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PEMBROKE RURAL DISTRICT.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR 1950.

To the Chairman and Members of the Council,

I beg to submit the Annual Report for the year 1950.

VITAL STATISTICS

Resident Population, (Registrar General's Estimate) 19506,000.....

England & Wales

Birth Rate 17 per 1,000 pop. 15.8
Death Rate 9.3 per 1,000 pop. 11.6
Infantile
Mortality Rate 17.8 per 1,000 live births 29.8

The birth-rate is higher, and the infantile mortality rate and the death-rate are lower than that for the Country in general.

62.5% of the deaths were of persons over 70 years of age, including 26.8% over the age of 80 years.

Causes of Death

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Meningococcal infections	1	F.
Cancer	2	6
Leukaemia	_	1
Vascular lesions of Nervous System	3	3
Coronary Disease, angina	3 2	1
Other Heart Disease	6	9
Other circulatory disease	1	-
Influenza	-	1
Pneumona	1	1
Bronchitis	-	1
Other diseases of respiratory system	1	-
Gastritis, enteritis & diarrhoea	1	-
Nephritis & nephrosis	1	-
Hyperplasia of prostate	1	-
Fregnancy, childbirth, abortion	-	2
Other defined & ill-defined diseases	4	4
Accidents (other than motor vehicle)	2	-
Suicide	1	-
All causes	27	29

Still Births: NIL

Illegitimate births: 3 or 5.3% of total births.

NOTIFICATIONS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Scarlet Fever 5 Whooping Cough 1 Measles 6

Pneumonia 1 Act. Poliomyelitis 4

The four cases of Poliomyelitis were widely scattered. One boy had obviously been infected before his arrival at a Scout's Camp in the area. He and another child made a good recovery; but the other two cases died, one a few hours after admission to Hospital, the other, in 1951, after many months in Hospital, almost continuously in an "iron lung". These cases were all admitted to the West Wales Isolation Hospital, Tumble, which is now the nearest Isolation Hospital.

TUBERCULOSIS

Three cases of Tuberculosis were notified, of which two were respiratory. One of these was admitted to Hospital. There were no deaths from Tuberculosis.

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 1946

LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES PART III

VACCINATION

This is carried out by the local doctors, who are paid by the County Council for notification of either successful vaccination, or failure after the second attempt. Records were received of 13 Primary Vaccinations, and 2 Secondary Vaccinations.

IMMUNISATION

This is also carried out by the local doctors, payment being made by the County Council on receipt of the record cards by your Medical Officer of Health.

During 1950 the number of children immunised was only 4 all of whom were under 5 years of age.

Immunisation, and particularly re-inforcing injections for older children, was postponed during the latter part of the year, because of the epidemic of Poliomyelitis which occurred then.

It is very regrettable that the number of children immunised should be so small. If immunisation ceases, diphtheria will undoubtedly return, and it is therefore most important that the number of children immunised should be kept as high as possible.

Other arrangements under this Act are made by the County Council.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT. 1948

REMOVAL TO SUITABLE PREMISES OF PERSONS IN NEED OF CARE

No action was necessary in this respect.

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WATER SUPPLY

Extensions were completed in the Eastern area, to Cosheston, Redberth and St. Florence, and from Stephens Green to Stackpole. Approval was given to schemes for extensions to Bosherston, Cosheston, St. Twynnells, Ivy Tower, and Redberth.

When the extensions completed and contemplated are carried out, the water supply in the area should be satisfactory.

Details of the water supply are set out below :-

Parish	Houses	Standpipes	Connections
Angle Carew Castlemartin Cosheston Hodgeston Lamphey Manorbier Nash Penally Redberth Rhoscrowther Stackpole St. Florence St. Twynnells Tenby Out Lib. Warren	41 227 33 74 8 150 165 8 108 21 16 27 51 64 9	6844282242-162	4 56 21 27 4 85 119 (W.D. 52) 49 6 16 10 8 2 62 5

SEVERAGE

No new work was carried out on public sewerage schemes. Approval was obtained for the samll scheme at Milton.

Number of houses converted from pail closets to W.C.'s = 24

PUBLIC CLEANSING

Refuse bins which are placed in all the larger villages are emptied regularly.

HOUSING

Considerable progress was made in housing schemes, particularly in Manorbier, Cosheston, Hundleton and Castlemartin.

No. of Council Houses completed in 1950 - 65
No. of Council Houses under contruction in 1950 - 16
No of private houses completed & under construction - 10

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INSPECTION OF DUELLING HOUSES DURING THE YEAR 1950.

Total No. of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts).	141
No. of dwelling houses inspected and recorded under the Housing (Consolidated) Regulations 1925 & 1932 included in previous column.	72
No. of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.	NIL
No. of dwelling houses found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation (exclusive of those in previous column).	43
No. of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the local authority or their officers.	24
ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING YEAR.	
Housing Act, 1936. Sections 9, 10 & 16. No. of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were	
served requiring repairs.	3
No. of dwelling houses rendered fit after service of formal notices (By Owners)	3
Public Health acts. No. of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied.	4
No. of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices(By Owners)	4
Housing Act, 1936. Sections 11 & 13.	
No. of dwelling houses in respect of which demolition orders were made.	NIL
No. of dwelling houses demolished in persuance of demolition orders.	NIL
No. of dwelling houses overcrowded at the end of year	4
No. of families dwelling therein.	4
No. of persons dwelling therein.	211
No. of new cases of overcrowding reported during year.	1
No. of cases of overcrowding relieved during year.	4
No. of persons concerned in such cases.	22

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SANITARY INSEPCTION.

Particulars of	work carried	out during	year 1950.	
No. of complain				121
No. of defects	or nuisances	remedied.		57
No. of Premises	s visited.			
Inspections				212
De wiedte				102
Re-visits				102
No. of Notices	served			
Preliminary:	Housing			33
	Other			41
Statutory:	Housing			3
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Summary Action	a			NITT
Summonses issue Convictions obt				NIL
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FOOD

7 cwts Olbs 1oz. of Meat (all manufactured or cooked) had to be condemned during the year. No other type of food was found to be unsound.

MILK

Number	of	milk	samples	taken	for	bacteriological examination	32
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ICE-CREAM

There is one manufacturer of ice-cream in the area. Samples taken of this product were very satisfactory i.e.

Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4
4	2	nil	nil

RODENT CONTROL

One part-time operator was emplyed.

All the Local Authority's refuse bins and dumps were treated regularly, and surveys and treatment were carried out in villages when necessary.

No. of Local Authority cases dealt with during 1950 - 320

No. of private cases dealt with during 1950 - 98

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