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BISHOP'S STORTFORD URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Public Health Department, The Council House, The Causeway, Bishop's Stortford.

October, 1969.

To the Chairman and Members, Bishop's Stortford Urban District Council

MR. CHAIRMAN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

We have the honour to submit a report on the health of Bishop's Stortford Urban District.

In 1968 the people of Bishop's Stortford had the good fortune not to experience serious health disorders, and this agreeable state of affairs is reflected in the Vital Statistics and Incidence of Infectious Disease.

In accordance with the National Trend, the Death Rate rose slightly but remained below the incidence for England and Wales. The Birth Rate also reflected a National Tendency by falling and it is interesting to note that the figure for Bishop's Stortford is below the National Birth Rate.

The population of Bishop's Stortford has risen by 110 people and this increase is probably due to increased house building. In overall terms the town now has 1.79 houses per acre.

One disturbing feature, however, in the Vital Statistics is a high Perinatal Mortality Rate, the details of which are analysed and described in this report. It is impossible in one year to decide what the principal factor(s) are which contribute to this high incidence.

During the year the Bishop's Stortford Voluntary Home Safety Committee continued its campaign to prevent accidents in the home. In spite of the extent of propaganda on this subject, accidents continue to occur and this year the Committee organised a 'Constructive Month' during which lectures and demonstrations on First Aid were given to interested members of the public. The attendance at those meetings was excellent and it is to be hoped that the information imparted contributes to a fall in the number of home accidents.

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During the year some intra-departmental changes occurred. Mr. Kaye was appointed to the post of Additional Public Health Inspector, Borough of Chelmsford. and Miss S.M. Cooper, Pupil Public Health Inspector, who passed her Final Examinations in July, 1967, was placed on the permanent staff of our department.

Members and Officers of the Council continued to demonstrate their interest in the work of the Public Health Department throughout the year.

We are,

Your obedient servants.

IRENE R. CLARKE

Medical Officer of Health.

Lat and 3rd Wednesday in every

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Chief Public Health Inspector.

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SECTION A

PROVISION OF MEDICAL AND ANCILLARY SERVICES

General Practitioner Services

These are provided by eleven practitioners working in three practices. Two of these practices are of the group type and the third has two doctors working in partnership.

Dental treatment is provided by five practices.

Pharmaceutical services are provided by seven chemists.

Hospital Services

These services are provided by the North-East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board and are administered by the Harlow Group Hospital Management Committee.

The majority of hospital cases in the Urban District of Bishop's Stortford are accommodated in the Herts & Essex General Hospital (379 beds) and the Bishop's Stortford and District Hospital (68 beds). The hospital authorities accommodate the Family Planning Association.

Hertfordshire County Council Services

The County Council provides the following services :-

(1) <u>Clinics</u> - These are all held in the Health Centre, Market Square, Bishop's Stortford (tel: B.S. 2746):-

| Infant Welfare - | Thursdays, 10.00 a.m 12.00 noon; 2.00 p.m 4.00 p.m. |
|---|---|
| Antenatal - | Wednesdays and Fridays (from 2.00 - 3.00p.m.), by appointment with appropriate General Practitioner). |
| General Clinic for School Children - | lst and 3rd Wednesday in every month, 10.00 a.m 12.00 noon. |
| Child and Family Psychiatric Service- | Tuesdays (all day), by appointment. |
| Well Woman Clinic (Cervical Cytology)- | lst and 3rd Monday in every month, 10.00 a.m 12.00 noon. |
| Speech Therapy - | Friday (all day), by appointment. |
| Dental - | School children and expectant mothers (daily), by appointment. |
| Chiropody - | Wednesday mornings, by appointment. |
| | |

Hertfordshire County Council Services

| (2) | Health and Welfare Ser | rvices: |
|-----|------------------------|---|
| | Nursing Services | (a) Health Visitors and School Nurses may be contacted at the Health Centre between |
| | | 9.00 a.m. and 10.00 a.m. and between 4-5.00 p.m. on weekdays. |
| | | (b) Domiciliary Midwives and Home Nurses work from the following addresses :- 25a Portland Road (tel: B.S. 4577); 72 Stortford Hall Park (tel: B.S. 2755); 4 Pinelands (tel: B.S. 51306); 109 Rye Street (tel: B.S. 2417); 33 Elm Road (tel: B.S. 51385); The Clock House, Parsonge Lane (tel: B.S. 51367). |
| | School Health Service | 1968 was the last year in which a system was operated whereby all children attending County Council Schools were examined at intervals of approximately three years. The details for a new system of medical exam- inations will be included in the report for 1969. |
| | Home Help Service | This service operates from the Health Centre. The District Organiser may be contacted there on weekdays between 9.00 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. |
| | Social Welfare | Three Social Workers are employed at Bishop's Stortford Health Centre and their work includes consideration of problems associated with mentally ill patients, the mentally and physically handicapped and the elderly. The Childrens Department at Queen's Road, Hertford, is concerned with Child Care; fostering of children; adoption of children; children in need of care and protection and the various aspects of Family |
| | | Welfare. |
| | Ambulance Service | There is an Ambulance Station in South Street, Bishop's Stortford. |
| | Laboratory Service | Laboratory facilities for Public Health Specimens are provided by the Public Health Laboratory, Cambridge. |
| (3) | Voluntary Services | |

During the year the various voluntary organisations were very active. It is not possible to enumerate all their activities but attention must be drawn to the opening of a Mother and Baby Unit at the Herts & Essex Hospital. This Unit, provided by the Bishop's Stortford Round Table, allows mothers to live in hospital with their children when they are ill.

The Women's Royal Voluntary Service, among other activities, continue to distribute "Meals on Wheels" to housebound old people. All the Secondary Schools in the town have groups who assist the elderly, by providing help with home decoration, gardens and shopping.

SECTION B.

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| STATISTICS | | 70/9 | 10(7 |
| (1) General | | 1968 | <u>1967</u> |
| | | 7 006 | (= 00() |
| Area (Acres) | •• | 3,826 | (3,826) |
| Mid-year) | | 21,120 | (21,010) |
| Population (Census 1961) | | 18,308 | (18,308) |
| Rateable Value | •••• | £1,134,720 | (£1,085,662) |
| Sum represented by a Penny Rate | | £4,550 6,862 | (£4,350) (6,647) |
| Density of Persons per acre | | 5.5 | (5.5) |
| Density of Houses per acre | •• | 1.79 | (1.74) |
| Average number of occupants per house | •• | 3.08 | (3.16) |
| (2) <u>Vital Statistics</u> | | | |
| (a) Live Births (Total) | | 352 | (415) |
| Males Females | | | |
| Legitimate 182 155 | | | |
| Illegitimate 7 8 | | | |
| (b) Live Birth Rate per 1,000 Population :- | | | |
| Crude Rate | | 16.7 | (19.8) |
| Adjusted Rate (Comparability Factor 0.85) Rate for England and Wales | •• | 14.2 16.9 | (16.8) (17.2) |
| The advance of the task should be advantage of the | | 10.9 | (1/.2) |
| (c) Illegitimate live births per cent of total Live Births | Line | 4.3 | (4.8) |
| (d) Stillbirths | | 10 | (3) |
| Stillbirth Rate per 1,000 live and stillbirths | | 28 | (7.0) |
| (e) Infant deaths (Deaths under 1 year) | •• | 6 | (6) |
| Infant Mortality Rate (deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live births) | Walf | 17.0 | (14.0) |
| Infant Mortality Rate for England and Wales | | 18.0 | (18.3) |
| Neo-Natal Mortality Rate (Deaths under 4 weeks | 3 10 2 2 | | (21 0) |
| per 1,000 live births) | ths | 14.2 | (14.0) |
| under 1 week combined per 1,000 live and sti | | | |
| births) | | 41 | (19) |
| Perinatal Mortality Rate for England and Wales (f) Maternal Mortality. | 3 | 25 Nil | (25.4) (Nil) |
| (f) Maternal Mortality | | 195 | (165) |
| (h) Death Rate per 1,000 population :- | 10. 10 | Mother and Bd | a 20 petterego |
| Crude Rate | | 9.2 | (7.9) |
| Adjusted Rate | | 10.0 | . (8.5) |
| Rate for England and Wales | ctades | 11.9 | (11.2) |
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(3) Comparative Table of Vital Statistics

1968 1967 1918 Live Births 116 No. 352 415 16.8 Adjusted Rate 14.2 13.9 Total Infant Deaths Noa 6 6 9 77.0 Rate 17 14 Maternal Deaths Nil Nil Nil No. Rate Nil Nil Nil 165 Total Deaths No. 118 195 Adjusted Rate 10.0 8.5 15.7 Population (Estimated Mid-Year) 8,399 21,120 21,010 9.

1.00

Cont 'd. TOTAL ALL AGES 32 6 N 13 + Over 75 ちち 0,00 M i N н N 8 N 1 65-75 N 4 N 0 1 in Years 25-65 5 N 12 N B 1 1 5 N 5-25 Age 1 t 5 5-1 8 1-5 8 ī 4 weeks under year 8 -Under 4 wks 8 1 8 - 8 1 1 1 1 Sex N R N F N. F. E N.E. N.E. N.E. N E N R N.E. N H N. F. NE Ischaemic Heart Disease ... Other Malignant Neoplasms, Malignant Neoplasm - Lung, Diabetes Mellitus..... Other Diseases of Nervous Diarrhoeal Diseases ... Hypertensive Disease ... Chronic Rheumatic Heart Anaemias Heart Malignant Neoplasm -8 8 Enteritis and other Cause of Death Malignant Neoplasm Malignant Neoplasm Disease...... System, Etc.... (4) Mortality Table Other Forms of Bronchus Breast.... Stomach .. Disease. Uterus . . . Etc. 6 11 . 12. 13. -2. å 10. 3 9 e' 3° 40 10.

| | Cause of Death | Sex | 1. when | Poindon 4 | | | Age 1n | n Icars | | and the second | No. 18 |
|------|---|----------------|---------|-----------|-----|------|--------|---------|-------|----------------|-------------------|
| | tises | tilter tile | 4 WY2 | 1 year | 1-5 | 5-15 | 15-25 | 25-65 | 65-75 | Over 75 | TOTAL ALL AGES |
| 140 | Cerebrovascular Disease. | M. | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 10 |
| | of | н. В | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 196 | 2 | 5 | 6 | 14 |
| 15. | Other Diseases of | M. | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 00100 |
| | Circulatory System | ° E4 | 1 | -1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| 16. | Influenza | M. | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| | | еч Еч | 1 | 1 | I | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 17. | Pneumonia | M. | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 9 | 11 |
| | | ° Et | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 10 |
| 18. | Bronchitis and Emphysema. | M。 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 8 |
| | | ъ. | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| 19. | Other Diseases of | M. | 1 | 1 | 1 | t | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| | Respiratory System | ° Fi | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | • | 1 | 1 | - | 1 |
| 20. | Peptic Ulcer | M. | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | - | 4 |
| • | | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| | | | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| • 17 | Threst There of the | E 6 | 00 | | | | | | 1 | - | - |
| | and nernla | • | | 1 | 1 | | | | | - | |
| 22. | Other Diseases of | M. | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| | Digestive System | · E4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | • | 1 | - | 1 | - |
| 23。 | Nephritis and Nephrosis | M. | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 5 |
| | | °. | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| 24. | Other Diseases, Genito- | M. | 1 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| | | ° EL | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 25. | Diseases of Musculo- | M. | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| | | ŝ | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 26. | Congenital Anomalies | M。 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| | | ° El | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 |
| . 27 | Birth Injury. Difficult | M | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | , | , | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| - | | e F | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 |
| | | 1 | | | | | | | | | |

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MORTALITY TABLE - MAIN CAUSES OF DEATH

There was an increase in the number of deaths (30) notified during the year. The Crude Death Rate was 9.2 per 1,000 population; a figure which compares favourably with the rate for England and Wales.

The four main causes of death were :-

| (a) | Diseases of the Heart and Circulation | - | 72 (36.92%) |
|-----|--|---|-------------|
| (b) | Cancer and Lymphoid Diseases | - | 35 (17.95%) |
| (c) | Diseases of the Respiratory System | - | 37 (18.97%) |
| (d) | Vascular Lesions of the Nervous System | - | 24 (12.31%) |

INFANT AND PERINATAL MORTALITY

In 1968 the Infant Mortality Rate for Bishop's Stortford rose to 17 per 1,000. This incidence is slightly greater than usual but remains below the estimated Infant Mortality Rate for England and Wales (18 per 1,000).

Six deaths occurred in infants during the first year of life. Two of these deaths resulted from congenital abnormalities, while the remainder of the deaths were noted in babies with a low birth weight (infra 5 lbs. 8 oz.).

Perinatal mortality refers to deaths occurring between the twenty-eighth week of intra-uterine life and the first week of postnatal life. Usually, the Perinatal Mortality Rate in Bishop's Stortford is less than 20 per 1,000. In 1968 this figure rose to 41 per 1,000. This new rate is greater than the recorded Perinatal Mortality Rate for the County of Hertford (22 per 1,000) and for England and Wales (25 per 1,000). Therefore, the details of the Perinatal Mortality are significant and require analysis. Altogether, fifteen deaths were recorded. Stillbirths accounted for ten of the deaths, while the remainder succumbed postnatally. Investigation into the aetiology of these deaths showed that 20% died as a result of tissue and organ abnormalities incompatible with life, 27% were premature births while 53% died from a variety of causes (Placental insufficiency; antepartum haemorrhage; haemolytic disease of the newborn).

SECTION C.

PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

(1) Notifiable Diseases

Notifications of the following infectious diseases were received during the year :-

| Disease | Under 1 year | 1-2 | 3-4 | 5-9 | 10-14 | 15-24 | 25-60 | 0ver 60 | All Ages |
|----------------------------|-----------------|-----|------------------|-----|--|---------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| Acute Primary Pneumonia | - | | 2003 100 - 51 | | sphoid to Rest | and Ig | Gancer | | - |
| Erysipelas | 1 | - | - | - | 30-200 | 1005 00 | Teres Tar | (15 | - |
| Food Poisoning | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 1 |
| Infective Hepatitis | - | - | - | - | TELLATS | TATA NO | 1 | A 244 | 1 |
| Measles | na sigoda | 8 | 6 | 6 | Mowba2 | Infant | o da -830 | - | 20 |
| Scarlet Fever | COLTY SH | - | 10000 | - | 118 E1 289 - 01 | Mortal | | - | |
| Sonne Dysentery | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | 2 | - | 4 |
| Tuberculosis | | | - | | 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Whooping Cough | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 5=100 | - | - | 6 |

| Disease | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | June | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|------------------------|--------|----------|-----|------------------------|-----|--------|--------------|-------|-----|--------|------|-------|
| Acute Primary | ndag | -219.03- | | .00 | 1.1 | 12 20 | 03 05 | 03.00 | | 1111 | 1958 | II |
| Pneumonia | 012-19 | 8 20 | | 0. =00 | - | stat y | 1.4 | - | | - | - | -110 |
| Erysipelas | | | | | - | 25 292 | - | - | - | - | 102 | - 410 |
| Food Poisoning | - | - | - | - | d41 | 35 | - | | - | - | - | 111 |
| Infective Hepatitis | - | 1 | 1 | 1197 - 1 1 - 2 - 10 | | 20% 4 | that that | | | 100.00 | t pL | 10- |
| Measles | | - | - | | - | 2 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 3 | del: | av1 |
| Scarlet Fever | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 8 | 10 | - | ±6 |
| Sonne Dysentery | - | | - | - | - | - | | - | - | 4 | - | - |
| Tuberculosis | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 2 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Whooping Cough | 1 | - | - | 2 | - | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - |

Four cases of Sonne Dysentery occurred. Fortunately the disease was confined to one family. One of Infectious Hepatitis was notified. This became notifiable in June 1968. Only one case of food poisoning was recorded. It was contracted in California.

Cases of Tuberculosis still occur sporadically in the community. In 1968 three cases were notified.

(2) <u>Tuberculosis</u>

| aboratory. With the exception | N | IALES | FE | MALES | TOTALS |
|---|------|-------------------------|------|------------|--------|
| ed. Subsequently, follow-up an | Pul. | Non.Pul. | Pul. | Non.Pul. | TUTALS |
| Cases on Register at 31.12.67. | 34 | 2 | 17 | 9 | 62 |
| Number of Cases Notified during year | 1 | 2 392av 2 | 2 | alter Lee | 3 |
| Inward Transfer | 1 | - | 221 | to ant Sew | 2 |
| Cases Removed | 10-1 | tore occo rd bat ory | 1 | l | 3 |
| Cases on Register at 31.12.68. | 35 | 2 | 19 | 8 | 64 |

(3) Nurseries and Child Minders Regulation Act, 1948.

The Act requires all Nursery Schools and Child Minders who have more than two children from different homes to be registered with the Local Health Authority.

The number (10) of Nursery Schools and Play Groups permitted by the Urban District Council did not increase but the number of children attending increased to 350. This represents an increase of 40% over the number of children attending in 1966.

and this incruved conditions greatly. However, interim humid habitats occurred this was controlled quickly by spraying

of the Pumping Station. At present, no further information is available about

(4) Refuse Collection and Disposal

During 1968 the regular weekly collection of refuse was maintained. Refuse was disposed of by 'controlled tipping' methods at Hadham Towers, which was purchased in 1968 by the Bishop's Stortford Urban District Council.

Quarterly collection of large items of refuse took place at pre-arranged points in the town throughout the year.

(5) Water Supply

Fifty-four samples of drinking water were submitted for Bacteriological examination to the Cambridge Public Health Laboratory. With the exception of two samples satisfactory reports were received. Subsequently, follow-up samples were examined and found to be satisfactory.

A chemical estimation of water from the Council Depot was satisfactory.

(6) Drainage and Sewerage

Flooding of the River Stort occurred on September 16th, 1968, affecting 47 houses. The principal contributory factor was heavy rain (3.6" in 16 hours) at Berden, which is a village in the Rural District of Saffron Walden six miles up river from Bishop's Stortford.

The Lee Conservancy Catchment Board reported at a meeting held on 21st January, 1969, that this intensity of rain could not be accommodated and was not a reasonable contingency to cater for.

Some of the houses were flooded to such an extent that evacuation of the occupants had to be arranged. Although many of the families involved were evacuated to private accommodations, permission was received from The Rhodes Centre Management Committee to open their Hall temporarily, as a 'Rest Centre' for homeless people.

Subsequently, the Council hired drying apparatus from the Royal Air Force and this improved conditions greatly. However, interim humid habitats occurred which favoured mosquito infestation. This was controlled quickly by spraying the affected houses with Pybuthrin 33 Insecticide.

These measures and ancillary methods for improving the living conditions of families affected by flooding cost £2,400. It should be emphasised that these operations were supported most generously by the Voluntary Organisations in Bishop's Stortford and in particular, by Senior Pupils from the town's Schools.

Construction of the new Sewage Works continued throughout 1968. In spite of this inconvenience, an acceptable effluent standard was maintained. Apart from this the only item of note was an investigation into reported seepage of surface water into the sewers at Cannons Mill Lane which resulted in overloading of the Pumping Station. At present, no further information is available about this matter.

(7) Swimming Pools

129 samples of water were taken from the five swimming pools in the district, including 9 samples submitted for bacteriological examination. All samples were found to be satisfactory.

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SECTION D.

PUBLIC HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

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(1) Inspection of the District

8,746 visits to all types of premises were carried out during the year, the details of which are given below.

| Total Number of Visits | •• | •• | | 8,746 |
|--|-------|-----|-----|-------|
| Dwelling houses inspected for housing | defec | ts | | |
| under the Public Health and Housing | | | | 210 |
| Revisits to houses for housing defects | | | | 1,086 |
| Council House Applications | | | | 267 |
| Premises inspected on Complaint or Nui | sance | | | 61 |
| Drainage and Drain Tests | | | | 1,216 |
| Complaints other than housing | | | | 274 |
| Markets | | | | 315 |
| Factories (Power and Non-Power) | | | | 102 |
| Factories Act - Building Sites | | | | 4 |
| Factories Act - Outworkers | | | | 59 |
| Public Conveniences | | | | 7 |
| Workplaces, Offices and Shops | •• | | | 349 |
| Schools | | | | 56 |
| Moveable Dwellings | | | | 32 |
| Water Supply and Sampling | | | | 97 |
| Swimming Pools and Sampling | | | | 125 |
| Places of Entertainment | | | | - |
| Immigrants | | | | 23 |
| Infectious Diseases and Disinfection | | | | 41 |
| Refuse Disposal | | | | 26 |
| Rodent Control | | | | 391 |
| Atmospheric Pollution | | | | 335 |
| Vermin and Insect Pests | | | | 255 |
| Petroleum | | | | 248 |
| Miscellaneous Visits | | | • • | 284 |
| Interviews with Owners, Builders, etc. | | • • | •• | 2,096 |
| Meat and Other Food Inspection :- | | | | |
| Slaughterhouses | •• | • • | •• | - |
| Shops and Stalls | | •• | •• | 62 |
| Wholesalers, Canteens | , etc | • | •• | - |
| Butchers | | • • | •• | 34 |
| Dairies and Milk Distributors | •• | •• | •• | 27 |
| Fish Shops | •• | •• | •• | 12 |
| Cafes, Restaurants and Canteens | •• | •• | •• | 32 |
| Bakers | •• | •• | •• | 29 |
| Grocers | | | •• | 282 |
| Ice-Cream Premises and Vehicles | | •• | •• | 4 |
| Greengrocers | •• | • • | • • | 10 |
| Licensed Premises | •• | •• | • • | 13 |
| Street Markets | • • | • • | •• | 132 |
| 10. | | | | |

| Food Preparing Premises an | d Whol | esale | ers | | 30 |
|---|--------|-------|-----|--------|----|
| Sugar Confectioners | | | | | 5 |
| Other Food Premises and Ve | hicles | | | | 26 |
| the second se | | | | •• | 21 |
| Ice Cream Sampling | 0.0 | | | | 18 |
| Other Foods Sampling | | | | | 38 |
| Miscellaneous Food Visits | | | | | 11 |
| | | | | | |

(2) Special Premises

Particulars of the number and type of all the special premises on the register at the end of 1968 are given below: -

Type of Premises

No.

Factories

F

| (a) Power (b) Non-Power | •• | :: : | :: | :: | | 84 4 |
|-----------------------------------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------------|---------|
| Offices | | | | | . opola . | 97 |
| Fuel Storage Depots | 0 0 | | | | | 4 |
| Food Premises | | | | | | |
| Bakehouses and Bakers Butchers | • 9 | | •• | •• | | 69 |
| Canteens | • ? | | | | States a | 21 |
| Clubs (a) Licensed | | | 101703 | n La s | sincered a | 9 |
| (b) Non-Licensed | ••• | | | | bea and | 14 |
| Dairy Men and Dairies. | | | •• | | | 2 |
| (a) Wet Fish | | | | | nich Bass at | 3 |
| (b) Wet and Fried | | | •• | | | 2 |
| Greengrocers | | | •• | •• | · stalmoor | 10 |
| (a) Licensed | | | | | | 3 |
| (b) Non-Licensed | | | | •• | | 23 |
| Hotels Licensed Premises | •• | •• | •• | | •• | 3 32 |
| Restaurants | | | | | | |
| (a) Licensed (b) Non-Licensed | •• | •• | •• | •• | •• | 37 |
| Sugar Confectionery | •• | | •• | | | 7 |
| Manufacture or Storage | of Ice | | | •• | •• | 41 |
| Manufacture or Storage | Di Saus | sages, | etc. | •• | •• | 12 |

Type of Premises

Non-Food Premises

| Antiques | | | | | | | Sampling. | 3 |
|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-----|------|--------------|----|
| Boots and Shoes | | | | | 0.0 | | | 9 |
| Builders Merchants | | | | | | | Tooler. | 2 |
| Chemists | | 0.0 | | | | 1000 | 1. Lonson, I | 6 |
| Clothiers | | | | | | | | 23 |
| Drapers | | | | 2.0 | | | | 6 |
| Dry Cleaners | | | | | 0.0 | | | 4 |
| Electrical Goods | | | • • | | | | | 8 |
| Furniture Etc. | | | | | 0.0 | 9.0 | | 7 |
| Florists | | | | | | | | 2 |
| Hairdressers | | | | | | 0.0 | | 17 |
| Hardware | | | | | | | | 2 |
| Ironmongers | | | * * | | | 00 | | 7 |
| Jewellers and Watc | hmake | rs | | | | | | 3 |
| Leather Goods | | | 0.0 | | | 00 | | 2 |
| Launderette | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Milliners | | | | | | | | - |
| Motor Cycle Dealer | s etc | | | | | | | 8 |
| Miscellaneous | | | | | | | | 4 |
| Multiple and Depar | | | tores | | | | | 3 |
| Newsagents | | | | | | | | 9 |
| Opticians 55 | | | | | | | | 4 |
| Pet Shops and Seed | Merc | hants | 5 | | | | | 3 |
| Petrol Filling Sta | | | | ng the | ose | | | |
| registered as fa | | | | | | | | 3 |
| Places of Entertai | | | | | | | | 2 |
| Plumbing and Heati | ng En | ginee | ers | | | | | 2 |
| | | | | | | | | 3 |
| Radio and Televisi | | | | | | | | 10 |
| Sports and Camping | Equi | pment | | | | | | 2 |
| Stationers | | | | | | | | 2 |
| Toys | | | | | | | a seat the | 2 |
| Tobacconists | | | | | | | | 5 |
| Wallpaper | | | * 0 | ** | | | | 4 |
| Warehouse and Whol | | | | • • | | | | 6 |
| Wool | | | | | | | •• | 2 |

Nos

| (3) | Complaints and Matters Referred |
|-----------|--|
| | Complaints received 592 |
| | Complaints investigated 559 |
| | Complaints referred to other Departments and Authorities 27 |
| | Other matters referred to other Departments and Authorities |
| (4) | Testing of Drains and Sanitary Fittings |
| | Drains tested with water Nil |
| | Drains tested with other means 91 |
| (5) | Notices Served and the Results of |
| Wall plan | the Service of such Notices |
| | No No Served With |
| | (a) <u>Preliminary Notices</u> |
| | (i) Dwelling Housing for Housing Defects 83 129 |
| | |

(ii) Special Premises (shops, factories, etc.) 31 73

<u>N.B.</u> The number of notices complied with includes notices outstanding from the previous year.

21.

Mar .

(6) <u>Summary of Improvements Effected</u>

| | | 1 | At Change |
|---|---------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| LYPE PL LATELOW | At | At | At Shops, |
| Ron-Frod Pressinas | Dwelling | Food | Offices, Hotels, |
| an an an 292 | Houses | Premises | etc. |
| Abstract Provided - Offices, Shops | bad | spriebyni, a | Gowplatm |
| & Railway Premises Act | | 5 | 30 |
| Accumulations removed | 1 | - | 1 |
| Ceilings repaired or renewed | 18 | 1 | 9 |
| Chimney stacks repaired or improved | 17 | tiers rolers | in the second of the second se |
| Clothing lockers provided | e alt troll? | A bhe shine | T Depart |
| Demmana mene lie l | 29 | | 1 |
| Disingentian and Disingentation | 2) | | 1 7 |
| December | | a Drains as | (4) Resting |
| Doome monoimed on monomed | 11 | - | |
| | 27 | v night berg | 4 |
| Drains cleared or repaired | 63 | 4 | 10 |
| Drain inspection chambers provided, | 0 | | |
| renewed or improved | 8 | | 1 |
| Drains laid or relaid | 11 | A AND RADIES | (5) Jostfreen |
| Eaves gutters repaired or renewed | 26 · | dala ta'as | The Serve |
| Electric Appliances provided or | CIP ST ST | 23 89 | |
| repaired | | | - |
| Electric Lighting provided or improved. | | | 6 |
| Equipment provided or improved | 08 | 1 | 1 |
| External redecoration | .1 | and the second is | Tard Lat |
| Fire - Means of Escape | | 1 | - |
| Fireplaces repaired or renewed | no1. 4 devo | Duel-Log H | (2) = |
| First Aid Kit provided | ding +order | 3 | 22 |
| Floors repaired or renewed | 36 | 2 | 15 |
| Floor covering renewed | ania), sostan | Apoct at Pr | (11) - |
| Food Display improved | (. = to | olyoftat. | - |
| Food handling improved | | 4 | - |
| Food stores provided or improved | 1 Bal 24 moo 1 | r of matice | edaun an .E.M |
| Garden walls or fences provided or | 1. 23 | maylous, yes | ent work |
| improved | 3 | - | - |
| Guard rail to stairs | - | - | - |
| Gulleys provided | 10 | - | - |
| Handrail to staircase provided | 6 | - | |
| Heating appliances provided or | | | |
| repaired | - | 1 | 3 |
| Hot water supply provided or improved | 9 | 3 | 16 |
| Internal water supply provided | 9 2 | - | - |
| Open food displayed on the ground | - | _ | - |
| Outbuilding demolished | 2 | - | _ |
| Overcrowding abated | - | 1 | 1 |
| Rain water pipes repaired or renewed | 24 | 1 | 3 |
| Defini manat and marri 2-2 | - 21. | 2 | - |
| Deede manine? | 49 | - | 7 |
| Roois repaired | 4) | | ' |
| | the second second second second | | |

| Average for Para Manage | At Dwelling Houses | At Food Premises | At Shops, Offices, Hotels, etc. |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Rooms decorated and cleansed | 37 | 7 | 33 |
| Seats provided | | - | |
| Sinks, baths or basins provided | 15 | 2 | 19 |
| Smoking - cautions given | - | - | |
| Soap, towels etc. provided | | - | 1 |
| Soil and Vent pipes provided/improved. | 3 | - 10 A 10 - 10 A 10 - 10 | the state of the s |
| Staff rooms provided | | 1 | 2 |
| Staircase repaired/renewed | 5 | - | - |
| Street Markets - Name & Address Board. | - | - | |
| Sub-floor ventilation improved | | - | - |
| Thermometers provided | - 13 | 7 | 25 |
| Unsuitable meat delivery lorry | | - | - |
| Ventilation improved | 2 | 1 | - |
| Wall plaster repaired or renewed | 30 | - | 6 |
| Walls repaired or renewed: - Internal | 51 | 2 | 8 |
| External | 56 | | 1 |
| Washing copper demolished | - | - | - |
| Waste pipes repaired or renewed | 13 | - | 3 |
| Water butts provided | 1 | | ene contail - |
| Water supply pipes repaired or renewed Water Closets :- | 12 | - | 4 |
| Artificial lighting provided | 4 | - | 1 |
| Cisterns repaired or renewed | 9 | 1 | - |
| Flushpipe joints repaired | 2 | - | - |
| Improved | 8 | - | 8 |
| Notice | - 197 | - | 11 |
| Pedestals provided | 9 | | 2 |
| Provided/Rebuilt | 4 | | 17.5. C |
| Seats provided or repaired | 6 | - | 67 |
| Vent space (Internal) to W.C. | 1.1 182 5. | | AL CORNER.D.S |
| provided | | - | 3 |
| Windows provided or repaired | 37 | 1 | ablessie Bar |
| Yard paving provided or improved | 11 | 1 | 3 |

(7) Disinfection and Disinfestation

103 properties were disinfested and 35 wasp's nests were destroyed during the year.

(8) Atmospheric Pollution

Details of the observations for the year ending 31st March, 1968, in connection with the National Survey of Air Pollution are given in Table I. The sites listed in this table are all in the same classification as Bishop's Stortford and a comparison of the amount of smoke and sulphur dioxide pollution of the various towns listed reveals that the level of pollution in Bishop's Stortford resembles that found in other towns of comparable size.

Table II sets out the air pollution averages at both stations in the town since recordings commenced locally. Table III gives the average monthly concentrations in Bishop's Stortford during 1968.

TABLE I

NATIONAL SURVEY OF AIR POLLUTION

Table of Observations for year ending 31st March, 1968, for Typical Sites in same Classification as Bishop's Stortford.

| SITE NAME AND NUMBER (D/2) | | SMOKE | 55 | | SULPH DIOXI | 12 22 4 | 10000000 | ATIO OF FO SULE DIOXI | |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| (1)/2) | Summer | Winter | Yearly Average | Summer | Winter | Yearly Average | Summer | Winter | Yearly Average |
| U.D.C. Essex U.D.C. Essex U.D.C. Hertfordshire U.D.C. Essex B.C. Essex U.D.C. Essex U.D.C. Hertfordshire R.D.C. Hertfordshire Bishop's Stortford U.D.C. | 13 16 13 16 16 37 18 15 26 | 39 50 51 53 79 48 42 72 | 25 32 31 33 34 59 32 29 48 | 35 24 47 36 44 53 39 82 35 | 51 41 106 69 85 135 95 88 86 | 43 32 76 52 64 91 66 85 60 | •37 •67 •28 •44 •36 •70 •46 •18 •74 | .76 1.22 .47 .74 .62 .59 .51 .48 .84 | .58 1.00 .41 .63 .53 .63 .48 .34 .80 |

CONCENTRATIONS EXPRESSED IN MICROGRAMMES PER CUBIC METRE.

B.C. - Borough Council.

U.D.C. - Urban District Council. R.D.C. - Rural District Council.

SITE CLASSIFICATION

D/2 - Small town centre; limited commercial area mixed with old residential housing and possibly minor industry.

TABLE II

ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION

| Beng to man the | 1 | 1009 000 | SMOKE | at white | SUI | PHUR DIO | CIDE |
|---------------------|-------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| STATION | Year | Summer Average | Winter Average | Yearly Average | Summer Average | Winter Average | Yearly Average |
| Bishop's Stortford | 1960 | 42 | 177 | 79 | 42 | 98 | 70 |
| No. 1 Station, | 1961 | 35 | 120 | 78 | 47 | 110 | 78 |
| Council House | 1962 | 31 | 119 | 75 | 36 | 90 | 63 |
| | 1963 | 30 | 103 | 66 | 39 | 102 | 71 |
| | 1964 | 32 | 96 | 70 | 44 | 98 | 77 |
| | 1965 | 33 | 76 | 54 | 36 | 64 | 50 |
| | 1966 | 28 | 80 | 54 | 35 | 76 | 56 |
| | 1967 | 26 | 77 | 51 | 35 | 84 | 60 |
| 28 43 20 | 1968 | 26 | 61 | 43 | 36 | 76 | 56 |
| Average for above 9 | years | 31 | 101 | 63 | 39 | 88 | 65 |
| Bishop's Stortford | 1962 | 23 | 118 | 71 | 26 | 89 | 58 |
| No. 2 Station, | 1963 | 23 | 116 | 70 | 32 | 112 | 72 |
| Cemetery | 1964 | 20 | 113 | 67 | 34 | 100 | 67 |
| 51 99 26 | 1965 | 22 | 84 | 53 | 33 | 67 | 50 |
| | 1966 | 20 | 70 | 45 | 32 | 65 | 48 |
| parter | 1967 | 18 | 58 | 38 | 27 | 67 | 47 |
| | 1968 | 27 | 49 | 38 | 36 | 66 | 51 |
| Average for above 7 | years | 22 | 87 | 55 | 31 | 81 | 56 |

Averages for Both Stations in Bishop's Stortford since Investigations commenced locally

CONCENTRATIONS EXPRESSED IN MICROGRAMMES PER CUBIC METRE.

The average monthly concentrations for both stations in Bishop's Stortford are given in Table III.

TABLE III

ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION

Average Monthly Concentration Figures - Bishop's Stortford

| and a second sec | COUNCIL HOUSE STATION NO. 1. | | | | | | CEMETERY STATION NO. 2. | | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 1968 | | Smoke | 16 1.841 | Sulph | nur Dic | xide | soole | Smoke | 1. pitter | Sulph | nur Die | oxide |
| angonia | Average Value | Highest Value | Lowest Value | Average Value | Highest Value | Lowest Value | Average Value | Highest Value | Lowest Value | Average Value | Highest Value | Lowest Value |
| JANUARY | 82 | 143 | 35 | 111 | 192 | 63 | 74 | 155 | 22 | 84 | 167 | 30 |
| FEBRUARY | 68 | 135 | 12 | 78 | 144 | 27 | 56 | 132 | 11 | 84 | 151 | 39 |
| MARCH | 38 | 64 | 7 | 65 | 109 | 30 | 32 | 80 | 6 | 52 | 92 | 30 |
| APRIL | 32 | 61 | 3 | 60 | 118 | 29 | 35 | 60 | 11 | 59 | 119 | 29 |
| MAY | 30 | 83 | 14 | 55 | 92 | 34 | 22 | 32 | 8 | 44 | 62 | 18 |
| JUNE | 40 | 98 | 16 | 24 | 47 | 11 | 63 | 157 | 29 | 32 | 47 | 17 |
| JUIX | 14 | 29 | 6 | 33 | 57 | 21 | 9 | 19 | 4 | 28 | 43 | 20 |
| AUGUST | 19 | 50 | 7 | 23 | 45 | 11 | 8 | 21 | 1 | 20 | 38 | 14 |
| SEPTEMBER | 18 | 84 | 8 | 23 | 48 | 14 | 25 | 43 | 8 | 32 | 92 | 11 |
| OCTOBER | 74 | 126 | 21 | 51 | 74 | 32 | 29 | 48 | 9 | 37 | 60 | 28 |
| NOVEMBER | 42 | 105 | 14 | 63 | 153 | 40 | 40 | 93 | 13 | 60 | 155 | 41 |
| DECEMBER | 64 | 181 | 33 | 85 | 146 | 43 | 61 | 109 | 16 | 78 | 157 | 34 |
| AVERAGES | 43 | 97 | 15 | 56 | 102 | 30 | 38 | 79 | 12 | 51 | 99 | 26 |

CONCENTRATIONS EXPRESSED IN MICROGRAMMES PER CUBIC METRE.

26.

(9) Inspection and Supervision of Food

(a) FOOD HYGIENE

Twenty-four food complaints were investigated during the year and a number of warning letters were sent.

(b) MARKETS, STALLS AND DELIVERY VEHICLES

The Food Hygiene (Markets, Stalls and Delivery Vehicles) Regulations, 1966, (as amended) came into operation on 1st January, 1967. These Regulations apply to covered and uncovered markets, delivery vehicles, mobile shops, stalls and trading in the open air generally. Regular weekly inspections were carried out during the year in order to enforce the provisions of the Regulations.

(c) MILK SUPPLY

Seventy-six samples of bottled milk and ten samples of cream were taken in the course of delivery to the consumer during the year and submitted to the Cambridge Public Health Laboratory for bacteriological examination. All the samples were reported upon as satisfactory, with the exception of two samples of milk and two samples of cream. Details of these samples are shown in the table.

| Designation | No. of Samples Taken | No. Satisfactory | No. Unsati s factory |
|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Pasteurised Milk | 51 | 49 | 2 |
| Sterilised Milk | 21 | 21 | prervisie, or contra |
| Cream | 10 | 10 bee 8 alto and | 2 |
| Separated Milk | 4 | 4 | ball to git ballo |

(d) MANUFACTURE AND SALE OF ICE-CREAM

Forty-one premises are registered for the storage and sale of ice-cream.

Bacteriological Examination

16 samples of ice cream were submitted to the Cambridge Public Health Laboratory for bacteriological examination. The results of samples are detailed in the table below. Grade 4 samples are regarded as unsatisfactory.

| vary Valla cle | No. of Samples | RESULTS OF SAMPLES | | | | | | |
|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|--|--|--|
| tore to enfo | | Grade 1 | Grade 2 | Grade 3 | Grade 4 | | | |
| ICE CREAM | 16 | 10 | 5 | 1 | - | | | |

19 samples of ice lollies were also taken and all were reported upon as satisfactory by the laboratory.

(e) MEAT AND OTHER FOOD INSPECTION

Twelve premises are registered under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, for the preparation and manufacture of preserved food.

(f) MISCELLANEOUS FOOD SAMPLING

44 samples of various foods were submitted for bacteriological examination to the Cambridge Public Health Laboratory. All were found to be satisfactory.

(g) DISPOSAL OF CONDEMNED MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

All unsound food was disposed of under supervision at the Council's controlled tip at Hadham Towers.

The total amount of food condemned was 2.759 tons. This compares with 4.262 tons for the year 1967. Details are given below :-

| and the second se | | | |
|---|---------|------|-----------|
| Type of Food Condemned | Tons | Cwts | lb. |
| Cooked meat and meat products Meat | 13 13.8 | | 12 108 |
| Tinned meats (225 tins) Other tinned foods (1,672 tins) | - | 4 | 81 92 |
| Fresh fish Fresh fruit and vegetables | - | - | - |
| Other foods TOTAL | 1 | 12 | 63 |

(10) Rodent Control

The Council entered into an Agreement with Rentokil Laboratories Limited in February, 1968, to carry out pest control within the Urban District. The Agreement was for a period of one year, with an option to renew for a further period of two years on the same terms. The scheme operated satisfactorily during the year and proved to be financially advantageous to the Council.

(i) Disinfestation of Sewers

The treatment of the sewers was carried out during June, 1968. 101 manholes were baited and evidence of rats was detected in three manholes only.

| | | TYPE OF 1 | PROPERTY |
|-----|--|----------------------|-----------------|
| | | Non- Agricultural | Agricultural |
| 1. | Number of Properties in District | 7,677 | 28 |
| 2a. | Total Number of Properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notif- ication | 962 | 1 |
| ъ. | Number Infested by :- | na dinana | Anotandes to he |
| | (i) Rats | 145 | 1 |
| | (ii) Mice | 22 | Nil |
| 3a. | Total Number of Properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification | 255 | 49 |
| Ъ. | Number infested by :- | | |
| | (i) Rats (ii) Mice | 49 4 | 11 Nil |
| | | | A |

(ii) Disinfestation of Surface Properties

(11) The Storage of Petroleum Spirit

The Home Office issued a revised Model Code in August, 1968, setting out Principles of Construction and Licensing Conditions in respect of petrol filling stations, storage in cans, drums and other receptacles and storage in distributing depots and major installations. The Council accepted the recommendations of the Model Code with effect from lst January, 1969, and resolved that the annual inspection of electrical installations should be carried out by the Eastern Electricity Board.

Licensees were advised of the new Model Code. A scheme for testing all underground tanks, which had been in use for twenty years or more, will be put into operation during the year 1969.

Fifty-four premises were licensed by the Council for the storage of petroleum spirit and fees received in respect of these licences amounted to £193. 4. 11d.

(12) Pet Animals Act, 1951

Three licences were renewed by the Council during the year in respect of the keeping of pet shops.

(13) Animals Boarding Establishments Act, 1963

One establishment was licensed by the Council in accordance with the provisions of the above Act. The conditions of the licence were fully observed and the premises were found to be satisfactory.

(14) Factories Act, 1961

102 visits were made to the factories on the register and it was found necessary in two instances to serve informal notices.

Thirty-seven outworkers were employed during the year by the various factories in the district, a decrease of two over the previous year.

Part I of the Act

1. INSPECTIONS For Purposes of Provisions as to Health

| 2307 | | Number | 1 | Number of | | | |
|----------|--|----------------|-------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| Premises | | on Register | Inspections | Written Notices | Occupiers Prosecuted | | |
| (i) | Factories in which Section 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities | 4 | 5 | Fotal Numb | - | | |
| (ii) | Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority | 84 | 97 | 2 | - | | |
| (111) | Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises) | 11 | 4 | he houses artificioner | - | | |
| | TOTAL | 99 | 106 | 2 | - | | |

2. CASES In Which Defects Were Found

| Particulars | | o. of Cases were | No. of Cases in which | | |
|---|------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Area No. 5. | Found | Remedied | Referre | d | Prosecutions were |
| 965, 107, 109, 109, 140 | , 84 . 1 | 97, 99, 10 | to H.M. Inspector | by H.M. Inspector | Instituted |
| Want of Cleanliness (s 1) | - 4 <u>0</u> -sh | 20224-2464 | 1. 18 <u>9</u> 1 - | -Row_ | 100.00 |
| Overcrowding (s 2) Unreasonable temperature | 26-28 | 20, 22, 24, 67, 69, 7 | - 3-34 - 18, 65, | A the A | - Noreth |
| (s 3) Inadequate ventilation | - | - | - 85 | - | - |
| (s 4) Ineffective drainage of | - | 1 | - 30. 2. | av Street | Trint |
| floors (s 6) Sanitary Conveniences (s 7) :- | 125 | MIGLIAVER, R | 11.11 POST 11.01 | BRAN OT CT | CRASE ESTREME |
| (a) Insufficient (b) Unsuitable or | 1 | 1 | - 164, 21 | T Road | - <u>Loc.11</u> |
| defective (c) Not separate for | - | - 10 | TOA LEVELOND | . 1971 T. T. | NGAN ENTUON |
| sexes Other offences against | C 442 3 | emers durin aty. | hde fit by d local suthor | uses_mere s itso by the | - 119 b informal so |
| the Act (not including offences relating to | | 2 | 0. | | |
| Outwork) TOTAL | 2 | 4 | - | - | - |

31.

(15) Housing

| | Number of new house | s erected during the year :- |
|--------|---|--|
| | (a) | By the Local Authority 106 |
| | (ъ) | By Private Enterprise 144 |
| | | de available by conversion existing buildings Nil |
| | Number of houses ch | anged to other use Nil |
| UNFIT | HOUSES DEMOLISHED: | |
| | The houses listed b | elow were demolished during the year :- |
| | Bartholomew Road | - No. 50. |
| | Heath Row | - Nos.95, 97, 99, 103, 105, 107, 109, 111, 115, 119, 123. |
| | Northolt Avenue | - Nos.18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 59, 61, 63, 67, 71, 75, 77, 79, 83, 85. |
| | Rye Street | - Nos.169, 171, 173, 175. |
| UNFIT | HOUSES CLOSED: | |
| | The houses listed b | elow were closed during the year :- |
| | Dimsdale Crescent | - Nos.50, 62, 77. |
| | Heath Row | - Nos.95, 97, 99, 101, 103, 105, 107, 109, 111,113,115,117, 119, 121, 123, 125. |
| | Middle Row | - Nos. 2, 4, 6, 34, 42. |
| | Northolt Avenue | - Nos.18, 20,22, 24, 26, 28, 57, 59, 61, 63, 65, 67, 69, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, 83, 85. |
| | Oak Street | - Nos. 8, 12, 14, 26, 31. |
| | Trinity Street | - No. 2. |
| HOUSES | REMOVED TO MAKE WA | Y FOR OTHER DEVELOPMENT: |
| | London Road | - Nos. 95, 97. |
| | Nursery Road | - No. 72. |
| HOUSES | MADE FIT AFTER INF | ORMAL ACTION |
| inform | 119 houses were mad mal action by the lo | e fit by owners during the year, following cal authority. |
| | | 32. |

NEWTOWN AREA

Amon No 7

A detailed survey of properties in the Newtown Area was carried out during 1967. The survey covered 207 dwelling houses and eight business premises. The Council subsequently declared eight Clearance Areas embracing a total of 51 unfit houses, as follows :-

| Area | No. 1. Houses Included | | Total Number of Houses |
|------|---------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| | Middle Row | :Nos. 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54. | and incel othe |
| | Oak Street | :Nos. 25, 27, 29, 31, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 52. | |
| | Bartholomew Road | :No. 34. | 28. |
| Area | No. 2. | | |
| | Middle Row | :Nos. 18, 20, 22, 24. | 4. |
| Area | No. 3. | | |
| | Middle Row | :Nos. 2, 4, 6, 8. | |
| | Oak Street | :Nos. 4, 6, 8, 10. | <u>8.</u> |
| Area | No. 4. | | |
| | Castle Street | :No. 28. | 1. |
| Area | No. 5. | | |
| | Oak Street | :No. 21. | 1. |
| Area | No. 6. | | iouses ortglad |
| | Bartholomew Road | :Nos. 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50. | _6. |
| Area | No. 7. | | |
| | Bartholomew Road | :No. 8. | 1. |
| Area | No. 8. | | |
| | Bartholomew Road | :No. 4. | |
| | Trinity Street | :No. 6. | 2. |
| | | Total number | 51. |
| | | of houses | |
| | | | |

The area to be cleared which covered 3.85 acres, contained 96 houses and two shops. 51 of the houses were classified as unfit and 45 as fit.

The Bishop's Stortford (Newtown) (No. 1.) Compulsory Purchase Order was made on the 14th November, 1967, and included 35 unfit houses, 42 fit houses and two shops. Properties already owned by the Council were excluded from the Compulsory Purchase Order. Numerous objections to the Order were submitted to the Minister of Housing and Local Government and a Public Local Inquiry was held on 9th April, 1968.

The Order was not confirmed and the recommendation of the Ministry Inspector who conducted the Inquiry was accepted by the Minister. The Inspector took into account the relatively small proportion of houses found to be unfit in the proposed Redevelopment Area and concluded that demolition was not the most satisfactory method of dealing with the existing conditions. He maintained that demolition was unreasonable and that the area as a whole was worthy of improvement procedure.

The Officers of the Council could not accept the Ministry's suggestion of dealing with the area by improvement procedure and the Clerk of the Council wrote to the Minister expressing his anxiety and concern. Later, a meeting was held at Bishop's Stortford between Senior Officers of the Ministry and Senior Officers of the Council. The area was visited and several properties inspected.

As a result of these discussions and the site meeting, a modified plan for redevelopment was prepared by the Senior Architect of the Ministry. This amended scheme, which allowed for the demolition of all but three of the houses originally classified as unfit, was accepted in broad outline by the Council.

(16) The Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963

Registrations and Inspections

Twenty premises were newly registered during the year and each of these received a general inspection. There were 331 premises on the register at the end of the year, employing 889 males and 1,066 females, a total of 1,955.

TABLE "A"

REGISTRATIONS AND GENERAL INSPECTIONS

| Class of Premises | Number of Premises Newly Registered during the year | Total Number of Registered Premises at End of Year | Number of Registered Premises Receiving One or More General Inspections During the Year | |
|--|--|---|---|------|
| Offices | 11 | 97 | 29 | |
| Retail Shops | 9 | 203 | 58 | |
| Wholesale Shops, Warehouses | - | 10 | 4 | |
| Catering Establishments Open to the Public, | TABLE."H | eqtion 5 (2) | I Space () | Part |
| Canteens | siting Him is | 17 | 7 | 1.00 |
| Fuel Storage Depots | ton the river | 4 | IV | 1 |
| TOTALS | 20 | 331 | 98 | 1 |

TABLE "B"

35.

Number of Visits of all kinds (including general inspections) to Registered Premises ... 1,622

TABLE "C"

ANALYSIS OF PERSONS EMPLOYED IN REGISTERED PREMISES BY WORKPLACE

| Class of Premises | Number of Persons Employed |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Offices | 546 |
| Retail Shops | 1,077 |
| Wholesale Shops, Warehouses | 139 |
| Catering Establishments open to the public | 122 |
| Canteens | 21 |
| Fuel Storage Depots | 50 |
| Total | 1,955 |
| Total Males | 889 |
| Total Females | 1,066 |
| TABLE "D" EXEMPTIONS GRANTED | visit godd its |
| Warehouses | Aucal alasal |
| Part I Space (Section 5 (2) | Nil |
| Part II Temperature (Section 6) | Nil |
| Part III Sanitary Conveniences (Section 9) | Nil |
| Part IV Washing Facilities (Section 10) | Nil |
| TABLE "E" | TOTALS |
| 161 238AD | |
| Prosecutions | Nil |
| TABLE "F" INSPECTORS | ther of Visita |
| No. of Inspectors appointed under Section 52 (1) or (5) of the Act | 3 |
| No. of other staff employed for most of their time on work in connection with the Act | Nil |

TABLE "G"

| Section | Number of Contraventions Found | | Section | Number of Contraventions Found | and a |
|----------|---|--------|----------------------------|---|-------------------|
| 45678 | Cleanliness Overcrowding Temperature Ventilation Lighting | 13 | 13 14 15 16 17 | Sitting facilities Seats (Sedentary Workers) Eating facilities Floors, passage & stairs Fencing exposed parts | - - 4 12 |
| 9 | Sanitary conveniences | 9 | 18 | machinery Protection of young persons from dangerous | - ogan |
| 10 | Washing facilities | 9 | 19 | machinery Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery | - |
| 11 12 | Supply of drinking water Clothing accommodation | - | 23 24 | Prohibition of heavy work First Aid Other Matters | - 4 23 |
| | | 1 | | TOTAL | 86 |

ANALYSIS OF CONTRAVENTIONS

TABLE "H"

| | No. Re | ported | Total No. | Ac | | | |
|---|--------|--------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Workplace | Fatal | Non Fatal | Investi- gated | Prosecution | Formal Warning | Informal Advice | No Action |
| Offices | - | - | - | - | - | - | l'ol |
| Retail shops | - | 2 | 2 | - | - | 2 | - |
| Wholesale shops Warehouses Catering establishments open to public, | - | 3 | 3 | - | - | 3 | - |
| canteens | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | 1 | - |
| Fuel storage depots | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| TOTALS | Nil | 6 | 6 | Nil | Nil | 6 | Nil |

REPORTED ACCIDENTS

TABLE "J"

ANALYSIS OF REPORTED ACCIDENTS

| Di Piques 3671 Bebasel Strephicas Bobildone storigion | Offices | Retail Shops | Wholesale Shops, Warehouses | Catering estab- lishments open to public, canteens | Fuel Storage Depots |
|---|-------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Machinery | naben-tenna | | 5550 | ···· - Bolta | ALI - B |
| Transport | 16' sgalabe | 1992 - 11 10 | 8133 - 6 33 | thory on-antehodil | 5.4E - 8 |
| Falls of persons | Tren his | 1 | 2 | | - |
| Stepping on or striking against object or person | | | | | - |
| Handling goods | 1000 T | - | - | 1 | - |
| Struck by falling object | - | - | - | - | - |
| Fires and explosions | (6sa) | | 1 | - | _ |
| Electricity | Angla Ca | (otos); | 1 Bloot-pass | Barris Marken | |
| Use of hand tools | De Torte | 1 | Sata an | - Patel | eoust places |
| Not otherwise specified | - | - | - | _ | - |

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