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B O R O U G H O F T E N B Y .ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
FOR THE YEAR 1951

To His Worship the Mayor, and Members of the Council.

I beg to submit the Annual Report for the year 1951.

V I T A L S T A T I S T I C S

Resident Population, (Registrar General's Estimate)...1951...
.....4,466.....

	Borough of Tenby, 1951	Borough of Tenby, 1950	County of Pembroke	England & Wales
Birth Rate (per 1,000 pop.)	15.9	17.46	17.08	15.5
Death Rate (per 1,000 pop.)	15.4	15.96	13.5	12.5
Infantile Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	28.2	50	32.2	29.6

Causes of Death

	M.	F.
Total (all causes)	30	39
Respiratory Tuberculosis	1	-
Tuberculosis, other forms	1	-
Whooping Cough	1	-
Meningococcal infections	1	-
Cancer	3	9
Diabetes	1	1
Vascular lesions of nervous system	2	5
Coronary disease, angina	4	2
Other heart disease	2	5
Circulatory disease	1	2
Influenza	2	-
Pneumonia	2	-
Bronchitis	1	3
Other diseases of respiratory system	1	1
Ulcer of stomach & duodenum	1	-
Gastritis, enteritis & diarrhoea	-	1
Nephritis & nephrosis	1	1
Hyperplasia of prostate	1	-
Other defined & ill-defined diseases	4	8
Accidents, other than motor vehicle	-	1

The Death Rate was slightly lower than in 1950, but is still higher than that for the County of Pembroke, and for the whole of the Country.

It must be pointed out that 50% of the deaths were of persons over the age of 70 years, including 28% over 80 years of age.



NOTIFICATIONS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Measles	14	Whooping Cough	23	Pneumonia	5
Scarlet Fever	1	Meningococcal Infection	1		

The case of Meningococcal Infection was admitted to the West Wales Isolation Hospital, Tumble, but proved fatal.

TUBERCULOSIS

Three cases of Respiratory Tuberculosis were notified, and one of them was admitted to Hospital during the year.

There was one death due to Tuberculous Meningitis, and one death due to Respiratory Tuberculosis.

The Mobile Unit of the Mass Radiography Service visited the County in May, and spent three days at Tenby.

	<u>Grand Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female.</u>
Total number of Persons Examined	638	274	364
Definite Pulmonary Tuberculosis	nil		
Needing further Observation for Pulmonary Tuberculosis	nil		
Inactive Pulmonary Tuberculosis	4	1	3
Healed Primary lesions	7	3	4
Non-tubercular abnormalities	48	27	21

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 1946

LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES

VACCINATION

Free vaccination against Smallpox is offered to all babies, and any other persons for whom it may be advisable. 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 18 primary vaccinations, and 2 secondary vaccinations during the year.

IMMUNISATION

This is also carried out by the local doctors, who are paid by the County Council on receipt by your Medical Officer of the record cards. 58 children under 5 years of age were immunised, and 27 children received reinforcing injections.

Other arrangements for Local Health Services are carried out by the County Council.

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NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948

REMOVAL TO SUITABLE PREMISES OF PERSONS IN NEED OF CARE AND ATTENTION.

It was necessary to apply for an Order of the Court to remove one person during the year.

This was a case of an old lady of 76 years of age, living alone, and suffering from an inoperable cancer. She would not allow her relatives to stay in the house, or to cleanse either her person or her room, and her condition was appalling.

An order was made for her removal to Riverside Hospital, Pembroke where she died some weeks later.

WATER

The whole of the Borough, with the exception of a few out-lying areas, has a mains supply. There are no stand-pipes. The number of houses supplied direct from the mains is 1,240.

The construction of the new Trunk Main from the Precelly Water Board's supply progressed satisfactorily.

Nine samples of water were taken for bacteriological examination, which was satisfactory in each case.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

Sewers designed to prevent flooding of premises at The Green and Park Road were laid during the year. In spite of this there were some complaints of flooding at the Green.

REFUSE DISPOSAL

The new refuse collection vehicle has operated satisfactorily. Refuse is tipped at Marsh Road, at which there is some degree of control.

HOUSING

The last six houses of the second contract were completed at the Glebe Estate. 20 out of 22 houses of Contract No. 3 were started.

FOOD

Quantities of unfit food were surrendered voluntarily by traders on 50 occasions - in one case 1174 lbs. of tinned ham out of over 1 ton was examined.

The results of bacteriological examinations of milk and ice-cream samples taken and submitted to the Public Health Laboratory were as under:-

<u>Milk</u>	Satisfactory	32
	Unsatisfactory	4
	Total	<u>36</u>

Ice Cream

<u>Grade 1.</u>	<u>Grade 2.</u>	<u>Grade 3.</u>	<u>Grade 4.</u>
16	6	-	-
	<u>Total</u>	<u>22</u>	

INSPECTION OF SHOPS AND CAFE'S

It has not been possible to carry out any routine inspection of premises on which food is prepared or sold because of the lack of adequate staff. Premises have been inspected only as a result of complaints received.

RODENT CONTROL

Regular treatment of the sewers and refuse tip and prompt attention to all complaints were maintained during the year.

Dorothy M. Griffiths,

M.B.,B.S.,D.P.H.

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Particulars of Sanitary Inspector's Work.

INSPECTION OF DWELLING HOUSES DURING THE YEAR 1951.

Total No. of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts).	31
No. of dwelling houses inspected and recorded under the Housing (Consolidated) Regulations 1925 & 1932 included in previous column.	7
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).	11
No. of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the local authority or their officers.	13

ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING YEAR.

<u>Housing Act, 1936. Sections 9, 10 & 16.</u>	
No. of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs.	Nil
No. of dwelling houses rendered fit after service of formal notices (By Owners).	Nil
<u>Public Health Acts</u>	
No. of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied.	Nil
No. of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices (By Owners).	Nil
<u>Housing Act, 1936. Sections 11 & 13.</u>	
No. of dwelling houses in respect of which demolition orders were made - 2 more houses in respect of which undertakings not to relet were accepted in 1949 have now been vacated.	
No. of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of demolition orders.	Nil

HOUSING ACT, 1936. PART IV - OVERCROWDING.

	<u>Estimated Fig.</u>
No. of dwelling houses overcrowded at end of year.	6
No. of families dwelling therein.	12
No. of persons dwelling therein.	50
No. of new cases of overcrowding reported during year.	Nil
No. of cases of overcrowding relieved during year.	6
No. of persons concerned in such cases.	25

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SANITARY INSPECTION.

Particulars of Work carried out during year 1951.

No. of complaints received		21
No. of defects or nuisances discovered		29
<u>No. of Premises visited.</u>		
Inspections		71
Re-visits		25
<u>No. of Notices served.</u>		
Preliminary:	Housing	Nil
	Other	Nil
Statutory:	Housing	Nil
	Other	Nil
<u>Summary Action.</u>		
Summonses issued		Nil
Convictions obtained		Nil

MILK AND DAIRIES ORDERS.

No. of Registered Dairymen.	1
No. of Inspections	11
<u>Milk Samples.</u>	
Satisfactory	32
Unsatisfactory	4
Total:	36

FACTORIES ACT, 1937 & 1948.

<u>Premises</u>	<u>No. on Register</u>	<u>Inspections</u>	<u>Written Notices</u>	<u>Occupiers Prosecuted</u>
(1) Factories in which sections 1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	48	12	Nil	Nil
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	11	Nil	Nil	Nil
(iii) Other premises in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises).	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Total:	59	12	Nil	Nil

L. J. Cottrell.
Borough Surveyor.

Particulars of Receipts for the year 1900

Particulars		Amount	
To Balance forward		£	100 00
To Subscriptions		£	50 00
To Donations		£	20 00
To Sale of books		£	10 00
To Interest		£	5 00
To Other		£	5 00
Total		£	190 00

Particulars of Expenditure for the year 1900

Particulars		Amount	
By Balance forward		£	100 00
By Subscriptions		£	50 00
By Donations		£	20 00
By Sale of books		£	10 00
By Interest		£	5 00
By Other		£	5 00
Total		£	190 00

Particulars of Receipts for the year 1901

Particulars		Amount	
To Balance forward		£	100 00
To Subscriptions		£	50 00
To Donations		£	20 00
To Sale of books		£	10 00
To Interest		£	5 00
To Other		£	5 00
Total		£	190 00

Particulars of Expenditure for the year 1901

Particulars		Amount	
By Balance forward		£	100 00
By Subscriptions		£	50 00
By Donations		£	20 00
By Sale of books		£	10 00
By Interest		£	5 00
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