (separate Clinics), Monday, 2.30—4 p.m., Tuesday, 3—4.30 p.m.

Welfare

The Welfare Services are being reorganised as under, from 1st January, 1968.

Senior Area Welfare Officer—

Mr. E. W. T. Bonney, Warburg Lodge, Wellington Avenue, Aldershot. Tel. 23941.

Area Social Workers—

Mr. W. T. Pepper, North Block, New Market Square, Basingstoke. Tel. 22109.

Mr. G. G. D. Steward, North Block, New Market Square, Basingstoke. Tel. 22109. Also 70, High Street, Alton. Tel. 3853. Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m.—12 p.m.

Part II

(STATISTICS)

General Statistics

Area in Acres	...	...	...	4085
Rateable value (at 1st April, 1967)	...	...	...	£476501
Sum represented by a 1d. rate (1967-68)	...	...	...	£1891
Population (mid 1967)	...	...	...	10,220
Number of Rateable Dwellings (as at 1st April, 1968)	...	...	...	4071

Medical Statistics

Live Births

Number	...	...	...	...	186
Rate per 1,000 population	...	...	...	...	18.2
„ adjusted by Registrar-General's comparability factor (0.97)	...	...	...	...	17.6
Rate for England and Wales	...	...	...	...	17.2
Illegitimate as a percentage of total	...	...	...	...	4.8

Still Births

Number (all legitimate)	...	...	...	...	3
Rate per 1,000 births, live and still	...	...	...	...	16

Total Births, live and still 189

Infant Mortality Rates (per 1000 live births)

Total (under 1 year)	...	...	...	...	11
Neo-natal (under 1 month)	...	...	...	...	11
Early Neo-natal (under 1 week)	...	...	...	...	11
Perinatal (still births plus deaths under 1 week, per 1000 of all births)	...	...	...	...	26

Deaths

Number	...	...	...	...	97
Rate per 1,000 population	...	...	...	...	9.5
Rate adjusted by Registrar-General's comparability factor (0.92)	...	...	...	...	8.74
Rate for England and Wales	...	...	...	...	11.2
Infants under 1 year (all legitimate)	2

Maternal Mortality (including abortion)

Number	nil
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Causes of Death

	Diseases	Male	Female	Total
10	Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach ...	2	1	3
11	Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	3	1	4
12	Malignant Neoplasm, Breast ...	-	4	4
13	Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus ...	-	1	1
14	Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms	5	3	8
15	Leukaemia, Aleukaemia	1	-	1
16	Diabetes	-	1	1
17	Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	8	12	20
18	Coronary Disease, Angina	18	8	26
20	Other heart disease	3	6	9
21	Other circulatory disease	2	3	5
23	Pneumonia	3	1	4
24	Bronchitis	2	1	3
26	Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	1	-	1
32	Other defined and ill-defined diseases	2	3	5
34	All other accidents	2	-	2
	All causes	52	45	97

Deaths according to ages

Age Group	Under 4 weeks	25—	35—	45—	55—	65—	75—	85—	95—
Male	2	-	3	2	9	18	14	4	-
Female	-	1	1	1	6	7	14	12	3
Total	2	1	4	3	15	25	28	16	3

Tuberculosis (new cases for the past 5 years)

	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967
Pulmonary					
Male	0	0	0	1	0
Female	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Pulmonary					
Male	0	0	0	0	0
Female	0	1	0	0	0
Total	0	1	0	1	0

ALTON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Annual Report of the Chief Public Health Inspector/Housing Manager for the year ended 31st December, 1967

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Report for the year 1967.

Every effort has been made to deal with the increased duties called for as a result of recent legislation, and increased meat inspection, without increase in staff, but additional help in clerical and typing must be forthcoming in the near future.

I wish to record my thanks to Dr. Morton and the staff of the Public Health Department for their support and assistance during the past year.

DUDLEY M. LING,

Chief Public Health Inspector and Housing Manager.

SECTION 1

Public Health Acts

Complaints

As in previous years there was only a small number of complaints that required the serving of notices. Many complaints of dampness due to condensation were made, but these were less than in the past, due to previous advice given to tenants, and also to the handing out to council tenants of a Ministry pamphlet on how to avoid this form of dampness.

Public Conveniences

The standard of cleanliness was very good, and no complaints were received by the Department.

New arrangements are to be made at the Butts whenever a Fair or Circus is there in future. A permanent connection will be made to the sewer to which mobile trailer conveniences can be connected. This will dispense with the primitive methods used in previous years.

Factories

Approximately half of the factories on the register were inspected. The standard was found to be good.

(See Appendix, table I).

Shops and Offices

The number of premises on the register at the end of the year was 147. The number of shops and offices which received a general inspection was 73. All the shops have now received an initial inspection.

(See Appendix, table II).

Five accidents were reported to the Department. The causes of all were investigated. Two were caused by knife cuts, two others by employees falling, and the other by an employee cutting her hand on a metal shop fixture.

Pet Shops, Game Dealers, Scrap Metal Dealers

All licenced premises were inspected.

(See Appendix, table III for licence holders).

Dysentery

A case of Sonné Dysentery was notified to the Department on the 13th February, 1967. This was soon followed by many more; in all 384 persons submitted 735 samples for bacteriological sampling. 102 persons notified as being positive. Some of the affected persons proved to be very resistant to treatment, and the outbreak was finally cleared up on 4th July. It was gratifying that none of the schools meals service kitchen staffs was a positive case. I would like to join the Medical Officer of Health in thanking the Hospital Laboratory Staff at Treloars for their help and co-operation during the outbreak.

SECTION II

Housing Circumstances

Housing Acts

Alton is fortunate that the immediate Slum Clearance programme has been completed. There now remains the task of preventing dwellings from falling into such a state as to become unfit as defined by Section IV of the Housing Act, 1957.

Improvements

All the Preliminary Improvement Notices have been served for the carrying out of the necessary works on the No. 1 Compulsory Improvement Area.

At the end of the year, improvements had been completed in 3 cases but I expect that the majority of the dwellings will be improved in 1968, as at the end of the year 5 other properties were in process of being improved and plans have been submitted and approved in all but a few cases.

(See Appendix, table IV).

Applications have been received from 18 tenants whose dwellings are outside improvement area. In the case of 17 applicants, the agent for the properties has been interviewed, and he has agreed to improve the properties voluntarily, and this will obviate much lengthy legal procedure to procure the improvements. In the other case the owner has requested the Local Authorities to purchase his interest in the property, and negotiations are proceeding between the parties to do this.

Rent Acts

An application was received from one owner for the cancellation of a "Certificate of Disrepair" outstanding on one of his properties. As all the necessary works had been carried out satisfactorily the Certificate of Disrepair was cancelled. Many requests for advice were received at the office regarding the Rent Acts, and a Register of Rents is kept at the Health Department which is open for inspection by the public.

Moveable Dwellings

The two small licenced sites were well maintained. Requests have been received for licences to station caravans in the district but as planning permission is required none have been granted.

There is a need for an overnight site close to Alton, and a site may be provided within the immediate future at Four Marks that may satisfy this need.

Housing Management

The Council's Housing Waiting List continues to grow. As no new Council accommodation has been constructed during the year, with the exception of Carling's, it is inevitable that the waiting list will increase, and that people requiring housing will have to wait for longer periods than in the past before their needs are met.

All Council dwellings were inspected on a change of tenancy, and the outgoing tenants were given a list of works necessary to bring their dwellings to a reasonable state of decoration when this was necessary.

Allocations and exchanges are set out in Appendix. table V.

Special Housing for the Elderly

Victoria Road East continued to operate during the year under the supervision of the Warden, Mrs. M. Vincent. The bell system maintained contact between the 40 dwellings and the Warden's Residence.

Carling's, Queens Road, was completed in November. This Warden area consists of 12 one bedroomed bungalows with a living room, kitchen, W.C./bathroom. Heating is provided by thermostatically controlled warm air units. All the bungalows are connected to the Warden's Residence by means of an intercom system, which enables any of the tenants to speak with the Warden should they require help at any time.

Being a Warden's area with County Council approval a minimum heat of 60°F. had to be maintained, and a charge was made with the rents for gas and electricity on a budget account system.

Mrs. Vincent was appointed Warden at Carling's and her post at Victoria Road East was then taken by Mrs. D. Castleman.

Mrs. Giles was appointed Deputy Warden at Carling's and her residence, 3, Whitedown, was connected to the intercom system.

A relief Warden at Victoria Road is to be appointed in the near future.

SECTION III

Supervision of Food and Food Premises

Milk and Dairies

Milk (Special Designation) Regs. 1963.

Milk and Dairies (General) Regs. 1959.

Messrs. Brown of 23, Normandy Street, and Key Markets, Ltd. of 67, High Street, were registered as distributors of milk, and licences were issued to them in respect of milk sold by them from these premises.

No complaints were received regarding dirty milk bottles, and all milk sold was to the legal chemical standards. (See report of Chief Sampling Officer).

Ice Cream

Food and Drugs Act, 1955

Key Markets Ltd., of 67, High Street, were registered for the storage and sale of ice cream from their Super Market.

Meat Inspection

At the start of the year the Kent Lane Slaughterhouse was temporarily closed while renovations took place, but as Foot and Mouth disease broke out in Hampshire the Slaughterhouse was pressed into service almost immediately.

Messrs. S. Hoar, Ltd., of Havant ceased to occupy the Slaughterhouse in July. A new licence was issued to Alton Meats Ltd., a subsidiary company of Messrs. E. Brown & Sons, Queensway, Southampton.

Tables showing incidence of disease and condemnations are shown in Appendix, tables VI, VII, VIII, IX and X.

A total of 17513 animals were slaughtered during the year. Every carcase and offal was inspected and those found fit were stamped with the Inspector's stamp. Meat from Alton is sent to Smithfield, London, and to ocean-going liners as well as to the local shops.

The Slaughterhouse operators were charged a total of £749.0.9. for the Meat Inspection service.

Alton Market

The food stalls in the Market Square continued to give a service. A few other stalls operated from the nearby Martin & Stratford's Market.

From time to time it was necessary to call dealers' attention to minor infringements of the Market, Stalls and Delivery Vehicles Regulations.

Food for sale at the Auction Hall was inspected regularly. Some rabbits, hares and poultry were condemned.

(See Appendix, table IV).

Food Hygiene Regulations

All the shops received regular visits. No major infringements were found, and the hygiene standard was very good.

Food and Drugs

The Report of the Chief Sampling Officer of the Hampshire County Council is as follows :-

During the year ended the 31st March, 1968, 72 samples were procured under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, within the area of the Alton Urban District Council, consisting of :-

Milk Samples

40 samples of milk, including 14 of Channel Islands, all of which were, on this occasion, satisfactory.

Miscellaneous Samples

32 samples of articles other than milk were obtained, two of which were the subject of adverse reports. These affected the following :-

A sample of apricot jam which was slightly deficient of soluble solids. It contained 63.5 per cent of solids instead of the required minimum of 68.5 per cent. This matter was referred to the vendor with a view to securing an improvement in the quality.

A sample of minced steak which was deficient in meat, in that it contained 75 per cent instead of the minimum of 95 per cent for this description of product. The article had been re-labelled by the vendor and should have been described as "minced steak and gravy." Proceedings were taken in this case and these resulted in a fine of £10 being imposed, together with costs amounting to £20.3.0.

General

The usual attention was given to the requirements of the Labelling of Food Order and the Pharmacy and Medicines Act with regard to the labelling of food and drugs. No complaints of consequence occurred.

SECTION IV

Pest Control

For the year under review the number of houses inspected for rats and mice went up but the number of infestations found and treated were slightly down (See Appendix).

The other control services provided, i.e. wasps, rabbits, moles, and pigeons, along with fumigation for insects were about the same in number as the previous year. Of these pigeons are the main problem but this is not confined to this area alone and the Ministry is trying to discover a suitable control method.

During the Summer the Pest Control Officer gave a short series of Lectures to school children on wasps.

APPENDIX

TABLE I

Factories Act, 1961

Registered Premises and Inspections

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Section 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authorities	2	1	1	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	51	22	3	-
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	-	-	-	-
Total...	53	23	4	-

Cases in which Defects were found

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	1	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)	-	-	-	-	-
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	3	3	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Out-work)	-	-	-	-	-
Total...	4	3	-	-	-

Outwork

Nature of Work (1)	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of outworkers in August list required by Section 133(1) (c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4)	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5)	Notices served (6)	Prosecutions (7)
Total...	-	-	-	-	-	-

TABLE II
Offices, Shops and Railways Premises Act

Class of Premises	No. of prem. regd. during the year	Total no. of regd. prem. at end of year	No. of persons employed	No. of regd. prem. receiv- ing a general inspection during year	No. of visits of all kinds to regd. premises
Offices		38	244	13	121
Retail Shops	10	93	446	55	
Wholesale Shops					
Warehouses	-	4	8	1	
Catering Establishments open to the public					
Canteens	2	13	98	3	
Fuel Storage Depots	nil	1	7	1	
Totals	12	149	803	73	

TABLE III
Pet Animals Act, 1951

Licence Holders, 1965

M. A. Rose & Son (Farnham), Ltd.	...	23, Market Street.
Messrs. Martin & Stratford	...	Alton Market.
Mr. F. A. Fairminer	...	Alton Market.
Mr. H. J. Smith	...	124, London Road, Alton.

Local Government Act, 1894

Game Dealers Licence Holders, 1965

Messrs. Martin & Stratford	...	Alton Market.
Messrs. P. L. Mortara	...	64, High Street.
Mr. K. Reed	...	4, Normandy Street.
Mr. G. Ware	...	29, Market Street.
Joyce & Lucas Ltd.	...	78c High Street.
Mr. W. Morgan	...	18/20 Market Street.

Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964

Registered Metal Dealers Premises

Mr. F. Lee	...	Mill Lane.
Mr. H. Davis	...	Mount Pleasant Road.
Mr. C. Gale	...	1, Cut Pound, Tanhouse Lane

TABLE IV**Housing Acts.**

(a) Unfit houses demolished 1-5 Loes Buildings Unfit houses closed Toll Gate Cottage, 82 High Street.	5 1
(b) Improvement Area No. 1 Number of houses included in area Number of tenanted houses lacking one or more of the essential ammenities Number of Preliminary Improvement Notices served Number of Suspended Notices issued Works Completed	87 27 26 4 3
(c) Outside Improvement Area Requests from Tenants for improvements	18

TABLE V**Council Dwellings Allocation.**

Allocations	Source of Accommodation
From Waiting List 27 From Key Workers 6 For Staff 5 Exchanges and Transfers 37 From Slum Clearance 1	New Dwelilngs 12 Vacancies 27 Tenancy Transfers and Exchanges 76
Total 76	Total 76

TABLE VI**Voluntary Surrender of Unsound Food.**

Meat (other than at Slaughterhouse) Turkeys Chickens Rabbits Canned Food	108 lbs. 1 24 7 147
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TABLE VII

Food Premises.

Caterers ...	13	Breweries ...	3	Egg Stations ...	1
Butchers ...	11	Hotels ...	7	Market Stalls	7
Fishmongers ...	2	Canteens ...	2	Food Auction	
Grocers ...	29	School Canteens	6	Rooms ...	1
Greengrocers ...	10	Public Houses	13	Confectioners	7
Bakehouses ...	2	Off Licences ...	5	Chemists ...	3
Breadshops ...	3	Slaughterhouses	1	Mobile Traders	4

All premises comply with the Food Hygiene Regulations, Section 16a—where applicable.

TABLE VIII

Animal Carcasses Inspected and Condemned.

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
Number Killed and Inspected ...	2101	1382	7003	7027
All diseases except T.B. and Cysticerci :				
Whole carcase condemned ...	11	14	10	30
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	882	14	386	602
Percentage of the number inspected infected with diseases other than T.B. or Cysticerci ...	42.6%	2.0%	5.6%	8.9%
Tuberculosis only :				
Whole carcasses condemned ...	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	-	-	-	48
Percentage of the number inspected infected with T.B. ...	-	-	-	0.68%
Cysticercosis :				
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	8	-	-	-
Carcases submitted for treatment by refrigeration ...	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned ...	-	-	-	-

TABLE IX
Animal Diseases for which Whole Carcases and Organs were
Condemned.

Disease	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Pigs	Total
Abnormal Odour ...	2	-	-	-	2
Abscesses ...	-	-	-	15	15
Arthritis ...	-	-	-	1	1
Fever ...	1	3	-	-	4
Ill Bled ...	-	1	1	2	4
Joints Ill ...	-	2	-	-	2
Leukaemia ...	1	-	-	-	1
Moribund ...	-	-	-	3	3
Oedema Emaciation ...	2	2	7	4	15
Pyaemia ...	1	3	-	-	4
Pyelonephritis ...	-	-	-	1	1
Septic Peritonitis ...	2	-	-	-	2
Septic Pneumonia ...	2	3	2	1	8
Septic Pleurisy ...	-	-	-	1	1
Swine Erysipelas ...	-	-	-	2	2
	11	14	10	30	65

TABLE XI

Pest Control

	Local Authority	Dwelling Houses	Agricultural	Business Industrial	Total
1 No. of premises inspected	25	437	8	24	484
2 No. of premises found to be infested by rats	15	96	6	11	128
3 No. of premises found to be infested by mice	-	21	-	3	24
4 No. of inspected premises treated by Council	15	117	6	14	142
5 No. of block control schemes carried out		12			

TABLE X

**Animal Diseases for which Organs and Part Carcasses were
Condemned.**

Disease	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Pigs	Total
Heads :					
Abscess	17	-	-	8	25
Actino Bacillosis	13	-	-	17	30
Bruising	2	-	-	-	2
C. Bovis	3	-	-	-	3
Lipoma	1	-	-	-	1
Tuberculosis	-	-	-	48	48
Lungs :					
Abscess	4	1	-	-	5
Congestion	-	-	-	10	10
Emphysema	3	-	-	-	3
Oedema	1	-	-	-	1
Parasites	12	-	10	-	22
Pleurisy	82	1	-	65	148
Pneumonia	30	2	4	78	114
Hearts :					
C. Bovis	5	-	-	-	5
Pericarditis	2	-	-	13	15
Xanthosis	1	-	-	-	1
Livers :					
Abscess	81	2	-	-	83
Angioma	61	-	-	-	61
Cirrhosis	10	1	-	162	173
Congestion	-	-	-	19	19
Fatty Infiltration	5	-	-	-	5
Necrosis	-	-	-	1	1
Parasites	458	1	364	73	896
Peritonitis	10	2	1	42	55
Kidneys :					
Abscess	5	-	-	-	5
Hydronephrosis	4	-	-	5	9
Peritonitis	2	-	-	-	2
Udders :					
Abscess	1	-	-	-	1
Spleens :					
Peritonitis	5	-	-	-	5
Part Carcasses :					
Abnormality	1	-	-	2	3
Abscess	1	2	1	29	33
Arthritis	1	-	11	3	15
Bruising	1	2	-	3	6
Injury	-	-	-	9	9



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