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PEMBROKE RURAL DISTRICT.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR 1948.

To the Chairman and Members of the Council,

I beg to submit the Annual Report for the year 1948.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Resident Population, (Registrar General's Estimate) 1948 5,530

England & Wales.

Birth Rate	16.9	per	1,000	pop.	17.9
Death Rate	10.3	per	1,000	pop.	10.8
Infantile					
Mortality Rat	e 10.6	per	1,000	Births.	34

It will be noted that both the Birth Rate and Death Rate are slightly lower than that for the whole of the Country, and that the Infantile Mortality Rate is considerably lower.

M. F. 27 30 All Causes 0 Whooping Cough 206 0 Tuberculosis of Respiratory System 2 5 Other forms of Tuberculosis Cancer 252 Intracranial Vascular Lesions Heart Diseases

Causes of Death.

Bronchitis Pneumonia

0 Other diseases of Respiratory Organs 2 0 Nephritis Violent Causes other than suicide & road 1

traffic accidents. All Other Causes

Still Births: 2 or 2.1% of Total Births. Illegitimate Births: 4 or 4.3% of Total Births.

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NOTIFICATIONS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Pneumonia 3. Scarlet Fever 3. Erysipelas 1.

Measles 11. Whooping Cough 2.

There was one death from Whooping Cough.

TUEERCULOSIS.

Seven cases of Tuberculosis were notified, of which five were pulmonary. There were two deaths from pulmonary Tuberculosis, and two from other forms of Tuberculosis.

The arrangements for hospital treatment, which were made by the Welsh National Memorial Association are now made by the Regional Hospital Board; but there is still the same delay in admission of patients, owing to the lack of nursing staff.

The County Council are no longer responsible for the working of the scheme for allowances to dependents of tuberculous patients, which is now undertaken by the National Assistance Board.

XMMUNISATION AGAINST DIPHTHERIA.

Immunisation is carried out by the local Doctors, and payment is made by the County Council.

The number of children immunised in 1948 was:-

Under 5 years of age:- 66
Between 5-15 yrs. of age:- Nil. Total 66.
Reinforcing Injections:- 5

WATER SUPPLY.

Supplies to all parts of the areawere well maintained, and of satisfactory quality. The mains were extended to Redberth, Cosheston, St. Florence and Manorbier Newton; and approval was obtained for extension to Stackpole.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

Sewerage schemes have been submitted for approval for Angle, Milton, Carew Cheriton, Carew, Manorbier, Jameston and St. Florence. The provision of piped water supplies in the villages has made adequate sewerage a necessity, and it is to be hoped that approval for the schemes will not be long delayed.

PURLIC CLEANSING.

The Authority has not yet adopted scavenging powers. Refuse bins are placed in most villages, but it is doubtful whether the needs of the area are being met satisfactorily. There appears to be a growing demand for the regular collection of refuse which neighbouring rural areas provide.

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HOUSING.

Twenty-two Council Houses were completed and occupied during the year, and a further thirty-eight were under contruction.

FOOD.

Small quantities of food unfit for human consumption were surrendered and buried. These included 62 lbs.Cooked Meat, 2 cwt. Potatoes, and 45 lbs. Dried Fruit.

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Particulars of Sanitary Inspector's Work.

INSPECTION OF DWELLING HOUSES DURING THE YEAR 1948.	
Total No. of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts). 158	
No. of dwelling houses inspected and recorded under the Housing (Consolidated) Regulations 1925 and 1932 included in previous column.	
No. of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.	
No. of dwelling houses found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation (exclusive of those in previous column).	
No. of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the local Authority or their officers.	
ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING YEAR.	
Housing Act, 1936. Sections 9, 10 and 16. No. of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs.	
No. of dwelling houses rendered fit after service of formal notices (By Owners).	
Public Health Acts. No. of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied. 5	
No. of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices (By Owners).	
Housing Act, 1936. Sections 11 and 13. No. of dwelling houses in respect of which demolition	
orders were made.	
No. of dwelling houses demolished in persuance of demolition orders.	
No. of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were made. Nil	
HOUSING ACTS, 1936. PART 1V - OVERCROWDING. No. of dwelling houses overcrowded at end of end of year.	8
No. of families dwelling therein.	8
No. of persons dwelling therein.	43
No. of new cases of overcrowding reported during year.	2
No. of cases of overcrowding relieved during year.	6
No. of persons concerned in such cases.	35

SANITARY INSPECTION.

Particulars of work carried out during year 1948.	
No. of complaints received.	78
No. of defects or nuisances discovered.	51
No. of Premises visited.	
Inspections.	175
Re-visits,	101
No. of Notices Served.	
Preliminary: Housing Other	41
Statutory: Housing	4 3
Other	3
Summary Action. Summerses issued.	Nil
Convictions obtained.	
MILK AND DAIRIES ORDERS.	
No. of Registered Cow Keepers.	342
No. of Inspections.	
No. of Registered Dairymen.	
No. of Inspections.	358
Milk Samples. Satisfactory	22
Unsatisfactory	5
Total:	27
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PACTORIES ACT, 1937.

Premises	No. on Register	Inspections		Occupiers Prosecuted
(1) bectories in which sections 1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	3	36	3	Nil
(ii) Factories not in- cluded in (i) in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
(iii) Other premises in which section 7 is enfo by the Local Authority cluding out-workers pres	rced Nil (ex-	Nil	Nil	Nil
TOTAL:	- 3	36	3	Nil

H. B. Edwards,

Sanitary Inspector.