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BOROUGH OF DEVIZES

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

and of the

SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

for the year

1970



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DEVIZES BOROUGH COUNCIL
(As at 31st December 1970)

THE MAYOR

Alderman Robert Theodore Kemp

THE DEPUTY MAYOR

Councillor F.G. Kirby

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Councillor Godwin

THE STATE OF NEW YORK
IN SENATE
January 10, 1907.

REPORT
OF THE

COMMISSIONERS OF THE LAND OFFICE

FOR THE YEAR
1906.

ALBANY: J. B. LEECH, 1907.

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Land in Total	1

BOROUGH OF DEVIZES
PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT
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BOROUGH OF DEVIZES

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
NORTHGATE HOUSE,
DEVIZES,
WILTSHIRE

To The Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Devizes.

The Annual Report on the health of the Borough for the year 1970 is herewith presented.

The health enjoyed by the people of the Borough throughout the year, in which we were spared the hardship of epidemics on a large scale, was in the main good.

Attention is drawn to the population figure of 10,300 as supplied by the Registrar General. This is a decrease of 10 compared to last year's figure which was the fifth in a succession of increases. No explanation is offered for the decrease which to me at least is surprising.

Perusal of the vital statistics shows that the number of births falls short of last year's unusually high figure by twenty. It will be recalled that last year's figure was commented upon at the time.

Total number of deaths was 185 of which 106 were females. The comparative figures for 1969 having been 152 and 73. The figures for males is seen to be unchanged. Scrutiny of the statistics reveals that the increase in the number of female deaths is confined to women in the upper age groups. As in recent years, the most common causes of death were Coronary thrombosis and Cerebrovascular disease. Death was attributed to these two causes in about 37% of the total, a percentage very much in line with that for 1969. It is observed that of 18 deaths being attributed to "Ill-defined Conditions", 17 were in respect of females. No scientific explanation is advanced for this discrepancy.

The year passed off most uneventfully in so far as developments in the public sector were concerned and compares unfavourably with 1969 when improvements in the swimming bath were seen to be needed and carried out. Nothing on the lines of the Group Dwelling for the Elderly was completed or planned. In view of the growing tendency for people to live to a greater age than formerly, there is an ever increasing percentage of the population in the upper age groups. Devizes is no exception to this nationwide trend. Having due regard to the foreseeable increase in the numbers of aged in the Borough, it would seem that before long the number of elderly will be such as to bring sharply into focus the need for additional accommodation, perhaps on the plan of the Group Dwelling in Church Walk or perhaps not. Whatever design is adopted and it is confidently predicted that one will be, the location must be adjacent to the main centres of commerce, religion and entertainment. In this connection it is patently obvious that available land is scarce and becoming scarcer.

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BARON OF DEVICES

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

NORTHAMPTON HOUSE

DEVICES

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The Annual Report of the Public Health Department for the year 1900 is hereby presented.

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The death is reported with regret of Mr. F.W. Barrett who for the fifteen years prior to his retirement in 1969, faithfully served his native town in the capacity of Rodent Operative to the Council.

To the Public Health Inspector, Mr. K. Wildey, I offer my personal thanks for his contribution to this report and for his untiring efforts to the advancement of Community Health in the Borough.

In conclusion, I offer my thanks to the Clerical and Technical staff of the Department for the good work they have done conscientiously and well.

P.C. BARRY.

Medical Officer of Health

The State is reported to have received a letter from the
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In conclusion, I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours faithfully,
The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

W. H. H. H.

Medical Officer of Health

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area in Acres	1,420
Population (Registrar General's Estimate)	10,300
Number of habitable dwellings at 1.4.71	3,146
Rateable Value at 1.4.71	£451,654
Estimated Product of 1d rate at 1.4.71	£1783.559

VITAL STATISTICS

Birth and Death Rates per 1,000 population *Standardised

	<u>Birth Rate</u>		<u>Death Rate</u>	
	<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>
Devizes Borough	18.9	17.0	8.8	11.5
England and Wales	16.3	16.0	11.9	11.7
Wiltshire	17.6	17.2	10.7	10.7

Comparability figures are supplied to each District by the Registrar General. These take into account the varying age-sex distribution of the population in different parts of the country. When applied to the local rates they allow a more accurate comparison to be made between different areas.

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Vital Statistics (Contd.)

MOTHERS AND INFANTS

	<u>1970</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
<u>Live Births</u>			
Number	175	195	174
Rate per 1000 population	17.0	18.9	18.5
<u>Illegitimate Live Births</u> (per cent of total live births)	5	7	7.5
<u>Stillbirths</u>			
Number	3	5	3
Rate per 1000 total live and still births	17	25	16.9
<u>Total Live and Still Births</u>	178	200	177
Infant Deaths (deaths under one year)	6	4	2
<u>Infant Mortality Rates</u>			
Total Infant Deaths under 1 year per 1000 total live births	34	21	11.5
Legitimate infant deaths under 1 year per 1000 legitimate live births	36	11	12.4
Illegitimate infant deaths under 1 year per 1000 illegitimate live births	0	154	0
<u>Neo-natal Mortality Rate</u> (deaths under four weeks per 1000 total live births)	11	15	11.5
<u>Early Neo-natal Mortality Rate</u> (deaths under one week per 1000 total live births)	11	15	5.7
<u>Perinatal Mortality Rate</u> (stillbirths and deaths under one week combined, per 1000 total live and still births)	28	40	22.6

CAUSES OF DEATH DURING 1970

The figures given below are taken from the Registrar General's Annual Report :-

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Malignant neoplasm, buccal cavity etc.	1	0	1
Malignant neoplasm, oesophagus	1	1	2
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	4	3	7
Malignant neoplasm, intestine	1	2	3
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	3	0	3
Malignant neoplasm, breast	0	3	3
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	0	1	1
Leukaemia	1	0	1
Other malignant neoplasms	2	4	6
Benign and unspecified neoplasms	0	1	1
Diabetes mellitus	0	1	1
Multiple sclerosis	0	1	1
Other diseases of nervous system	0	1	1
Chronic rheumatic heart disease	1	0	1
Hypertensive disease	0	1	1
Ischaemic heart disease	17	24	41
Other forms of heart disease	3	1	4
Cerebrovascular disease	10	17	27
Other diseases of circulatory system	2	2	4
Influenza	2	1	3
Pneumonia	7	8	15
Bronchitis and Emphysema	8	4	12
Other diseases of respiratory system	0	1	1
Peptic ulcer	1	1	2
Cirrhosis of liver	1	0	1
Other diseases of digestive system	2	3	5
Hyperplasia of prostate	1	0	1
Other diseases, genito-urinary system	0	2	2
Diseases of musculo-skeletal system	0	1	1
Congenital anomalies	1	0	1
Other causes of perinatal mortality	2	0	2
Symptoms and ill defined conditions	1	17	18
Motor vehicle accidents	2	0	2
All other accidents	4	4	8
Suicide and self-inflicted injuries	1	1	2
	<u>79</u>	<u>106</u>	<u>185</u>

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The figures given below are taken from the Registrar General's
Annual Report for 1910.

Males			Females		
Age	No.	%	Age	No.	%
Under 5	1,000,000	100.0	Under 5	1,000,000	100.0
5-10	1,000,000	100.0	5-10	1,000,000	100.0
10-15	1,000,000	100.0	10-15	1,000,000	100.0
15-20	1,000,000	100.0	15-20	1,000,000	100.0
20-25	1,000,000	100.0	20-25	1,000,000	100.0
25-30	1,000,000	100.0	25-30	1,000,000	100.0
30-35	1,000,000	100.0	30-35	1,000,000	100.0
35-40	1,000,000	100.0	35-40	1,000,000	100.0
40-45	1,000,000	100.0	40-45	1,000,000	100.0
45-50	1,000,000	100.0	45-50	1,000,000	100.0
50-55	1,000,000	100.0	50-55	1,000,000	100.0
55-60	1,000,000	100.0	55-60	1,000,000	100.0
60-65	1,000,000	100.0	60-65	1,000,000	100.0
65-70	1,000,000	100.0	65-70	1,000,000	100.0
70-75	1,000,000	100.0	70-75	1,000,000	100.0
75-80	1,000,000	100.0	75-80	1,000,000	100.0
80-85	1,000,000	100.0	80-85	1,000,000	100.0
85-90	1,000,000	100.0	85-90	1,000,000	100.0
90-95	1,000,000	100.0	90-95	1,000,000	100.0
95-100	1,000,000	100.0	95-100	1,000,000	100.0
100 and over	1,000,000	100.0	100 and over	1,000,000	100.0
Total	10,000,000	100.0	Total	10,000,000	100.0

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE

Table A below gives details of cases notified by general practitioners during the past six years and Table B gives details of the age incidence of cases notified in 1970.

TABLE A

Disease	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970
Measles	147	88	92	10	68	163
Whooping Cough	-	-	6	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	11	11	11	8	3	8
Tuberculosis	3	3	1	1	1	2
Food Poisoning	-	-	2	-	-	-
Erysipelas	-	5	2	1	-	-
Dysentery	-	-	-	1	-	5
Infective Jaundice	-	-	-	-	1	1
Meningococcal Infection	-	1	-	-	-	-

TABLE B

Disease	Age Groups					Age not known	All Ages
	0-4	5-14	15-44	45-64	65-74		
Scarlet Fever	3	4	1	-	-	-	8
Measles	83	72	1	-	-	7	163
Tuberculosis	-	-	2	-	-	-	2
Dysentery	4	1	-	-	-	-	5
Infective Jaundice	-	1	-	-	-	-	1

TABLE I

Summary of results of the investigation

The following table shows the results of the investigation of the effect of the concentration of the solution on the rate of reaction. The results are given in terms of the rate of reaction, expressed as the percentage of the total amount of the substance which has reacted, per unit of time.

Concentration of solution, g./100 g. water	Rate of reaction, % per unit of time	Concentration of solution, g./100 g. water	Rate of reaction, % per unit of time
0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

Concentration of solution, g./100 g. water	Rate of reaction, % per unit of time	Concentration of solution, g./100 g. water	Rate of reaction, % per unit of time
0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION

For providing the figures for immunisations and vaccinations carried out in the district during the year, my thanks are due to the County Medical Officer of Health, Dr. C.D.L. Lycett.

Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus Immunisations

Year of Birth		1970	1969	1968	1967	1966	1961 - 65	1955 - 60	Others under 16
Primary Imms. completed during 1970	Diph.	67	94	3	-	1	3	-	-
	Wh/c	67	94	2	-	1	1	-	-
	Tet.	67	94	3	-	1	3	-	1
	Measles	-	42	33	15	8	8	-	-
	Polio.	65	104	10	4	5	8	6	-
Reinf. injects administered during 1970	Diph.	-	23	70	6	36	129	2	1
	Wh/c	-	22	66	4	1	7	1	-
	Tet.	-	23	70	6	36	130	12	-
	Polio.	-	19	63	5	38	131	6	-

Smallpox Vaccinations

Age Group	Months				Years		
	0-3	3-6	6-9	9-12	1	2-4	5-15
Vaccinations	-	-	-	-	40	36	-
Re-vaccinations	-	-	-	-	-	-	18

WATER SUPPLY

The Water Supply has remained satisfactory in quantity and quality. Raw samples of water continue to be taken regularly from sources at Shepherds Shore and Bourton by the North Wilts Water Board for bacteriological testing at the Pathological Laboratory. All reports have been satisfactory.

It would seem that where the Borough's water supply is concerned, no problems arose which proved unsurmountable to the North Wilts Water Board.

Samples of water from the Town's mains have been taken from taps both by the Water Board and Public Health Inspector :-

	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
Results of samples taken by North Wilts Water Board	100	0
Results of samples taken by Public Health Inspector	10	0
Number of dwelling houses supplied by public water mains	....	3,142
Number of population supplied from public water mains	....	10,294
Number of dwelling houses supplied by means of standpipes	....	4
Number of population supplied by means of standpipes	....	6
Fluoride content of water supplied from Bourton and Shepherds Shore to the Borough	..... less than	0.1

SEWERAGE

I referred last year to the matter of the disposal of sludge arising from the two sewage treatment plants serving the Town. Whilst no obvious structural changes in the sewage disposal arrangements are as yet evident, it would seem that thinking on the matter has taken place and the hope is that at a not too distant date the problem will have been moved to a point or points outside the Town. This favourable innovation is looked forward to and will be appreciated when it becomes a reality. Samples of effluent from both sewage plants serving the Borough are examined by the Bristol Avon River Authority and of 10 such samples examined during the year, all but one were reported as being satisfactory.

The first part of the report is devoted to a description of the work done during the year. It is divided into two main sections, the first of which deals with the work done in the laboratory and the second with the work done in the field.

The second part of the report is devoted to a description of the results of the work done during the year. It is divided into two main sections, the first of which deals with the results of the work done in the laboratory and the second with the results of the work done in the field.

The third part of the report is devoted to a description of the conclusions drawn from the work done during the year. It is divided into two main sections, the first of which deals with the conclusions drawn from the work done in the laboratory and the second with the conclusions drawn from the work done in the field.

The fourth part of the report is devoted to a description of the suggestions for further work. It is divided into two main sections, the first of which deals with the suggestions for further work in the laboratory and the second with the suggestions for further work in the field.

The fifth part of the report is devoted to a description of the references. It is divided into two main sections, the first of which deals with the references in the laboratory and the second with the references in the field.

The sixth part of the report is devoted to a description of the acknowledgments. It is divided into two main sections, the first of which deals with the acknowledgments in the laboratory and the second with the acknowledgments in the field.

The seventh part of the report is devoted to a description of the summary. It is divided into two main sections, the first of which deals with the summary in the laboratory and the second with the summary in the field.

The eighth part of the report is devoted to a description of the index. It is divided into two main sections, the first of which deals with the index in the laboratory and the second with the index in the field.

The ninth part of the report is devoted to a description of the appendix. It is divided into two main sections, the first of which deals with the appendix in the laboratory and the second with the appendix in the field.

The tenth part of the report is devoted to a description of the bibliography. It is divided into two main sections, the first of which deals with the bibliography in the laboratory and the second with the bibliography in the field.

The eleventh part of the report is devoted to a description of the list of figures. It is divided into two main sections, the first of which deals with the list of figures in the laboratory and the second with the list of figures in the field.

The twelfth part of the report is devoted to a description of the list of tables. It is divided into two main sections, the first of which deals with the list of tables in the laboratory and the second with the list of tables in the field.

MILK

At the end of the year there were nine dealers operating from a total of 4 dairies and 5 shops licensed to sell pasteurised milk in the Borough, eight of whom obtained their milk within Wiltshire. The distribution of untreated milk via vending machines ceased during the year. Unsatisfactory sampling results of untreated milk were frequently reported and now that heat treated milk only is retailed, problems associated with unclean milk have diminished. However, regular milk sampling of the heat treated milk is still maintained and shown in the Table below are the results of samples tested by the Pathological Laboratory at Salisbury for the year :-

	<u>Pass</u>	<u>Fail</u>
Untreated Milk	7	0
Pasteurised Milk	64	0
	<u>71</u>	<u>0</u>

Tuberculosis and Brucellosis Abortus tests carried out on five of the untreated milk samples were reported to be negative.

POULTRY INSPECTION

There are no poultry processing premises within the Borough of Devizes.

Food Hygiene (General) Regulations 1960

The number of food premises subject to these Regulations grouped in categories of trades carried on in them is as follows :-

	No. of Premises
Dairies	4
Fish Shops (Wet)	1
Fish Shops (Fried)	5
Restaurants, Cafes, Etc.	16
Hospitals, Institutions	6
School Canteens	8
Factory and Works Canteens	6
Licensed Premises	25
Mobile Vans	4
Sweet Shops	6
Bread & Confectionery	5
Market Stalls	21
Public Buildings	2
Guest Houses	2
Hotels	10
Grocers	17
Butchers	5
Greengrocers	5
Multiple Stores	1
Supermarket	2
Clubs etc.	9
TOTAL	160

CONTRIBUTION TO THE REPORT BY THE SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS 1969

Food premises have not received the constant attention which is so necessary owing to the demands of the many other time consuming duties which in certain instances have to be re-visited several times according to the nature and circumstances of the complaint.

Nearly all licensed premises now dispense snacks or cooked meals and special attention has been directed to these premises during the last couple of years to improving sanitary accommodation and persuading brewery management to install hand-washing facilities for customers' use. As there is no legal power to compel occupiers of licensed premises and catering establishments to provide hand-washing facilities for customers' use, it has been necessary to adopt the persuasive approach and whilst I cannot report that there has been 100% satisfaction to date to obtaining separate toilet and hand-washing facilities at all premises, in some cases due to restricted space etc., nevertheless my endeavours have been reasonably rewarding, the breweries are co-operating commendably.

It seems most odd that there are two standards, one where the Law appeals to food handlers to keep their hands clean and that hand-washing facilities must be provided for this purpose and on the other hand there is the standard where hand-washing facilities for customers' use is not a statutory requirement. Thus it seems all right for the customers to contaminate money, door handles etc. and to eat food with soiled hands where there are no hand-washing facilities provided at the toilets.

I suggest that very serious thought be given to this important aspect of hygiene and health from a legal aspect, particularly in view of the growing concern of the national increase in notified cases of food poisoning.

Fried Fish Shops

There are five fried fish shops, 4 of which are up to modern standards and the other premises are very old, outmoded and poor structurally. These premises form an integral part of a block of dilapidated properties listed as buildings of historical and architectural interest. Major constructional repairs and improvements at considerable expense are necessary to bring the premises up to a modern standard but any proposal of this nature which could be aided by County grants, would have to be taken up with caution in view of the unresolved situation regarding the proposed link road.

Food Stalls

Food stalls in the open market have to be covered top, back and sides by Law as a measure to protect food from risk of contamination by airborne dirt. This has created problems generally; the top of food stalls are usually covered with perspex for lightness of handling and are easily and often broken. During blustery weather the onlooker is entertained by the stall-holder gallantly struggling with determination in an endeavour to prevent the covering taking flight and the awning flapping about. The weary and defeated trader finally dispairs and dispenses with the covering. It seems that the only satisfactory way of complying with the Law is for all food traders to be placed within the covered market.

ARTICLE I

Section 1. All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

Section 2. The House of Representatives shall be composed of Members chosen every second Year by the People of the several States, and the Electors in each State shall have the Qualifications requisite for Electors in that State.

Section 3. The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two Senators from each State, chosen by the Legislature thereof, for six Years; and each Senator shall have the Qualifications requisite for Senators in that State.

Section 4. The Times, Places and Manner of holding the Elections of Senators and Representatives, shall be prescribed in each State by the Legislature thereof; but the Congress may at any time by Law alter or add to the Rules and Regulations of the foregoing States.

Section 5. The Congress shall assemble at least once in every Year, and such Meeting shall begin at Noon on the first Monday in October; and shall continue until the 3d of January following.

Section 6. The Congress shall have the sole Power of Taxing, Borrowing Money, and regulating Commerce with foreign Nations; and the Power of the Congress to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, shall extend to all Ports within the United States.

ARTICLE II

Section 1

The executive Power shall be vested in a President of the United States of America. He shall hold his Office for four Years; and, together with the Vice President, chosen for the same Term, shall have the Honor and the Privilege of being elected for no more than two Terms; but no Person shall be eligible for the Office of President who shall not have attained to the Age of thirty five Years, and been seven Years a Citizen of the United States, and who shall, when elected, have his Residence within the United States.

Section 2

The President shall have the sole and exclusive Power of granting Reprieves and Pardons for all Offences against the United States, except in Cases of Impeachment.

He shall have the Power to fill up all Vacancies that may happen during the recess of the Senate, by granting Commissions that shall expire at the end of their next Session.

He shall have the Power to nominate and to receive, and to reject and to receive, Ambassadors, Ministers, Consuls, Judges, and all other Officers and Ministers of the United States, whose Appointments are by and with the Advice and Consent of the Senate.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT 1955

A considerable amount of food has been surrendered as unfit for human consumption. The quantities are shown in the table below. Most of the food was damaged as a result of the breakdown of refrigerators, bad packing and careless handling during transport.

TINNED PRODUCT

Vegetables	- 60 tins	Baked Beans	- 32 tins
Fruits	- 356 tins	Cream	- 7 tins
Meats	- 42 tins	Fish	- 20 tins
Puddings	- 8 tins	Soups	- 9 tins
Fruit Juices	- 21 tins	Baby foods	- 10 tins
Jams	- 4 tins	Evaporated milk	- 8 tins
Spaghetti	- 3 tins	Drinks	- 2 tins

Biscuits	- 13 lbs.
Mixed spice	- 1 pkt.
Breakfast cereal	- 12 pkts.
Fats (assorted)	- 116 lbs.
<u>Butchers' meats</u>	
Beef	- 52 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs.
Veal	- 2 lbs.
Pork	- 48 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.
Gammon	- 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.
Lamb	- 211 lbs.
Imported offal	- 18 lbs.
Cooked meats	- 18 lbs.
Australian skinned rabbits	- 30 lbs.
Chicken portions	- 170 lbs.

FROZEN FOODSTUFFS

Meat Pies	- 22
Meats	- 21 pkts.
Fish	- 59 pkts.
Vegetables	- 71 pkts.
Fruit Juices	- 9 cartons
Fruits	- 4 cartons
Pastry	- 7 pkts.
Rissoles	- 18 pkts.
Chicken Portions	- 10 pkts.
Sausages	- 4 lbs.
Fish-cakes	- 23 pkts.
Frozen Desserts	- 36 cartons
Chickens	- 77 (total wt: 328 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs.)

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OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT 1963

Class of Premises	Number of Premises registered during the year	Number of Registered Premises at end of year	Number of Registered Premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	7	46	46
Retail Shops	5	105	96
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	0	2	2
Catering Establishments open to the Public, Canteens etc.	0	13	12
Fuel Storage Depots	0	3	3
TOTALS	12	169	159

Number of visits to all kinds (including General Inspections)

to Registered Premises 198

Number of persons employed in registered premises 1008

(390 males and 618 females)

<u>Analysis of Contraventions</u>			
Sec- tion	Number of Contraventions Found	Sec- tion	Number of Contraventions Found
4	Cleanliness 5	14	Seats (sedentary workers) 0
5	Overcrowding 0	15	Eating facilities 0
6	Temperature 1	16	Floors, passages & stairs 4
7	Ventilation 1	17	Fencing exposed parts of machinery etc. 0
8	Lighting 0	18	Protection of younger persons from dangerous machinery 0
9	Sanitary Conveniences 0	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery 0
10	Washing facilities 0	23	Prohibition of heavy work 0
11	Supply of drinking water 2	24	First-aid general provisions 8
12	Clothing accommodation 0		
13	Sitting facilities 0		
			TOTAL 21

HOUSING SURVEY

Following the recommendation of the Ministry recorded surveys of properties continue to be carried out with a view to dealing with unsatisfactory conditions in older houses and their environment to prevent deterioration.

It is estimated that 538 units of accommodation come into this category and so far 320 of them have been inspected. Listed below are the relevant statistics concerning these inspections :-

320 units of accommodation inspected, of which
191 are owner/occupied

Following deficiencies noted :

Houses without (i)	sinks	8
(ii)	baths	66
(iii)	wash basins	71
(iv)	hot water -	
	(a) entirely	40
	(b) at sink	22
	(c) at bath	2
	(d) at basin	18

Shared W.C. - 30

External W.C. only - 68

Lighting or ventilation
below standard in one or
more rooms - 46

158 houses need little or no repair

50.6% of houses need some repair

79 houses	£0 - £50
33 houses	£50 - £100
16 houses	£100 - £150
7 houses	£150 - £200
27 houses	£200 +
15 houses	were affected with rising damp
33 houses	were affected with penetrating dampness

Staircases :-

(a)	Steep, winding and dangerous	- 22
(b)	Without handrails	- 10
(c)	With winders - not dangerous	- 83

11 houses were unoccupied at the time of inspection.

Analysis of defects shows that 20.72% of rented houses and 26.9% of owner/occupied houses lack one or more modern amenities.

Progress Returns forwarded to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government

Slum Clearance:
Repair of houses

<u>A. Houses demolished -</u>	
Adjoining Clearance Areas	.... 0
Not in or adjoining Clearance Areas	.... 2
<u>B. Unfit houses closed during year</u>	.... 11
<u>C. Number of persons displaced</u>	
From houses to be demolished	.... 0
From houses to be closed	.... 0
<u>D. Number of families displaced</u>	
From houses to be demolished	.... 0
From houses to be closed	.... 0
<u>E. Unfit houses made fit</u>	
By Owner (after informal action by Local Authority)	.... 1
After formal Notice under Sections 9(1) and 16(1) of Housing Act 1957 (a) by owner	.... 1
(b) by local authority	.... 0
After formal notice under Public Health Acts	.... 1
<u>F. Other houses in which defects were remedied</u>	
After formal notice under Public Health Acts	.... 4
After formal action under Section 9(1A) of Housing Act 1957 (a) by owner	.... 0
(b) by local authority	.... 0
After informal action by local authority	.... 1
<u>G. Unfit houses in temporary use</u>	.... 5
<u>H. Purchase of houses by Agreement</u>	
(Houses in Clearance areas other than those included in Confirmed Orders or Compulsory Purchase Orders)	.... 23

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

Discretionary Grants

Applications received during the year	5
Applications approved during the year	4
Approved expense of works	£4,593
Number of dwellings after improvements/conversion	4
Amount paid during the year	Nil

Standard Grants

Applications received during the year	7
Applications approved during the year	7
Approved expense of works	£1,355
Grants paid - number of dwellings -	7
amount paid	£1,463.55

Amenities provided :-

Fixed baths	5
Wash-hand basins	5
Hot water supply -	
3 points	3
2 points	2
Water closets	5
Sinks	1

Additional grant-aided work -

Number of bathrooms added	3
Number of piped water supplies installed	0
Number of septic tank or cesspool drainage systems installed	0

COMMON LODGING HOUSES

There are no common lodging houses in the Borough.

VERMINOUS PREMISES

The occupiers of a pair of recently built semi-detached houses sought help to rid their premises and furniture of a serious infestation of bed bugs.

Each house and the furniture was fumigated and freed of vermin to the satisfaction of both parties. Second-hand bedding from an unknown address was considered to be the vector.

DEPOSITED PLANS

By arrangement with the Borough Surveyor, plans that are deposited for approval under the Building Regulations and need to comply with statutes administered by this Department, are passed to us for his observations.

It is advantageous to the owners in the long term as the requirements under the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, Housing Acts, Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, Factories Act, Clean Air Act etc. can then be implemented in the preliminary proposals for new premises or alterations to existing ones.

This practice of giving technical advice to owners, builders and architects has extended over the past 22 years and has proved to be satisfactory because of the high standard that can be attained overall at less inconvenience and expense rather than inspecting the premises when the works are completed and requesting alterations, probably resulting in a lower standard than desired because of the impracticability of alteration to the completed work.

NOISE COMPLAINTS

Complaints about noise and industrial fumes have necessitated many interviews, correspondence and re-visits, sometimes during late evening. Some progress was made insofar as the nuisances were abated and in other instances where informal notices had been served the management were co-operating in an endeavour to mitigate the nuisance of noise by major constructional alterations.

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of the results of the study conducted during the period from January 1, 1961, to December 31, 1961.

The study was conducted in the laboratory of the Department of Biology, University of California, San Diego, and was supported by the National Science Foundation.

1. SUMMARY

The study was designed to determine the effect of temperature on the rate of growth of the bacterium *Escherichia coli*. The results of the study are summarized in the following table:

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2. DISCUSSION

The results of the study are consistent with the findings of other workers in this field. The optimum temperature for growth of *E. coli* is approximately 37°C, which is the normal body temperature of mammals.

RODENT CONTROL

The Devizes Borough Council continue to share on half-time basis, the services of the Rodent Operative with the Devizes Rural District Council.

25 major infestations of rats and mice were discovered and dealt with during routine surveys of the canal banks, ditches, sewage works and the refuse tip.

141 of the 336 sewer manholes were test baited and heavy infestations were found in the sewers under The Brittox, Long Street, Market Place and Station Road and minor infestations in the Little Brittox, Maryport Street, St. John Alley and New Park Street in the early part of the year to be followed by intensive poison baiting. The same lengths of sewer were test baited in September and found to be vermin-free.

Below is a Table extracted from the annual report as supplied to the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for the year under review :-

	TYPE OF PROPERTY	
	Non-Agricultural	Agricultural
<u>PROPERTIES OTHER THAN SEWERS</u>		
1. Number of properties in district	3400	12
2. (a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	37	0
(b) Number infested by		
(i) Rats	33	0
(ii) Mice	4	0
3. Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	1319	19
Number infested by		
(i) Rats	41	9
(ii) Mice	4	3

Nuisances caused by pests received attention by the Rodent Operative and related mainly to ants, red spiders, woodworm, wasps, flies and cockroaches in addition to rats and mice.

COMPLAINTS

In the Table below are listed the various items which were the subject of complaint during the year

Damp Houses	8	Noise	6
Defective drains	31	Overcrowding	1
Dirty houses	4	Pests, insects	35
Flooded cellars	8	Refuse	9
Food Stalls	1	Rodents	34
Food Handlers	4	Smoke	6
House Disrepair	12	Unsound food	35
Miscellaneous	20	Water Supply	1

Summary of Duties

The following table shows the number of inspections and visits performed in connection with the above-mentioned complaints and other matters requiring attention :-

	No. of visits		No. of visits
<u>Food & Drugs Act 1955</u>		<u>Public Health Acts</u>	
Broken down refrigerators	2	Drains - choked or defective	42
Food specimen for laboratory	1	smoke tested	8
Dairies	4	colour tested	4
Food Inspections	52	water tested	6
Food Premises	99	works in progress	45
Milk Sampling	54	nuisances abated	24
Water Sampling	5	statutory notices	
Ice-cream Sampling	9	served	6
Contaminated food	3	Dirty house	3
Statutory notices served	5	Water in cellar	7
Miscellaneous	38	Refuse	6
<u>Housing Acts</u>		Zymotics	5
Improvement grants	71	Miscellaneous	53
Qualification certificate	1	<u>Offices, Shops & Railway</u>	
Re-housing	22	<u>Premises Act 1963</u>	
House Inspections	144	Offices and shops revisits	54
Works in progress	24	Investigation of accidents	5
Statutory notices served	0	General inspections	144
Miscellaneous	21	Statutory notices served	7
<u>Clean Air Act 1956</u>		<u>Noise Abatement</u>	27
Smoke nuisances	12	<u>Pests Act 1949</u>	
Smoke nuisances abated	4	Pest insect infestations	60
<u>Petroleum Acts</u>		Rodent control	97
Licensing conditions	41	<u>Caravan sites</u>	5
Rendering petrol tanks safe	20	<u>Miscellaneous</u>	
<u>Agricultural Regns.</u>	2	Interview, meetings etc. with	
<u>Factories Act</u>	2	builders/rep./owners on site	75
		Cysticercus/bovis inspections	5
		Examination of deposited plans	19
		Other visits	146
		Informal notices issued in	
		respect of deficiencies	152

RECEIPTS

The following table shows the receipts of the various departments of the Government for the year ending 31st March 1911.

Department	Receipts
Home Office	£ 1,200,000
Foreign Office	£ 800,000
War Office	£ 1,500,000
Navy Office	£ 1,800,000
Colonial Office	£ 1,000,000
India Office	£ 1,200,000
Post Office	£ 2,500,000
Revenue	£ 10,000,000
Exchequer	£ 1,000,000
Public Works	£ 500,000
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Police	£ 100,000
Fire	£ 50,000
Prisons	£ 20,000
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APPENDIX

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH IN RESPECT OF THE
YEAR 1970 FOR THE BOROUGH OF DEVIZES IN THE COUNTY OF WILTSHIRE

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the

Factories Act 1961

PART 1 OF THE ACT

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)				
Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	1	0	0	0
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	45	11	7	0
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding cut-workers premises)	5	0	0	0
TOTAL	51	11	7	0

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH
ON THE RESULTS OF THE
ANNUAL PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF THE
POPULATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
FOR THE YEAR 1911
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK
FOR THE YEAR 1911

TABLE 1.—RESULTS OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS IN 1911 (continued)				
Number of persons examined		Number of persons found to be defective		Total number of persons found to be defective
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	
Total	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
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Female	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
Total	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
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Female	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
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Male	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
Female	500,000	500,000	500,000	

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found

Particulars	Found	Remedied	Referred		Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted.
			to H.M. Inspector	by H.M. Inspector	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Want of Cleanliness (S.1)	1	1	0	0	0
Overcrowding (S.2)	0	0	0	0	0
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	0	0	0	0	0
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	0	0	0	0	0
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	0	0	0	0	0
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	0	0	0	0	0
(b) Unsuitable or defective	6	6	0	0	0
(c) Not separate for sexes	0	0	0	0	0
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to outwork)	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	7	7	0	0	0

PART VIII OF THE ACT

Outwork (Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of Work	No. of Outworkers in August list required by Section 133(1)(c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices Served	Prosecutions
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Wearing Apparel) Making etc., Cleaning and Washing	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Year	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
Population	100	100	100	100	100
Births	10	10	10	10	10
Deaths	5	5	5	5	5
Immigrants	2	2	2	2	2
Emigrants	1	1	1	1	1
Net Migration	1	1	1	1	1
Total Change	6	6	6	6	6

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