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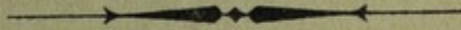
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STATISTICS.

Area of District	39,153 acres
Population (estimated) Mid 1968	3,470
Population per acre	11.3
Rateable value as at 1st April, 1968	£72,313
Number of Live Births	66
Birth Rate per 1000 inhabitants, crude	19.0
Number of Still Births	0
Stillbirth rate per 1000 total births	0
Number of Deaths	83
Death rate per 1000 inhabitants, crude	23.9
Number of Infant Deaths (under 1 year)	2
Infant Mortality Rate per 1000 Live Births	30.3
Perinatal Mortality Rate	51.1
Number of Infectious Diseases notified	6
Infectious Diseases—Attack rate per 1000 inhabitants	1.8
Tuberculosis :—	
Caes notified	2
Attack rate per 1000 inhabitants	0.58
Deaths	0
Death rate per 1000 inhabitants	0

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
for the Year 1968.

To the CHAIRMAN and MEMBERS of the HAY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

Mr. Chairman, and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my report on the sanitary conditions and the state of the Public Health in the Hay Rural District during the year 1968.

In this report I have endeavoured to deal briefly with all matters within my responsibility regarding Public Health and Preventive Medicine, and I have included comments on the subjects specifically requested in Circular 1/69 (Wales) by the Welsh Board of Health.

I wish to tender my thanks to the Members of the Council for their helpful consideration and co-operation in all matters affecting Public Health. Also the Officers of the Council for their help in all matters appertaining to the duties of the Public Health Department.

I am,

Mr. Chairman and Members,

Your Obedient Servant,

J. K. JONES,

L.M.S.S.A., D.P.H., F.R.S.H.

BIRTHS.

BIRTHS	HAY R.D.C.			B.C.C.	National Average
	Male	Female	Total		
Live Births : Legitimate ..	30	29	59	725	
Live Births : Illegitimate	3	4	7	51	
Total Live Births	33	33	66	776	
Illegitimate Live Births per cent. of Total Live Births			10.60	6.57	
Registrar General's Comparability Factor			1.27	1.11	
Live Birth Rate per 1,000 Pop. (crude)			19.0	14.0	
Live Birth Rate per 1,000 Pop. (corr.)			24.1	15.5	16.9
Still Births—Legitimate ..			0	12	
Still Births : Illegitimate ..			0	1	
Total : Still Births			0	13	
Still Birth Rate per 1,000 Live and Still Births			0	16.5	14.0
Total Live and Still Births			66	789	

The corrected Live Birth Rate of 24.1 is well above the National average of 16.9 per 1,000 Population and is above the National average for the second time in the past five years.

There were no Still Births during 1968.

The National Still Birth rate was 14.0 per 1,000 Total Births.

The Local Birth Rate of 24.1 was over double the Death Rate of 10.7 per 1,000 Population.

Corrected Live Birth rates for the past five years are shown below :

	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Hay R.D.C.	17.7	20.3	14.9	14.1	24.1
National Average	18.5	18.1	17.7	17.2	16.9

DEATHS.

DEATHS	HAY R.D.C.			B.C.C.	National Average
	Male	Female	Total		
Total Deaths (all causes) ..	39	44	83	757	
Death Rate per 1,000 Pop. (crude) ..			23.9	13.7	
Registrar Comparability Factor ..			0.45	0.88	
Death Rate per 1,000 Pop. (corrected) ..			10.7	12.1	11.9
CANCER DEATHS					
Cancer Deaths (all forms) ..	8	3	11	114	
Cancer Deaths Rate per 1,000 Pop. ..			3.17	2.06	
MATERNAL MORTALITY					
Maternal Deaths (including Abortion) ..			NIL	NIL	
Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live and Still Births ..			NIL	NIL	

The corrected Local Death Rate of 10.7 was below the National Average of 11.9 per 1000 Population and well below the Local Birth Rate of 24.1 per 1000 Population.

The corrected Death rates for the past five years are shown below :

	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Hay R.D.C.	7.9	9.5	12.6	9.3	10.7
National Average	11.3	11.5	11.7	11.8	11.9

DEATHS FROM MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS.

There were 11 Cancer deaths giving a rate per 100,000 Population of 317 as compared with the County rate of 206.

The rates by specific site are shown below :

SITE	Rate per 100,000 Population Hay R.D.C.	National average 1966
Lungs, Bronchus ..	57	39
Stomach ..	57	27
Breast (Female) ..	29	40
All other Malignant Neoplasms ..	171	—

The death rates for Cancer of the Lung and for Cancer of the Stomach are substantially higher than the National average for 1966.

MATERNAL MORTALITY.

There were no deaths from Maternal causes, including abortions.

INFANT MORTALITY.

DEATHS	HAY R.D.C.			B.C.C.	National Average
	Male	Female	Total		
Deaths of Infants under 1 yr. of age :					
Legitimate ..	2	0	2	9	
Illgitimate ..	0	0	0	1	
Total ..	2	0	2	10	
Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births (total) ..			30.3	12.9	18.0
Legitimate ..			30.3	11.6	
Illegitimate ..				1.3	
NEONATAL MORTALITY					
Deaths of Infants under 4 wks of age :					
Legitimate ..	2	0	2	7	
Illegitimate ..	0	0	0	1	
Total ..	2	0	2	8	
Neonatal Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births ..			30.3	10.3	
EARLY NEONATAL MORTALITY					
Deaths of Infants under 1 week. of age :					
Legitimate ..	1	0	1	6	
Illegitimate ..	0	0	0	0	
Total ..	1	0	1	6	
Early Neonatal Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births ..			15.1	7.7	
PERINATAL MORTALITY RATE					
Deaths of Infants under 1 week of age plus number of Still Births. Rate per 1,000 Total Live and Still Births			15.1	14.1	25.0

There were two Infant Deaths during the year giving an Infant Mortality Rate of 30.3 compared with the County Rate of 12.9 and the National Rate of 18.0 per 1,000 total Live Births.

The Neonatal Mortality Rate was three times the average for the County and the early Neonatal Mortality Rate was double the County Rate.

As there were no Still Births the Perinatal Mortality Rate of 15.1 compared very favourably with the County rate of 24.1 per 1,000 total births and the National Rate of 25.0.

CAUSES OF INFANT DEATHS.

1. Intestinal Obstruction, Prematurity.
2. Atelectasis, Prematurity.

The Infant Mortality Rates and Perinatal Mortality Rates for the past five years are shown below, and compared with the National Average :

INFANT MORTALITY—

			1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Hay R.D.C.	..	..	40.8	0	0	53.0	30.3
National Average	..	..	20.0	19.0	19.0	18.3	18.0

PERINATAL MORTALITY—

			1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Hay R.D.C.	..	..	0	0	0	51.0	15.1
National Average	..	..	28.2	26.9	26.3	25.4	25.0

CAUSES OF DEATH.

	Male	Female	Total
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach.. .. .	2	0	2
Malignat Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	2	0	2
Malignat Neoplasm, Breast	0	1	1
Other Malignant Neoplasms	4	2	6
Hypertensive Disease	0	2	2
Ischaemic Heart Disease	9	15	24
Other Forms of Heart Disease	1	0	1
Cerebro-Vascular Disease	6	15	21
Other Diseases—Circulatory System	0	4	4
Pneumonia	3	0	3
Bronchitis and Emphusema	4	0	4
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	0	1	1
Cirrhosis of Liver	1	0	1
Other Diseases of Digestive System	0	2	2
Hyperplasia of Prostate	1	0	1
Congenital Anomalies	2	0	2
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc.	1	0	1
Symptoms and Ill Defined Conditions	1	0	1
Motor Vehicle Accidents	0	1	1
All Other Accidents	2	1	3
Total : All Cases	39	44	83

CRUDE DEATH RATES PER 100,000 FROM CERTAIN CAUSES.

			Hay R.D.C.	National Average 1966
Ischaemic Heart Disease	..	..	690	235
Cerebro-Vascular Disease	..	..	605	164
Malignant Neoplasms	..	..	317	225
Pneumonia and Bronchitis	..	..	202	70
All Accidents	..	..	115	51
Hypertensive Disease	..	..	58	17

NUMBER OF DEATHS IN SEX-AGE GROUPS.

Ages at Death		Male	Female	Total	Percentage of Total
0—1 year	..	2	0	2	2.5
1—4 years	..	0	0	0	0
5—14 years	..	0	0	0	0
15—24 years	..	1	1	2	2.5
25—34 years	..	1	0	1	1.2
35—44 years	..	0	0	0	0
45—54 years	..	0	0	0	0
55—64 years	..	3	1	4	4.8
65—74 years	..	13	9	22	26.5
75 years and over	..	19	33	52	62.5
		39	44	83	100.0

89% of the deaths occurred at age 65 years and over.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

NOTIFICATIONS.

The following cases, other than Tuberculosis, were notified during 1968 :

Diseases	Number of Cases
Measles ..	4

TUBERCULOSIS.

Cases on Register at 1st January, 1968	15
New Notifications during 1968	2
Removals during 1968	4
Cases on Register at 31st December, 1968	13

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1937. S.172.

No action was taken under this section which deals with the removal to Hospital by the Local Authority of infectious persons suffering from Tuberculosis of the Respiratory tract.

PUBLIC HEALTH (PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS

No action was taken under these Regulations in respect of persons suffering from Tuberculosis, employed in the Milk trade.

B.C.G. VACCINATION AND TUBERCULIN SERIAL TESTING OF CHILDREN.

This is carried out by the Medical Staff of the County Health Department.

FOOD POISONING.

There were no cases of Dysentery notified during the year.

DYSENTERY.

There were no cases of Food Poisoning notified during the year.

TYPHOID AND PARATYPHOID.

No cases of Typhoid or Paratyphoid were notified during 1968.

VENEREAL DISEASES.

There were no cases notified during the year.

The County Council has an agreement with the Regional Hospital Board for the treatment of these cases. There are no treatment centres in the area and patients attend at Swansea Mount Pleasant Hospital, Hereford County Hospital, Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport, and Moira Terrace, Cardiff. The tracing of contacts and the following up of defaulters is the responsibility of the County Council.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948, S.47

No action was taken by the Council under S.47 of the above Act which provides for the removal to suitable premises of persons who :—

- (a) are suffering from grave chronic disease, or, being aged, or physically incapacitated, or living in insanitary conditions, and
- (b) are unable to devote to themselves, and are not receiving from other persons, proper care and attention.

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICE.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS.

Mr. Wm. D. Morgans remained as the Public Health Inspector.

LABORATORY FACILITIES.

During the year facilities were available at the Public Health Laboratories at Cardiff, Newport, Swansea, Carmarthen and Aberystwyth.

All water samples were sent to the Public Health Laboratory at Hereford and Milk samples were dealt with at Carmarthen.

Any investigations required in the control of Infectious Diseases were carried out at the Public Health Laboratory in Cardiff.

COUNTY COUNCIL SERVICES.

HEALTH SERVICES.

The County Council are responsible for the following services in the Area.

1. Provision of Health Centres.
2. Care of Mothers and Young Children.
3. Midwifery Services.
4. Health Visiting and Health Education.
5. Home Nursing.
6. Vaccination and Immunisation.
7. Ambulance and Sitting Car Service.
8. Prevention and Illness, Care of After-Care.
9. Domestic Help Service.

The following Clinics are held in the area :—

Child Welfare Clinics.

Immunisation against Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Tetanus, Poliomyelitis and Measles.

Relaxation Clinics for Expectant Mothers.

Dental Clinics for Expectant Mothers and Children.

Supply of Welfare Foods.

Orthopaedic Clinics.

Chiropody Clinics.

Cervical Cytology Clinics.

PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER.

Miss Gwen Morgan remained as the Psychiatric Social Worker for the Area.

MENTAL WELFARE OFFICER.

Mr. David J. Davies remained as the Mental Welfare Officer for the Area.

WELFARE SERVICES.

The County Council is responsible for the following services in the Area :—

1. Provision of Homes for the Aged.
2. Provision of Temporary Accommodation.
3. Registration and Provision of Services for Handicapped Persons.
4. Contributions to Old People's Organizations.
5. Temporary Protection of Property.
6. Meals on Wheels Service.
7. Provision of Grants towards Special Housing for the elderly.
8. Welfare of the Blind and Partially-Sighted.
9. Welfare for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

HOSPITALS.

There is no Hospital in the district.

Hospital facilities are available at the Brecon War Memorial Hospital and the Hereford Hospitals.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES, HOSPITAL.

Cases are admitted to the Mardy Isolation Hospital, Merthyr Tydfil, and the Hereford Isolation Hospital.

SMALLPOX HOSPITALS.

Arrangements have been made for Smallpox cases to be admitted to Penrhyss Hospital and for Consultants to be called in to suspected cases. On diagnosing a case the Consultant will be responsible for arranging for Penrhyss Hospital to be ready and staffed to receive the patient. The patient will be removed by County Council under their Ambulance scheme made under S.27 of the National Health Service Act, 1946.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES.

1. WATER SUPPLIES.

The Radnorshire and North Breconshire Water Board is responsible for water supplies in the district.

The following water samples for bacteriological examination were taken by the Public Health Inspector and the results notified to the Water Board.

Name of Supply	Total Number Taken	Analysis of Samples		
		Satisfactory	Suspicious	Unsatisfactory
Talgarth ..	6	5	—	1
Trefecca ..	1	1	—	—
Bronllys ..	4	3	—	1
Llanigon ..	4	3	1	—
Gwernyfed ..	7	5	1	1
Ffordlas ..	4	1	2	1
Llyswen ..	3	3	—	—
Velindre ..	2	2	—	—
	31	23	4	4

Samples were also taken from two private sources, both of which were unsatisfactory. The owners being advised on works necessary to improve the quality of the water.

Number of Dwelling Houses in the District ..	1,162
Number of houses supplied from public mains ..	963

Hay Area Water Scheme

Messrs Grocock and Day, of Leicester, the Contractors engaged in carrying out this scheme, continued with the laying of mains and connections to reservoirs and pumping stations throughout the area. Sterilization of mains preparatory to their being put into service has been proceeded with, together with the installation of meters and fittings on various mains. Work has continued on construction of the Intake Works and Purification Plant at Llanbwchllyn Lake and a start made on the Intake and Treatment Works at Llyswen. As from the 1st April, 1966, the Radnorshire and North Breconshire Water Board was responsible for the administration of this scheme and also the maintenance, repair and improvement of existing supply works, mains and communication pipes formerly under the control of the Council.

2. DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

The position with regard to the public sewerage scheme for the district was as follows :

Talgarth and Bronllys Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Scheme.

Tenders were invited from an approved list of contractors for the construction of a new sewage disposal works for Talgarth to which the sewage from the village of Bronllys

would be taken by laying a new connecting sewer from that village. The Council provisionally accepted a tender from East Dock Engineering Works Ltd., of Swansea, and this was submitted to the Welsh Office for approval. The Welsh Office informed the Council that this scheme, as with all other proposals involving public expenditure, had to be looked at in the light of the overriding importance of moderating the growth of public expenditure and this was one of a number of such schemes which it was necessary to defer for the time being.

Llanigon Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Scheme.

Following the submission of plans and documents to the Welsh Office for this scheme, an Engineering Inquiry was held at the Council Offices and approval was given to the scheme and the Council was authorised to invite tenders. The Council's Consulting Engineers were then requested to prepare final detailed drawings.

The Welsh Office later notified the Council that his scheme would have to be deferred for the time being but it would be kept under review in the hope that it will be able to proceed as soon as the necessity for strict control on public expenditure was relaxed.

Ffordllas Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Scheme.

Levels were taken and plans prepared for this proposed scheme and a report submitted to the Council showing an estimated cost of £4,662. An alternative scheme was also considered for laying a 6 inch. sewer to connect with the proposed sewerage scheme at Llanigon which would obviate the need for a separate works at Ffordllas.

Further details were prepared and sent to the Welsh Office for consideration of the Council's proposals.

General.

A sewage works maintenance team is employed by the Council, jointly with Painscastle Rural and Hay Urban District Councils, which comprises two workmen with small van fitted out with the necessary tools and equipment for regular maintenance of all sewage disposal works. The emptying of the tanks and cesspools is undertaken by a local contractor using a proper vehicle for this purpose.

Number of inspections made to drainage work	..	15
Samples of Sewage affluent and results		

3. PUBLIC CLEANSING.

The refuse collection service is carried out by the Council's workmen and lorry jointly with the Painscastle Rural and Hay Urban District Council's under the supervision of the Public Health Inspector. Refuse is collected once weekly in Talgarth, Bronllys, Llyswen, Pipton, Tregoyd and Velindre, Aberllynfi and Hay Rural Parishes. Some of the outlying properties have a monthly collection including Pengefnordd and Capel-y-ffin. The service was extended during the year to include a few additional properties in Llanigon parish. Refuse is disposed of by controlled tipping on the Council's refuse at at Talgarth.

4. SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

The sanitary inspection of the area is undertaken by the Public Health Inspector and the following details give information for 1968 :—

Nuisances.

Number of complaints received	..	33
Number of complaints investigated	..	33
Number of premises inspected	..	27
Number of premises re-visited	..	15
Number of preliminary notices served	..	5
Number of Abatement notices served	..	1

Verminous Premises (excluding rats and mice)

Number of premises inspected	..	0
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Offensive Trades.

There are no offensive trades in the district.

Common Lodging Houses.

There are no common lodging houses in the district.

Licensed Premises.

There are 15 Licensed Inns/Hotels, 1 Licensed Club and 3 Off-License Shops in the district.

Number of inspections made	..	13
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CARAVAN SITES.

There are three licensed caravan sites in the district.

One is situated in the village of Bronllys for holiday caravans and up to a maximum of 18 residential caravans ; part of the site is also used for camping purposes.

There is a small holiday caravan site at Hollybush Inn on the Hay to Glasbury road for 10 caravans to be stationed during the period Good Friday to 31st October each year.

The site at Llyswen is licensed for a maximum of 23 holiday caravans but this has not been brought into use.

Number of inspections to caravan sites	..	10
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RODENT CONTROL.

One full-time Rodent Operator is employed by the Council, jointly with Painscastle Rural and Hay Urban District Council, and he works under the supervision of the Public Health Inspector.

Number of premises inspected during 1968	..	488
Number of premises found infested	..	176
Number of premises treated by the Rodent Operator		139
Number of premises treated by the occupier	..	37
Estimated number of rats killed in 1968	..	1683
Number of dead rats picked up in 1968	..	400

The sewers in Talgarth, Bronllys, Trefecca, Velindre, Llyswen are test baited but there was no evidence of rat infestation.

Legal Proceedings

No legal proceedings were undertaken by the Council during the year.

5. HOUSING.

The Council own 320 dwellings including 35 bungalows. There is also a Warden's Flat and Communal Room for the Old People's Bungalows at Talgarth.

There were 6 private houses erected in 1968 making a total of 79 erected since 1945.

HOUSING PROGRAMME.

The following are details of the Council's housing programme and the position on the various housing sites.

Talgarth.

All the 48 Houses, 14 Bungalows, Warden's Flat and Communal Centre were completed and occupied on the Woodlands Avenue and Kings Drive Housing Site.

Bronllys.

There were 10 Houses and 6 Bungalows erected on Neuadd Terrace Housing Site in the village of Bronllys during the year.

Llanigon.

The Council provisionally accepted a tender from Drury South Western Ltd., for the erection of 6 houses and 2 bungalows on the Dgeddi Housing Site, and this was forwarded to the Welsh Office for approval.

Because of the restriction on local authority expenditure the Welsh Office deferred for the time being the Llanigon Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Scheme to which the sewage from these dwellings would have been connected, but it was likely that approval would be given to the provision of a temporary sewage treatment plant for these new dwellings, and the views of the Wye River Authority were being sought.

Llyswen.

The Local Planning Authorityref used permission on the Council's 'outline' application for the erection of approximately 8 dwellings on a site in the village of Llyswen.

Three Cocks.

The Local Planning Authority granted planning permission on the Council's "outline" application for erection of dwellings on approximately 2 acres of land at Great House Farm, Three Cocks, and negotiations for purchase of the land were commenced.

Velindre.

The Council purchased a field near the school in the village of Velindre amounting to 1.864 acres for housing purposes, for which "outline" planning permission had already been granted.

HOUSING APPLICATION.

There were 45 applicants on the Council's "waiting list" for houses and bungalows at 31st December, 1968 and these showed first preference for the following parishes:—

Talgarth	..	..	20
Bronllys	..	..	11
Gwernyfed	..	..	4
Velindre	..	..	3
Llanigon	..	..	4
Llyswen	..	..	0
Any parish	..	..	3
			—
			45
			—

The bedroom accommodation needed by the applicants based on the size of the family were:—

7 applicants requiring bungalows
25 applicants requiring 2 bedroom houses
11 applicants requiring 3 bedroom houses
2 applicants requiring 4 bedroom houses

GRANTS FOR OLD PEOPLE'S BUNGALOWS.

The Breconshire County Council has agreed to the payment of Grants for 30 years for housing elderly people in the 2 proposed bungalows at Llanigon under Section 56 of the Local Government Act 1958. These bungalows have to conform to the standard laid down by the Ministry and a list of tenants with ages must be submitted to the County Council for approval.

HOUSING GRANTS

4 applications for Discretionary Grants were approved by the Council during the year to a total of £1,128.

16 applications for Standard Grants were also approved by to a maximum figure of £4,096.

The following table shows the number of applications received by the Council for Housing Grants over the last 5 years.

	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Discretionary Grants	8	4	4	2	4
Standard Grants	7	1	6	15	16

HOUSING ACT, 1957.

1. Number of houses demolished	..	..	0
2. Number of unfit houses closed	..	..	1
3. Number of unfit houses made fit and houses in which defects were remedied	..	..	1
4. Number of unfit houses in temporary use	..	..	0
5. Number of houses unfit at the end of 1968	..	..	32

HOUSING GENERAL.

Number of housing inspections by Public Health Inspector	..	52
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INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

MEAT.

There is one licenced slaughterhouse in Talgarth owned by Mr. W. J. George.

Number of Inspections at the slaughterhouse	107
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Carcases and offal inspected and condemned in whole or in part :

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep & Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Numbers killed and inspected	.. 212	0	937	293	0
All Diseases except Tucerculosis and Cysticercosis	..				
Whole Carcasses condemned	0	0	1	0	0
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	.. 7	0	0	2	0
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticercosis	.. 3.30	0	0.10	0.34	0
Tuberculosis only :					
Whole carcasses condemned	.. 0	0	0	0	0
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	.. 0	0	0	0	0
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	.. 0	0	0	0	0
Cysticercosis :					
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	.. 0	0	0	0	0
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	.. 0	0	0	0	0
Generalised and totally condemned	.. 0	0	0	0	0

Meat Inspection (Amendment) Regulations 1966.

In accordance with the requirements of these Regulations the Council approved the following days and times for slaughtering :

Mondays : 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays : 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays : 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

MILK.

There are two dealers trading in the district who sell T.T. pasteurised and sterilised milk and these operate from dairies outside the district ; one being in Hay Urban District and one in Brecon Borough.

The responsibility for registering dealers and taking milk samples is the County Council.

MILK SAMPLES—BRUCELLA ABORTUS.

Number of samples of raw milk examined	..	16
Number of private mug tests	..	2
Number of animal inoculations	..	2
Number of positive animal inoculations	..	1

Following upon reports by the County Milk Sampling Officer of two positive ring tests in the bulk sample of milk from the herds of milk producers/retailers, further samples from each of the cows in the herds were taken and submitted for tests. The local Veterinary Surgeon also submitted blood samples for agglutination tests.

One milk sample was found to be positive on animal inoculation and the owners were informed by Notice under Para. 20 of the Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations 1959, to refrain from selling raw milk without pre-heat treatment or by forwarding the bulk supply to a suitable milk depot for pasteurisation.

FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL REGULATIONS) 1960.

	No. of premises	Complying with Regulation 16	Premises to which Regulation 19 applies	Premises complying with Regulation 19
Grocers/General	.. 10	6	10	8
Grocers/Confectioners	.. 3	1	3	2
Confectioners/Tobacconists	.. 4	2	0	0
Bakers	.. 1	0	1	1
Cafes	.. 5	5	5	5
Greengrocers	.. 1	0	1	1
Fish and Chip Shops	.. 1	0	1	1
Butchers	.. 1	1	1	1

There are 26 shops which deal in food in the district and these may be classified as follows :—

Grocers (General)	..	10
Grocers/Confectioners	..	3
Confectioners/Tobacconist	..	4
Bakers	..	1
Cafes	..	5
Greengrocers	..	1
Fish and Chip Shops	..	1
Butchers	..	1

FOOD CONDEMNED.

Foodstuffs condemned from shops : 2 tins meat.

The following meat was voluntarily surrendered by a butcher whose van was involved in an accident with the result that the meat was spattered with glass and was unfit for human consumption.

Beef—2 qrs. 16 lbs. 5 ozs.
Pork—18 lb. 2 ozs.
Lamb—1 qr. 18 lbs. 12 oz.
Sausage, bacon, ham—20 lb. 4 oz.

SHOPS ACT.

Number of inspections by Public Health Inspector ..	28
Number of notices served ..	0

FOOD PREPARATION ROOMS (INCLUDING BAKEHOUSES.)

Number of inspections made ..	30
Number of notices served ..	0

ICE-CREAM PREMISES.

There are 22 retailers selling pre-packed ice-cream but no manufacture of ice-cream is carried out in the district.

Number of inspections made ..	19
Number of samples taken for Bacteriological examination ..	7

FRIED FISH SHOPS.

There is only one fish and chip shop in the district.

Number of inspections made ..	7
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POULTRY INSPECTION.

There are no poultry processing premises in the district.

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

Prescribed Particulars on the administration of the Factories Act, 1961.

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors.

Premises 1	Number on Register 2	Number of Inspections 3	No. of Written Notices 4	Occupiers Prosecuted 5
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 are enforced by Local Authorities ..	3	3	0	0
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority ..	10	11	0	0
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers premises) ..	0	0	0	0
TOTAL ..	13	14	0	0

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found. (If defects are found at the premises on two, three or more occasions they should be reckoned as two, three, or more cases.

PARTICULARS (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of Cleanliness (S1) ..	0	0	0	0	0
Overcrowding (S2) ..	0	0	0	0	0
Unreasonable temperature (S3) ..	0	0	0	0	0
Inadequate Ventilation (S4) ..	0	0	0	0	0
Ineffective drainage of floors (S6) ..	0	0	0	0	0
Sanitary Conveniences (S7)					
(a) Insufficient ..	0	0	0	0	0
(b) Unsuitable/defective ..	0	0	0	0	0
(c) Not separate for sexes ..	0	0	0		
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	2	2	0	0	0
TOTAL ..	2	2	0	0	0

There was no out-work done in the district during the year..

