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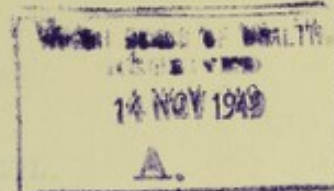
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ANNUAL REPORT

- of the -

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for the year 1948.

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Shinnerson Collection District - Mr. F. C. Price.

VITAL STATISTICS.

| | | |
|--------------|-----|--------|
| Area (Acres) | ... | 42,459 |
| Population | ... | 10,290 |

BIRTHS

| <u>Live Births</u> | | <u>Male</u> | <u>Female</u> |
|--------------------|-----|-------------|---------------|
| Legitimate | ... | 89 | 80 |
| Illegitimate | ... | 4 | 5 |
| TOTAL | | 93 | 85 |

178.

| | |
|---------------------------------|------|
| Birth Rate per 1,000 population | 17.3 |
| Monmouthshire Birth Rate | 19.2 |
| England and Wales | 17.9 |

| <u>Still Births</u> | | <u>Male</u> | <u>Female</u> |
|---------------------|--|-------------|---------------|
| Legitimate | | 4 | 0 |
| Illegitimate | | 1 | 0 |
| TOTAL | | 5 | 0 |

| | |
|----------------------------------|------|
| Birth Rate per 1,000 population | 0.49 |
| Monmouthshire Still Birth Rate | 0.51 |
| England & Wales Still Birth Rate | 0.42 |

| <u>Infant Mortality</u> | <u>Male</u> | <u>Female.</u> |
|------------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Deaths in First Year of Life | 4 | 1 |
| TOTAL (All legitimate) | 5 | |

| | |
|-----------------------|------|
| Rate per 1,000 births | 28 |
| Monmouthshire | 43.7 |
| England and Wales | 34 |

| <u>Deaths</u> | <u>Male</u> | <u>Female</u> |
|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| | 51 | 44 |
| TOTAL | 95 | |

| | |
|---------------------------------|------|
| Death Rate per 1,000 population | 9.2 |
| Death Rate Monmouthshire | 11.1 |
| Death Rate England and Wales | 10.8 |

| | |
|---------------------------|------|
| <u>Maternal Mortality</u> | Nil. |
|---------------------------|------|

Deaths from :-

| | |
|---------------------|----|
| Cancer | 17 |
| Whooping Cough | - |
| Diphtheria | - |
| Pneumonia | 1 |
| Influenza | 1 |
| Tuberculosis | 5 |
| Infantile Diarrhoea | - |

VITAL STATISTICS

Area (square miles) 42,400
Population 10,000

BIRTHS

| Live Births | Males | Females |
|--------------|-------|---------|
| Legitimate | 80 | 80 |
| Illegitimate | 2 | 2 |
| TOTAL | 82 | 82 |

Birth Rate per 1,000 population 17.2
Non-maternal Birth Rate 10.0
England and Wales 17.0

| Still Births | Males | Females |
|--------------|-------|---------|
| Legitimate | 2 | 2 |
| Illegitimate | 1 | 1 |
| TOTAL | 3 | 3 |

Still Birth Rate per 1,000 population 0.42
Non-maternal Still Birth Rate 0.21
England & Wales Still Birth Rate 0.42

| Infant Mortality | Males | Females |
|------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Deaths in First Year of Life | 1 | 1 |
| TOTAL (All Legitimate) | 1 | 1 |

Rate per 1,000 births 20
Non-maternal 20
England and Wales 20

| Deaths | Males | Females |
|--------|-------|---------|
| | 51 | 44 |
| TOTAL | 95 | 95 |

Death Rate per 1,000 population 9.5
Death Rate Non-maternal 11.1
Death Rate England and Wales 10.8

Maternal Mortality

| Deaths from | Males |
|---------------------|-------|
| Concussion | 1 |
| Whooping Cough | 1 |
| Diphtheria | 1 |
| Pneumonia | 1 |
| Influenza | 1 |
| Intestinal | 1 |
| Infantile Paralysis | 1 |

CHEPSTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector's Annual Report for the
Year 1948.

Inspections during the Year.

| | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Dairies and Cowsheds | ... | ... | 48 |
| Food Preparation Premises | ... | ... | 13 |
| Bakehouses | ... | ... | 6 |
| Food Inspection | ... | ... | 19 |
| Drainage | ... | ... | 111 |
| Drain Testing | ... | ... | 40 |
| Sewerage | ... | ... | 52 |
| Water Supply | ... | ... | 275 |
| Housing (Complaints) | ... | ... | 94 |
| Infectious Disease & Disinfection | ... | ... | 54 |
| Nuisances | ... | ... | 21 |
| Disinfestation | ... | ... | 11 |
| Shops Acts | ... | ... | 26 |
| Housing Accommodation | ... | ... | 37 |
| Rural Housing Survey | ... | ... | 292 |
| Interim Development | ... | ... | 32 |
| Civil Building Control | ... | ... | 78 |
| New Buildings | ... | ... | 19 |
| Housing Sites | ... | ... | 131 |
| Council Houses re repairs | ... | ... | 29 |
| Temporary Housing Camps | ... | ... | 121 |
| Camping Sites | ... | ... | 6 |
| Refuse Collection and Disposal | ... | ... | 121 |
| Salvage | ... | ... | 19 |
| Petrol Licences | ... | ... | 11 |
| Factories | ... | ... | 9 |
| Building Byelaws | ... | ... | 42 |
| Miscellaneous | ... | ... | 353 |

Work Done. by owners after Informal Notices:-

| | | | |
|------------------|-----|-----|----|
| Housing repairs | ... | ... | 18 |
| Drainage Repairs | ... | ... | 20 |
| Nuisances abated | ... | ... | 5 |

by owners after Statutory Notices:-

| | | | |
|------------------|-----|-----|---|
| Housing Repairs | ... | ... | 2 |
| Drainage Repairs | ... | ... | 1 |

Notices Served.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----|------|
| Informal under Housing Acts | ... | 22 |
| Informal under Public Health Acts. | | 30 |
| Statutory under Public Health Acts. | | 3 |
| Statutory under Housing Acts | ... | Nil. |

HOUSING

| | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Dwelling Houses inspected under P.H.Acts or Housing Acts .. | 347 |
| Number of inspections made for the purpose | 386 |
| Number of houses inspected under Housing Consolidated Regs. | 292 |
| Number of inspections made for the purpose | 321 |
| Number of dwelling houses injurious or dangerous to health | 8 |
| Number of dwelling houses not in all respects fit for human habitation | 132 |
| Number of houses rendered fit by informal action .. | 38 |

PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTIONS 9,10 & 16 of HOUSING ACT 1936.

| | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Number of houses in respect of which notices were served .. | Nil |
| Number of houses rendered fit by Statutory action (by owners) | Nil |

PROCEEDINGS UNDER PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS.

| | |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Number of houses in respect of which notices were served | Nil |
| Number of houses rendered fit by Statutory action | Nil |

PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTIONS 11 and 13 OF HOUSING ACT 1936.

| | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Number of houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made | Nil |
| Number of houses demolished | Nil |

OVERCROWDING.

7 cases of overcrowding were noted during routine housing inspections, but no action was taken owing to the general lack of housing accommodation.

BUILDING BYELAWS AND PLANNING.

During the year 36 plans for buildings and alterations were approved, 3 of which were subject to temporary licence.

CONTROL OF CIVIL BUILDING.

During the year 113 Building Licences were issued in respect of work of a total estimated cost of £13,354.

In connection with these works, 17 W.B.A. certificates for Priority of Materials and 9 I.S. Authorisation Certificates under the Control of Iron and Steel Distribution Scheme were issued.

MILK AND DAIRIES.

During the year, 7 applications for registration of cowsheds and dairies were considered and approved.

Improvements were carried out to 10 cowsheds.

ICE CREAM.

Three premises were registered for the storage and sale of ice cream. There have been no complaints regarding ice cream sold in the district, and frequent inspections are made of all registered premises.

Number of samples taken ... Nil.

WATER SUPPLY.

The parishes of Portskewett, part of Caldicot, Rogiet and Undy, are supplied with water purchased in bulk from the Chepstow Water Company and distributed through mains laid by the Council. Throughout the year the quality has been satisfactory.

During the first three quarters of the year, the pressure at Brockwells and the high levels of Undy was poor. In September, a connection was made to the mains of Magor and St. Mellons R.D.C., the Council's main being extended to the boundary at Magor for the purpose. The new source was used to supply the parish of Undy, the pressure being adequate for the high levels at Knollbury and Vinegar Hill.

With Undy parish disconnected from the Severn Tunnel Area supply, pressure at Brockwells has been improved.

Three Bacteriological samples taken during the year gave satisfactory results.

Number of houses inspected under E.H. Act or Housing Act .. 347
 Number of inspections made for the purpose .. 388
 Number of houses inspected under Housing Consolidation Act .. 338
 Number of inspections made for the purpose .. 381
 Number of dwelling houses in towns or dangerous to health .. 3
 Number of dwelling houses not in all respects fit for human habitation .. 133
 Number of houses rendered fit by informal action .. 79

PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTION 11 AND 12 OF HOUSING ACT 1925.

Number of houses in respect of which notices were served .. 111
 Number of houses rendered fit by statutory action (by orders) .. 111
 Number of houses in respect of which notices were served .. 111
 Number of houses rendered fit by statutory action .. 111

PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTION 11 AND 12 OF HOUSING ACT 1925.

Number of houses in respect of which demolition orders were made .. 111
 Number of houses demolished .. 111

OVERCROWDING.

7 cases of overcrowding were heard during routine housing inspections, but no action was taken owing to the general lack of housing accommodation.

BUILDING BYLAWS AND PLANNING.

During the year 26 plans for buildings and alterations were approved, 2 of which were subject to temporary licences.

CONTROL OF CIVIL BUILDING.

During the year 115 building licences were issued in respect of work of a total estimated cost of £11,504.
 In connection with these works, 17 E.H. certificates for building of alterations and E.H. certificates for alterations under the Control of Iron and Steel Distribution Scheme were issued.

MIX AND BATTERIES.

During the year, 7 applications for registration of cowsheds and dairies were considered and approved.
 Interventions were carried out on 10 cowsheds.

ICE CREAM.

Three premises were registered for the storage and sale of ice cream. There have been no complaints regarding ice cream sold in the district, and frequent inspections are made of all registered premises.

Number of samples taken .. 111

WATER SUPPLY.

The supplies of waterworks, parts of Galloway, Rogiet and Wundy are supplied with water purchased in bulk from the Glasgow Water Company and distributed through mains laid by the Galloway Waterworks. The year the quality has been satisfactory.

During the first three quarters of the year, the pressure at Brockville and the high level of Wundy was poor. In September, a connection was made to the mains of Wundy and St. Kellie R.P.D., the connection being extended to the boundary of Wundy for the purpose. The new source was used to supply the main of Wundy, the pressure being adequate for the high level at Brockville and Wundy Hill.

With Wundy parish disconnected from the Galloway Tunnel and supply, pressure at Brockville has been improved.

Three bacteriological samples taken during the year gave satisfactory results.

Highmoor Hill, in the parish of Caldicot is supplied with water purchased in bulk from Newport Corporation. From Penhow to Carrow Hill it is fed through a private main which is in a very bad condition owing to corrosion, with the result that the supply has been intermittent at high levels.

In October, sanction was obtained from the Welsh Board of Health to make a new connection with a 4" Admiralty main at Five Lanes, Caerwent. It is proposed to sever the connection with the existing private main at Carrow Hill and feed from Five Lanes, when quantity and pressure should be adequate.

Parts of the parishes of Mathern and Caerwent are supplied with water from Chepstow Water Company. The supply to Mathern village is via the Company's own mains.

Parts of Mathern parish and Caerwent are fed through Monmouthshire County Council's mains. Quality has been satisfactory, but the pressure has been poor on some sections served by the County Council's mains.

The parish of Devauden is supplied by a scheme installed by the Council. Hydraulic rams raise the water from the source to a high level storage tank, from where it gravitates. The quality of the water has reached a satisfactory standard during the year as shown by the results of the two bacteriological samples referred to in the table given below.

The quantity has, on the whole, remained satisfactory during the year, but during drought periods it has been maintained only with difficulty owing to:-

- (a) limited storage capacity,
- (b) the normal demand almost equals the maximum lifting capacity of the rams.

Extensions to the scheme are very desirable, but cannot be carried out until additional storage capacity has been provided and the pumping capacity increased by the provision of a power driven pump. By this means, water now used for driving the rams could be pumped and fed into the mains.

Protection of the supply at its source is also needed. At present, the spring rises in an open pool.

The village of St. Arvans is supplied by a small water scheme. During the year one bacteriological sample proved unsatisfactory. Chemically, there is slight plumbo-solvency and therefore, iron pipes are used on the scheme.

Quantity has been generally satisfactory during the year, but the storage tank is defective and leaking.

The remainder of the district is served by small private schemes wells, and springs. The quality and quantity of water from some of these sources has been unsatisfactory and provision of adequate piped supplies is the only satisfactory solution.

The results of bacteriological samples taken from the privately owned piped supply at Shirenewton are shown in the table below.

The supply comes from two separate sources which were mixed before being passed into the pipelines. Pollution was traced to one of the sources and instructions were given for the use of water from it to be discontinued. Thus pollution was removed, but the quantity of water remaining available is insufficient.

Provision of an alternative supply for Shirenewton and Mynyddbach is an urgent necessity and the supply should be extended to Earlswood as soon as possible.

An adequate piped supply is also necessary at Tintern which is poorly served at present.

Highway Hill, in the parish of Orleans is supplied with water purchased in bulk from the New Orleans Water Company. The water is pumped into the city through a large pipe which is in a very bad condition owing to corrosion. It is the result that the supply has been interrupted at night hours.

In October, another was obtained from the Water Board of Health and a new connection with a 12 inch pipe was made at five lanes. It is proposed to make the connection with the existing private main at Avenue Hill and from five lanes, when possibly the pressure should be adequate.

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Bacteriological Samples from Piped Supplies.

| <u>Parish</u> | <u>Samples</u> | <u>Public</u> | <u>Private</u> | <u>Raw</u> | <u>Treated</u> | <u>Results</u> | |
|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|------------|----------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| | | | | | | <u>Satisfactory</u> | <u>Unsatisfactory</u> |
| Caldicot | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | - |
| Rogiet | 1 | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | - |
| Devauden | 2 | 2 | - | 2 | - | 2 | - |
| St. Arvans | 2 | 2 | - | 2 | - | 1 | 1 |
| Shirenewton | 4 | - | 4 | 4 | - | 1 | 3 |

| <u>Parish</u> | <u>Population of Parish</u> | <u>Population supplied direct to houses</u> | <u>Population supplied by standpipes.</u> | <u>Number of houses.</u> |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Caerwent | 1318 | 560 | Nil | Nil |
| Caldicot | 1800 | 1654 | 132 | 38 |
| Devauden | 575 | 304 | 104 | 30 |
| Kilgwrwg | 78 | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Llangwm | 407 | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Llanvihangel Rogiet | 69 | 11 | 15 | 4 |
| Matherm | 851 | 720 | 24 | 7 |
| Portskewett | 1208 | 1195 | 13 | 4 |
| Rogiet | 1114 | 1102 | 12 | 4 |
| St. Arvans | 636 | 301 | 67 | 19 |
| Shirenewton | 745 | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Tintern | 735 | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Undy | 664 | 573 | 21 | 6 |

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

Proposals for several new sewerage schemes and extensions to existing ones had been forwarded to the Welsh Board of Health prior to 1948.

Up to the end of the year, no authority to proceed with any of the proposed schemes had been received.

26 new houses at Rogiet were in course of erection and sewers for 22 houses at Caldicot were laid by the end of the year. In addition, it is proposed to erect a large number of houses at Caldicot and a site of approximately 50 acres has been acquired by the Council.

In view of development proceeding as anticipated, it is essential that the proposed schemes for the Severn Tunnel Area should proceed as soon as possible, as the existing system serving Rogiet and Caldicot is already heavily taxed during storm periods.

REFUSE COLLECTION.

During the year, the house refuse collection service was greatly extended when a new Dennis 10 cubic yard refuse collection vehicle was delivered and put into service. Previously, collections had been made in three parishes only. The scheme operates in all the 13 parishes comprising the district. The most populated parts are covered weekly and the scattered outlying areas are served fortnightly.

MEAT & OTHER FOODS.

Carcase meat coming into the district is slaughtered at Newport abattoir, where inspection is carried out.

Dressed carcase meat is sent to the various retail butchers from the distribution centre at Caldicot, where regular inspections have been made.

No slaughtering has been done in the district during the year.

Inspection of Shops and foodstores, food preparation rooms, etc. have been carried out as a routine measure.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS CONDEMNED AFTER INSPECTION.

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| BEEF (bruising | ... | 136 lbs. |
| BACON (decomposition) | ... | 7½ lbs. |
| BUTTER (rancid) | ... | 21 lbs. |
| PRUNES (mould) | ... | 75 lbs. |
| TINNED MILK (blown & damaged). | | 74 tins. |
| MISCELLANEOUS TINNED FOODS ... | | 82 tins. |
| (fruit, vegetables, fish and meat:- blown and damaged) | | |
| MARMALADE | ... | 4 lbs. |

TRAFFIC AND CIRCULATION

Proposals for several new bridge schemes and extensions to existing ones had been forwarded to the Welsh Board of Health prior to 1918.

Up to the end of the year, no authority to proceed with any of the proposed schemes had been received.

28 new houses at Rhydydd were in course of erection and seven for 28 houses at Gellidale were laid by the end of the year. In addition, it is proposed to erect a large number of houses at Gellidale and a site of approximately 50 acres has been acquired by the Council.

In view of development proceeding as anticipated, it is estimated that the proposed schemes for the Severn-Temei Area should provide as soon as possible, as the existing system serving Rhydydd and Gellidale is already heavily taxed during storm periods.

REFUSE COLLECTION

During the year, the house refuse collection service was greatly extended when a new Dennis 10 cubic yard refuse collection vehicle was delivered and put into service. Previously, collections had been made in three parties only. The scheme operates in all the 15 parishes comprising the district. The most populated parishes are covered weekly and the scattered outlying areas are served fortnightly.

HEAT & OTHER FOODS

Garbage meat coming into the district is slaughtered at Newport abattoir, where inspection is carried out.

Dressed carcasses meat is sent to the various retail butchers from the distribution centre at Gellidale, where regular inspections have been made.

No slaughtering has been done in the district during the year.

Inspection of shops and foodstuffs, food preparation rooms, etc., have been carried out as a routine measure.

HEAT AND OTHER FOODS CONTINUED AFTER INSPECTION

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| MEAT (poultry) | ... | 125 lbs. |
| BACON (bacon) | ... | 125 lbs. |
| BUTTER (butter) | ... | 21 lbs. |
| CHEESE (cheese) | ... | 75 lbs. |
| TIRED MILK (broom & damask) | ... | 75 lbs. |
| MISCELLANEOUS TYPED FOODS | ... | 65 lbs. |
| (fruit, vegetables, fish and meat) | ... | ... |
| GIORG AND DAMASK | ... | ... |
| MARSHALL | ... | 4 lbs. |

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Of existing houses, many are not in all respects fit for human habitation, but during the year there has been some improvement, as a result of some relaxation of Civil Building Control.

At St. Arvans, 8 new Council Houses were completed and occupied during the year.

At Rogiet, 8 were completed, and a further 16 were in course of erection.

20 houses were being built at Caerwent, and by the end of the year 4 of them were almost completed.

At Portskewett a start had been made on 16 houses.

At Caldicot roads and sewers for 22 houses had been laid by the year end.

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At St. Ann's, 5 new Council houses were completed and occupied during the year.

At Hospital, 5 were completed, and a further 15 were in course of erection.

50 houses were being built at Carrington, and by the end of the year 4 of them were almost completed.

At Portlough a start had been made on 15 houses.

At Galileo roads and towers for 28 houses had been laid by the year end.

Finally work is commenced with other housing after continued during the year, and at Galileo a second site of 20 acres was purchased for future development.