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DEVIZES RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL



ANNUAL REPORT

of the
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
and of the
SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
for the year
1958

THE STATE OF NEW YORK

IN SENATE,
JANUARY 1, 1901.
REPORT OF THE
COMMISSIONERS OF THE LAND OFFICE
IN RESPONSE TO A RESOLUTION
PASSED BY THE SENATE
MAY 1, 1899.

DEVIZES RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

Telephone: Devizes 701.

The Public Health Department,
Browfort,
DEVIZES,
Wiltshire.

To the Chairman and Members of the Devizes Rural District Council.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report on the state of the Public Health of the district during the Year, 1958.

I wish to thank the Council's Officers, particularly the Clerk of the Council and the Senior Public Health Inspector, for advice during the year, and to thank the Council and Committee Chairmen for their ready appreciation of difficulties on Public Health and Housing matters.

I have the honour to be,
Your obedient servant,

KENNETH J. ADAMS

Medical Officer of Health

PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF

Medical Officer of Health:

K.J. ADAMS, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H. (Univ. Lond.).

Senior Public Health Inspector:

G.E. WILLIAMS, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I., (Also Surveyor and Water Engineer).

Additional Public Health Inspectors:

V.C.S. ROBEY, M.A.P.H.I. - Resigned 30th September, 1958, owing to ill health.
(Also Deputy Surveyor and Deputy Water Engineer).

A.A. WHITING, A.I.A.S., A.M.I.P.H.E., M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I., M.R.I.P.H.H.,
- Commenced 1st December, 1958.
(Also Deputy Surveyor and Deputy Water Engineer).

D.W.E. JESSETT

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area in Acres	63,491
Population (Registrar General's Estimate)	15,860
Number of Inhabited Houses	3,999
Rateable Value as at 1st April, 1958	£111,207
Product of 1d. rate	£450:12:9d.

VITAL STATISTICS

Birth and Death Rates Compared with other Areas (Births and Deaths per 1,000 population)

	<u>Birth Rate</u>	<u>Death Rate</u>
Devizes Rural District	18.94	7.14
England and Wales	16.4	11.7
Wiltshire	18.67	10.45
Devizes Borough	14.71	6.28

In calculating Birth and Death Rates, area comparability factors are issued by the Registrar General to "correct" irregularities in the age and sex structure of the population, and also to take into account any high mortality due to the presence of residential institutions.

Births and Infantile Deaths

	<u>Legitimate</u>		<u>Illegitimate</u>		<u>Total</u>
	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	
Live Births	116	102	2	1	221
Still Births	5	4	-	-	9
Deaths under 1 year	1	2	-	-	3
Deaths under 4 weeks	1	2	-	-	3

Infantile Mortality

The infantile mortality rate is the number of deaths in infants under one year of age per 1,000 registered live births. There were three deaths among infants under one year of age to 221 live births in the area. This is too small a figure to calculate an accurate infantile mortality rate but it compares very favourably with the national rate of 22.5 deaths in infants under one year of age per thousand live births, and the Wiltshire rate of 22.57.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area in Acres .. 6,134
 Population (Census Bureau, 1930) .. 12,500
 Number of Licensed Drivers .. 2,100
 Infants born in 1930 .. 211,200
 Deaths in 1930 .. 1,200

Infant Mortality

Deaths and Births Compared with Other Areas
 (Deaths per 1,000 Live Births)

Area	Deaths per 1,000 Live Births
United States	20.0
North Carolina	18.0
South Carolina	15.0
Georgia	12.0
Florida	10.0

The following table shows the number of deaths and live births in the State of North Carolina for the year 1930. The number of deaths is shown in the first column, and the number of live births is shown in the second column. The total number of deaths is 1,200, and the total number of live births is 211,200.

Deaths and Live Births

Area	Deaths		Live Births	
	Number	Rate per 1,000	Number	Rate per 1,000
United States	1,200	20.0	211,200	100.0
North Carolina	1,000	18.0	190,000	100.0
South Carolina	800	15.0	150,000	100.0
Georgia	600	12.0	120,000	100.0
Florida	400	10.0	100,000	100.0

Infant Mortality

The infant mortality rate is the number of deaths of infants under one year of age per 1,000 live births. In the year 1930, the infant mortality rate in the State of North Carolina was 18.0 per 1,000 live births. This is lower than the national rate of 20.0 per 1,000 live births, and is also lower than the rates in South Carolina (15.0), Georgia (12.0), and Florida (10.0).

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

There were no deaths from notifiable infectious diseases during the year. The number of cases notified were:-

Measles	242
Scarlet Fever	26
Dysentery.	11
Tuberculosis	6

Diphtheria

No cases of this disease occurred. The following children were immunised for the first time:-

	<u>1957</u>	<u>1958</u>
Aged less than one year	129	114
Aged one to four years	45	30
Aged five to nine years	24	7

The following number of children received boosting injections:-

	<u>1957</u>	<u>1958</u>
Aged one to four years	12	42
Aged five to nine years	123	110
Aged ten to fourteen years	18	8

Diphtheria is still with us, for example, 25 cases were notified in England and Wales in one week in October. Seven of these occurred in Essex where an outbreak began in a class of 35 children in an infants school. Experience shows that in schools where immunisation rates are low, diphtheria, once introduced, will spread rapidly.

Whooping Cough

No cases of Whooping Cough were notified. The Wiltshire County Council and family doctors offer a combined Diphtheria and Whooping Cough vaccine which is 80% effective in preventing the disease. This vaccine is improved greatly since its first introduction. It is well worth using, because the disease is not easily controlled by antibiotics and is very infectious for young children. The following number of children were vaccinated against Whooping Cough for the first time:-

	<u>1957</u>	<u>1958</u>
Aged less than one year	122	112
Aged one to four years	39	26

REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE DISEASE

There were no deaths from this disease during the year. The number of cases notified were:-

1911	1910	1909	1908	1907	1906	1905	1904	1903	1902	1901	1900	1899	1898	1897	1896	1895	1894	1893	1892	1891	1890	1889	1888	1887	1886	1885	1884	1883	1882	1881	1880	1879	1878	1877	1876	1875	1874	1873	1872	1871	1870	1869	1868	1867	1866	1865	1864	1863	1862	1861	1860	1859	1858	1857	1856	1855	1854	1853	1852	1851	1850	1849	1848	1847	1846	1845	1844	1843	1842	1841	1840	1839	1838	1837	1836	1835	1834	1833	1832	1831	1830	1829	1828	1827	1826	1825	1824	1823	1822	1821	1820	1819	1818	1817	1816	1815	1814	1813	1812	1811	1810	1809	1808	1807	1806	1805	1804	1803	1802	1801	1800	1799	1798	1797	1796	1795	1794	1793	1792	1791	1790	1789	1788	1787	1786	1785	1784	1783	1782	1781	1780	1779	1778	1777	1776	1775	1774	1773	1772	1771	1770	1769	1768	1767	1766	1765	1764	1763	1762	1761	1760	1759	1758	1757	1756	1755	1754	1753	1752	1751	1750	1749	1748	1747	1746	1745	1744	1743	1742	1741	1740	1739	1738	1737	1736	1735	1734	1733	1732	1731	1730	1729	1728	1727	1726	1725	1724	1723	1722	1721	1720	1719	1718	1717	1716	1715	1714	1713	1712	1711	1710	1709	1708	1707	1706	1705	1704	1703	1702	1701	1700	1699	1698	1697	1696	1695	1694	1693	1692	1691	1690	1689	1688	1687	1686	1685	1684	1683	1682	1681	1680	1679	1678	1677	1676	1675	1674	1673	1672	1671	1670	1669	1668	1667	1666	1665	1664	1663	1662	1661	1660	1659	1658	1657	1656	1655	1654	1653	1652	1651	1650	1649	1648	1647	1646	1645	1644	1643	1642	1641	1640	1639	1638	1637	1636	1635	1634	1633	1632	1631	1630	1629	1628	1627	1626	1625	1624	1623	1622	1621	1620	1619	1618	1617	1616	1615	1614	1613	1612	1611	1610	1609	1608	1607	1606	1605	1604	1603	1602	1601	1600	1599	1598	1597	1596	1595	1594	1593	1592	1591	1590	1589	1588	1587	1586	1585	1584	1583	1582	1581	1580	1579	1578	1577	1576	1575	1574	1573	1572	1571	1570	1569	1568	1567	1566	1565	1564	1563	1562	1561	1560	1559	1558	1557	1556	1555	1554	1553	1552	1551	1550	1549	1548	1547	1546	1545	1544	1543	1542	1541	1540	1539	1538	1537	1536	1535	1534	1533	1532	1531	1530	1529	1528	1527	1526	1525	1524	1523	1522	1521	1520	1519	1518	1517	1516	1515	1514	1513	1512	1511	1510	1509	1508	1507	1506	1505	1504	1503	1502	1501	1500	1499	1498	1497	1496	1495	1494	1493	1492	1491	1490	1489	1488	1487	1486	1485	1484	1483	1482	1481	1480	1479	1478	1477	1476	1475	1474	1473	1472	1471	1470	1469	1468	1467	1466	1465	1464	1463	1462	1461	1460	1459	1458	1457	1456	1455	1454	1453	1452	1451	1450	1449	1448	1447	1446	1445	1444	1443	1442	1441	1440	1439	1438	1437	1436	1435	1434	1433	1432	1431	1430	1429	1428	1427	1426	1425	1424	1423	1422	1421	1420	1419	1418	1417	1416	1415	1414	1413	1412	1411	1410	1409	1408	1407	1406	1405	1404	1403	1402	1401	1400	1399	1398	1397	1396	1395	1394	1393	1392	1391	1390	1389	1388	1387	1386	1385	1384	1383	1382	1381	1380	1379	1378	1377	1376	1375	1374	1373	1372	1371	1370	1369	1368	1367	1366	1365	1364	1363	1362	1361	1360	1359	1358	1357	1356	1355	1354	1353	1352	1351	1350	1349	1348	1347	1346	1345	1344	1343	1342	1341	1340	1339	1338	1337	1336	1335	1334	1333	1332	1331	1330	1329	1328	1327	1326	1325	1324	1323	1322	1321	1320	1319	1318	1317	1316	1315	1314	1313	1312	1311	1310	1309	1308	1307	1306	1305	1304	1303	1302	1301	1300	1299	1298	1297	1296	1295	1294	1293	1292	1291	1290	1289	1288	1287	1286	1285	1284	1283	1282	1281	1280	1279	1278	1277	1276	1275	1274	1273	1272	1271	1270	1269	1268	1267	1266	1265	1264	1263	1262	1261	1260	1259	1258	1257	1256	1255	1254	1253	1252	1251	1250	1249	1248	1247	1246	1245	1244	1243	1242	1241	1240	1239	1238	1237	1236	1235	1234	1233	1232	1231	1230	1229	1228	1227	1226	1225	1224	1223	1222	1221	1220	1219	1218	1217	1216	1215	1214	1213	1212	1211	1210	1209	1208	1207	1206	1205	1204	1203	1202	1201	1200	1199	1198	1197	1196	1195	1194	1193	1192	1191	1190	1189	1188	1187	1186	1185	1184	1183	1182	1181	1180	1179	1178	1177	1176	1175	1174	1173	1172	1171	1170	1169	1168	1167	1166	1165	1164	1163	1162	1161	1160	1159	1158	1157	1156	1155	1154	1153	1152	1151	1150	1149	1148	1147	1146	1145	1144	1143	1142	1141	1140	1139	1138	1137	1136	1135	1134	1133	1132	1131	1130	1129	1128	1127	1126	1125	1124	1123	1122	1121	1120	1119	1118	1117	1116	1115	1114	1113	1112	1111	1110	1109	1108	1107	1106	1105	1104	1103	1102	1101	1100	1099	1098	1097	1096	1095	1094	1093	1092	1091	1090	1089	1088	1087	1086	1085	1084	1083	1082	1081	1080	1079	1078	1077	1076	1075	1074	1073	1072	1071	1070	1069	1068	1067	1066	1065	1064	1063	1062	1061	1060	1059	1058	1057	1056	1055	1054	1053	1052	1051	1050	1049	1048	1047	1046	1045	1044	1043	1042	1041	1040	1039	1038	1037	1036	1035	1034	1033	1032	1031	1030	1029	1028	1027	1026	1025	1024	1023	1022	1021	1020	1019	1018	1017	1016	1015	1014	1013	1012	1011	1010	1009	1008	1007	1006	1005	1004	1003	1002	1001	1000	999	998	997	996	995	994	993	992	991	990	989	988	987	986	985	984	983	982	981	980	979	978	977	976	975	974	973	972	971	970	969	968	967	966	965	964	963	962	961	960	959	958	957	956	955	954	953	952	951	950	949	948	947	946	945	944	943	942	941	940	939	938	937	936	935	934	933	932	931	930	929	928	927	926	925	924	923	922	921	920	919	918	917	916	915	914	913	912	911	910	909	908	907	906	905	904	903	902	901	900	899	898	897	896	895	894	893	892	891	890	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Smallpox Vaccination during 1958

Age Group	Under 1	1	2 - 4	5-14	15 or over
Vaccination	113	3	5	12	5
Re-vaccination	-	1	-	15	23

Tuberculosis

Six notifications of this disease were received during the year. Several authorities are co-operating to control this distressing disease. The area was declared a Tuberculosis eradication area for cattle on 1st March, 1958, and only Tuberculin Tested and Pasteurised Milk may be sold. This milk is sampled regularly.

The Letting Committee are well aware of bad housing and overcrowding as a means of spreading the infection.

If their parents consent, the County Council vaccinate 13 year old children with B.C.G. vaccine. This is being done by most school health authorities on the assumption that the older school child will probably come into contact with Tuberculosis during the five years after leaving school. The measure is a popular one but has not received the publicity it deserves. The vaccination procedure is quick and simple and may prevent years of unhappiness.

Poliomyelitis

No cases of this disease were notified. Vaccination continued during the year. Some children were offered third doses and the upper age limit for registration for vaccination was extended to 25 years. The national incidence of poliomyelitis in 1958 was lower than expected so that it is to be hoped the vaccination campaign is already proving its worth.

Head Lice

This is not a notifiable disease but is found all too commonly in a small proportion of Devizes school children. I hasten to add that this matter is not peculiar to Devizes as the National figure for 1957 is 4%. Despite regular inspections it seems difficult to eradicate this insect.

If confidential advice is needed, the School Nurses are easily contacted by telephone and it behoves mothers to look regularly at their children's hair as the condition is now easily controlled by D.D.T. preparations.

Age Group	Under 1	1-4	5-14	15 or over
Vaccination	115	5	12	3
Re-vaccination	7	1	12	23

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Brucellosis

This disease was made notifiable for a period of three years from the 1st December, 1958. This step was taken because of difficulty in isolating the causative bacteria from routine milk samples - the notification of an actual case being contributory evidence to the possible infection of a milk supply. For the last three years strenuous efforts by the Public Health Inspectors and co-operation from the farmers have brought about a position where all known cows producing infected milk have been withdrawn from local herds. This situation has necessitated individual sampling and sometimes quarter sampling of the suspect animals.

I am pleased to say that no cases of Brucellosis or Undulant Fever have so far been notified.

Measles

An epidemic of Measles began in July and in Devizes spread rapidly through August, despite schools being closed for the summer holidays. The number of notifications continued to be well above average to the end of the year.

CAUSES OF DEATH

Before the coming of antibiotics and modern understanding of the spread of infection, death frequently came in violent epidemics and drew attention to itself by force of numbers and lack of respect for age or class. Now-a-days death comes in more subtle ways and public attention has to be focused upon it by some artificial means.

Road Accidents

In Great Britain an average of 15 people die every day and 750 are injured as a result of road traffic accidents yet much enforceable legislation could be made to control this "epidemic".

In 1958, 717 children under the age of 15 years were killed in Road Accidents in Great Britain and 49,146 were injured. This is an increase since 1957 of 88 deaths and over 4,000 injuries. Road Accidents are one of our biggest public health problems. It has been suggested that public complacency about road accidents is in itself a phenomenon which deserves study, but the answer lies partly in the National Health Service - a service which repairs broken bodies free of immediate charge. If called upon to provide payment for medical services, the cost of insurance premiums for motor vehicles would have to be greatly increased.

Deaths by Social Class

Until the 1951 Census, mortality increased with the descending order of social class. This is not now so. Certain diseases increase in incidence the higher up the social scale, among these are coronary disease, suicide and brain haemorrhage.

Coronary Disease

Coronary disease is one of the principal sources of ill-health and premature death in middle-age. It has a rising incidence and accounted for 27 deaths in your area. This disease is associated with physical inactivity. It is more common among the professional and executive classes but also occurs among those having a sedentary occupation. These persons should make a point of taking moderate exercise, such as walking to work.

Lung Cancer

Five deaths were caused by Cancer of the Lung in this area during the year. Education about the association between lung cancer and smoking is of little value as most persons, except school children, are well aware of it. The difficulty is in accepting that smoking is merely one of many carcinogenic stimuli in everyday life and the summation of these may cause cancer in a susceptible individual. If you are a susceptible, smoking may be merely "the last straw which breaks the camel's back."

SUMMARY OF DEATHS

								<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Cancer:	Stomach	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
	LUNG	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1
	Uterus	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	1
	Blood	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	-
	Other	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	10
Heart:	CORONARY DISEASE	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	8
	High Blood Pressure	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	1
	BRAIN HAEMORRHAGE	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	16
	Other	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	26
Other Circulatory Disease	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	5
Respiratory Disease:	Influenza	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	-
	Pneumonia	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
	Bronchitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	-
Diabetes	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	2
Duodenal and Gastric Ulcer	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Nephritis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	1
Enlarged prostate	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	-
MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	-
Other Accidents	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	-
Suicide	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	-
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	28
Total								90	102

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT 1948, SECTION 47
NATIONAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

Many visits were made to old persons living alone but in no case was it necessary to use Statutory powers to enforce their removal to hospital.

RADIATION HAZARD AND THE PUBLIC HEALTH

Radiation hazard is today a topical subject. If small amounts of accidental fall out radiation were to occur a warning system to the Council through the police is arranged. Faced with such a situation it would be necessary to find whether the increased background radiation creates a health hazard and whether the fall out is likely to be concentrated on any particular tract of land or in any food (including milk and crops) or in any organ of the body. At Windscale where accidental release of radioiodine took place, and in the Borough of Wishaw where children gained access to luminous paint, the local police and the Health Departments were immediately involved.

The Medical Officer of Health must keep himself informed of anything in his district which may impair community health. This precept is difficult to adhere to in the case of Radiation Hazard, as the monitoring of natural and fall out radiation in the Rural District is barely a practical proposition for this Health Department. One reason for this is that the apparatus is so costly. Routine monitoring is at present done by the Atomic Energy Research Establishment, but if the public when in trouble turn to their local health departments there is a case for the larger local authorities to be prepared to undertake this work. There is also much to be said for the registration of industrial users of radioisotopes with local authorities.

In stencilling and binding this report Miss Bridget Cox, my clerk, has overcome the delaying effects of a printing strike and has produced for the sum of approximately £5:10:0d., an article which formerly cost £29:17:6d. It gives me pleasure to acknowledge her assistance and skill.

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REPORT OF THE SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR 1958

To the Chairman and Members of the Devizes Rural District Council.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit my Report for the Year 1958.

The Council can take a justifiable pride in the fact that it has over the last few years come right in the top rank of progressive rural authorities in Wiltshire and indeed in a wider sphere, so far as the provision of piped water supply and sewerage schemes is concerned.

It is a matter of regret that the improvements to provide modern facilities in the Council's pre-War houses is a half-hearted effort, and in my opinion it will be necessary within a short time to carry out further improvements to these houses in order to bring them into line with the generally accepted standards of today.

The Council have adopted a generous and progressive policy in regard to the administration of the Discretionary Improvement Grant Scheme, although the number of schemes carried out during the year was not nearly as high as it might have been had there been sufficient staff to cope with the work. The improvement of twenty houses makes but a slight impression where the number of houses which could be improved runs into hundreds. The schemes carried out were thorough and sound and mean that at least a few more people have the inestimable boon of a convenient and healthy dwelling, a prerequisite of a happy and successful family life, a basic essential for a civilised society.

The Department worked under a heavy handicap during the year owing to prolonged illness amongst the staff. My Deputy, Mr. V.C.S. Robey, retired after an illness extending over two years and long absences from duty. Mr. Robey gave loyal and excellent service over a period of nine years. Many people have spoken to me of his helpfulness and painstaking co-operation in assisting them with difficulties which are connected with our housing and other activities. Records meticulously compiled by him will serve the Department well for many years to come.

Also the long and continuing illness suffered by your Foreman and some illness amongst the Clerical Staff threw a great deal of extra work on a Department already understaffed; this was not without repercussions and the irritability and harassment which follows when too few people have to cope with too much work.

It was my intention in this Report to give a comprehensive review of the whole of your water schemes now that they have been in operation for a complete year. Such reviews are necessary periodically, in order that the Council may arrive at an informed appraisal as to the correctness or otherwise of their policies and so that future policy - in so far as it lies in their hands - may be considered. In Water Supply as in all Public Utilities, it is necessary to think at least ten years ahead. To proceed on a hand to mouth basis is to

REPORT OF THE SENATOR PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE, 1955

To the Chairman and Members of the Senate Public Health Committee.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit to you this report for the year 1955.

The Committee has been a fortunate one in the past few years. The health law passed in the year 1950 has been a landmark in the history of public health in this State. It has provided a basis for the development of a comprehensive public health system. It has also provided a basis for the development of a comprehensive public health system. It has also provided a basis for the development of a comprehensive public health system.

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court trouble, and public censure, when calamities overtake. It might be possible to tackle such a review during 1960 unless in the meanwhile the mooted Water Board has materialised.

I should like to take this opportunity of thanking your Medical Officer of Health for his guidance and advice on several matters, and all members of the excellent staff of the Department for the efficient and patient way in which they have carried out their duties under trying circumstances.

I am,
Your obedient servant,

G.E. WILLIAMS

Senior Public Health Inspector.

HOUSING

Slum Clearance

Very slow progress was made in regard to the demolition of properties under the Council's Five Year Slum Clearance programme. This was due to the reluctance of the Council to rehouse occupants from properties which have been intended for demolition in many cases for as long as 20 years.

Until this question of rehousing people who are often aged and have very limited means is faced squarely, slum clearance will proceed at a very slow rate. The Government's intentions in these matters have been made clear and were emphasised by the restriction of housing subsidies to dwellings which replace those dealt with under Slum Clearance and to one bedroom bungalows.

The following is a copy of a return made to the County Medical Officer of Health respecting housing matters and shows, amongst other things, the progress made in regard to slum clearance.

1.	Number of permanent dwellings in district at end of year ..	3,999
2.	Number of permanent dwellings in district owned by local authority	871
3.	Number of applications for Council houses at end of year ..	244
4.	Inspection of dwellings during year	
	(i) Inspected for housing defects under Public Health Act	35
	(ii) Inspected for housing defects under Housing Acts	361
	(iii) Number of dwellings so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for habitation . ..	8
	(iv) Number of dwellings found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for habitation	14

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5.	Number of dwellings rendered fit in consequence of informal action	85
6.	Number of dwellings connected to main sewerage in addition to those improved under 5.	111
7.	Action under Statutory Powers	
A.	Proceedings under sections 9, 10, 12 Housing Act, 1957.	
(i)	Number of dwellings where notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	Nil
(ii)	Number of dwellings rendered fit after service of formal notices	
(a)	By owners	Nil
(b)	By local authority in default of owners	Nil
B.	Proceedings under Public Health Acts	
(i)	Number of dwellings where formal notices were served	Nil
(ii)	Number of dwellings made fit as result of formal notices	
(a)	By owners	Nil
(b)	By local authority in default of owners	Nil
C.	Proceedings under Section 16, Housing Act, 1957.	
(i)	Number of demolition Orders made	9
(ii)	Number of houses demolished as result of demolition Orders	16
(iii)	Number of undertakings accepted	Nil
(iv)	Number of undertakings completed	Nil
D.	Proceedings under Sections 42,43,46,48, Housing Act, 1957.	
(i)	Number of houses in clearance areas upon which demolition Orders were made	Nil
(ii)	Number of houses demolished as result of demolition Orders	Nil
(iii)	Number of houses in clearance areas which have been retained as temporary accommodation	Nil
E.	Proceedings under Sections 17,18,27, Housing Act, 1957.	
(i)	Number of dwellings where closing Orders were made	4
(ii)	Number of dwellings closed as result of closing Orders or undertakings by owners	2
(iii)	Number of dwellings where closing Orders were cancelled in consequence of premises being made fit	Nil
F.	Proceedings under Section 76, Housing Act, 1957.	
(i)	Number of cases of overcrowding at end of year	Nil
(ii)	Number of cases of overcrowding discovered during year	1
(iii)	Number of cases of overcrowding abated during year	1

Houses erected or converted during year:

1.1.58 to 31.12.58	Houses erected during year		<u>Gained</u> from conversion of large houses into flats or dwellings	<u>Lost</u> from conversion of two or more houses into one
	For slum clearance	For other purposes		
Local Authority	10	45	-	-
Private Enterprise	-	23	5 (including 1 chapel 1 shop)	-

Improvement Grants made under the Housing Acts, 1949-1957

Number of applications and houses dealt with by Local Authority:-

	Received		Approved		Rejected		Under consideration		Withdrawn	
	Aps.	No. of h'ses	Aps.	No. of h'ses	Aps.	No. of h'ses	Aps.	No. of h'ses	Aps.	No. of h'ses
1.1.58 to 31.12.58	14	20	14	20	-	-	-	-	1	1

Number of houses improved during the year as a result of grants 36

	No. of grants made by Local Authority	Cost of grants made	No. of houses completed including new houses brought into use by conversion
1.1.58 to 31.12.58	19	£6,835	36 (inc. 34 approved in 1957 and 1 approved in 1956)

Number of applications in respect of owner occupiers	6
Average cost per dwelling approved	£1,070:5:0d.
Average Weekly Rent fixed	-
Average amount of grant payable by Local Authority	33.6%

No. of pupils	No. of teachers	No. of schools	No. of classes	No. of pupils per teacher	No. of pupils per school	No. of pupils per class
100	10	10	10	10	10	10
200	20	20	20	20	20	20
300	30	30	30	30	30	30
400	40	40	40	40	40	40
500	50	50	50	50	50	50
600	60	60	60	60	60	60
700	70	70	70	70	70	70
800	80	80	80	80	80	80
900	90	90	90	90	90	90
1000	100	100	100	100	100	100

Summary of the results of the various studies

The following table shows the results of the various studies conducted during the year 1910-1911.

No. of pupils	No. of teachers	No. of schools	No. of classes	No. of pupils per teacher	No. of pupils per school	No. of pupils per class
100	10	10	10	10	10	10
200	20	20	20	20	20	20
300	30	30	30	30	30	30
400	40	40	40	40	40	40
500	50	50	50	50	50	50
600	60	60	60	60	60	60
700	70	70	70	70	70	70
800	80	80	80	80	80	80
900	90	90	90	90	90	90
1000	100	100	100	100	100	100

The following table shows the results of the various studies conducted during the year 1911-1912.

No. of pupils	No. of teachers	No. of schools	No. of classes	No. of pupils per teacher	No. of pupils per school	No. of pupils per class
100	10	10	10	10	10	10
200	20	20	20	20	20	20
300	30	30	30	30	30	30
400	40	40	40	40	40	40
500	50	50	50	50	50	50
600	60	60	60	60	60	60
700	70	70	70	70	70	70
800	80	80	80	80	80	80
900	90	90	90	90	90	90
1000	100	100	100	100	100	100

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WATER SUPPLY

Having regard to the size of the area, the low density of the population (approximately 0.25 persons per acre), the water supply coverage, with the exception of two matters referred to later, is remarkably good. A public piped water supply is at present available to approximately 97 per cent of the population.

The inadequacy of the source at Great Cheverell has for many years been a source of misgiving to those responsible for the day-to-day administration of the supply. Measures were initiated over 8 years ago to augment this source and the fact that a period of about 4 to 5 years has been taken up in trying to negotiate with the War Department for a new source costing only £7,000 caused much exasperation and frustration.

Tied to the acquisition of this War Department source is the provision of a public water supply to those parts of the Parish of West Lavington which are not already provided.

TABLE I

The amount of water supplied in 1958 from Great Cheverell, Chirton, Erlestoke, Devizes Borough and Calne and Chippenham R.D.C. Sources, expressed in thousands of Gallons per month:-

1958	Great Chev'll	Fair-way	Nur-steed	North Eastn.	North Westn.	South Eastn.	Erle-stoke	Round-way	Round-way Park	Total
Jan.	2,899	90	4	726	3,590	2,022	129	22	-	9,482
Feb.	2,733	82	5	634	3,655	1,950	194	19	-	9,272
Mar.	2,908	93	6	842	3,964	2,349	240	23	-	10,425
Apl.	2,819	93	7	772	3,803	2,286	258	22	-	10,060
May	2,951	93	7	826	3,785	2,302	255	18	-	10,237
June	3,102	94	1	834	3,838	2,376	280	21	-	10,546
July	3,088	105	7	702	4,161	2,328	179	23	-	10,593
Aug.	3,014	101	8	769	3,976	2,134	126	28	6	10,162
Sep.	3,008	113	5	574	3,736	2,299	112	22	14	9,883
Oct.	3,077	107	6	738	3,869	2,533	138	20	20	10,508
Nov.	2,851	105	4	754	3,893	2,511	133	22	32	10,305
Dec.	3,005	101	3	723	3,959	2,670	140	19	67	10,687
	35,455	1,177	63	8,894	46,229	27,760	2,184	259	139	122,160

	<u>1958</u>	<u>1957</u>
Daily average consumption	334,682	289,482

The statistics overleaf show an increased consumption during 1958 of 16,499,000 gallons compared with 1957. This is a rise of 15.61%.

	<u>1958</u>		<u>1957</u>	
Supplied from Great Cheverell Borehole	35,455,000	(29.02%)	29,800,000	(28.20%)
Supplied from Chirton Borehole	27,760,000	(22.73%)	17,486,000	(16.55%)
Supplied from Erlestoke Village Source	2,184,000	(1.79%)	1,979,000	(1.88%)
Supplied from Devizes Borough				
(a) North Eastern Scheme	8,894,000	(7.28%)	6,339,000	(6.00%)
(b) Other Schemes	1,638,000	(1.34%)	9,112,000	(8.62%)
Supplied from Calne and Chippenham	46,229,000	(37.84%)	40,945,000	(38.75%)
	<u>122,160,000</u>		<u>105,661,000</u>	

TABLE II

Results of Bacteriological Examination of Public Water Supplies after Chlorination.

Date	Result
<u>SOUTH EASTERN SCHEME</u>	
10/2/58	Satisfactory
13/5/58	Satisfactory
13/8/58	Fair
4/9/58	Fair
13/9/58	Satisfactory
29/10/58	Satisfactory
16/12/58	Satisfactory
<u>NORTH EASTERN SCHEME</u>	
13/8/58	Fair
4/9/58	Satisfactory
16/12/58	Unsatisfactory
24/12/58	Unsatisfactory
29/12/58	Satisfactory
<u>NORTH WESTERN SCHEME</u>	
13/5/58	Satisfactory
13/8/58	Fair
4/9/58	Satisfactory
26/11/58	Satisfactory
27/11/58	Satisfactory
16/12/58	Satisfactory

Date	Result
<u>GREAT CHEVERELL SCHEME</u>	
13/5/58	Satisfactory
13/8/58	Fair
4/9/58	Unsatisfactory
9/9/58	Fair
10/9/58	Satisfactory
28/10/58	Satisfactory
26/11/58	Satisfactory
24/12/58	Satisfactory
30/12/58	Satisfactory
<u>ERLESTOKE VILLAGE SCHEME</u>	
30/12/58	Satisfactory

It is very difficult to account for some pollution experienced in the Council's sources in August and early September. This was a period of heavy rainfall and that could be a contributory cause. On the other hand shortage of water-works personnel, owing to illnesses etc. made it difficult to give sufficient attention to flushing the mains and other precautionary measures.

TABLE III

Water Consumption Statistics

1. Total number of premises supplied	3,224
2. Estimated population supplied	10,234
3. Total number of metered connections	592
4. Total number of domestic connections	2,606
5. Total number of other connections, e.g. Halls, etc.	26
6. Total overall consumption	122,160,000 glns.
7. Estimated total metered consumption	48,864,000 glns.
8. Estimated total domestic consumption	81,420,900 glns.
9. Estimated average domestic consumption per head of population per diem	21.25 glns.
10. Estimated average overall consumption per head of population per diem	32.70 glns.

It should be noted that Nos. 7 - 10 above are estimated figures. It is not possible to give precise figures, as the water which is recorded by most service meters, e.g. farms, is used for both domestic and non-domestic purposes. Again, an estimate of the population is used in arriving at the above figures as a physical count is not practicable. Notwithstanding these assumptions the figures may be taken as reasonably reliable.

The domestic consumption per head of population per day, viz. 21.25 gallons, shows an increase of approximately 5.66% over the figure for 1957.

Month	Date
February March April May June July August September October November December	1/1/50 1/15/50 2/1/50 2/15/50 2/28/50 3/1/50 3/15/50 3/28/50 4/1/50 4/15/50 4/30/50

It is very difficult to estimate the total pollution experienced in the country's various regions and early estimates. This was a period of heavy rainfall and there was a corresponding increase in the other hand, however, it was not unusual, being as it was, to have a relatively low level of pollution during the winter and other periods of low rainfall.

TABLE III Total Pollution Statistics

1. Total number of factories operating	1,000	1,000	1,000
2. Estimated population of the country	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000
3. Total number of factories operating	1,000	1,000	1,000
4. Total number of factories operating	1,000	1,000	1,000
5. Total number of factories operating	1,000	1,000	1,000
6. Total number of factories operating	1,000	1,000	1,000
7. Total number of factories operating	1,000	1,000	1,000
8. Total number of factories operating	1,000	1,000	1,000
9. Total number of factories operating	1,000	1,000	1,000
10. Total number of factories operating	1,000	1,000	1,000
11. Total number of factories operating	1,000	1,000	1,000
12. Total number of factories operating	1,000	1,000	1,000

It should be noted that the 1 - 10 above are estimated figures. It is not possible to give exact figures as the water which is used for most of the country's needs is not for domestic and non-domestic purposes. It is, however, estimated as used in the water figures as a general guide to the country's needs. The figures are not intended to be exact but are merely estimates.

The figures are estimated per day of operation per day. It is estimated that an average of approximately 1,000,000 gallons of water is used per day.

The corresponding figures for recent years are:-

1954	22.45 g.p.d.
1955	21.62 "
1956	22.44 "
1957	20.11 "

General Statistics

The Council's Water Undertaking comprises the following:-

Main Sources

Chirton	Two boreholes	One 10,000 gallons per hour One 8,000 gallons per hour
Great Cheverell	Three boreholes	One 3,000 gallons per hour Two 2,000 gallons per hour
Erlestoke Village Supply	Spring	20,000 gallons per day
Bulk Supply from Chippenham Borough Council boreholes via. Calne and Chippenham R.D.C. mains - maximum		180,000 gallons per day
Bulk Supply from Devizes Borough boreholes at Bourton - maximum		82,000 gallons per day
Also small bulk supplies at The Fairway, Nursteed and Roundway.		

Reservoirs

There are six reservoirs, having a total capacity of 625,000 gallons.

Water Mains

There are 81.41 miles of water main.

SEWERAGE

Progress on the provision of village sewerage schemes has continued during the year. The position at the end of the year was as follows:-

Easterton, Market Lavington and West Lavington

The Scheme for Easterton and Market Lavington was in operation during the year but the majority of West Lavington is still without a sewerage system. This was due to the restriction on capital expenditure which obtained when this scheme was under consideration. It is hoped that work on the West Lavington Scheme will commence during 1959.

Stanton St. Bernard and Wedhampton

Progress on these schemes has been slow. Work commenced in November, 1957

The following table shows the results of the survey.

TABLE I
RESULTS OF THE SURVEY

General Information

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Table I

Results of the Survey

Category	Percentage
Category 1	10.00
Category 2	20.00
Category 3	30.00
Category 4	40.00
Category 5	50.00
Category 6	60.00
Category 7	70.00
Category 8	80.00
Category 9	90.00
Category 10	100.00

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but neither was complete at the end of 1958. It is expected that they will be finished in the early months of 1959.

Urchfont

Work commenced in January and it is anticipated that the scheme will be in operation in the first months of 1959.

Seend

Work should commence in 1959 on this scheme. Progress has been held up by the "credit squeeze".

Etchilhampton

Tenders have been invited and work should start in 1959.

Bromham

The Minister of Housing and Local Government has approved the Scheme in principle but work has not yet commenced.

Great Cheverell and Little Cheverell

A scheme for these parishes has been approved by the Council and submitted to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government and to the Wiltshire County Council.

Poulshot, Worton and Marston

The Council's Consulting Engineers have been instructed to proceed with the preparation of a scheme for these parishes.

FOOD INSPECTION

Slaughterhouses

There are three licensed slaughterhouses, one of which has during the year almost fallen into complete disuse, and it is not anticipated that an application for renewal will be made next year. The other two slaughterhouses are in regular use two or three times a week. The occupiers have carried out minor improvements and in some instances, installed new equipment.

The introduction of the Slaughterhouses Act, 1958, together with the Slaughter of Animals (Prevention of Cruelty) Regulations 1958, and the Slaughterhouse (Hygiene) Regulations 1958, are designed to provide adequate slaughtering facilities in each district and aid in production of uncontaminated, wholesome food and to minimise cruelty to animals awaiting and being slaughtered. Only certain matters contained in this legislation came into force on 1st January 1958, others are not applicable until 1960 and later. Every Council, during 1959/60, must carry out a review of their existing slaughterhouses and future

requirements and after consultations with other interested bodies, submit a report to the Minister. This review and report will entail considerable work on the Public Health Department Staff.

All carcasses have been inspected and except for emergency slaughtering and seasonal killings, the inspections have been carried out during normal office hours. The percentage of animals affected with tuberculosis has been gradually falling during the past three years and with the total eradication scheme now in force, condemnations for tuberculosis in cattle should in future, be negligible. Twenty to thirty years ago a high percentage of meat inspected was condemned because of the prevalence of tuberculosis in cattle and pigs; a wonderful revolution has taken place here.

Meat Inspection

The number of carcasses inspected and condemned was as follows:-

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed and inspected	624	192	83	745	1,804
<u>ALL DISEASES EXCEPT TUBERCULOSIS AND CYSTICERCOSIS</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	4	-	6
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	9	8	-	-	4
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis or Cysticerci	1.44%	4.17%	4.82%	-	0.51%
<u>TUBERCULOSIS</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	4	9	-	-	12
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	0.64%	4.69%	-	-	0.66%
<u>CYSTICERCOSIS</u>					
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-
Generally and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-

Disposal of Condemned Food

All condemned meat at the Slaughterhouses is first stained and then removed by a hide and skin company to Bristol for manufacture into fertilisers.

Food Premises

Food premises have received as much attention as possible during the year.

A number of premises carried out relatively costly improvement schemes as a result of advice and encouragement from your officers. The continued installation of refrigerators for the storage of meat, meat products and fats, and the provision of deep freeze cabinets, are to be highly commended.

Three premises are registered for the manufacture of sausages under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955.

Number and types of Food Premises

General Retail Food Shops	Licensed Premises	Butchers' Shops	Bake- houses	Fried Fish Shops	Hospitals, Schools, Institutions	Cafes
50	42	7	6	2	26	2

ICE-CREAM

The number of premises registered for the sale of ice-cream is now 33 and there is every indication that there will be a continued rise in numbers during the coming year.

Most of the villages now have at least one ice-cream retailer in addition to mobile vans. The following are the results of ice-cream samples taken during the year:-

PROVISIONAL GRADES OF CLEANLINESS

	I	II	.III	.IV	Total
Manufacture A	7	3	1	-	11
Manufacture B	6	2	2	-	10
Manufacture C	5	2	2	1	10
Manufacture D	3	1	-	-	4
	21	8	5	1	35

(Also three samples of ice lollies were taken, the Ph value was satisfactory).

The results of these samples show that heat treatment has been properly carried out and that adequate hygiene precautions in handling and storage have been taken.

All specimens sent to the Smithsonian Institution in 1933 and 1934 were received by a ship and this company is listed for reference in the following.

Food Products

Food products have received no such attention as possible during the year. A number of products entered and relatively easily improved changes as a result of action and management from year to year. The companies manufacturing of products for the purpose of food, feed products and feed, and the production of food products, are to be highly commended.

These products are registered for the manufacture of products under license to the Food and Drug Act, 1934.

Food and Drug Act, 1934

General Food Products	Processed Products	Butter Products	Milk- Products	Food Products	Food Products	Food Products
20	40	7	6	2	10	2

THE DATA

The number of products registered for the year 1934 is now 14 and there is only one product that there will be a considerable time in which the product will be.

There are no other products that have no other products that are in the same class. The following are the results of the other products that are in the same class.

PRODUCTS OF THE YEAR

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20

(Also other products of the year 1934, the 20 value was 1934.)
The results of these products were that food products and feed products were the most important products in the year 1934 and 1935.

MILK SUPPLIES

The Milk (Special Designations)(Specified Areas) Order 1957, has caused the number of retailers of milk in the District to be reduced to seven, although a number of dairymen from the surrounding districts distribute in the Devizes R.D.C. area.

Sampling for statutory and biological examination has been carried out and generally the results have proved satisfactory.

Details and results of Sampling			
	Passed	Failed	Total
Methylene Blue Test (for keeping quality) Tuberculin Tested Milk	31	8	39
Phosphatase Test (for efficient pasteurisation)	9	-	9
Biological Test (for presence of Tubercle Bacilli)	31	-	31

Samples submitted for biological examination were also, as a routine measure, examined for the presence of *Brucella abortus* organisms. One producer retailer's milk was found to be so affected, but after a considerable number of further samples the two offending animals were isolated and their milk sent for heat treatment.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

Refuse is collected fortnightly with the exception of the Military Establishments in the area where it is collected twice per week.

Reference has been made in previous reports to complaints from people who find it difficult to carry their bins to the roadside and non-collection from the occupiers of premises which are not adjacent to publicly maintained highways. These complaints are becoming more frequent and the time is approaching when the Council should consider giving a better service than they now do.

A once weekly collection of refuse would be a valuable aid to combatting the increasing warfare which has to be conducted at the refuse tip to prevent fly nuisance. Flies will pupate and breed rapidly in refuse bins containing fermenting and decomposing refuse which may be up to two weeks old. Thus the refuse is often fly infested when it arrives at the tip.

The tractor and various appliances attached thereto has proved to be a most valuable and, indeed, an indispensable tool for the proper disposal of about 70 tons of refuse each week.

There is not the slightest doubt that the control of the tip would have

TABLE I

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Institutions		Admitted		Discharged	
		Total		Total	
Albany State Hospital		100	100	100	100
Brooklyn State Hospital		100	100	100	100
Columbia State Hospital		100	100	100	100
Hudson State Hospital		100	100	100	100
Orange State Hospital		100	100	100	100
Putnam State Hospital		100	100	100	100
Rockland State Hospital		100	100	100	100
Saratoga State Hospital		100	100	100	100
Ulster State Hospital		100	100	100	100
Westchester State Hospital		100	100	100	100
Yonkers State Hospital		100	100	100	100

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got out of hand and led to frightful nuisances without the aid of this appliance, together with the rigorous application of insecticides and the valuable contribution of the rodent operative.

When the purchase of the tractor was under consideration, I advised the Council that some part of the cost would be recovered from refuse salvage which, in turn, helps to ease the problem of disposal. A salvage scheme was commenced in July, 1958, and the value of the salvage collected during the half year was £98:0:0d. At this rate the capital cost of the tractor will be met by revenue obtained from the sale of salvage!

The total cost of collection and disposal of refuse for the year ended 31st March, 1958, was £5,929:8:8d., and the net cost after deducting income received (£1,472:15:0d.) was £4,456:13:8d. The approximate cost of the service per head of the population served was 5s.9d.

The costs of this service are outstandingly low. According to returns obtained by the Minister of Housing and Local Government from 58 R.D.C.'s., the average cost of the service per head of the population for the year 1956/57 was 9s.8½d.

FACTORIES

There are now 51 factories in the district; those which have been inspected have given no cause for complaint, apart from some lack of cleanliness in the matter of sanitary accommodation.

SHOPS

The shops in the district are practically all family concerns, and usually do not employ other persons.

The advent of the sewer to the larger villages enables shopkeepers to improve sanitary accommodation and washing facilities where only primitive means now exist.

RODENT CONTROL

The refuse tip and sewer ditches, etc. of the Council have received systematic attention. The Rodent Operative carried out surveys and necessary treatments in all parishes in an organised programme, which resulted in keeping complaints to a minimum. This very necessary work consequently proceeds in a quiet and unobtrusive manner by your competent Rodent Operative and is materially helping to keep the rat menace in check.

The tabular form of report required annually by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food set out overleaf, shows the amount of work carried out in connection with this duty.

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	Type of Property				
	Non-Agricultural				(5) Agri- cult- ural
	(1) Local Auth- ority	(2) Dwelling Houses (inc. Council Houses)	(3) All Other (inc. business premises)	(4) Total of Cols.(1) (2) & (3)	
I Number of properties in Local Authority's District	7	3,010	244	3,261	845
II Number of properties inspected as result of:					
(a) Notification	1	26	5	32	5
(b) Survey under the Act	7	1,136	52	1,195	75
(c) Otherwise (e.g. when visited primarily for some other purpose) ..	-	-	-	-	-
III Total inspections carried out - includ. re-inspections .	28	3,127	52	3,207	75
IV Number of properties inspected (in Sec.II) which were found to be infested by:					
(a) Rats - Major	3	55	8	66	6
Minor	4	189	2	195	15
(b) Mice - Major	-	4	-	4	-
Minor	-	-	-	-	-
V Number of infested properties (in Sec. IV) treated by the Local Authority	7	248	10	265	21

	Type of Property				
	Non-Agricultural				(5)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	
VI Total treatments carried out - including re-treatments ..	28	248	10	286	21
VII Number of notices served under Sec. 4 of the Act:					
(a) Treatment	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Structural Work (i.e. Proofing)	-	-	-	-	-
VIII Number of cases in which default action was taken following issue of a notice under Sec. 4 of the Act. ..	-	-	-	-	-
IX Legal Proceedings	-	-	-	-	-
X Number of "Block" control schemes carried out ..	30				

MOVEABLE DWELLINGS

Although caravanning is not a problem in this area nevertheless there are twenty individual licences in force.

During the year the owner of Sells Green Caravan Site, which formerly was licensed for 2 or 3 individual caravans, was advised that the licences would not be continued. After much negotiation, he submitted an application for a site licence. A detailed scheme for eight caravans comprising access roads, car park, drainage, W.C.'s, washing blocks, water standpipes, and hardstandings was submitted and approval given for a period of ten years. When the work is completed this should be a tidy site with good facilities and fulfil a local need.

The owner of the Fox and Hounds has also been requested to carry out a number of improvements in relation to W.C. accommodation, water supply and paths.

During the latter half of the year the three caravans stationed at the Olive Branch, Caen Hill, were removed, the occupiers of the site being persuaded

	Type of Property	Non-Agricultural			
		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
VI	Total treatments carried out - including re- treatments ..	28	245	10	285
VII	Number of notices served under Sec. 4 of the Act: (a) Treatment (b) Structural work (c) Prevention	-	-	-	-
VIII	Number of cases in which default notice was taken following issue of a notice under Sec. 4 of the Act ..	-	-	-	-
IX	Legal proceedings	-	-	-	-
X	Number of "sinks" control schemes carried out ..	20			

WATERBURY WILKINS

Although ownership is not a problem in this area nevertheless there are some individual licenses in force.

During the year the owner of Bell's Green Garden Site, which formerly was licensed for 1 or 2 individual systems, was advised that the license would not be continued. After such notification, he submitted an application for a site license. A detailed report for eight systems containing access roads, car parks, drainage, S.C.'s, washing-bins, water supply, and hardstandings was submitted and approval given for a period of ten years. When the work is completed there should be a high state with good facilities and full a local need.

The owner of the Fox and Hounds has also been requested to carry out a number of improvements in relation to W.C., accommodation, water supply and drains.

During the latter half of the year the three systems situated at the Olive Road, Green Hill, were removed, the occupants of the site being removed.

not to permit the future stationing of caravans as the site renders proper drainage facilities impracticable.

DISEASES OF ANIMALS (WASTE FOODS) ORDER, 1957

The Council has now licensed five premises for the boiling of waste foods under the above Order and periodical visits have been made to ensure that all waste foods have been adequately sterilised before being used as animal feed.

COMPLAINTS

Type of Complaint	Number	Remedied	Out- Standing	No Action Necessary
Housing (excluding Council Houses)	1	1	-	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-
Insanitary Houses	12	9	1	2
Sewerage	4	3	-	1
Drainage	14	10	2	2
River Pollution	-	-	-	-
Water	2	1	1	-
Refuse	2	1	-	1
Keeping of Animals	4	2	-	2
Fly Infestation	1	1	-	-
Rodent Infestation	4	4	-	-
Footpaths	2	1	-	1
Miscellaneous	1	1	-	-
Totals	47	34	4	9

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT AND BUILDING BYELAWS

342 applications were submitted for approval, 132 of which required approval under the Town and Country Planning Act. Three applications were rejected under Building Byelaws and twelve plans were rejected under the Town and County Planning Act.

The explanation of the complicated procedures in regard to the submission of plans and applications takes up a great deal of the time of your officers. In many cases applicants were not willing to engage professional assistance from persons who are acquainted with the complexities of the law governing these matters; this means that your Officers have to fulfil the role.

not to permit the future stationing of cars as the side tracks proper
 drainage facilities impracticable.

REPORT OF ANIMALS (WASTE TREATMENT) 1937

The Council has now licensed five premises for the holding of waste food
 under the above Order and periodical visits have been made to ensure that all
 waste food have been adequately sterilized before being used as animal food.

COMPLAINTS

Type of Complaint	Number	Resolved	Out- standing	No Action Necessary
Housing (existing Council houses)	1	1	-	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-
Unsanitary houses	12	9	1	2
Sewerage	4	3	-	1
Drainage	14	10	2	2
River Pollution	-	-	-	-
Water	2	1	1	-
Rubbish	2	1	-	1
Keeping of Animals	4	3	-	1
Fly Infestation	1	1	-	-
Robert Infestation	4	4	-	-
Footpaths	2	1	-	1
Miscellaneous	1	1	-	-
Total	47	31	4	12

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT AND BUILDING BYLAWS

243 applications were submitted for approval, 112 of which required approval
 under the Town and Country Planning Act. These applications were referred under
 Building Bylaws and twelve plans were referred under the Town and Country Planning
 Act.

The explanation of the complicated procedure in regard to the submission
 of plans and applications takes us beyond the limit of this report. In
 many cases applicants were not willing to engage professional assistance from
 persons who are acquainted with the complexities of the law governing these matters.
 This means that their plans have to fail the first time.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS

Housing	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	361
Nuisances	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	100
Drainage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	558
Sewerage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	552
Water Supply	.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	146
Water Samples	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	83
Food Inspection	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	235
Dairies	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
Food Shops	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	97
Milk Sampling	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	95
Refuse	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	106
Bakehouses	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	16
Workshops and Factories		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17
Petroleum Regulations	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12
Council Houses	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Rodent Control	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,464
Town and Country Planning	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	141
Building	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	502
Ice-cream	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	38
Diseases of Animals (Waste Foods) Order	24
Miscellaneous	128
Infectious Disease	140

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