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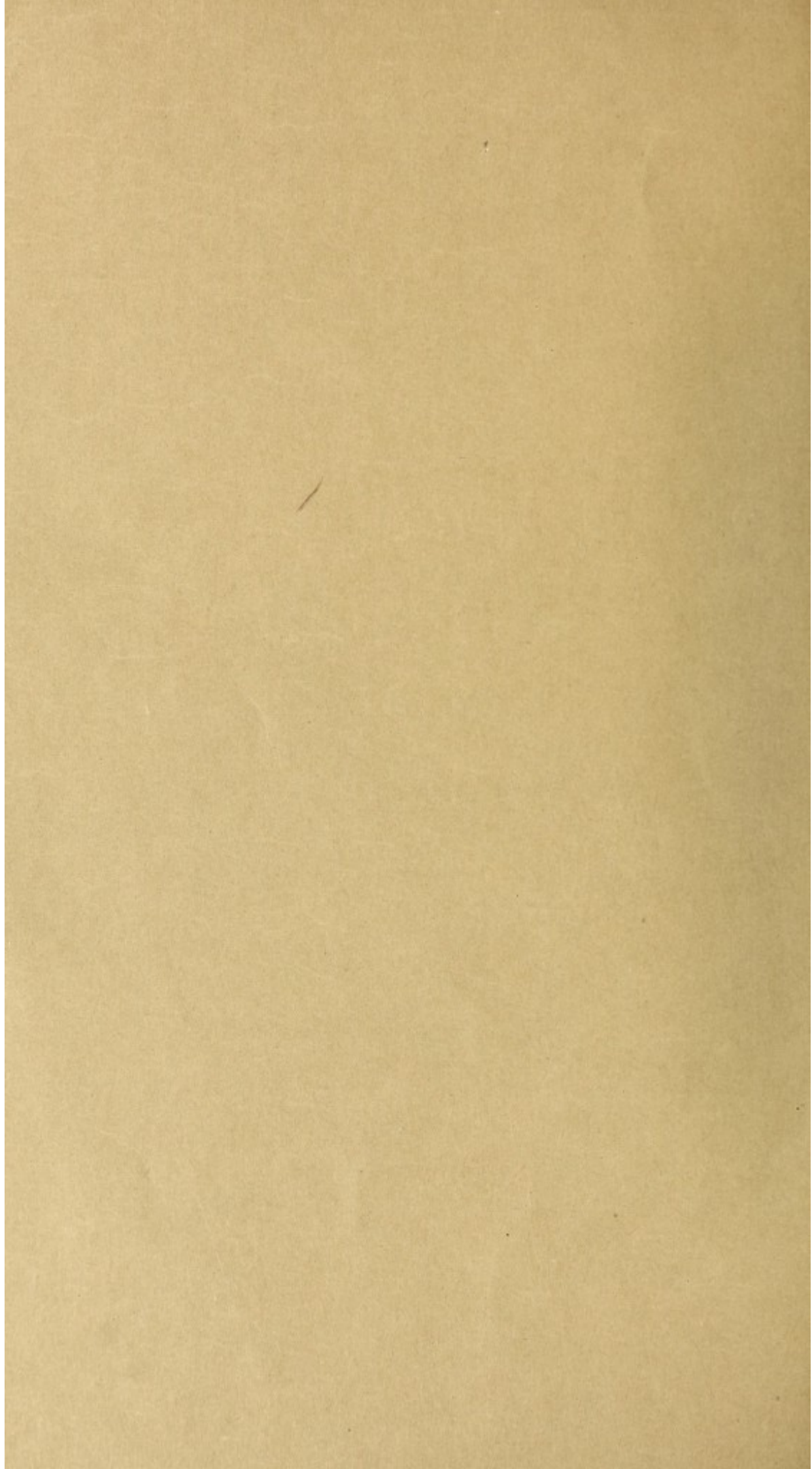


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**CALNE**





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THE

ANNUAL

REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

and

SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

for the

YEAR ENDED

31st. DECEMBER . 1962





To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors,  
Calne Borough Council.

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Mr. Mayor and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my  
Annual Report for the year 1962 in accordance with  
Regulation 15(5) of the Public Health Officers  
Regulations, 1959.

Copies of the report are required  
by the Ministry of Health, Ministry of Agriculture,  
Fishes & Food, the Ministry of Housing and Local  
Government and H.M. Inspector of Factories; a copy  
is also sent to the County Medical Officer of Health.

The report of the Senior Public  
Health Inspector, Mr. C.C. Dowding is incorporated  
and provides much detailed information on environmental  
public health.

I am grateful to Mr. Dowding and the  
Staff of the Council for their co-operation and assistance  
during the year under review.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient Servant,

C.L. BROOMHEAD,

Medical Officer of Health.



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Calne & Chippenham. In addition  
School Medical Officer and  
Assistant County Medical Officer  
of Health.

SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

C.C. Dowding, Cert. S.I.E.B.,  
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of Borough Surveyor).

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH  
INSPECTOR

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SECRETARY TO THE MEDICAL  
OFFICER OF HEALTH.

S.G.V. Williamson, Cert. R.I.P.H.H.

The two committees of the Borough Council dealing  
directly with Public Health matters are:-

1. Health, Housing & Town Planning Committee.
2. Water and Sewerage Committee.





## State of the Public Health.

The birth rate has increased from 18.5 per 1000 of the population to 19.16 per 1000 and the infantile mortality rate was the lowest on record, ie 5.4 per 1000 live births.

Seventy seven deaths occurred during 1962; the main causes of death were coronary and other heart disease and cancer. Infectious diseases made no contribution to the death rate.

Only four cases of Measles and one case of Scarlet Fever were notified during 1962; the lowest on record.

Four new cases of tuberculosis were notified during the year, the number of cases of tuberculosis remaining on the register has shown very little change since 1953.

The Mobile X-Ray Unit only revealed one healed case of pulmonary tuberculosis as a result of its visits during April and June, 1962.

It is apparent therefore that the health of the population of Calne is satisfactory in every respect. The report of Mr. C.C. Dowding, the Senior Public Health Inspector and Surveyor details the inspections carried out by his department during the year, also the samples taken for examination at the Public Health Laboratory, Bath, important contributions to the maintenance and improvement of public health.

The North Wilts. Water Board took over the administration of Local Authorities Water Undertakings on the 1 Oct 62. Further comment on this will be found in the paragraph on water supplies which should be read in conjunction with my comments on the formation of the North Wilts Water Board on page 9 of my annual report for the year ending 31 Dec 1961.





## GENERAL STATISTICS

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|   |               |
|---|---------------|
| Area (in acres) . . . . .   | 1,276         |
| Population . . . . .  | 6680.         |
| Number of inhabited houses at end of 1962<br>according to the Rate Book . . . . . | 2,185         |
| Rateable Value . . . . .  | £79,188       |
| Sum represented by the Penny Rate. . . . .  | £323. -s. 1½d |

## VITAL STATISTICS

### LIVE BIRTHS

|              | <u>Males</u> | <u>Females</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
| Legitimate   | 68           | 56             | 124          |
| Illegitimate | 1            | 3              | 4            |
| Total        | 69           | 59             | 128          |

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Crude Birth Rate for the Borough . . . . .           | 19.16  |
| per 1000 of the population                           |        |
| Adjusted Birth Rate for the Borough . . . . .        | 18.96. |
| per 1000 of the population                           |        |
| Comparative Birth Rate for England & Wales . . . . . | 18.0   |
| per 1000 of the population.                          |        |

Members of the Armed Forces stationed in the area are included in the population figure shown under the heading "General Statistics". To make an approximate allowance for the way in which the sex and age distribution of the local population differs from England & Wales as a whole, the crude birth rate and the crude death rate for the Borough are to be multiplied by a "comparability factor" given by the Registrar General. The above statistics have been so corrected.

### STILL BIRTHS

Two still births (both females) were recorded during 1962. The rate per 1000 total live and still births is 20.9. The comparative rate for England & Wales is given by the Registrar General as 18.1.

### INFANT MORTALITY

Only one death was recorded during the year. This was in respect of a male child which died during its first week of life. The rate per 1000 live births is 5.4. The comparative rate for England & Wales is 20.7

### COMMENT ON THE ABOVE STATISTICS

The population figure has increased by 80 (6,600 for 1961).  
The Birth Rate has increased by 1.8 per 1000 of the population  
(rate for 1961 18.5 per 1000)  
The rates for Still Births and Infant Mortality show  
little change by comparison with the statistics for 1961.





DEATHS

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The following deaths were recorded in the Borough during 1962.

|  | <u>Males</u> | <u>Females</u> | <u>Total</u>                |
|--|--------------|----------------|-----------------------------|
|  | 41           | 36             | 77                          |
| Crude Death Rate for the Borough. . . . .      |              |                | 11.5                        |
|  |              |                | per 1000 of the population. |
| Adjusted Death Rate for the Borough . . . . .  |              |                | 11.6                        |
|  |              |                | per 1000 of the population. |
| Comparative rate for England & Wales . . . . . |              |                | 11.9                        |
|  |              |                | per 1000 of the population. |

ANALYSIS OF CAUSES OF DEATH

|                                       | <u>Males</u> | <u>Females</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
| Tuberculosis, respiratory             | -            | -              | -            |
| Tuberculosis, other                   | -            | -              | -            |
| Syphilitic disease                    | -            | -              | -            |
| Diphtheria                            | -            | -              | -            |
| Whooping Cough                        | -            | -              | -            |
| Meningococcal infections              | -            | -              | -            |
| Acute Poliomyelitis                   | -            | -              | -            |
| Measles                               | -            | -              | -            |
| Other infective & parasitic dis.      | -            | -              | -            |
| Malignant neoplasm, stomach           | 2            | -              | 2            |
| " " , Lung, Bronchus                  | 2            | 1              | 3            |
| " " , Breast                          | -            | -              | -            |
| " " , Uterus                          | -            | -              | -            |
| Other malignant & lymphatic neoplasms | 3            | 3              | 6            |
| Leukaemia, aleukaemia                 | -            | -              | -            |
| Diabetes                              | -            | -              | -            |
| Vascular lesions of nervous system    | 3            | 8              | 11           |
| Coronary disease, angina              | 9            | 4              | 13           |
| Hypertension with heart disease       | -            | 1              | 1            |
| Other heart disease                   | 7            | 9              | 16           |
| Other circulatory disease             | 1            | 1              | 2            |
| Influenza                             | -            | -              | -            |
| Pneumonia                             | 2            | 1              | 3            |
| Bronchitis                            | 8            | 1              | 9            |
| Other diseases of respiratory sys.    | -            | -              | -            |
| Ulcer of stomach and duodenum         | -            | -              | -            |
| Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea    | -            | -              | -            |
| Nephritis and nephrosis               | -            | 1              | 1            |
| Hyperplasia of prostate               | -            | -              | -            |
| Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion       | -            | -              | -            |
| Congenital malformations              | -            | -              | -            |
| Other defined and ill-defined dis.    | 2            | 4              | 6            |
| Motor vehicle accidents               | 1            | 1              | 2            |
| All other accidents                   | -            | -              | -            |
| Suicide                               | 1            | 1              | 2            |
| Homicide and operations of war        | -            | -              | -            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                          | <u>41</u>    | <u>36</u>      | <u>77</u>    |

Comment on above statistics.

The total number of deaths has increased by 11 by comparison with the figure for 1961 (66).



The following table shows the infectious diseases notified during 1962, together with comparative statistics for preceding years since 1958.

| DISEASE                          | 1958 |    | 1959 |    | 1960 |    | 1961 |     | 1962 |   |
|----------------------------------|------|----|------|----|------|----|------|-----|------|---|
|                                  | a    | b  | a    | b  | a    | b  | a    | b   | a    | b |
| Scarlet Fever                    | 5    | 5  | 23   | 23 | 6    | 6  | 4    | 4   | 1    | 1 |
| Whooping Cough                   | -    | -  | 11   | 11 | -    | -  | -    | -   | -    | - |
| Diphtheria                       | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -   | -    | - |
| Measles                          | 33   | 33 | 24   | 24 | 6    | 6  | 205  | 205 | 4    | 4 |
| Ac.Poliomyelitis (Paralytic)     | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -   | -    | - |
| Ac.Poliomyelitis (Non-Paralytic) | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -   | 1    | - |
| Dysentery                        | -    | -  | 2    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -   | -    | - |
| Ophthalmia Neonatorum            | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -   | -    | - |
| Puerperal Pyrexia                | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -   | -    | - |
| Smallpox                         | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -   | -    | - |
| Paratyphoid Fever                | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -   | -    | - |
| Typhoid Fever                    | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -   | -    | - |
| Food Poisoning                   | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -  | -    | -   | -    | - |
| Erysipelas                       | 1    | 1  | -    | -  | -    | -  | 3    | 3   | -    | - |
| Pneumonia.                       | 1    | 1  | 3    | 3  | 1    | 1  | 1    | 1   | -    | - |
| TOTALS                           | 40   | 40 | 64   | 61 | 13   | 13 | 213  | 213 | 6    | 5 |

a= Numbers originally notified.

b= Finals numbers after correction.

### Tuberculosis

No deaths were recorded due to this disease during 1962 and only four new cases were notified and confirmed by the Chest Physician.

The following table shows the number of cases of Tuberculosis on the Register each year since 1953.

| Year | Pulmonary | Non-Pulmonary | Total |
|------|-----------|---------------|-------|
| 1953 | 24        | 4             | 28    |
| 1954 | 25        | 5             | 30    |
| 1955 | 25        | 5             | 30    |
| 1956 | 24        | 5             | 29    |
| 1957 | 23        | 5             | 28    |
| 1958 | 24        | 5             | 29    |
| 1959 | 24        | 4             | 28    |
| 1960 | 24        | 5             | 29    |
| 1961 | 23        | 6             | 29    |
| 1962 | 20        | 8             | 28    |

Details in respect of cases of Tuberculosis remain on the Register until confirmation is received from the County Chest Physician that they have been "Written Off" recovered "Left District" or "Deceased". Apart from new cases occurring within the Borough, a certain proportion of tuberculous persons move in or out of the area. The Register is amended accordingly.

### Mass Radiography Survey

A Mobile X-Ray Unit carried out two surveys in the Borough during the periods 9 - 12 April and 25-29 June, with the following results:





|   |        |
|---|--------|
| Total persons examined . . . . .  | 1,336. |
| Cases of Tuberculosis found . . . . .                                   | 1      |
| Persons found to have Chest<br>abnormalities, other than Tuberculosis . | 10     |

The case of Tuberculosis found was considered already healed.

#### Immunisation and Smallpox Statistics, 1962.

I am grateful to Dr. C.D.L. Lycett, County Medical Officer of Health for the following information:-

| Year of Birth                                     |      | 1962 | 1961 | 1960 | 1959 | 1958 | 1953-57 | 1948 |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|---------|------|
|   |      |      |      |      |      |      | -52     |      |
| Primary imms<br>completed<br>during 1962          | Diph | 42   | 85   | 2    | -    | 1    | 5       | 1    |
|   | Wh/c | 42   | 85   | 2    | -    | -    | -       | -    |
|   | Tet  | 42   | 85   | 4    | 2    | 1    | 60      | 16   |
| Reinf. injections<br>administered<br>during 1962. | Diph | -    | 10   | 41   | 10   | 7    | 115     | 8    |
|   | Wh/c | -    | 8    | 34   | 9    | 2    | 15      | -    |
|   | Tet  | -    | 10   | 43   | 15   | 4    | 88      | 13   |

#### SMALLPOX VACCINATION

| Age group      | Under 1 | 1  | 2-4 | 5-14 | 15 or over. |
|----------------|---------|----|-----|------|-------------|
| Vaccinations   | 119     | 26 | 41  | 169  | 410         |
| Revaccinations | -       | 1  | 22  | 163  | 458         |

#### Completed Poliomyelitis Immunisations during 1962.

| Persons born           | 2nd<br>inj. | 3rd<br>inj. | 4th.<br>inj. | 3 oral    | 3rd oral<br>after 2<br>injs. | 4th.<br>oral. |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|------------------------------|---------------|
| 1943-1961              | 40          | 159         | 14           | 54        | 81                           | 126           |
| 1933-1942              | 11          | 40          | -            | 13        | 12                           | -             |
| Babies born in<br>1962 | -           | -           | -            | 11        | 5                            | -             |
| Others                 | 11          | 89          | -            | 16        | 26                           | -             |
| <b>TOTALS</b>          | <b>62</b>   | <b>288</b>  | <b>14</b>    | <b>94</b> | <b>124</b>                   | <b>126</b>    |





The North Wilts. Water Board finally took over the administration of the Councils Water Undertaking on the 1st October, 1962 and decided that the appointment of a Medical Officer to the Board was not required.

The Chief Medical Officer to the Ministry of Health stated in his Annual Report for 1957 that Water Undertakings should ensure that they have access to competent medical advice at all times. The Water Board also requires advice on the medical fitness of new employees and whether those employed in intimate contact with water sources are free from intestinal infection. It was considered advisable therefore to convene a meeting between the Clerk and Engineer of the North Wilts. Water Board, the Medical Officers of Health of the adjoining districts within the area of supply of the Board, and the Director of the Public Health Laboratory, Bath to arrange a sampling procedure for the future and to define and accept individual responsibilities. A meeting took place on the 12th. October, 1962 and the following agreement was reached.

- (a) Bacteriological examination of samples of water taken both by the Board and the Constituent Councils to be carried out at the Salisbury Laboratories for the Devizes Districts and at the Bath Laboratories for the remaining Districts. Dr. Mann requested that samples should be delivered to the Laboratories not later than Thursday in each week unless special arrangements were made.
- (b) The Constituent Councils Medical Officers to continue to have samples taken from consumers' taps and to observe chlorine residuals.
- (c) The Board's Officers to take samples at the sources and also from consumers taps.
- (d) The arrangements for chemical and physical examination of water supplies to be undertaken by the Board's Officers.
- (e) Full interchange of laboratory reports on all samples whether taken by the Board or the Constituent Councils. If possible, the Laboratories to send copies of reports direct to both Board and Medical Officer of the District concerned.
- (f) The Medical Officers agreed to co-operate in the examination of new employees both for superannuation purposes and for fitness to be employed in waterworks.
- (g) The position of employees who had been transferred from the Constituent Councils was carefully considered and it was decided to recommend to the Board that the medical history of all transferred employees be reviewed.

The Medical Officers stressed the importance of the recommendations relating to general cleanliness at waterworks contained in Memorandum 221.





TO:- The Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors  
of the Calne Borough Council.

Mr. Mayor & Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report for the year 1962. Once again it is satisfying to report that Tuberculosis was not found in any Bovine Carcasses, although somewhat disturbing to find incidence of the disease in pigs. Whether this trend will continue is a factor which requires careful examination although no national figures are to hand at the present time.

Of increasing importance is the question of dealing with sub standard houses and details of the work done in this field are to be found in the main body of the report.

In the sphere of health education, talks have been given to the senior forms of some schools within the Borough and at the request of the County Medical Officer, Canteen Staffs have been given lectures on Hygiene in relation to the preparation of food.

In conclusion, I wish to accord my thanks to the members of the staff of the Public Health Dept., the Public Health Committee, Dr. Broomhead and Mr. Cowley for the support given during the year.

I am, Gentlemen,

Yours obediently,

Clifford C. Dowding,  
Senior Public Health Inspector.





## RAINFALL

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The rainfall is recorded at the Sewage Disposal Works, the reading being taken at 9 p.m. each day. From this information, the following table is compiled.

| MONTH.    | TOTAL RAINFALL<br>IN INCHES. | GREATEST FALL<br>IN 24 HOURS | NO. OF DAYS<br>WITH .01 OR<br>MORE |
|-----------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| January   | 4.318                        | .66                          | 20                                 |
| February  | .430                         | .17                          | 5                                  |
| March     | 1.445                        | .5                           | 8                                  |
| April     | 1.680                        | .272                         | 12                                 |
| May       | 2.1365                       | .46                          | 17                                 |
| June      | .075                         | .03                          | 4                                  |
| July      | 1.0545                       | .3                           | 10                                 |
| August    | 4.912                        | 2.66                         | 14                                 |
| September | 4.823                        | 1.4                          | 15                                 |
| October   | 1.015                        | .43                          | 8                                  |
| November  | 1.927                        | .4                           | 19                                 |
| December  | 1.945                        | .465                         | 11                                 |

The total rainfall for the year was 25.761 inches. The wettest day was 6th. August, 1962 which proved to be the wettest day for six years.

The driest month was June and the wettest month was August.

## WATER

The water undertaking is now operated under a Water Board constituted under an Order which came into operation on the 17th. April, 1962. The Order provided for the Appointed Day on the 1st. May, 1962 and for the "Day of Transfer" on the 1st. October, 1962.

Regular sampling of "consumer water" as distinct from raw water, is regularly carried out and reported upon and tests are taken from time to time to ascertain the residual chlorine content.

During the year 52 samples of Chlorinated water were submitted and 50 proved to be satisfactory.

## SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

Practically the whole of the developed portion of the Borough is sewered although owing to difficulty in falls and isolation there will always be some houses which have to rely on Septic Tanks or other means.

It is estimated that the percentage of all inhabited houses not connected is less than 3%.

The drying and disposal of sludge still presents a costly item but the new sludge drying beds constructed at a cost of £2,300 coupled with the purchase of a Tractor Power Shovel makes this problem somewhat less acute.

Local farmers have taken the sludge during the year and no difficulty is experienced during normal weather conditions. With the mechanical handling equipment now available, it is possible to "stock pile" the sludge on the site and remove this when conditions are favourable.

The following figures taken from the estimates presented to the Public Health Committee indicate the cost of the service.



| Expend-<br>iture           | Actual<br>1961/62 | Estimate<br>1962/63 | Probable<br>1962/63 | Income                           | Actual<br>1961/62 | Est.<br>62/63 | Prob.<br>62/63 |
|----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Wages &<br>Insurance       | 2229              | 2744                | 2666                | C&T Harris                       | 900               | 900           | 935            |
| Rates                      | 1045              | 1160                | 1209                | Govt. Grant                      | 35                | -             | -              |
| Admin &<br>Office          | 98                | 95                  | 100                 | Sundries                         | -                 | -             | 38             |
| Maint. &<br>Materials      | 602               | 400                 | 531                 | Investment<br>Income             | 36                | -             | 39             |
| Power &<br>Light           | 436               | 450                 | 425                 | Calne &<br>Chipp RDC<br>Sewerage | -                 | 125           | 98             |
| Transport<br>& Hire        | 309               | 850                 | 440                 |                                  |                   |               |                |
| Sundries                   | 12                | 25                  | 25                  |                                  |                   |               |                |
| Loan Charges               | 10701             | 10669               | 10375               |                                  |                   |               |                |
| Relief<br>Sewer            | -                 | 420                 | 220                 |                                  |                   |               |                |
| Capital<br>Cost<br>Tractor |                   | 280                 | 281                 |                                  |                   |               |                |
| Running<br>costs           |                   | 92                  | 50                  |                                  |                   |               |                |

REFUSE DISPOSAL AND COLLECTION.

All refuse is collected weekly by direct labour and although increasing demands are being made, the service has been satisfactorily maintained.

The refuse from the Borough is disposed of by the Sanitary Landfill Method, the refuse being dumped in sand workings of a local company and covered with top soil to reclaim the land which has been exposed.

The cost of collecting refuse within the Borough is reflected in the following table:-

|   | Actual<br>1961/62 | Est.<br>1962/63 | Prob.<br>1962/63 | Income                    | Actual<br>61/62 | Est.<br>62/63 | Prob.<br>62/63 |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| Admin &<br>Office                                 | 103               | 165             | 170              | Sale of<br>waste<br>paper | 1303            | 1300          | 1112           |
| Maint &<br>Materials                              | 72                | 70              | 70               | Use of Veh                | 10              | 30            | -              |
| Transport   | 687               | 590             | 490              | Other<br>income           | 23              | 30            | 16             |
| Wages &<br>Insce.<br>Contrib.<br>Swimming<br>Pool | 3818              | 3850            | 3876             | Refuse<br>Lorry           | -               | 305           | 289            |
| Refuse Veh<br>Instalment                          | 272               | 360             | 372              |                           |                 |               |                |
| New Baler   | -                 | 73              | 80               |                           |                 |               |                |





HOUSING

The following table shows the rate of progress in the provision of new houses within the Borough during the year.

|     | <u>Local Authority</u>    |                  | <u>Private Enterprise</u> |                  |
|-----|---------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|------------------|
|     | <u>Under Construction</u> | <u>Completed</u> | <u>Under Construction</u> | <u>Completed</u> |
| Jan | Nil                       | Nil              | 16                        | Nil              |
| Feb | 25                        | Nil              | 17                        | 2                |
| Mar | 25                        | Nil              | 15                        | 4                |
| Apr | 25                        | Nil              | 14                        | 2                |
| May | 25                        | Nil              | 14                        | 4                |
| Jun | 60                        | Nil              | 12                        | 2                |
| Jul | 60                        | Nil              | 11                        | 3                |
| Aug | 60                        | Nil              | 9                         | 3                |
| Sep | 60                        | Nil              | 7                         | 2                |
| Oct | 60                        | Nil              | 7                         | 3                |
| Nov | 60                        | Nil              | 17                        | 2                |
| Dec | 60                        | Nil              | 15                        | 4                |

Improvement Grants

The following tables indicates the applications dealt with during the year.

Standard Grants for Improvement of Dwelling House Purchase & Housing Act, 1957.

| <u>MONTH</u> | <u>Appns Recd &amp; Approved.</u> | <u>Grants</u> |            | <u>Amenities</u> |                   |                   |             |                   |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------------|
|              |                                   | <u>Paid</u>   | <u>Amt</u> | <u>Bath</u>      | <u>Wash basin</u> | <u>H.W. Supp.</u> | <u>W.C.</u> | <u>Ford Store</u> |
| Jan          | 2                                 | 1             | £145       | 1                | 1                 | 1                 | 1           | -                 |
| Feb          | -                                 | 1             | 46         | -                | -                 | 1                 | -           | -                 |
| Mar          | 2                                 | 1             | 105        | 1                | 1                 | 1                 | -           | -                 |
| Apr          | 1                                 | -             | -          | -                | -                 | -                 | -           | -                 |
| May          | -                                 | 1             | 155        | 1                | 1                 | 1                 | 1           | 1                 |
| Jun          | -                                 | -             | -          | -                | -                 | -                 | -           | -                 |
| Jul          | -                                 | 1             | 75         | -                | -                 | 1                 | -           | -                 |
| Aug          | 1                                 | 3             | 375        | 3                | 3                 | 3                 | 1           | 2                 |
| Sep          | 1                                 | -             | -          | -                | -                 | -                 | -           | -                 |
| Oct          | -                                 | -             | -          | -                | -                 | -                 | -           | -                 |
| Nov          | -                                 | 1             | 115        | 1                | 1                 | 1                 | -           | 1                 |
| Dec          | -                                 | 2             | 163        | 1                | 2                 | 2                 | -           | 1                 |

Grants for the conversion of Improvement of Housing Accommodation Sec. 30 Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1958.

| <u>Month</u> | <u>Conversions</u> | <u>Improvements</u> | <u>Appns Approved.</u> | <u>Amount of Grant.</u> |
|--------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Jan          | -                  | 1                   | 1                      | -                       |
| Feb          | -                  | 1                   | 1                      | -                       |
| Mar          | -                  | -                   | -                      | -                       |
| Apr          | -                  | 1                   | 1                      | £285                    |
| May          | -                  | -                   | -                      | -                       |
| Jun          | -                  | -                   | -                      | -                       |
| Jul          | -                  | -                   | -                      | -                       |
| Aug          | -                  | -                   | -                      | -                       |
| Sep          | 2                  | 1                   | 3                      | £666)                   |
|              |                    |                     |                        | £355)                   |
| Oct          | -                  | 1                   | 1                      | £387                    |
| Nov          | -                  | -                   | -                      | -                       |
| Dec          | -                  | -                   | -                      | -                       |





Certificates of Disrepair (Rent Act, 1957)

No applications were received for certificates of disrepair or for any other certificates prescribed by the Act.

Overcrowding

It has been unnecessary to take any official action in regard to overcrowding during the year. Where overcrowding has been found to exist, this has been dealt with by voluntary interchange of tenancies arranged through the Housing Officer with the consent and encouragement of the Local Authority.

Sale of Council Houses.

Six council houses were sold to tenants during the year making a total of 52 to the 31st. December, 1962.

Council's Waiting List.

The number of people on the Council's Housing Waiting List is 200 (at 31st. December, 1962).

Properties in Clearance Areas.

14 properties in the Bollings Lane Area were demolished during the year and the site is being redeveloped. One property was demolished by the owner after informal action. During the year a further 24 houses were represented and appropriate action taken.

Rodent Control - Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949.

For this purpose, the Council employ a part time rodent operator. As usual, the systematic treatment of sewers, refuse tip river banks and other municipally owned property was carried out. Warfarin, an anti blood coagulant was employed at all commercial and domestic premises.

The sewer network requires regular attention; prebaiting following by acute poisoning is carried out and the bait and poisons are changed as the occasion demands. The following is a summary of the years work.

|   | Local<br>Authy. | Hses<br>incl<br>Council<br>Hses. | <u>Type of property</u> |                   | Total | Agricultural |
|---|-----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-------|--------------|
|   |                 |                                  | <u>Non-Agricultural</u> | <u>All other</u>  |       |              |
|   |                 |                                  |                         | <u>incl Busns</u> |       |              |
|   |                 |                                  |                         | <u>prems.</u>     |       |              |
| No. of ppties in L.A. Dist.             | 6               | 2185                             | 274                     |                   | 2465  | 9            |
| Total ppties inspected result of notfn. | 6               | 47                               | 8                       |                   | 61    |              |
| Ppties infested Common Rat (Minor)      | 6               | 40                               | 6                       |                   | 52    |              |
| House Mouse "                           | -               | 5                                | 1                       |                   | 6     |              |
| Ppties insp'd in Survey of Act          | 6               | 23                               | 25                      |                   | 54    | 2            |
| Ppties infested Common Rat (minor)      | 6               | 12                               | 8                       |                   | 26    |              |
| House mouse "                           | 1               | 1                                | 2                       |                   | 4     |              |
| Ppties other-wise insp'd.               | 6               |                                  | 1                       |                   | 7     |              |
| Ppties found infested.                  |                 |                                  |                         |                   |       |              |
| Common rat (minor)                      |                 |                                  | 1                       |                   | 1     |              |
| Total Inspections incl reinspections    | 154             | 286                              | 127                     |                   | 567   | 7            |
| Infested ppties treated by L.A.         | 6               | 60                               | 19                      |                   | 85    | -            |





The Borough Council have licensed the CO<sup>2</sup> chamber of Messrs C.&T. Harris Calne Ltd. under the provisions of the above regulations. A certificate of approval in respect of the apparatus was issued under Regulation 9 and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food were informed that the apparatus had been brought into use.

Slaughterhouse Act, 1958 (Hygiene Regulations 1958 No.2158)  
(Cruelty Regulations, 1958 No.2166)

The constructional work in connection with the above has been carried out and completed at the Slaughterhouse of Levu Colin Hawkins and Messrs. C.&T. Harris Calne Ltd.

The Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957

The Town Council exercise powers of delegation under the provisions of the above Order. Boiling plants within the Borough have received regular visits and special attention has been given during the incidence of Foot & Mouth Disease.

The number of persons boiling swill under the above Order is five.

Inspection of Meat and Other Foods.

Two slaughterhouses are now operating within the Borough. One serves the factory of Messrs. C.&T. Harris (Calne) Ltd. at which the meat inspection is carried out by a part time Veterinary Officer who reports regularly to the Medical Officer of Health. The other slaughterhouse serves the local butchers and the butchers of several adjoining areas as well as supplying meat for Smithfield Meat Market, London. The meat inspection at this establishment is carried out by qualified Meat Inspectors who hold the certificate for Inspection of Meat and Other Foods of the Royal Society of Health. The number of animals slaughtered and inspected at the Slaughterhouse of Levu Colin Hawkins is as follows:-

|               | Cattle | Cows | Calves | Sheep & Lambs | Pigs | Goats. |
|---------------|--------|------|--------|---------------|------|--------|
| No.Killed     | 444    | 87   | 7067   | 4315          | 777  | 29     |
| No.Inspected. | 444    | 87   | 7067   | 4315          | 777  | 29     |

|   |   |    |    |   |   |
|---|---|----|----|---|---|
| Whole Carcasses<br>condemned except<br>for Tuberculosis - | - | 40 | 20 | 1 | - |
|---|---|----|----|---|---|

|                             |    |    |     |     |     |   |
|-----------------------------|----|----|-----|-----|-----|---|
| Part carcasses<br>condemned | 48 | 43 | 268 | 718 | 389 | - |
|-----------------------------|----|----|-----|-----|-----|---|

Percentage of number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cystercerci.

|        |        |       |        |        |
|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|
| 10.81% | 49.04% | 3.79% | 16.64% | 50.06% |
|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|

Tuberculosis only

No other animals were affected with Tuberculosis except pigs. 11 part carcasses were condemned representing 0.25% of the total.

Cystercercus Bovis

Two cases were demonstrated representing 0.37% of the total.

Inspection of Meat and Other Foods

The following foodstuffs were also condemned.

|            |          |           |          |           |         |
|------------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|---------|
| Meat       | 102 tins | Preserves | 9 tins   | Fish      | 59 tins |
| Rice       | 6 tins   | Fruit     | 274 tins | Spaghetti | 3 tins  |
| Vegetables | 29 tins  | Beans     | 6 tins   | Milk      | 22 tins |
| Tomatoes   | 52 tins  | Peas      | 40 tins  | Soup      | 13 tins |
|            |          |           |          | Cream     | 1 tin   |

One box of fresh fish (14 lbs) was condemned.  
17 cwts of smoked bacon bollices (ex S.S. Gannet) found to be Fly Blown.





Licences are now issued by the Borough Council under a Delegation Agreement and sampling is carried out by Officers of the Authority. The range and frequency of milk sampling carried out is in accordance with the following table.

| Grade       | Sampling & Source.                       | Examination required            | Sampling frequency.   |
|-------------|--|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Raw T.T.    | Producer/<br>Retailers &<br>Distributors | Methylene Blue<br>& Biological  | Monthly<br>Quarterly. |
| T.T. Past.  | Distributors                             | Phosphatase &<br>Methylene Blue | Quarterly.            |
| Pasteurised | ditto                                    | ditto                           | Monthly.              |

During the year the following samples were taken.

|                                       | Satisfactory | Unsatisfactory | Void.    |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|----------|
| Tuberculin Tested                     | 24           | -              | -        |
| Tuberculin Tested C.I.                | 13           | -              | -        |
| Tuberculin Tested C.I.<br>Pasteurised | 4            | -              | -        |
| Pasteurised                           | 12           | -              | -        |
| Pasteurised Tuberculin<br>Tested      | 15           | -              | -        |
|                                       | <u>68</u>    | <u>-</u>       | <u>-</u> |

#### Ice Cream

29 premises are registered for the storage and sale of ice cream. 70 samples of this commodity were taken and sent for analysis with the following results:-

| <u>Grade 1</u> | <u>Grade 11</u> | <u>Void</u> |
|----------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 51             | 1               | 18          |

The high incidence of void samples was due to delay in reaching the laboratory owing to rail difficulties. Samples are now delivered by road.

#### The Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960.

All food premises are regularly inspected under the provisions of the above regulations. Structural alterations necessary to comply with these and earlier regulations have been carried out and such breaches of the regulations as are noted are usually of a minor character dealing with day to day running of the business. These are dealt with informally on the spot and record cards suitably noted for special attention when the premises are again visited. Premises within the Borough may be classified broadly into the following:

|                             |   |                                |    |
|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------------|----|
| Bakshouses                  | 2 | Cafe & Snack Bar               | 3  |
| Confectioners               | 9 | Butchers                       | 7  |
| Fried Fish Shops            | 2 | Grocers                        | 18 |
| Bakers Shops                | 2 | Meat Manufacturing<br>premises | 1  |
| Green Grocers               | 2 | Hall, Canteen & Clubs          | 18 |
| Boarding Houses<br>& Hotels | 2 | Public houses etc.             | 14 |
| Central School<br>Kitchen   | 1 |                                |    |





No statutory action has been necessary under the Shops Act, 1950. All shops are inspected from time to time and informal notices served with respect to such matters as the provision of seats for female staff, improvements and redecoration of sanitary conveniences, the provision of washing facilities and the display of prescribed notices.

The Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960.

No new sites have been licensed since the Act came into force. 11 sites are at present licensed.

Factories Acts 1937-1959

The following is a summary of the working of the Act as it affects the Local Authority. No certificates are now issued in respect of means of escape in case of fire.

| <u>Premises</u>  | <u>No. on Register</u> | <u>Inspections</u> | <u>Notices</u> | <u>Prosecutions.</u> |
|--|------------------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| Factories in which Secs 1 2 3 4 & 6 are enforced by LA                   | 5                      | 21                 | 4              | Nil                  |
| Factories NOT included in 1 in which Sec 7 is enforced by L.A.           | 35                     | 46                 | 2              | Nil                  |
| Other premises in which Sec 7 is enforced by L.A. (excluding Outworkers) | 1                      | 2                  | Nil            | Nil                  |

Outworkers There are no outworkers within the Borough and no firms sending out work.

Cases in which defects were found

|                                | <u>Found</u> | <u>Remedied</u> | <u>Prosecutions</u> |
|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| Want of Cleanliness            | 2            | 2               | -                   |
| Overcrowding                   | -            | -               | -                   |
| Unreasonable Temp.             | -            | -               | -                   |
| Inadequate Vent.               | -            | -               | -                   |
| Ineffective drainage of floors | -            | -               | -                   |
| <u>Sanitary Conveniences</u>   |              |                 |                     |
| (a) Insufficient               | -            | -               | -                   |
| (b) Unsuitable & defective 1   | 1            | 1               | -                   |
| (c) Not separate for sexes -   | -            | -               | -                   |

SUMMARY INSPECTION OF DISTRICT

|  |      |
|--|------|
| Visits under the Food & Drugs Act and Food Hygiene Regulation. | 818  |
| Building Byelaws Admin. Drains                                 | 407  |
| Others   | 1268 |
| Visits under Housing Acts                                      | 566  |
| Visits under Factory Acts 1957/59                              | 69   |
| Visits under the Shops Act                                     | 18   |
| Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949                        | 574  |
| Visits under the Public Health Acts 1936/61                    | 740  |





