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PEMBROKE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.ANNUAL REPORT.

Mr Chairman and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit this curtailed report for the year 1942.

BIRTHS.

<u>Livebirths.</u>	Legitimate.	Males 52.	Females 48.	Total 100.
	Illegitimate.	Males 3.	Females 4.	Total 7.
<u>Stillbirths.</u>	Legitimate.	Males 4.	Females 1.	Total 5.
	Illegitimate.	Males 0.	Females 0.	Total 0.

Birthrate (per 1000 population) 18.32.

This is higher than the rate for the whole of England and Wales.

DEATHS.

Total deaths from all causes. Males 45. Females 33. Total 78.

Deathrate (per 1000 population) 11.64.

This is approximately the same as the rate for the whole of England and Wales.

Death-rate of Infants under 1 year (per 1000 live-births) 65.42.

This is considerably higher than the rate for the whole of England and Wales. 57% of these deaths were due to prematurity; the remaining 43% were due to a variety of causes, all unavoidable.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES. (Notifications)

Pneumonia	2.	Whooping Cough	3.	Measles	0.
Diphtheria	4.	Scarlet Fever	8.	(Puerperal Pyrexia)	1.

2 of these cases of Diphtheria occurred in children under 15 years of age, neither of whom had been immunised. There were no deaths from Diphtheria.

TUBERCULOSIS.

There were 5 new cases, and 7 deaths during the year. Reports on environmental conditions have been made, as before, by your Sanitary Inspector, for the Tuberculosis After-Care Committee of the County Council.

IMMUNISATION AGAINST DIPHTHERIA.

The number of children who completed the course of immunisation during the year was :-
Age under 5 years. 73. Age 5 years & over, but under 15 yrs. 52.

This brings the estimated percentage of immunised children to 78% of children under 5 years of age, and 90% of children aged 5 to 15 years.

The arrangement by which General Practitioners' Fees are paid by the Council, for immunisations done at their surgeries, continues, and is proving invaluable in a scattered rural community where Clinics are not available.

REPORT OF SANITARY INSPECTOR. (Mr H.B. Edwards, M.R.S.I.)WATER SUPPLIES.

All existing supplies have been well maintained. All samples taken for bacteriological and chemical analysis were found to be satisfactory.

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HOUSING.

All work found necessary to keep houses in a reasonably fit condition for habitation was carried out by means of informal notice.

Sanitary Inspection of Area.

The number of inspections made in connection with Water - supplies nuisances, and infectious diseases was 285.

Number of informal notices.	39.
Number of Statutory notices.	3.

Legal proceedings were taken in two instances, both of which concerned nuisances caused by Gypsies. In both cases the results were satisfactory, and the trouble has not recurred.

MILK SUPPLY.

Number of farms registered.	379.
Number of Inspections.	398.
Number of cowsheds brought up to requirements by structural alteration and improved water-supply.	9.

EVACUATION.

Number of Inspections of Billets. 198.

I am,

Your obedient servant,

Dorothy M. Rees.

Acting Medical Officer of Health.