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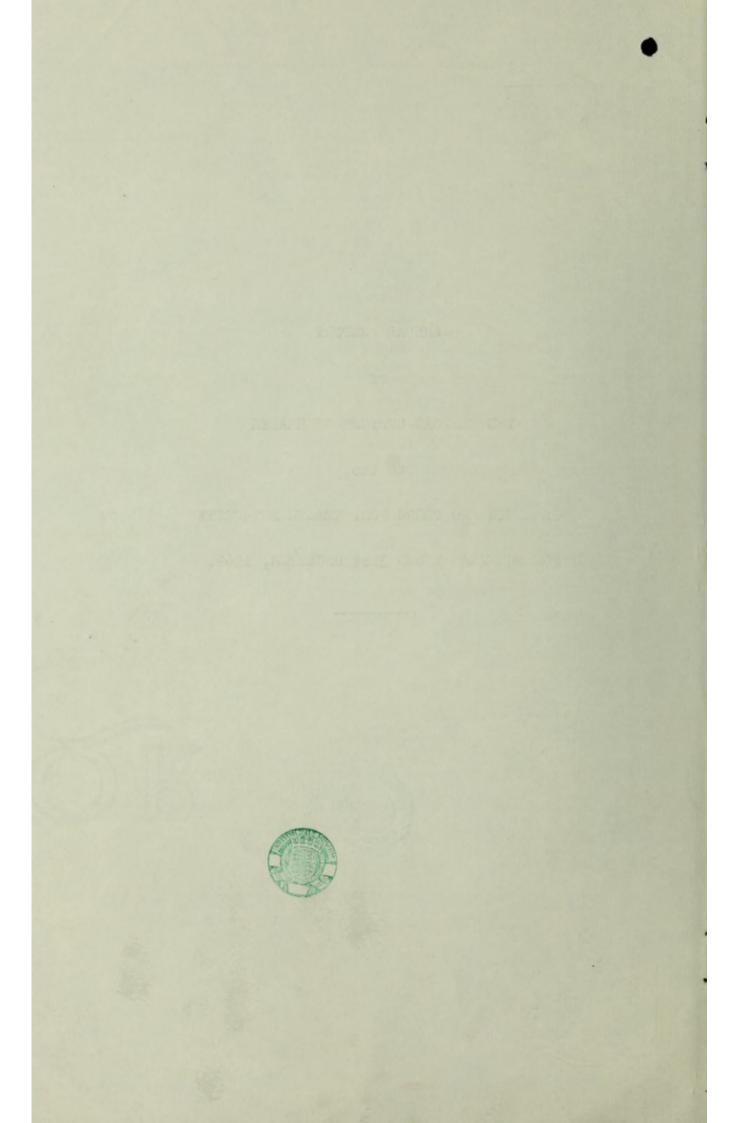
THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

to the

FALMOUTH AND TRURO PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1962.





FALMOUTH AND TRURO PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have great pleasure in presenting once more the Annual Report of your Port Medical Officer of Health for the year ended December 31st, 1962.

This is made in accordance with the regulations of the Ministry of Health which prescribe the requirements of Port Health Medical Officers.

From the Port Medical aspect nothing of a serious nature has occurred. During the year I have for the purpose of attending to sick, and injured, visited 49 vessels - landing for hospital admission 49 cases.

There were six cases of notifiable disease - five of malignant malaria from two ships (one from W.Africa one from Mombasa) and one of pulmonery tuberculosis.

The number of Deratting Certificates and Exemptions totalled 76, 73 being Exemption Certificates.

An average of 21 vessels have been laid up in the River Fal throughout the year and these are periodically inspected. I have had no complaints from your Health Inspector.

There has been very little sickness of a serious nature on the vessels in the Harbour and Docks.

The following details are in tabulated form and represent the work carried out on behalf of this Authority.

May I express my appreciation of the considerable help and co-operation of your Health Inspector, Mr.Jackett, and his appointment to continue in office.

There is a happy co-operative state prevailing in all'
Departments, H.M.Customs, Agents and boatmen to whom I express
my thanks for their continued help and co-operation.

I am,

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen, Your obedient Servant,

A. CECIL DICK

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Port Health Inspector	Deputy Port Medical Officer of Health	Port Medical Officer of Health	Treasurer	Clerk	Nature of Appointment
1 October, 1940.	1 April,1955	2 February, 1945	28 December, 1951.	21 February, 1952.	Date of Appointment
Cert.R.San.I.	M.B.,B.Ch.,	M.R.C.S.Eng. L.R.C.P.Lond.	1	•	Qualifications
	ı		Manager, Lloyds Bank, Falmouth.	Deputy Town Clerk, Falmouth.	Any other appoint- ments held.

Address and telephone number of) the Medical Officer of Health

17 Boscawen Road, Falmouth. Tel.Falmouth 226.

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AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE DISTRICT

Total	Foreign Ports Coastwise	Ships from
746	246	Number
746 2,180,069	981,417 1,198,652	Tonnage
63	14 6t	Number Inspected By the Medical By Officer of Health Heal
567	176 391	By the Port Health Inspector
20	- 2	Number of ships reported as having, or having had during the voyage, infectious disease on board.

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III. CHARACTER OF SHIPPING AND TRADE DURING THE YEAR

TABLE C

Passenger Traffi	Lo	(of passengers INWARDS Nil of passengers OUTWARDS Nil
Cargo Traffic	(Principal	IMPORTS	General cargo, including food produce, coal,
Cargo Trailie	(Principal	EXPORTS	cement, timber, oil and petroleum spirit.

PRINCIPAL PORTS from which ships arrive :
Amsterdam, Antwerp, Curacao, Cherbourg, Dieppe,

Flushing, Gibraltar, Hamburg, Men-a-Ahmadi, Rotterdam,
Rouen.

Approximately 75% of vessels arrive from Scandinavian, Continental and United Kingdom Ports for Dry Docking after discharging cargo abroad.

IV. INLAND BARGE TRAFFIC

There is no Barge traffic in the Port.

V. WATER SUPPLY

No Change.

VI. PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS REGULATIONS)1952

No Change.

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VII. SMALLPOX All cases or suspected cases of smallpox may be sent to Lee Mill Hospital, Near Ivybridge, Devon. Ambulances for the transport of such cases would be supplied by the Cornwall County Council who are also responsible for the vaccinal state of the ambulance crew. The smallpox consultants available are -Dr.D.F.Johnstone, The Scott Isolation Hospital, Plymouth. (Tel.Plymouth 51437 & Home 73896). Dr.W.A.Lister, 10 The Crescent, Plymouth. (Tel. Plymouth 61875 & Home Devonport 51040) Specimens for laboratory diagnosis would be sent to The Central Public Health Laboratory, Colindale Avenue, London, N.W.9. (Tel.Colindale 7041). VIII. VENERBAL DISEASE No Change. - 5 -

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Category	Disease	Number of during the Passengers	year	Number of ships concerned
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports	(Malignant (Tertian Mala- (ria. (Pulmonery T.B.	-	5	2
Cases which have Occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed of before arrival	where - coreta	-	-	-
Cases landed from other ships		-	-	_

X. OBSERVATIONS ON THE OCCURRENCE OF MALARIA IN SHIPS

Five cases of malaria have occurred during the year. Four were from one vessel from Mombasa, one of which proved fatal, and one case was from a vessel 15 days out from Nigeria and Fernando Po.

XI. MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST SHIPS INFECTED WITH OR SUSPECTED FOR PLAQUE

No ships infected with or suspected for plaque have arrived during the past year.

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XII. MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

Procedure for inspection of ships for rats

Vessels are boarded by the Port Health Inspector as soon as possible after arrival, and unless the Masters produce recently issued certificates, inspections are extended to the holds, etc. in order to ascertain the rat population. Where indications of rat infestation are found traps are set and poison baits are laid, and in cases where the deratting certificate has expired and indications of rodent infestation are found, the vessel is ordered to be fumigated.

Arrangements for the Bacteriological or Pathological Examination of Rodents

Arrangements have been made for the bacteriological and pathological examination of rodents at the Royal Infirmary, Pathological Department, Truro.

No rodents have been sent for examination during the year.

Arrangements for deratting ships and methods used

Deratting of ships is normally carried out entirely by fumigation by hydrogen cyanide. The work is carried out by a commercial contractor, Fumigation Services Ltd. of London.

Progress in the rat-proofing of ships

Vessels are found to be largely rat-proof.

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RODENTS DESTROYED DURING THE YEAR IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

Number

Black rats Brown rats Sent for examination	42
Infected with plague	-

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2 (Rodenticide "1080")	22	Other fumigant (State method)	After fumigation with	Number of Deratting Certificates issued
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i	4	ion.	After After poisoning	ed
3	5		Total	- 10
773	6	5000	Exemption Certificates	Number of
76	7	1231	Certificates Issued	Total

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XIII. <u>INSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCES</u> TABLE G

INSPECTION AND NOTICES

Nature and Nu	Nature and Number		Served	Result of
of inspecti	Control of the Contro	Statutory Notices	Other Notices	serving notices
General Inspections	567	Nil	94	All notices complied with.
Re-visits	1,198	Nil	-	-
Total	1,765	Nil	94	-

XIV. PUBLIC HEALTH (SHELL-FISH) REGULTIONS 1934 and 1948

Samples of Oysters were obtained from the main suppliers to the Market, namely :-

Messrs. Helford Oyster Fisheries.

Messrs. H. Johns, Flushing. Messrs. Gunn, Coombe, Truro. Messrs. Baker, Coombe, Truro.

These were examined by the Public Health Pathologist,
Royal Cornwall Infirmary and were pronounced 100% clean and
fit for human consumption. They were also examined for
any radio-active contamination and were found completely free.

XV. MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS

Medical Inspectors of Aliens and Commonwealth Immigrants holding Warrants of Appointment

Dr. Albert Cecil Dick, Port Medical Officer of Health.

Other Staff

None.

Organisation of Work and Nature and Amount of Alien Traffic

Falmouth is an approved Port under the Aliens Order for the landing of aliens but there is little or no aliens traffic

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FALMOUTH AND TRURO PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen, I beg to submit my report for the year 1962. SHIP INSPECTION During the year 567 vessels were inspected and 94 of them were found to have nuisances or defects on board. It was not necessary to serve any statutory notices with regard to these vessels. Verbal and informal notices were given as a result of which all the nuisances and defects were remedied. 1,198 re-visits were made to vessels in connection with nuisances and defects, rat destruction and vessels from infected areas. As shown in Table B 176 Ships from Foreign Ports were inspected and 391 Ships from Coastwise Ports, making a total of 567. Nuisances and Defects These consisted mainly of dirt, vermin and other conditions, and structural defects caused through wear and tear, defective heating apparatus, foul, dirty and defective water closets and fittings, choked scuppers, dirty clothes lockers and dirty messrooms and wash places. Dirt, Vermin and other conditions prejudicial to health This type of nuisance andother conditions prejudicial to health is rare. The number of vessels dealt with during the year on account of dirty conditions of crew's accommodation was fewer than that for the previous year. The disinfestation of verminous vessels was carried out with pressure spraying of liquid insecticides and also by applying resin lacquer. Many shipping companies have now adopted this latter method of vermin control. During the year 14 vessels were dealt with. - 11 -

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CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956

The Dark Smoke (Permitted Periods) (Vessels)
Regulations, 1958

These regulations came into operation on the 1st June, 1958, and specify the permitted times for smoke emission from the various types of vessels.

The attention of the Masters and Engineers of vessels arriving at the Port is directed to the requirements of the regulations.

36 observations were made during the year of the smoke emission from 16 British and 20 Foreign vessels. In each case the emission was within the prescribed limits.

RAT DESTRUCTION

All sheds, quays and wharves are periodically visited and inspected and immediate measures are taken when fresh evidence of rats is seen or their presence reported. Poison baits are laid by the Docks Rodent Officer.

THE PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS (APPLICATION TO SHIPPING) ORDER, 1951, AND AMENDMENT NO. 2 ORDER, 1951.

In addition to the functions they exercise, in common with other Local Authorities, Port Health Authorities are empowered to issue Rodent Control Certificates. No Certificates were issued during 1962.

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FOOD INSPECTION

THE PUBLIC HEALTH (IMPORTED FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1937 - 1948

No imported food-stuffs are discharged within the Port Health District. No action necessary.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH (PRESERVATIVES ETC. IN FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1925 - 1958

No action necessary.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH (IMPORTED MILK) REGULATIONS, 1926

No action necessary.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,
FRANK JACKETT
Port Health Inspector

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