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Medical Officer of Health and Port Medical Officer.

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NATIONAL BUREAU OF HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION
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PORT OF FOLKESTONE.

Public Health Department,
The Civic Centre,
Castle Hill Avenue,
FOLKESTONE.

March, 1968.

To His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors
of the Borough and Port of Folkestone.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I herewith submit the Annual Report on the medical aspect
of the working of the Port of Folkestone for 1967.

During the year the regular passenger boat services to
Folkestone have been as follows:-

(1) Folkestone - Calais.

- (a) Daily passenger service from 1st January to
31st December, 1967.

(2) Folkestone - Boulogne.

- (a) Daily morning passenger service from 30th June
to 3rd September, 1967 inclusive. An
irregular service was in force from 31st May
until commencement of daily service and from
6th to 23rd September, 1967.

- (b) Daily afternoon passenger service from 28th May
to 23rd September, 1967 inclusive.

- (c) Daily evening passenger service from 28th May
to 23rd September, 1967 inclusive.

Regular boat services were diverted to or from Folkestone
on the following days:-

(1) From Dover to Folkestone Harbour.

- (a) 2.30 p.m. boat from Ostend.
April 6th - seas rough and boat dragging moorings.

(2) From Folkestone to Dover Harbour.

- (a) 12.35 p.m. boat from Calais.
February 19th and 26th - repairs being carried
out to Ashford/Sandling railway line.

November 2nd and 4th - high winds and rough
seas.

December 25th and 26th - port closed.

The daily passenger boat service from Calais was cancelled on:

May 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 17th and 28th - strike of
Officers on French boats.

June 4th and December 13th - strike of French
seamen.

Special day excursion trips to France and from Ostend were run
during the summer season.

The number of arriving vessels carrying aliens was 720 (all passenger boats) and showed an increase of 31 compared with 1966.

All passenger boats were met and where necessary two or more doctors were in attendance to cope with the large number of aliens expected to arrive at the same time, and during the year a total of 916 doctor/attendances were made.

The number of passengers passing through the Port during the year was 782,214; this was 35,850 fewer than in 1966.

The gross figures of passengers arriving at and departing from Folkestone for the past five years are:-

	<u>1963.</u>	<u>1964.</u>	<u>1965.</u>	<u>1966.</u>	<u>1967.</u>
Inwards ..	472,676	446,085	450,149	408,573	389,756
Outwards ..	445,874	423,310	442,811	409,491	392,458
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>918,550</u>	<u>869,395</u>	<u>892,960</u>	<u>818,064</u>	<u>782,214</u>

Compared with 1966 there was a decrease of 8,580 in the number of aliens arriving and nearly 50% fewer were medically examined.

A summary of the aliens arriving, medically examined, certificates issued, etc., during the past five years is given below:-

	<u>1963.</u>	<u>1964.</u>	<u>1965.</u>	<u>1966.</u>	<u>1967.</u>
Aliens arriving	109,759	132,444	159,000	148,633	140,053
Aliens medically examined ..	7,104	7,303	8,851	8,497	4,940
Certificates issued ..	124	116	175	122	57
Percentage of aliens examined to whom certificates issued ..	1.74	1.58	1.97	1.43	1.15

The aliens continued to come mainly from Italy, Spain, Switzerland, France, Yugoslavia, Austria and Germany.

The men were mainly for employment as labourers (especially agricultural) and to work in hotels and the catering trade. The women came as domestics, children's nurses and governesses, assistant hospital nurses, ward orderlies and 'au pair'; also included were students and the families coming to join aliens already working in the United Kingdom.

During the last year the number of certificates issued on Form Port 12 was 57 compared with 122 in 1966. These certificates were in respect of:-

Pregnancy	24
Deformity of limbs and amputations	9
Dermatitis and other skin conditions	5
Unsound mind or mentally defective	4
Deafness	2
Eye conditions	2
Heart conditions	2
Other medical conditions	9

Five aliens were refused permission to land by the Chief Immigration Officer on purely medical grounds. Two Americans, one Italian and one Frenchman were refused entry under Article 4(2)(b) of the Aliens Order, 1953 which is in respect of persons of unsound mind or mentally defective, and one Argentinian under Article 4(2)(c) where it was certified by the Medical Inspector that for medical reasons it was undesirable that this alien should be permitted to land.

A summary of the immigrants who were subject to control under the Commonwealth Immigrants Act 1962, those medically examined and certificates issued during the past five years is as follows:-

	<u>1963.</u>	<u>1964.</u>	<u>1965.</u>	<u>1966.</u>	<u>1967.</u>
Commonwealth immigrants -					
Subject to control	16,670	19,716	17,221	17,650	14,302
Medically examined	634	659	510	462	342
Certificates issued	3	7	7	9	3
Percentage of immigrants examined to whom certificates issued	0.47	1.06	1.37	1.94	0.87

The immigrants came mainly from India, Mauritius, Cyprus, Ceylon and Australia.

Three forms Port 23 were issued in respect of Commonwealth immigrants compared with nine in 1966; one of the immigrants, suffering from a mental disorder, was refused permission to land but not on purely medical grounds.

Thirty-nine passengers were referred to the Port Medical Officer for examination and treatment as necessary. Sixteen were suffering from a medical condition, seven from sea sickness or travel exhaustion, seven from various injuries and one had a history of mental illness.

Two were found to be suffering from measles on arrival at the harbour. The first, a French girl of 17 on a visit to England, was admitted to the Dover Isolation Hospital and the second case, an English girl of 6½ years, was allowed to continue her journey to Liverpool accompanied by her parents.

A woman of 26, with a recent history of gastro-enteritis, stayed over-night at a local hotel before continuing her journey home with other members of her family.

A girl of 12 suffering from tonsillitis and travel exhaustion was admitted to the Dover Isolation Hospital for four days and two other girls, aged 16 and 18 years respectively, who had both received treatment for tonsillitis whilst in Switzerland were allowed to continue their journey home by coach.

Two male passengers, members of a party going on a tour of Great Britain, suffering from acute respiratory infection were both admitted to the Dover Isolation Hospital where they were in-patients for a week.

Eight crew members and one railway porter also received medical attention. The porter, aged 67, had collapsed from a heart condition and died within a few hours of his admission to the local hospital. A chief steward, suffering from lacerations of the scalp and suspected concussion was also admitted to hospital, and the chef on the French boat "Cote D'Azur" who had injured his ribs was referred to the Calais hospital; the other six were referred to their family doctor.

Mr. L.F. Pattman, Deputy Chief Public Health Inspector, retired on the 12th March, 1967 after nearly forty years loyal and efficient service with this authority.

I should like to express my appreciation to the Medical and Nursing staff at the Harbour, Public Health Inspectors and also to the Immigration Officials, Customs Officials, British Railways Officials and Ships' staff for their unfailing and effective co-operation.

I am,
 Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,
 Your obedient servant
 R.F.H. McELLIGOTT.
 Port Medical Officer and
 Medical Inspector of Aliens.

Table A.

Name of Officer.	Nature of Appointment.	Date of Appointment.	Date of Resignation.	Qualifications.	Any other appointments held.
R.F.H. McElligott.	Medical Officer of Health and Port Medical Officer.	29.12.50.	-	M.B., Ch.B.	Medical Inspector of Aliens. (Part-time).
L.H. Vale.	Chief Public Health Inspector for Borough and Port. Asst. Officer under Public Health (Imported Food) Regs. 1937-1948.	-1.10.49.	-	*F.R.S.H., F.A.P.H.I., Cert.S.I.B.	-
L.P. Patman.	Deputy Chief Public Health Inspector for Borough and Port. Asst. Officer under Public Health (Imported Food) Regs. 1937-1948.	-5.11.28.	12. 3.67.	*A.R.S.H., Cert.R.S.H.	-
J.R. Greig.	- do -	17. 4.67.	-	Cert.S.I.B., M.A.P.H.I., Smoke Inspector's Diploma.	-
A. Stubbs.	Additional Port Health Inspector. Asst. Officer under Public Health (Imported Food) Regs. 1937-1948.	-1. 2.45.	-	*Cert.S.I.B.	Additional Public Health Inspectors for the Borough of Folkestone.
D. Prebble.	- do -	15. 6.64.	-	*Cert.S.I.B., M.A.P.H.I., Cert. Tropical Hygiene.	
D.R. Wiseman.	- do -	20. 7.64.	-	*Cert.P.H.I.B.B., M.A.P.H.I.	
S. Davey.	- do -	-1.12.64.	-	*Cert.S.I.B.	Student Public Health Inspector
A.J. Cyster.	-	18.11.63.	-	-	

*Also holds Royal Society of Health Certificate as Inspector of Meat and Other Foods.

Address and telephone number of } Public Health Department, The Civic Centre, Castle Hill Avenue, Folkestone, Kent.
the Medical Officer of Health } (Tel. No: Folkestone 55227).
and Port Medical Officer. } Medical Inspection Room, Folkestone Harbour, Folkestone, Kent.
(Tel. No: Folkestone 51512).

SECTION II - Amount of shipping entering the district during the year.

Table B.

Ships from:	Number of Arrivals.	Tonnage.	Number inspected.		Number of ships reported as having or having had during the voyage infectious disease on board.
			By the Medical Officer of Health	By the Public Health Insptr.	
Foreign Ports	855	1,114,907	-	10	2
Coast-wise	30	18,925	-	-	-
TOTAL:	885	1,133,832	-	10	2

A summary of the number of arrivals and total tonnage during the past five years is as follows:-

<u>Year.</u>	<u>No. of Ships.</u>	<u>Tonnage.</u>
1963	958	1,125,423
1964	965	1,146,158
1965	801	876,980
1966	963	1,157,047
1967	885	1,133,832

SECTION III - Character of shipping and trade during the year.

Table C.

Passenger Traffic ..	{ Number of Passengers - INWARDS: 389,756 Number of Passengers - OUTWARDS: 392,458
Cargo Traffic	{ Principal IMPORTS - Metal machinery, textiles, printed matter and mushrooms. Principal EXPORTS - Iron-steel machinery, fish, wines, textiles and paper.
Principal Ports from which ships arrive - Boulogne, Calais and Ostend.	

SECTION IV - Inland barge traffic.

Number and tonnage using the district and places served by the traffic.

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SECTION V - Water Supply.

(1) Source of Supply for -

(a) The District:

Water for drinking and other purposes is obtained from the town supply, viz: Folkestone and District Water Company.

(b) Shipping:

Drinking water from the town supply is supplied to vessels from hydrants on the quayside.

(2) Reports of Tests for Contamination.

Eight samples were taken by the Port Health Inspectors from passenger vessels, one from a hydrant on the quayside, one from the buffet car on a boat train operating from the harbour station and one from the refreshment room at the station.

With one exception all samples were satisfactory; the unsatisfactory sample was associated with the contaminated condition of the water storage system on the buffet car of a boat train. Appropriate sterilisation measures were carried out by British Rail.

A sample of water from a passenger vessel was submitted to the Public Analyst for full chemical analysis; the result was entirely satisfactory.

(3) Precautions taken against contamination of hydrants and hosepipes.

Hydrants and hosepipes periodically flushed through.

(4) Number and sanitary condition of water boats, and powers of control by the Authority.

NIL.

SECTION VI - Public Health (Ships) Regulations 1966.

No action was taken during the year.

SECTION VII - Smallpox.

- (1) Name of Isolation Hospital to which Smallpox cases are sent from the district.

Long Reach Hospital, Dartford, Kent. Tel. No: Dartford 23231.

If it were necessary to isolate a person for the purpose of observation an approach would be made to the nearest Infectious Diseases Hospital or to the Denton Hospital, Gravesend.

- (2) Arrangements for transport of such cases to that hospital by ambulance, giving the name of the authority responsible for the ambulance and the vaccinal state of the ambulance crews.

Patients suffering from smallpox would be removed by arrangement with the Canterbury City Ambulance Service, which authority is responsible for the vaccinal state of the ambulance crews.

- (3) Name of Smallpox Consultants available.

The following Smallpox Consultants are available for this area:

Dr. E. H. Brown, Hither Green Hospital,
Hither Green Lane, London, S.E.13.
Hospital Tel. No: Hither Green 3481.
Home Tel. No: Sanderstead 4849.

Dr. L. C'Sullivan, "Ashton", Church Road,
Hartley, Dartford, Kent.
Hospital Tel. No: Dartford 23231.
Home Tel. No: Longfield 2459.

- (4) Facilities for laboratory diagnosis of Smallpox.

At the Virus Reference Laboratory, Central Public Health Laboratory, Colindale Avenue, Colindale, London, N.W.9.
(Tel. No: Colindale 7041).

An electron microscope is available as an aid to early diagnosis.

SECTION VIII - Venereal Disease.

No change during the year.

SECTION IX - Cases of notifiable and other infectious diseases on ships.

Table D.

Category.	Disease.	Number of Cases during the year.		Number of ships concerned.
		Passengers.	Crew.	
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports ..	*Measles.	2	-	2
	**Gastro-enteritis.	1	1	2
	Ø Tonsillitis.	3	-	2
	Ø Acute respiratory infection.	2	-	1
Cases landed from other ships	-	-	-	-
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed of before arrival	-	-	-	-

*A French girl of 17, on a short visit to England, was confirmed as suffering from measles and admitted to the Dover Isolation Hospital. A second case, girl of 6½ years, was allowed to continue her journey to Liverpool accompanied by her parents.

**A woman of 26 years, who had a recent history of gastro-enteritis, took the advice of the Medical Inspector and with other members of her family stayed overnight at a local hotel before proceeding to their home in Devon the following day. A member of the ship's crew suffering from gastro-enteritis was referred to his family doctor for treatment.

~~Ø~~Of the three cases dealt with one was a young English girl of 12 who was returning from a holiday abroad and found to be suffering from tonsillitis and travel exhaustion; arrangements were made for her admission to the Dover Isolation Hospital where she stayed for four days. The other two cases were girls aged 16 and 18 years respectively who had both received treatment for tonsillitis whilst in Switzerland; they were given treatment as necessary and allowed to continue their journey home by coach.

~~Ø~~Two male passengers, members of a party going on a tour of Great Britain, were found to be suffering from acute respiratory infection on arrival at Folkestone Harbour; both were admitted to the Dover Isolation Hospital where they were in-patients for a week.

A short account should be given of the measures taken on the arrival by ships of (a) any case of smallpox, cholera, plague, yellow fever, typhus or relapsing fever included in Table D; (b) any suspected cases of any such disease.

No action necessary during the year.

SECTION X - Observations on the occurrence of malaria in ships.

No cases occurred during the year.

SECTION XI - Measures taken against ships infected with or suspected for plague.

No action necessary during the year.

SECTION XII - Measures against rodents in ships
from foreign ports.

(1) Procedure for inspection of ships for rats.

Formal inspections carried out by Dover Health staff and amplified by local Port Health Inspectors during course of routine inspection of vessels.

(2) Arrangements for the bacteriological or pathological examination of rodents, with special reference to rodent plague, including the number of rodents sent for examination during the year.

Facilities exist for the bacteriological or pathological examination of rodents at the Public Health Laboratory Service, Preston Hall, British Legion Village, Maidstone. No rodent was sent for examination during 1967.

(3) Arrangements in the district for deratting ships, the methods used, and, if done by a commercial contractor, the name of the contractor.

It has not been found necessary over the past few years for work of disinfection to be carried out on ships visiting this Port. Should, however, such work be required the ships would be treated with hydrogen cyanide under the direction of the Port Health Inspectors at Dover, the latter being an "approved" port.

The harbour environs are treated as necessary by the Rodent Operators of British Rail (Southern Region), assistance being given by the Borough Rodent Operators if required, e.g. should the possibility of adjacent land being involved in any infestation arise, or should any other co-ordination be necessary.

(4) Progress in the rat-proofing of ships.

Not found necessary.

Tables "L" and "F" - NIL.

Deratting Certificates and Deratting Exemption Certificates
issued during the year for ships from foreign ports.

None issued - Folkestone is not an approved port.

Certificates for vessels owned by British Rail and using this port are issued by the Dover Port Health Authority.

SECTION XIII - Inspection of ships for nuisances.

Table G

Inspections and Notices.

Nature and number of Inspections.		Notices served.		Result of serving Notices.
		Statutory Notices.	Other Notices.	
General inspection of crews' quarters, food preparing places, etc.	72	-	-	-
TOTAL:	72	-	-	-

SECTION XIV - Public Health (Shellfish)
Regulations 1934 and 1948.

There are no shellfish beds or layings within the jurisdiction of this authority.

SECTION XV - Medical Inspection of Aliens
(applicable only to ports approved for the
landing of aliens).

- (1) List of Medical Inspectors of Aliens holding Warrants of appointment.

Name.	Date of appointment.	Qualifications.
R.F.H. McElligott	28.10.49.	M.B., Ch.B.
H. Yates	-8.10.52.	M.B., B.Ch., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.
C.B. Findlay	28. 6.55.	M.B., Ch.B.
E. Mallett	21.10.60.	M.B., B.S. Lond., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.Obst.R.C.O.G.
S.M.R. Powell ..	-3. 2.64.	M.B., Ch.B.

Drs. McElligott and Findlay were employed part-time and Drs. Yates, Mallett and Powell on a sessional basis.

- (2) List of other staff engaged on this work.

Name.	Nature of appointment.	Date of appointment.	Qualifications.
Mrs. M. Fitzgerald.	Nurse- attendant. (Part-time)	-1.12.66.	S.R.N., S.R.F.N., S.C.M.

Mrs. L.M. Scott, S.R.N., Miss E.M. Cook, S.R.N. and Mrs. L.F. Brann, S.E.M.N. (who had been the part-time Nurse-attendant for over ten years) were also available on a sessional basis to act as relief and assist when two or more Nurse-attendants were required to cope with the large number of immigrants expected to arrive at the same time.

- (3) Organisation of Work.

No change during the year.

Medical Inspection of Aliens cont'd.

(4) Nature and amount of aliens traffic.

A total of 4,940 aliens were examined during 1967; this is 3,557 fewer than in 1966.

A summary of their nationalities is as follows:-

	<u>1967.</u>	<u>1966.</u> (For comparison).
Italian	2,473	5,191
Spanish	1,114	1,476
Swiss	608	769
French	296	332
Yugoslav	67	6
Austrian	64	122
German	61	146
Greek	48	99
Portuguese	39	103
Turkish	35	55
American	29	10
Moroccan	29	11
Persian	22	-
Israeli	12	9
South African	10	2
Argentinian	5	2
Danish	3	2
Finnish	3	6
Other nationals	22	42
Stateless	-	114
<u>TOTALS:</u>	<u>4,940</u>	<u>8,497</u>

Particulars of the number of aliens arriving, examined and certificates issued during 1967 are set out below:-

A. Total number of arriving vessels carrying aliens:-

(a) Passenger	720
(b) Cargo	-
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>720</u>

This total of 720 shows an increase of 31 compared with the number of arriving vessels carrying aliens during 1966.

B. Total number of arriving aliens (excluding crews) .. 140,053

C. Total number of aliens medically examined:-

With Ministry of Labour permit	4,869
As Pair	8
Permanent residents	26
Visiting	37
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>4,940</u>

Medical Inspection of Aliens cont'd.

D. Reports and certificates for aliens medically examined:-

Nature of report or certificate.		Total number of reports and certificates issued.	Aliens NOT PERMITTED to land.
A.	Unsound mind or mentally defective	4	4
B(1).	Undesirable for medical reasons	2	1
B(2)(a).	Inability to support ..	12	-
B(2)(b).	Likely to require medical treatment	39	7
C.	Conditionally landed for further medical examination	-	-
TOTALS:		57	12

Refused entry on purely medical grounds:

Two Americans, one Frenchman and one Italian under Article 4(2)(b) of Aliens Order, 1953.

One Argentinian under Article 4(2)(c) of Aliens Order, 1953.

(5) Accommodation for medical inspection and examination.

Properly constructed and equipped medical inspection rooms adjacent to No. 1 berth are available, but the practice of carrying out examinations in cabins on board passenger ships has also been continued when the boats have docked at the other berths.

The British Railways have developed plans for improvement to passenger handling accommodation at the Folkestone Harbour, which include a new customs and immigration hall and medical inspection rooms, and these should be completed in time for the summer services of 1968.

Commonwealth Immigrants Act, 1962.

Following consultation and agreement between the Ministry of Health and the Association of Sea and Airport Health Authorities a single form of the Warrant of Appointment for issue to Medical Inspectors of Aliens and Commonwealth Immigrants was introduced to replace the two separate warrants previously issued.

On the 21st June, 1967 the new combined Warrants of Appointment were issued to the five Medical Inspectors (Drs. McElligott, Findlay, Mallett, Powell and Yates) and will be subject to renewal every three years.

Mrs. M. Fitzgerald together with Mrs. L.M. Scott, Miss E.M. Cook and Mrs. L. Brann were available as Nurse-Attendants.

The number of Commonwealth citizens subject to control under this Act and those medically examined were:-

	1967.	1966. (For Comparison).
Commonwealth immigrants:-		
Subject to control	14,302	17,650
Medically examined	342	462

Commonwealth Immigrants Act 1962 (Cont'd).

1967.

1966.
(For comparison).

The nationality of those
examined was:-

Indian	179	320
Mauritian	64	46
Cypriot	39	27
Ceylonese	25	31
Australian	14	7
Malayan	7	6
Gambian	2	-
Pakistani	2	9
Maltese	-	5
Canadian	-	2
Other nationalities	10	9
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>342</u>	<u>462</u>

The number of reports and certificates issued for
Commonwealth citizens medically examined was:-

Nature of report or certificate.		Number of reports or certificates issued.	Number of Commonwealth citizens refused entry.
A.	Suffering from mental disorder	2*	1
B(1).	Undesirable for medical reasons	-	-
B(2).	Likely to require major medical treatment ..	1	-
<u>TOTAL:</u>		<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>

*One of the immigrants, with an Australian passport, required treatment and was allowed to land by the Immigration authorities after consultation with the Home Office.

The second, an immigrant suffering from a mental disorder and originally from Europe but who now had an Australian passport, was not allowed to land; entry was not refused on purely medical grounds.

Medical Arrangements for Long-Stay Immigrants.

Continuing the arrangements which came into operation in January 1966 the local Health Authorities were only notified of those immigrants who were likely to settle in this country, e.g., stay over a year, or where the Medical Inspector thought a visit would in any case be advisable.

During the year notifications of the destination addresses of the following immigrants were sent to the Medical Officers of Health of the districts concerned:-

	<u>1967.</u>	<u>1966 for comparison.</u>
Long-stay immigrants, etc.	376	431
Tear-off slips forwarded re:		
Adults	26	36
Children	24	45

SECTION XVI - Miscellaneous.

Arrangements for the burial on shore of persons who have died on board ship from infectious disease.

A mortuary at the local hospital and adequate burial and cremation facilities are available in the district.

Cases of Illness or Injury amongst Passengers and Crew Members.

The following is a summary of those persons examined at the Folkestone Harbour and treatment given as necessary:-

(a) Medical Conditions:

<u>Further Action Taken.</u>	<u>Passengers.</u>	<u>Crew Members, etc.</u>
Admitted to hospital	5	1
Admitted to Dover Isolation hospital	4	-
To stay over-night at local hotel	2	-
Referred to own doctor	1	5
Allowed to proceed on -		
Inward journey	18	-
Outward journey	2	-
<u>TOTALS:</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>6</u>

(b) Injuries:

<u>Further Action Taken.</u>	<u>Passengers.</u>	<u>Crew Members, etc.</u>
Admitted to hospital	4	1
Special travel facilities on train	2	-
Referred to Calais hospital ..	-	1
Referred to own doctor	-	1
Allowed to proceed on -		
Inward journey	1	-
<u>TOTALS:</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>3</u>

SECTION XVII - Routine Supervision.

Information supplied by L. H. Vale, Esq., Chief Public Health and Food Inspector for the Borough and Port of Folkestone.

(i) General.

677 visits were made by the Public Health Inspectors to the Harbour during the year for the purpose of routine inspection of passenger vessels and for the examination of foodstuffs landed at the Port.

All vessels regularly operating from the port were subject to routine check observation on berthing, detailed inspections being made at frequent intervals; water supplies were sampled from time to time for bacteriological and chemical purposes and reference has already been made on page 6 to the results obtained. A total of 10 vessels used the port for varying periods during the year in connection with the cross channel services.

(ii) Food Inspection.

Reference has been made in previous reports to the introduction in June 1965 of a sealed container service under which cargoes shipped from Boulogne are freighted through the port direct to London under Customs Bond. Inspection of foodstuffs under this arrangement, which continued during 1967, is normally carried out at the final clearance depot. A very small amount of cargo carried on passenger vessels is, however, still being dealt with at the Port.

(iii) Summary of Foodstuffs Imported during 1967.

FOODSTUFF	CALAIS			
	Tons	Cwts.	Qrs.	lbs.
Biscuits	5	19	-	8
<u>TOTAL:</u>	5	19	-	8

(iv) Foodstuffs condemned.

NIL.

(v) Chemical Examination of Food.

NIL.

