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BIGGLESWADE URBAN DISTRICT

ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR

1965

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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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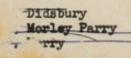
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PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR



Dr. H.S. Bury, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H., Medical Officer of Health.

T. Wilson, M.I.Mun.E., M.R.S.H.,
Public Health Inspector and
Surveyor.



AURUAL REPORT FOR 1965

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BIGGLESWADE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Mr. Chairman and Councillors,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Report upon the health and sanitary circumstances for the Urban District of Diggleswade for 1965.

The vital statistics for the year are as usual quite satisfactory, except for a rather high infant mortality rate. This however, is out of line with the general trend and is of little significance.

The proportion of deaths under the age of 65 were again low. Outstanding causes in this younger age group were Cancer and Coronary Heart disease.

The incidence of infectious disease was low.

Judging by the number of medical certificates which are sent to me in support of housing applications, there are still a considerable shortage of family houses in Diggleswade and for special accommodation for old people. We are now having to care for an ever-increasing number of very old people in the community and it is desirable from every point of view that these people should be able to maintain an independent existence rather than having to enter an institution. Their special needs have been the subject of a great deal of study in recent years and the time has come to consider the provision of specially constructed labour-saving dwellings in addition to the bungalows already built for old persons in this town.

The problem of refuse disposal has still not been solved.

The temporary tip is not satisfactory and there is a great danger that there will be a further plaque of flies again this summer however energetic the action taken.

In conclusion, I would like to thank the members of the Council and the staff for their co-operation during the year and especially Mr. T. Wilson who was responsible for most of the work contained in this report.

I am,

Your obedient servant,

H. S. BURY

Medical Officer of Health.

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BIGGLESWADE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT

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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for

1965

1. STATISTICS OF THE AREA

Area in acres	4,647
Registrar General's estimate of home	
population mid-year 1965	8,550
Number of inhabited houses	2,871
Rateable Value	£359,153
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	1,543

2. SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Biggleswade is primarily a market town and is the centre of a rich agricultural and herticultural area.

Today however, the town also has an increasing amount of light engineering and other industry. There is therefore, plenty of employment for all types of labour.

The only social problem is the housing shortage.

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3. VITAL STATISTICS

LIVE BIRTHS

Legitimate Illegitimate	Males 76 3	Females 59 2	Total 135 5
Totals	79	61	140
Crude birth rate per 1,000 Home po	pulation		16.4
Adjusted birth rate per 1,000 Home	populat:	ion	17.0
Birth rate for England and Wales			18,1

STILL BIRTHS

	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	1	1	2
Illegitimate Total	ls <u>1</u>	1	2
Stillbirth rate per 1,000 tot Stillbirth rate for England of			14.1 15.7

DEATHS

Males	Females	Total
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DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE

	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	1	1	2
Illegitimate			
Totals	1	1	2
Rate of all infants per 1,000 live birth Rate for England and Wales Neo-natal mortality rate (deaths under 4			14.3 19.0
	ve births)		7.1
per 1,000 liv			7.1
Peri-natal mortality rate (Stillbirths a			
1 week combined per 1,000 live and stil	lbirths)		21.1

STATISTICAL TABLE 1956 - 1965

E. V	DEATH 1	TATE	BIRTH RA	re	INFANT MORTALITY R	ATE
Year	Biggleswade Urban	England & Wales	Biggleswade Urban	England & Wales	Biggleswade Urban	England & Wales
1956	10.4	11.7	16.4	15.7	15.6	23.8
1957	9.1	11.5	14.2	16.1	18.0	23.0
1958	8.4	11,7	13.8	16.9	34.2	22.5
1959	11,3	11.6	14.2	16.5	16.8	22.0
1960	12.5	11.5	14.8	17.1	23.8	21.7
1961	10.4	12.0	13.1	17.4	17.2	21.4
1962	10.5	11.9	14.5	18.0	23.4	21.4
1963	9.8	12.2	18.5	18.2	13.2	20.9
1964	9.5	11.3	18.9	18.4	31.4	20.0
1965	9.7	11.5	16.4	18.1	14.3	19.0

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STATISTICAL TABLE 1900 - 1900

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CAUSES OF DEATH 1965

	CAUSES	-	ler yrs	10	CA	1000	and	1
		16	yrs	16 -	• 04	ov	or	TOTALS
		H	F	11	F	H	F	
1.	Tuberculosis, respiratory	_	_	-	_	_	_	_
	Tuberculosis, other	_	-	_	-	_	_	-
	Syphilitic disease	_	_	-	_	-	_	_
	Diphtheria	_	-	_	_	-	_	_
0.7	Whooping Cough	-	-	_	-	-	_	-
	Meningococcal infections	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
	Acute Poliomyelitis	-	_	_	_	_	-	_
	Moasles	-	-	-	-	-	_	-
-	Other infective and parasitic disease	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Malignant neoplasm, stomach	-	-	-	-	2	2	4
	Malignant neoplasm, lungs, bronchus	-	-	3	-	2	_	5
	Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	-	-	1	-	2	3
	Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
	Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasm	-	-	_	1	-	2	3
	Leukaemia, aleukaemia	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
	Diabetes	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
17.	Vascular lesions of nervous system	-	-	-	1	9	10	20
	Coronary disease, angina	-	-	5	1	12	10	28
	Hypertension with heart disease	-	-	-	-	1	1	2
20.	Other heart disease	-	1	-	1	1	6	9
21.	Other circulatory disease	-	-	1	1	-	1	3
22.	Influenza	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
23.	Pneumonia	1	-	-	-	3	2	6
24.	Bronchitis	1	- 1	-	-	4	1	6
25.	Other disease of respiratory system	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
26.	Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
27.	Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
28.	Nephritis and nephrosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
29.	Hyperplasia of prostate	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
30.	Pregnancy, childbirth and abortion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
31.	Congenital malformations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
32.	Other defined and ill-defined diseases	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
33.	Motor vehicle accidents	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
34.	All other accidents	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
35.	Suicide	-	- 1	-	-	-	-	-
36.	Homicide and operations of war	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Totals	3	2	11	6	37	45	104

CAUSES OF DEATH IN INFANCY	Icterus Neonatorum	1
	Tachycardia	1

CAUGE OF BEATH 1965

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GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH AND MEDICAL SERVICES IN THE AREA

PROVIDED BY THE NORTH WEST METROPOLITAN REGIONAL MOSPITAL DOARD

GENERAL HOSPITALS

Bedford General Hospital, South Wing, Kempston Road, Bedford. Bedford General Hospital, North Wing, Kimbolton Road, Bedford. North Herts Hospital, Hitchin, Herts. Lister Hospital, Hitchin, Herts.

GERIATRIC HOSPITALS

Bedford General Hospital, North Wing, Kimbolton Road, Bedford. Clapham Hospital, near Bedford. Biggleswade Hospital, Potton Road, Diggleswade.

MATERNITY HOSPITALS

Bedford General Hospital, North Wing, Kimbolton Road, Bedford. North Herts Hospital, Hitchin, Herts.

INFECTIOUS DISEASE HOSPITALS

Spittlesea Isolation Hospital, Luton.

PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL

Fairfield Mospital, Arlesey.

MENTALLY SUB-NORMAL

Bromham Hospital, near Bedford.

CHEST CLINIC (For Pulmonary Tuberculosis)

Bedford General Hospital, North Wing, Kimbolton Road, Bedford.

VENEREAL DISEASE CLINIC

Bedford General Hospital, South Wing, Kempston Road, Bedford.

MINATURE RADIOGRAPHY

Biggleswade (The Lawns) - Tuesdays, 11.15 a.m. to 11.45 a.m.

PHYSIOTHERAPY CLINIC

Biggleswade (The Lawns) - Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons.

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY

Dedford General Hospital, North Wing, Kimbolton Road, Bedford.

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GENERAL POSPITALS

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CHRISTIC HOSPITALS

Dedicat General Hospital, North Ving, Kimbelton Road, Dedford, Clapies Hospital, near Dedford.

MATERIAL TOSTITALS

Bedford General Hospital, Horth Wing, Eichelton Hond, Dedford.

IMPROTECTIONS DESCRIPTIONS

Spittlemon Isolation Hospital, Luton,

PEYCHIAINIC HOSPITAL

Pairtield Mospital, Arlesoy,

JANEON-SUR YALLATER

Brosban Hospital, near Redford.

CHEST CLUMC (For Polyconry Tuberculouis)

Bedford Comerci Horgistal, Hortin Ving, Einholton Room, Hedford.

VENEZUAL DISEASE CLINIC

Bodford Congral Hogoltal, South Wine, Hempston Road, Dedicard,

YESCAUDDIGAR SERUTAMEN

Biccleswade (The Laws) - Twosdays, II is a.m. to II is a.m.

MINSIOTISPARY CLINIC

Discharged (The Lawse) - Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons.

BROWNING LABORATORY

Bedford General Hearth Marc. Higheston Road, Dedford.

PROVIDED BY THE BEDFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

AMBULANCE SERVICE

The Service provided by the Bedfordshire County Council has satisfactorily met the needs of the area. It covers the full twenty-four hours and is free of charge.

In addition to moving emergency cases, ambulance or sitting-case car transport is available for carrying patients unable to travel by other means to and from hospitals and clinics, when attendance is necessary for the purpose of receiving medical treatment.

Except in the case of an emergency, the request for an ambulance must be made by a Medical Practitioner or other authorised person. This should be to the nearest depot.

The service now also covers the removal to Isolation hospitals of patients suffering from infectious disease.

The following depots are situated in the eastern and northern districts of the County:-

Biggleswade Chestnut Avenue ... Tel: Biggleswade 2295/2287 Bedford Bedford Road, Kempston.. Tel: Bedford 5335/6

DOMICILIARY NURSING AND MIDWIFERY SERVICE

This service is administered by the North Eastern Divisional Health Committee. The nurses employed are

Miss P. Briggs, 41, Oak Crescent, Biggleswade ... Tel: 2332

HEALTH VISITING SERVICE

Miss D.A. Hipkiss, Cottage Road, Sandy ... Tel: 375

HOME HELP SERVICE

Organiser: Mrs. Van Berckelaer, Medical Centre, Union Street, Bedford. Tel: 2207

INFANT WELFARE CENTRE

The Lawns Health Centre, The Baulk, Biggleswade every Tuesday afternoon 2 - 4 p.m.

DENTAL CLINIC FOR MOTHERS AND YOUNG CHILDREN

The Lawns Health Centre, The Baulk, Biggleswade - Four mornings weekly.

CHIROPODY SERVICE

This service is provided by appointment.

PROVIDED BY THE DEDUCED COUNTY COUNCIL

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PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE

DISEASE	Under 1	1 - 4	5 - 9	10 - 15	Over 15	Total
Dysentery	-	1	-	-	1	2
Measles	- 1	31	17	-	_	48
Whooping Cough	1	4	1	-	-	6
Tuberculosis Pulmonary	-	-	-	-	1	1
" Non-Pulmonary	- 1	-	-	-	-	-

TUBERCULOSIS

The following table shows the number of cases notified since 1956 and the number of deaths over that period.

		NEW CASES				DEATHS					
YEAR	Pulm	onary	Non-p	Non-pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-pulmonary		Totals	
	li	F	M	F		20	F	М	F		
1956	1	1	-	-	2	-	_	-	_	-	
1957	2	-	-	1	3	-	-	1	-	1	
1958	1	4	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	
1959	3	3	-	- 1	6	-	1	-	-	1	
1960	9	2	-	-	11	1	-	-	-	1	
1961	-	1	-	- 1	1	-	1	-	-	1	
1962	1	2	1	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	
1963	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1964	4	5	-	3	12	-	-	-	-	-	
1965	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	

The Mobile Chest X-Ray Unit visits Biggleswade regularly to provide a service for local Medical Practitioners. It is stationed at "The Lawns" every Tuesday morning, between 11.15 a.m. and 11.45 a.m.

IMBIUNISATION AND VACCINATION

It is now possible to protect persons against an increasing number of infections by the use of vaccines and toxoids. The Bedfordshire County Council is responsible for the provision of this service which is given direct at clinics or through the General Medical Practitioners. Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Tetanus, Poliomyelitis, Smallpox and Tuberculosis are the diseases dealt with.

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF INFRCTIOUS DISTARS

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REPORT OF SURVEYOR AND PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1965

Building Plans:

Dwellings.

The following building plans were approved by the Council and work inspected and drains tested during the course of construction.

277

Dwellings.	277
Alterations and additions to Dwellings.	16
Conservatories.	6
Covered Ways.	3
Coal Barn.	1
Garages and carports.	206
Shopping Centre.	1
Shops.	1
Alterations to shops.	3
Temporary shop.	1
Car showrooms.	3
	2
Alterations to public houses.	
Factories.	7
Alterations and extensions to factories.	10
Sanitary accommodation.	2
Advertisement signs.	8
Car Parks.	3
Office Dlock.	1
Alterations to offices.	2
Temporary classroom.	1
Temporary caravan siting.	1
Electricity Sub-stations.	2
Overhead Power Lines.	2
Petrol tanks, pumps, canopies.	3
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PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTIONS	
Land Colored C	
Public Health Act Complaints	83
Revisits	76
	22
	95
Revisits	1
Overcrowding	
Visits to Council Houses	188
Rodent Control.	79
Water supply.	4
Improvement Grants.	34
Drainage.	10
Factories. (Powered)	33
(Non Powered)	3
Building and Engineering Sites.	17
Smoke observations.	3
Clean Air Act.	9
Noise Abatement.	6
Scrap Metal Dealers.	12
Petrol Licensing.	38
Offices, Shops & Railway Premises Act, 1963.	
	105
General inspections.	171
Other visits.	152
Food Premises.	
Long-stay Immigrants.	3
Typhoid Carriers.	4
Other infectious disease.	9
Aged Person.	1
Pet Animals Act.	1
Piggeries.	5
Caravans.	64
Cinema.	2
Public Conveniences.	11
	20
Refuse Tips.	166.
Miscellaneous.	100.
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Food Hygiene (General) Regs. 1960.	30	13
Factories Act, 1961.	7	7
Public Health Acts 1936/61.	1	14
Housing Act, 1957.	-	22
Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960.	-	13
Petroleum (Consolidation) Act, 1928.	5	1
Clean Air Act, 1956.	-	2
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963.	58	26
Miscellaneous.	-	8

RODENT CONTROL

Seventy-nine inspections were made in connection with rodent control and treatment undertaken as required. One test baiting of sewers was carried out.

FOOD PREMISES

1.	SHOPS	Number	Visits
	Bakehouses.	4	5
	Confectioners.	9	18
	Confectioners. Butchers. Grocers and General Stores Greengrocers. Fishmongers. 2. MARKET STALLS (Food)	6	8
		25	47
		5	11
	Fishmongers.	8	8
2.	MARKET STALLS (Food)	8	6
3. CAT	CATERING ESTABLISHENTS		
	Cafes and Restaurants.	6	12
	Canteens (Industrial).	6	7
	" (Schools).	4	4
	Hotels.	2	3
	Club Premises.	3	2
4.	LICENSED PREMISES		
	Public Houses.	21	16
		2	2
5.	FOOD STORAGE	1	2

The total number of food premises in the district at the end of 1965 was 110.

(Visits enumerated above do not include those paid in connection with the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963).

MEAT AND OTHER FOOD FOUND TO BE UNFIT

The following foods were found to be unfit for human consumption and were surrendered voluntarily:-

 Beef Forequarter.
 151 lbs.

 Canned Ham.
 50 lbs. 12 oz.

 Canned Pork.
 49 lbs. 14 oz.

 Canned Tongue.
 15 lbs.

 Canned Veal.
 8 lbs.

 Corned Deef.
 12 lbs.

 Artificial Cream.
 ½ gallon.

In the cases above there was evidence that putrefaction had commenced.

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	Public Health Acts 1036/61,
	Housing Act, 1957.
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	Offices, Shope and Railway Premises Act, 1963.

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Canned Ham.
Canned Pork.
Canned Tomatoes.
Artificial Cream.

117 lbs. 12 lbs. 1 oz. 45 lbs. 15 oz. 4 gallon.

In the above cases it was found that cans were blown, punctured or severely damaged.

REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO FOOD PREMISES

Redecoration of premises.	7
Floor repairs.	3
Provision of food covers.	1
Provision of first-aid requisites.	3
Improvements to sanitary accommodation	2
" washing facilities.	4
Provision of waste bins.	2

HOUSING

1.	Inspections	of	dwelling	houses	during	the	year.

(1)	(a)		dwelling houses inspected for housing (Public Health and Housing Acts)
	(b)	Number of	inspections made.

(2) (a) Number considered to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.

(b) Number (excluding those in sub-para. 2(a) above) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation.

 Remedy of defects during the year without service of formal notices: -

> Defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by Local Authority or its officers.

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22

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3. Action under Statutory Powers during the year

(A) Proceedings under Sections 9, 16 or 42, Housing Act, 1957:-

- Dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs.
- (2) Dwelling houses rendered fit after service of formal notices.
 - (a) by owners
 (b) by Local Authority in default of

(B) Proceedings under Public Health Acts.

- (1) Dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied.
- (2) Dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices.
 - (a) by owners
 - (b) by Local Authority in default of

owners. -

(c) Proceedings under Sections 16 and 17, Housing Act, 1957

(1)	Dwelling houses in respect of which demolition orders were made	18
(2)	Dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of demolition orders.	-
(3)	Dwelling houses in respect of which Closing Orders were made.	3
(4)	Separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which	
	Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having	
	been rendered fit.	2

FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS

The following factories and workshops are registered:-

General Engineering	13
Motor Vehicle Repairs	11
Drewery	1
Millers	2
Printers & Bookbinders	3
Joiners	3
Laundry	1
Lingerie Hanufacturer	1
Caravan Duilders	2
Smelter	1
Miscellaneous	9

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

(1) INSPECTIONS

PREMISES	Number on Register	Number of Inspections	Number of Written Notices	Number of Occupiers Prosecuted
Factories in which Sections				
1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	4	3	1	-
Factories (not included in 1) in which section 7 is enforced				
by Local Authority.	43	33	3	-
Other premises (whether or not registered) in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority				
(excluding outworkers).	-	17	3	-
TOTALS	47	53	7	-

Proceedings under Contions 15 and 17, Econting Act, 1937

(1) Desiling bouses in respect of which describing coders were made

(3) Dwelling houses described in pursuance of describing orders.

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FACTORIES ACT, 1961 (CONTINUED)

(2) CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND

Outworkers listed

282	Numbe	PROSECUTIONS INSTITUTED			
Contravention			TO H.M. INSPECTOR	BY H.M. INSPECTOR	
Want of cleanliness.	-	3	-	-	_
Overcrowding.	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature.	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation.	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate drainage of floors.	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences					
(a) Insufficient	1	1	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective (c) Not separate for sexes	-	7	-	_	_
Other contraventions (excluding Outworkers).	1	1		_	-

OUTWORK

Default in sending lists to Council.

Sec. 133

	Prosecutions for	failure to supply lists	-
	Nature of work:	Making of wearing apparel.	
Sec. 134			
	Instances of work	in unwholesome promises	=
	Prosecutions		-

PACTORIES ACT, 1981 (CONTINUED)

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	Mumber of cases in which				
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Notices erved
Prosecutions

OFFICES, STOPS AND TALLMAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

The following returns were submitted to the Minister of Labour, as required by Section 60 of the Act, for the period ending 31st December, 1965.

No. of Premises receiving general inspection during the year.	23 77 5	276			
Total number of registered premises at end of year.	30 81 7 119				
No. of Premises Registered during the year.	36	Number of visits of all kinds by Inspector to Registered Premises.	No. Employed	223 369 6 6 6 65 44	Total Hales 242 Total Fenales 430
Class of Prenises	Offices Retail Shops, Warehouses, Tholesnie Shops, Warehouses, Catering establishments open to the public and canteens, Fuel Storage Depote, TOTALS	Number of visits of all kinds by	Class of Workplace	Offices Retail Shops Wholesale Depts, Warehouses Catering Establishments (Open to Public) Canteens Fuel Storage Depots	Total Hales Total Fenal
TABLE A	General Inspections	TELE D.	TADIR C.	Analysis of Persons Employed.	

(Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963 Cont/d.,)

ACCIDENTS

One accident was reported and the circumstances investigated during the year. A female employee struck against a temporary fitting installed during alterations at a grocer's shop and sustained bruising.

CONTRAVENTIONS

Notices of Contraventions of various provisions of the Act:-

Verbal 58
Written 26
Total 84
Prosecutions -

ANALYSIS OF CONTRAVENTIONS FOUND

SECTION	CONTRAVENTION	NO.	SECTION	CONTRAVENTION	NO.
4	Cleanliness	15	15	Eating facilities	_
5	Overcrowding	7			
6	Temperature	9	16	Floors, passages and	
His	Chek-Totrova minle			stairs	27
7	Ventilation	3	17	Fencing exposed parts	
8	Lighting	17		of machinery.	10
9	Sanitary Conveniences	28	18	Protection of young	
10	Washing facilities	30		persons from dangerous	3
11	Supply of drinking water	2		machinery.	-
12	Clothing accommodation	11	19	Training of young pers	ons
13	Sitting facilities	12		working at dangerous	
14	Seats (Sedentary workers)	1		machinery.	-
The	contract for the description	h =	23	Prohibition of heavy	_
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ne de la constitución de la cons	and yearly for one halors t		1 12 12 1	provisions.	37
	THE RESERVE OF THE PERSON OF T			TOTAL	209

EXELPTIONS FROM PROVISION OF VARIOUS SECTIONS

No. of applications received 5
No. of applications granted 2

EXEMPTIONS GRANTED

Section 6	Room space for employees	-	Sec. 9. Provision of sanitary conveniences.	_
Opportune	Temperature	2	Sec. 10. Provision of running water for washing facilities.	

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No. of applications received 5

DESCRIPTIONS ORANGED

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HOUSE SCAVENGING

The method of refuse collection, viz:- by direct labour from approximately two-thirds of the district, and by Contract from the remaining one-third, has been continued during the year and, in general, has given satisfactory results. A 16 - 24 cu. yds "Dennis" compression type refuse collection vehicle and a Shelvoke and Drewry side loader vehicle are used for the direct labour collections. The Contract collections are carried out with a 12 cu. yd. side loader vehicle provided by the Contractor. Refuse disposal is effected by means of controlled tipping.

The Kitelands Road tip was finally filled during the year and a new tip in Dunton Lane opened in June, 1965. This is a short period tip which will serve for approximately 12 months only, and is being utilised pending the completion of negotiations for the provision of more permanent facilities, which are now in hand. Serious difficulties have been encountered in finding a suitable area for this purpose, but it is anticipated that these will shortly be resolved.

Waste paper is not collected but a limited amount of salvage of scrap metal and rags etc. has been continued and is undertaken during the course of normal refuse collection. A bunus scheme is in operation for this work. The collections during the year were as follows:-

	Tons	Cwts.	Crs.	Lbs.
Mixed non-ferrous metals	-	4	2	2
Rags, wool and bagging	1	16	3	14

DRAINAGE AND SEWAGE

The whole of the district is on main drainage except for a few outlying properties, mainly along Potton Road and Langford Road. A cesspool emptying service is provided for them.

The contract for the construction of the new Sewage Disposal Works at Furzenhall is proceeding satisfactorily and the works are expected to be completed and ready for use before the end of 1966.

WATER SUPPLY

The water supplied in the area by the Mid-Dedfordshire Water Board has proved satisfactory in quantity and quality. Most of the supply is obtained from the Board's New Spring source and is pumped direct from Lower Greensand. It requires no treatment other than iron removal and chlorination.

Results of bacteriological examination of the raw water and samples of the water from various points in the distribution system taken regularly by the Water Board and by this Authority have all been sterile. The water is of a high standard of organic purity and is not plumbo-solvent.

The following report of the County Public Health Laboratory relates to a sample submitted for examination:-

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540	Discolard Colide duied of 100 C	
	Dissolved Solids dried at 180 C	375
	Alkalinity as Calcium Carbonate	230
18	Carbonate 230 Non-carbonate	60
290	Nitrite Nitrogen. less than	0.0
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CHERICAL RESULTS IN PARTS 1802 DELLARD

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WATER SUPPLY (CONT/D.,)

This sample is clear and bright in appearance, neutral in reaction and free from iron and other metals. The water is hard in character but not to an excessive degree, it contains no excess of mineral constituents and it is of very satisfactory organic quality.

From the aspect of the chemical analysis these results are indicative of an efficiently treated water, pure and wholesome in character and suitable for public supply purposes.

The following safeguards are taken to prevent contamination: -

- (a) Careful watch of sources against any possible contamination.
- (b) Medical inspection of all workmen employed at sources.
- (c) Continuous chlorination at sources.
- (d) Constant watch on bacterial quality of water reaching the consumer by routine sampling.
- (e) Sterilization of apparatus by a strong chloros solution following new or remedial works. No new mains are placed into service before satisfactory bacteriological reports have been obtained.

Nearly 100% of the dwelling houses in the district now have an internal piped supply from the Board's mains. There remain a few houses where the only source of supply is an outside private standpipe, but in some of these cases Closing Orders were made during the year and occupants will shortly be rehoused.

NEW HOUSING

Three contracts were let during the year for the construction of 156 houses, viz: - 24 houses in Dells Lane, 28 houses and flats at Cowfairlands, and 104 semi-industrialised houses by Geo. Wimpey & Co. at Furzenhall Road. Construction work is now well advanced on these schemes.

47 private houses were erected in the district in 1965.

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