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OF THE

Medical Officer of Health

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1958



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PONTYPRIDD URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Health Committee, 1958 - 1959

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Public Health Department, Ynysangharad Park, Pontypridd.

To the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee of the Pontypridd Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Mrs. Williams and Gentlemen,

In addition to the everyday tasks which are always with us, the attention of the Health Department has been focused this year on Slum Clearance and Food Hygiene.

As was stated by Doctor Bevan in his report for 1957, housing is undoubtedly the main public health problem in the area. However, due to financial difficulties brought about by the withdrawal of the government subsidy for "general need" houses it was possible to proceed with slum clearance only, and considerable progress was made during the year. It is hoped to continue this programme in the future without interfering with the building of houses for general need.

Food Hygiene has been much to the forefront recently and during the year strenuous efforts were made to bring food premises up to a higher standard with the aid of the Food Hygiene Regulations. These regulations themselves however are open to criticism. Although they are an improvement on previous legislation they are rather timid and limited in scope. There is no valid reason why there should not be an absolute prohibition on touching with the hands any of the food liable to cause food poisoning - for example a tongs could be used for handling cream cakes, and a knife and fork for cooked meats. In addition to this defect, the regulations are unnecessarily vague. As a result, interpretations may vary considerably, and some authorities have already experienced difficulty in the courts. One can only hope that these defects will be put right in the near future.

Lastly I would like to express my appreciation and gratitude to the Members of the Council, to Officers of other Departments, and to the Health Department Staff for the warmth of their welcome and for the help extended to me in taking up my post.

Yours obediently,

D. W. Foster,

Medical Officer of Health.

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PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF

Medical Officer of Health

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Acting Medical Officer of Health

R.T.Bevan, M.D., B.Ch., D.P.H., (Termination of Appointment of acting M.O.H. 31st March, 1958)

Senior Public Health Inspector

a.b.H.Ll. Birkett

Public Health Inspectors

a.b. W.N.Davies.
a.b. R.O.Hughes. (Appointed 1st April, 1958)
a. W.C.Griffiths. (Appointed 1st September, 1958).

Clerical Staff

M.Rees. Gwyneth C.Thomas, (Resigned 23rd March, 1958). Joan Smitherem, (Appointed 3rd February, 1958) Hilary R.John, (Appointed 19th May, 1958)

Caretaker, Public Abattoir

R.J.Stroud

Van Driver and Disinfector

A.H. Seymour

a. Certificate of Royal Society of Health and Public Health Inspectors Examinations Joint Board.

b. Certificate of Royal Society of Health for Inspector of Meat and Other Foods.

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SUMMARY OF GENERAL STATISTICS

Population (Mid-year, 1958) estimated	
by Registrar General	37,550
Population-Census 1951	38,633
Area (acres)	
Number of inhabited houses 1954	
Number of Families or separate occupiers	
(Census 1951)	11,022
Rateable Value (1st April, 1958)£	
1d Rate Product for 1957-1958	

Summary of Vital Statistics for 1958

Births

	Males	Females	Totals
Legitimate Illegitimate	289 5	277 9	566 13
Totals	294	285	579

Birth rate 15.42 (England and Wales - 16.4) (Adjusted Birth Rate - 14.80)

Deaths

Males 276. Females 196. - Total 472. (Death rate 12.57 (England and Wales - 11.7) (Adjusted Death Rate - 13.58)

Infant Mortality

	Hales	Females	Totals
Legitimate Illegitimate	6 -	8 -	14
Totals	6	В	14

Infant Mortality Rate 24.18 (England and Wales - 22.50)
Neo-natal Death Rate 20.73 (England and Wales - 16.2)

Still Births

	Males	Females	Totals
Legitimate Illegitimate	6	6 -	12
Totals	6	6	12

Still Birth Rate 20.6 (England and Wales 21.6)

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Urban Districts		535,600	8,841	16.51	16.18	6,366	11.89	13.79	265	29.97	189	21.38
Rural Districts		207,500	3,402	16.40	16.73	2,463	11.87	13.18	88	25.87	62	18.22
Health Division.	Constituent Districts											
Aberdare &	Aberdare Urban	39,860	795	14,15	14.57	591	14.83	15.27	16	28.37	13	23.05
Mountain Ash	Mountain Ash Urban.	50,540	505	16.54	16.37	345	11,30	13.67	24	47.52	16	31.68
Caerphilly &	Caerphilly Urban	37,570	701	18,66	17.73	380	10,11	12.84	16	22,82	11	15.69
Gelligaer	Gelligaer Urban	36,300	249	17,82	18.35	384	10.58	13.33	18	27.82	1.5	23.18
Mid-Glamorgan	Bridgend Urban	14,580	258	17,70	16,82	170	11,66	12,48	9	23.26	5	19.38
	Maesteg Urban	22,720	386	16.99	16.99	243	10.70	13.48	12	31.09	2	18.13
	Ogmore & Garw Urban	22,070	385	17.44	17.44	252	11.42	13.82	11	28.57	6	23.38
	Porthcawl Urban	10,500	155	14.76	14.61	160	15.24	14.02	2	12.90	2	12.90
	Penybont Rural	36,500	635	17.40	18:10	515	14.11	13.40	22	33.07	14	22,05
Neath & District	Neath M.B.	31,050	164	15,81	14.70	390	12.56	14.19	17	34.62	12	24.44
	Neath Rural	41,440	631	15.23	14.93	450	10.86	13.79	14	22,19	00	12,68
Pontypridd &	Liantrisant Rural	25,930	483	18.63	17,88	282	10,88	13.93	15	31.06	11	22.77
Llantrisent	Pontypridd Urban	37,550	579	15.45	14.80	472	12.57	15.58	14	24.18	12	20.73
Port Talbot and	Glyncorrwg Urban	006,6	205	20.71	20.30	104	10.51	15.03	2	34,15	5	24.39
Clyncorrwg	Port Talbot M.B.	48,380	1,002	20.71	19.67	527	10.89	14.37	38	37.92	27	26.95
South East	Barry M.B.	42,160	245	17.67	16.96	044	10.44	11,48	21	28.19	13	17.45
Glamorgan	Cardiff Rural	40,830	829	19.91	16.94	472	11.56	10.64	16	23.6	13	19.17
	Cowbridge M.B.	1,000	77	11,00	11.44	14	14.00	14.56	1	,	1	-
	Cowbridge Rural	19,050	358	18.79	20.86	133	6.98	12,15	10	27.93	2	19.55
	Penarth Urban	19,280	307	15.92	15.76	242	12.81	11.66	2	22.80	9	19.54
West Glamorgan	Gower Rural	12,000	161	15.92	16.72	160	13.33	12.26	4	20.54	2	10,47
	Llwchwr Urban	25,750	319	12.39	12.64	290	11.26	13.17	00	25.08	9	18.81
	Pontardawe Rural	31,750	456	13.42	13.55	451	14.20	15.48	00	18.78	7	16.43
Rhondda	Rhondda M.B.	106,400	1,581	14.86	14.56	1,357	12.75	14.79	84	30.36	30	18.98

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SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

WATER SUPPLY

The Pontypridd and Rhondda Joint Water Board provides an ample and constant service of pure water to all houses and premises with the exception of a few scattered cottages and farmhouses on the borders of the Urban area.

All the water is treated by modern methods of chlorination and filtration, and it is possible to maintain, in all parts of the district, a reasonable supply even during periods of drought.

Bacteriological and chemical examinations of the water are carried out at all stages of its collection, treatment and distribution. These examinations are undertaken by the Public Health Laboratory, Cardiff, and they are, in the main submitted by the above-named board. "Spot" samples are taken periodically by the Public Health Inspectors.

The number of samples so dealt with during the year 1958 was:-

a.Bacteriological:

Raw Water		23
Treated wa	ter going into	
supply		22

b.Chemical:

Raw water				 3
Treated wa	ter	going	into	
supply				 2

Reports on the above samples of treated water were satisfactory. The raw water was also of adequate purity.

The soft upland surface water, some 3,000,000 gallons a day, is treated at the Works with lime or chalk, raising the pH figure to 7.5, and then filtered and finally chlorinated and there is no action on lead. The Analyst states that this process "indicates satisfactory treatment". Additional supplies are obtained from the Taf Fechan Water board, approximately 750,000 gallons, and 200,000 from springs each day.

The number of houses supplied direct from the mains in Pontypridd is 10.185.

There are no stand-pipes in use within the Pontypridd area.

Miscellaneous samples were taken from mountain springs and atreams; some were reported to be unsatisfactory in varying degree and appropriate action was taken.

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The following statistics of the local rainfall for the year 1958 have been provided by the Joint Water Board:-

Rainfall registered at Lanwood Reservoir, Pontypridd:

Month		Inches
January February March April May June July August September October November December		6.49 7.21 1.26 1.77 5.02 4.83 5.96 6.45 11.06 8.20 3.07 6.40
	Total	67.72

The average rainfall recorded at the above station for the past 42 years is 61.12 inches.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

A complete water-carriage system of sewerage, seventeen miles in length, controlled by the Pontypridd and Rhondda Joint Sewerage Board, extends from the Rhondda area to the sea. All authorised inhabited houses in the Pontypridd Urban locality are connected with this main sewer, with the exception of approximately 100 dwellings which lie outside the statutory distance.

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION

There are approximately 80 houses in the district without separate closet accommodation, one water closet serving the needs of two houses. This figure is gradually decreasing as sanitary improvements are carried out.

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SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

Summary of inspection and revisits in the course of routine work and "on complaint" during the year ended 31st December, 1958.

Public Health Acts:

First Visits	514 1089
Infectious Diseases	33
Disinfestation	22
Public Abattoir	814
Markets/Shops	450
Bakehouses	6
Marine Stores	1
Factories	69
Canteens	27
Licensed Premises	5
Pigsties	3
Survey of Slot Machines	31
Fried Fish Shops	7
Cinemas and Theatres	10
Dairies	12
Smoke Nuisance	4
Refuse Dumping	19
Cafes	53
Miscellaneous (Including interviews)	576
Moveable Dwellings	62
Slum Clearance Survey	9
Food Hygiene Regulations 1955.	7
Certificate of Disrepair	58
Schools	5
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Food Samples:- Milk Other Foods Ice-cream Water Tables Wines Baths Water Confectionery	134 43 2 16 9 28
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PROSECUTIONS UNDER THE PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936

In the course of the year ended 31st December, 1958, 3 prosecutions were instituted by the Public Health Inspectors, as a result of non-compliance with the requirements of statutory notices served under the Public Health Act, 1936.

In all cases the work had been completed at the date of the hearings, and the cases were withdrawn.

FACTORIES ACT. 1937

The Public Health Inspectors paid 69 visits to factories during the year and, in seven cases notices were served to abate nuisances, these were subsequently remedied.

Generally, all the factories were found to be in a satisfactory condition, and in no instance was it necessary to take legal action for the contravention of any of the provisions of the above Act.

CREMATORIUM

The following particulars have been supplied by the Clerk of the Board:-

Cremations for the year ended 31st December, 1957 1627

Cremations for the year ended 31st December, 1958 1634

The cremations in 1958 show an increase of 7 compared with 1957.

It is interesting to note that by the end of 1958 cremations carried out in Pontypridd totalled 25,513.

CAMPING SITES

No licences have been issued in respect of camping sites by the Local Authority; nor are there any sites within the area which are approved for this purpose.

UNAUTHORISED CAMPING

Action against unauthorised moveable dwellings can be taken under the following provisions:-

1. Public Health Act, 1936 - Section 269.

This procedure is rather cumbersome and involves the caravans remaining on the site for a definite period. The requirements can be circumvented rather easily.

2. Glamorgan County Council Act, 1952 - Section 56.

Where it appears to a local authority that the amenities of their district are affected or annoyance is caused to residents by the presence of moveable dwellings, the local authority can make a complaint to a Court of Summary Jurisdiction. In the course of the year ended Slat December, 1988, 5 prosecutions were instituted by the Public Health inspectors as a result of non-compliance with the requirements of attentory notices served under the Public Health Act. 1956.

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3. Glamorgan County Council Byelaw, June 1950

No person shall occupy a moveable dwelling within 300 yards of any house so as to cause annoyance or disturbance to the occupier of that house after being requested to move by the occupier, his servant or a constable acting on behalf of the occupier.

In December, 1957 a site in the Rhondda Ward was occupied by three moveable dwellings and preparations were made to deal with the matter under Section 269 of the Public Health Act, 1936 but on the expiration of the 60 day period (27th February, 1958) the occupiers voluntarily left the site. No legal proceedings could therefore be taken as their destinations were not known.

SCAVENGING

The collection of refuse and waste material during 1958 amounted to approximately 14,000 tons, an average of 55 tons per working day. Disposal is effected by controlled tipping on a site at Landraw - an angle dozer being used to spread the refuse and cover it down with inert material each day.

During the year, a five day week was introduced for employees. Consequently the frequency of collections of house refuse has been reduced to two per week.

RODENT CONTROL

One man is engaged full time to deal with day-to-day complaints and routine duties of rodent infestation.

The following tables give a summary of action during 1958.

Number of premises treated

Rats		Mice
32	Business Premises	12
369	Others	255
401	Total Infestations	267

The sewers in the area were treated in March/April and October/November, 1958. In the March treatment, sausage rusk and zinc phosphide were the bait and poison and in October, bread mash and arsenious oxide were used.

This work was successful and is considered to have reduced the surface infestation to a fair degree.

VERMINOUS PREMISES

The methods employed in this locality for dealing with verminous premises have been outlined in previous reports. The number of premises dealt with during the year under review was as follows:-

1. Council 22.
2. Other dwelling houses 9
3. Other premises 3
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OFFENSIVE TRADES

The following offensive trades are established in the District:-

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The above premises and trades are conducted satisfactorily so as to lead to the minimum of nuisances.

COMMON LODGING HOUSES

There is now no common lodging house in the Pontypridd area. The one premises which has been registered for many years voluntarily ceased during 1958.

SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS

Pontypridd possesses a municipal open-air swimming bath and a paddling pool situated in the Ynysangharad Park. The adult bath holds 460,000 gallons and the juvenile pool 180,000 gallons.

A large capacity filtration and purification plant treats the water of both baths by chemical precipitation, filtration, aeration and finally chlorination.

28 samples of bath water were taken on 8 occasions for bacteriological and chemical examination and all were reported to be satisfactory.

The standard of water purity to be aimed at in a swimming bath is equivalent to that for drinking water. It will be appreciated that such a standard is a very high one particularly during periods when large numbers of people make use of baths. Viewed as a whole one can be well satisfied with the results obtained from tests of the Pontypridd baths. However, overcrowding must be avoided and there must be supervision in particular of the very young toddlers using the paddling pool.

HOUSING

In the post war period, 915 new houses have been completed and occupied. During 1958, 18 traditional type houses and 8 Cornish Unit new traditional type flats have been erected and occupied. A further 92 Cornish Unit new traditional type dwellings on the Glyn-coch Site are woll advanced.

▲ tender has been accepted for the erection of 36 two-bedroom three storey traditional type flats at Holly Street, Rhydyfelin, and work will commence immediately. Tenders have been invited for a further 36 one-bedroom two storey traditional type flats at Ynys Farm, Rhydyfelin.

In addition, private enterprise has accounted for the following new dwelling houses during the year:-

Houses completed 18
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COUNCIL HOUSES

Particulars of the dwelling houses owned by the Pontypridd Urban District Council at the end of 1958 are set out as follows:-

Consolidated Housing Scheme	1521
Gwern-y-gerwn	17
Duffryn House and Danygraig House Taken over by Council: Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.	3
Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, 1899-1923 and Housing Acts 1923-25. 19,20 and 22 Stow Hill	25 3 1
16 Broadway	1598

SLUM CLEARANCE PROGRAMME

For the second period of its 5-year Slum Clearance Programme, the Council selected 18 houses in 6 Clearance areas and 13 houses to be dealt with by demolition orders.

Of the 6 areas, the Minister confirmed the following:-

Area No.8

Nos. 10a and 11 Cambrian Place. Treforest.

Area No.9

Nos. 4,5 and 6 Union Street, Graig.

Area No.10

Nos. 2 and 3 Typica Cottages, Hopkinstown.

The properties to be subjected to demolition action during the period were:-

Lock Cottage, Cilf ynydd.
Lock Cottage, Coedpermaen.
Nos. 1 and 2 Bodwenarth Cottages,
1 rear Rickard Street, Graig.
Bryncoed Bungalow, Landraw.
Fernleigh, Landraw.
Fairview (Western Fields).
Melrose Bungalow, Landraw.
Melrose Cottage, Landraw.
Ardwyn Bungalow, Landraw.
No. 17 Castle Ifor Street, Hopkinstown.
Fairfield Cottage, Hawthorn.

SLUM CLEARANCE-RE-HOUSING

The families displaced from slum clearance houses are to be accommodated at the Council's Housing Site at Glyncoch, whore 100 dwellings have been allocated for the first two periods of the Council's programme.

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This allocation comprises:-

12 - 1 bedroom Flats.

56 - 2 bedroom Flats.

28 - 3 bedroom non-parlour houses.

4 - 3 bedroom parlour houses.

The first displacements were in October, 1958, when older residents were transferred to the 1-bedroom flats. The progress of re-housing was rather slower than had been hoped, but the Contractors were undoubtedly affected by the very bad weather and it was confidently expected that building would be speeded up in the Spring of 1959 and the completion was expected in the Summer.

The building programme is designed in the order shown above, so that houses become vacant piece-meal and it may not be possible to require actual demolition until later in the programme.

RENT ACT, 1957

During 1958, 61 applications were made for Certificates of Disrepair.

These were subjected to the procedure laid down in part II of the first Schedule of the Act.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949

Milk (Special Designation) (Raw Milk) Regulations, 1949

Milk (Special Designation) (Pasteurised and Sterilised Milk) Regulations 1949

The following registrations/licences were issued by the Pontypridd Urban District Council under the above regulations during the year 1958.

Distributors	Dairies (Other than Farms)	T.T.	Dealers Pasteurised	Sterilised
19	13	15	16	13

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MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS) (SPECIFIED AREAS) ORDER, 1954

Under the above Order, Pontypridd is included in a Specified Area, wherein it is illegal to sell by retail for human consumption any milk other than specially designated milk.

BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS

The following is a summary of examinations carried out during the past year; all samples being submitted to the Public Health Laboratory, Cardiff.

Graded milk	Nos. of Samples	Satisfactory
Pasteurised T.T.	3	3
Pasteurised	66	66
T.T.	1	1

ICE-CREAM PREMISES

At 31st December, 1958, there were 162 registered ice-cream retailers in this town. Of these, probably only two manufacture their own ice-cream, the majority preferring to purchase the ice-cream ready-made, in hygienic containers, and maintaining it at the required temperature in refrigerators provided by the wholesaler.

These premises are regularly inspected by the Food Inspectors.

FOOD PREMISES

The following statement sets out the totals of the various types of food premises within the Pontypridd Urban District:-

Butchers	39
Grocers	60
General	136
Confectioners	18
Fruiterers and	
Greengrocers	32
Chemist	14
Cafes and	
Restaurants	25
Fish Friers	19
Fishmongers	6
Bakeries	6

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ABATTOIR

On the 24th January, 1958, in response to a request by the Council, the Abattoir was inspected by Mr. Sillars, the Ministry's Area Technical Advisor on Meat Inspection.

He drew attention to the necessity of carrying out the following works:-

1. Cattle Lairage

Improvements of ventilation, treatment of walls to provide an impervious surface, provision of high level feeding racks and minor improvements including floor drainage and little painting.

2. Gut Cleansing Room

This work should be taken from the present passage and sited in a room to be provided external to the existing Abattoir.

3. Storage of Manure

Offal, manure, etc., must not be stored in a central passage but should be placed in an external room, similar to the gut cleansing room already referred to.

4. The installation of one or more stunning pens together with the necessary ramps and high level hoists.

In a subsequent letter the Ministry confirmed the observations made by Mr. Sillars but pointed out that in view of the current restrictions on capital expenditure the Ministry is unable to approve an application by the Council for a loan for carrying out a major reconstruction of the slaughterhouse and in any case such proposals will be considered when the Council submits its report under the Slaughterhouse Act, 1958. The Ministry, however, would be prepared to consider an application for a loan limited to improvements necessary to comply with the requirements of the Prevention of Cruelty Regulations.

The position facing the Council in 1958 was therefore as follows:-

- 1. Relatively small improvements for which a loan would probably be forthooming.
- 2. Other alterations and a general scheme of improvements, possibily of a long term nature, for which under present financial conditions, no loan can be anticipated.
- 3. The ultimate report to the Ministry under the Slaughterhouse Act, 1958, which has to be submitted after consultations with the Trade, on which the Ministry may decide the future of the Abattoir.

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ABATTOIR - RQUIPMENT

Under the provisions of the Slaughterhouse Act, 1958 the Council's Abattoir became subject to the Factories Acts, 1937 - 1948.

In September, the Factories Inspector visited the premises and in addition to a few minor items, which have already been dealt with, he drew attention to the need for improving the safety arrangements on the hydraulic lift.

INSPECTION OF MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

Three of the Council's Public Health Inspectors possess the additional qualification for the examination of meat and other foods and this work is regarded as an important part of their duties.

The following are particulars for 1958 of the number of animals slaughtered and examined at the Abattoir:-

		Heifers and		Sheep and			
Bulls	Cows	Steers	Calves	Lambs	Pigs	Total	
-	298	2,201	455	15,424	7,287	25,665	

The total number of visits paid to the Abattoir, markets and shops by the Public Health Inspectors for the purposes of inspection of meat and other foods was as follows:-

Visits and revisits made to the Public
Abattoir by the Public Health Inspectors ... 814

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Summary of unsound meat and other foods surrendered and destroyed during the year ended 31st December, 1958:-

		I	ons.	Cwts.	Qrs.	Lbs.
	Abattoir - Tuberculosis)	02.0	4	13	1	19
	Abattoir - Other Diseases)		5	11	3	18
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CONDEMNED MEAT AND OFFAL

In accordance with the recommendations of the Ministry of Food to the effect that local authorities should control the disposal of condemned meat and offal from their Abattoir; the Council has assumed this responsibility. Periodically, approved contractors are invited to quote for the purchase of these materials and the Council accepts the most favourable offer, consistent with facilities to collect on agreed days. All proceeds are refunded to the owners of the animals concerned.

The following table shows the percentage figures for the year ended 31st December, 1958 of those carcases affected with:

- Tuberculosis.
 Diseases other than Tuberculosis.
- 3. Cysticercus Bovis.

Number inspected:

		Heifers and		Sheep and	
Bulls	Cows	Steers	Calves	Lambs	Pigs
-	298	2201	455	15,424	7,287

1. Tuberculosis only:

	Bulls	Cows	Heifers and Steers	Calves	Sheep and lambs	Pigs
Carcases	-	3	-	3	-	1
Parts	-	108	53	-	-	101
Percentage	-	37.2%	2.4%	.65%	-	1.3%

2. All Diseases other than Tuberculosis:

April Bridge	Cattle	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Carcases	-	3	20	-
Parts	845	-	700	210
Percentage	33.8%	0.6%	4.7%	0.3%

3. Cysticercus Bovis:

The carcases of 5 cattle ans 3 cows were submitted to treatment by refrigeration, giving percentage of 0.4%

Slaughter of Animals (Amendment) Act, 1954

Section 1 of the Act is applicable within the area to sheep, ewes, wethers, rams and lambs, and with the exception of Kosher meat, all cattle are humanely killed by the captive bolt pistol and the smaller animals are electrically stunned before slaughter.

27 licences under Section 3 of the Slaughter of Animals (Amendment Act, 1954) were granted by the Council to operate for the year 1958.

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FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

The Pontypridd Council administers the above Act in this area and the Authority's Public Health Inspectors are appointed sampling Officers, Mr. D. Evans Jones, M. Sc., F.R. I.C. of the Public Health Laboratory, Cardiff, is the Public Analyst appointed to act for this district.

In the course of the past year, the following wide range of samples (Formal and Informal) were submitted to, and reported upon, by the Analyst:

Sample	Genuine	Non-Genuine
Milk Cream Marzipan Pancake Sausage Fish Paste Confectionery Apples Butter Jam Jelly Chocolate Eclairs Dried Milk Food Ice-cream Margarine Beef Suet Flour Vinegar Pepper Custard Soup Table Wines Coffee	64 1 1 8 3 5 1 2 2 3 1 1 2 1 2 2 1 1 2 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 2 1	2 2
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The average composition of genuine milk samples for 1958. was 3.92 milk fat and 8.72 solids-not-fat, compared with the standard laid down in the milk regulations of 3% milk fat and 8.5% solids-not-fat.

Following are details of the substandard food:-

Confectionery 12P - informal - Devoid of butter fat. Confectionery P17 - Formal - Devoid of butter fat.

Apples ... Pl5 - Formal - Contained a considerable

Apples ... Pl6 - Formal - Contained a considerable amount of lead.

In respect of the above deficiencies, the following action was taken:-

12P and P17 - Butter creams. - Insufficient evidence to justify Court Proceedings.

Pl5 and Pl6 - Apples. - Retailers warned to clean produce thoroughly before selling to the Public.

DISPOSAL OF CONDEHNED FOOD

Consignments of food which have been condemned by the Public Health Inspectors as being unfit for human consumption are surrendered, stained and dispatched to the Council's controlled tip. The Authority is fortunate in having available a plentiful and regular supply of flue dust, and the food, with all other refuse is more than adequately covered. The tip is regularly inspected.

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CANCER

Deaths from Cancer (all forms) in Pontypridd recorded during 1958 were as follows:

Males	Females	Total	
44	37	81	

The above figures, constituting a death rate of 2.1 per 1,000 population show a slight increase on those of last year, when the total reached 77 with a death rate of 2.0. The number of deaths from lung cancer in 1958 was 15 including two women, giving an increase of 2 over 1957.

It is noteworthy that lung cancer now kills more persons than tuberculosis.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

(OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING 1958

Disease	Total Cases Notified	Cases admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths
Food Poisoning	4	-	-
Sonne' Dysentery	22	1	-
Scarlet Fever	39	13	-
Pneumonia	6	6	14
Puerperal Pyrexia	7	6	-
Measles	506	4	1
Whooping Cough	4		-
Op. Neonatorum	1	1	-
Erysiples	2	-	-

PUERPERAL PYREXIA REGULATIONS 1939

Seven cases of Puerperal Pyrexia were reported during the year, six from Hospital. These responded to treatment and no deaths resulted.

MATERNAL MORTALITY

There were no maternal deaths in the district in 1958. This gratifying result can be attributed to improved care of mothers before, during and after confinement, and reflects credit on the general practitioner, hospital and local authority services. Modern drugs to combat infection have of course played a great part in this improvement.

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AMBULANCE FACILITIES

The ambulance service is the responsibility of the Glamorgan County Council, and the depot serving the Pontypridd area is situated at Hawthorn, near Pontypridd. The telephone number is Pontypridd 2522. Ambulances and cars for all types of cases are maintained at this depot.

REPLACEMENT OF DESTROYED BEDDING

Authority is given to the Local Authority, by Section 167, ss.4, of the Public Health Act, 1936 to replace bedding soiled and suspected of containing infection after infectious diseases.

No such replacement was made in 1958.

CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED IN EACH WARD DURING THE YEAR 1958

Disease	Graig	Rhon- dda	Town	Cil- fynydd	Tral- lwn	Tre- forest	Rhydy- Felin	Total
Scarlet Fever.	2	6	3	1.1	5	4	8	89
Puerperal Pyrexia Pneumonia	1	2	2	3	ī	-	1	7 6
Whooping Cough Measles Ophthalmia	25	24	2 64	100	2 45	109	139	506
Neonatorum Tuberculosis:	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Respiratory Non-Respiratory Erysip a las	4	2	3 2	7 2	-	6	1	26 6 2 22
Sonne Dysentery Food Poisoning	-	11 4	-	-	-	2 -	9 -	22 4
Totals	33	51	76	124	53	122	164	623

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NOTIFIED DURING, 1957.

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Weasles	17	58	69	84	121	157	4	1	1	1	1	1	905
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NOTIFIABLE INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Whilst it must be realised that notification of the less serious infectious diseases is far from complete, nevertheless apart from an epidemic of measles; (for which disease there are no practical preventive measures) cases of infectious disease were relatively few.

Dysentery of the Sonne' type threatened to become a problem in some parts of the county, but we were fortunate in escaping lightly. This disease could be controlled by ordinary methods of personal cleanliness.

The following table gives an indication of the reduction in infectious diseases in Pontypridd:-

Population	1920	1958
	47,390	37,550
Scarlet Fever Diphtheria	150 59	39
Enteric Fever Tuberculosis	30 64	0 32

Recently immunisation against Poliomyelitis has been introduced and it is hoped that in the future this disease will become a rarity and thus preventing the sometimes serious residual paralyses.

POLIOMYELITIS VACCINATION

The national scheme for the vaccination of children against poliomyelitis commenced in 1956 under the control of the respective County Medical Officers.

The Divisional Medical Officer has supplied the following figures showing the progress in the Pontypridd area during the year 1958.

The total number of injections given during the year were 5,535, made up as follows:-

Vaccination of persons over the age of 15 years did not commence until 1959 except in the case of expectant mothers, medical practitioners and their families, ambulance drivers and their families; and these figures for 1958 are as follows:-

Total number of injections given ... 112.

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LABORATORY WORK AND FACILITIES

The Public Health Laboratory, Cardiff, examines and reports upon all pathological specimens submitted from the Pontypridd area. The number of suspected and routine specimens sent by the Health Department and by local doctors during the past year was 99. These included throat and nose swabs, sputa, blood, pus, faeces, cerebro-spinal fluid, etc.

Outfits for the collection of specimens for transmission through the post are kept at the office of the Public Health Department for the use of medical practitioners of the town.

HOSPITAL PROVISION FOR CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Where hospital admission is deemed desirable, cases of infectious diseases are accepted at the Cardiff Isolation Hospital at Canton, Cardiff, and at the Tyntyla Isolation Hospital, Pentre, Rhondda. In practice, the more serious types of infectious diseases, such as poliomyelitis and cerebro-spinal meningitis are usually treated at Cardiff. Special facilities also exist at the hospital at Canton for the treatment of tubercular meningitis and miliary tuberculosis, both of which require skilled and prolonged nursing care and attention.

The Isolation Hospital at Tonteg, formerly administered by the Pontypridd Council now functions as a Tuberculosis Sanatorium under the control of the Welsh Regional Hospital Board. The hospital has a capacity of fifty-six beds and both male and female cases are admitted for treatment. Ten of the beds are provided for children.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1925 - SECTION 62 and PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1936 - SECTION 172

The Local Authority took no action under these sections during 1958.

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TUBERCULOSIS - NEW CASES AND MORTALITY DURING 1958

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15-25 years	2	6	-	1	9	-	-	-	-	-
25-35 years	2	1	3	1	7	-	-	-	-	-
35-45 years	5	-	-	-	5	1	-	-	-	1
45-65 years	6	1	-	-	7	-	-	1	-	1
over 65 years	1	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	2
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TUBERCULOSIS DEATH RATE

The local death rate from Tuberculosis per 1000 of the population for 1958 and the previous five years was as follows:-

	1958	1957	1956	1955	1954	1953
Respiratory	0.09	0.13	0.16	0.16	0313	0.27
Non-Respiratory	0.02	Nil	Nil	Nil	N11	Nil
All forms of Tuberculosis	0.11	0,13	0.16	0.16	0.13	0.27

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TUBERCULOSIS

The following information has been supplied by Doctor J.G.Cox, in respect of Pontypridd and Rhondda areas which form the district under his control:-

The reduction in the number of new cases of Tuberculosis in 1958 was slight, but the number of cases on the Tuberculosis Register at the end of the year showed a satisfactory reduction. There is, in some Quarters unfortunately, an entirely erroneous view that Tuberculosis is a problem no longer. Such a view might lead to complacency with unfortunate results. It is true that Tubercle is no longer a major killing disease, but continued all-out effort is needed if the marked improvement in the prognosis and the continued reduction in the mortality and notification rates is to be recorded in future years.

There is still a solid core of chronic infectious cases in the district some known and being treated, but others unfortunately unknown to the Clinic and these cases will tend to keep the disease going for some time to come. Every effort on the part of all concerned with Tuberculosis work . : must be continued towards combating this disease. Increased contact examination, early diagnosis, and prompt treatment must be our aim. B.C.G. Vaccination of all Tuberculin negative reactors will reduce the number of primary infections, and in the long run, help to reduce the number of active infectious cases in the district.

The incidence of Tubercle is highest in those contacts living in poor and overcrowded home conditions and the re-housing of these families should be top priority. We must never forget that Tuberculosis is infectious and good living condition is of the utmost importance in helping to prevent the spread of the disease.

VACCINATION WITH B.C.G.

The vaccination of Contacts of Tuberculosis is the responsibility of the Chest Service, and the vaccination of school leavers is carried out by the School Medical Service.

Number	of parental consents requested	758.
Number	of accepted B.C.G. vaccination	472.
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These figures relate to children in the 13-14 age group attending schools in the Pontypridd area only.

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INFART WELFARE

There has been no change in the number or scope of the Infant Welfare Centres in Pontypridd now administered by the Glamorgan County Council.

The following Clinics hold weekly sessions:

Pontypridd Central Clinic, Park.
Treforest Saron Chapel Vestry.
Rhydyfelin Ebenezer Chapel.
Hopkinstown Hall, Foundry Road.

In addition, fortnightly sessions are held at:

Hawthorn Bethel Chapel Hall. Pontshonnorton Herthyr Road Clinic.

CO-OPERATION WITH VOLUNTARY BODIES

Mr. William Rees, the local Inspector of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, has kindly sent me the following report of the Society's work in the Pontypridd district during 1958.

During the year, he dealt with 81 cases, affecting the welfare of 140 children, summarised as:

Again he was able to deal with the cases without having to prosecute any parent from the Pontypridd area, but he was obliged to take action in the Juvenile Courts on three occasions to protect young girls who were in need of care or protection and exposed to moral danger. On three occasion the Society was called on to assist where mothers found that their teenage sons were beyond their control and causing much trouble at home.

The causes of neglect are many, but the Society were really concerned at the neglect and unhappiness caused to children when their parents quarrel and fight in their presence; this happens far to often. Again in several cases much suffering was caused to young children, apart from the danger, by parents going out at night leaving the children at home. In many instances children have become really frightened when they awake and find that their parents are out, and they have been left alone.

Mr. Rees expresses his thanks to the staff of the Public Health Department for the help given him and the staff in turn express their appreciation of Mr. Rees! readiness to help at all times.

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Vascular Lesions of nervous system .	41	52	93
Coronary disease, angina	53	17	70
Hypertension with heart disease	2	5	7
Other heart diseases	26	30	56
Other circulatory diseases	16	21	37
Measles	-	1	1
Influenza	2	3	5
Pneumonia	12	2	14
Bronchitis	27	4	31
Other diseases of respiratory system	8	2	10
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	1	1	2
Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	-	1	1
Nephritis and nephrosis	3	2	5
Hyperplasia of prostate	3	- 0.0	3
Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	-	-	-
Congenital malformations	3	2	5
Other defined or ill-defined disease	s17	12	29
Motor vehicle accidents	. 1	1	2
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NOTIFICATION AND DEATH RATES FOR CERTAIN INFECTIOUS DISEASES FOR 1958

		Pontypridd
	Rates per 1,	000 Population.
	1958	1957
Deaths		
Whooping Cough Diphtheria Tuberculosis Influenza Smallpox Acute Poliomyelitis	0.0 0.0 0.11 0.13 0.0	0.0 0.0 0.13 0.2 0.0
and Policencephalitis Pnoumonia	0.0 0.38	0.0
Notifications (Corrected) Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fever Meningococcal Infection Scarlet Fever. Whooping Cough	0.0 0.0 1.03 0.11	0.06 0.0 1.4 0.5
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