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Mr. BAILEY THORNTON, M.S.I.A.\* (Resigned October 17th, 1949).

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(Appointed December 12th, 1949).

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#### Clerks:

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Mr. G. W. KAY (to H.M.F. July 6th, 1949).

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Mr. K. WADDINGTON (Temporary; Appointed June 1st, 1949).

Mrs. D. HORSFALL (Appointed June 20th, 1949).

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Mr. W. G. RICHARDSON (Appointed December 12th, 1949).

Staff employed by the West Riding County Council on Public Health Services within the Borough of Keighley.

#### Chief Clerk:

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Miss B. LONGBOTTOM (Resigned March 31st, 1949).

Miss M. J. TEBB (Resigned June 6th, 1949).

Mrs. M. J. SMITH (Appointed part-time June 14th, 1949).

Miss I. BANNISTER (Appointed July 1st, 1949).

Miss J. HINDSON (Appointed August 15th, 1949).

Miss M. WARD (Appointed October 10th, 1949).

#### School Clinic Clerk:

Miss L. WEATHERALL (Retired June 30th, 1949).

Miss R. PILLING (Appointed June 27th, 1949).

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors,

Gentlemen.

I have the honour to submit my twentieth Annual Report on the work of the Health Services of the Borough for the year 1949.

Transcending all other public health problems in degree of importance is that of Housing; the demand for homes far exceeds the supply, and what is more, the demand is but an index of the squalor and misery in which so many families are living. Family life, in the accepted sense, is impossible; health and morale are undermined, painful tales of quarrelling, frustration and despair followed by breakdown, crime and disaster, are evidence of growing social decay.

Until this sorry state of affairs is relieved the question is, to what extent building labour and material should be diverted to other than housing purposes? The difficulties are well known, but prompt accommodation of a simpler character would be better than a "long way down the list" prospect of a Corporation house which never seems to materialise.

The number of deaths registered due to Cancer stands at 112. It must be realised that this is relative to the population figure. In 1929, for instance, the figure was 74 in relation to a population of 40,460. This year the figure of 112 stands in relation to a population of 56,570. In view of the accepted fact that a greater number of people live to reach an age when cancer supervenes, the figure of 112 represents a very doubtful increase as compared with the position twenty years ago. Yet Cancer is the most inexorable of the physical infirmities of mankind. Is Cancer preventable? In some cases yes! In others it may be completely arrested in the early stage; then there is a residue, incurable from the first. The important thing in dealing with this dread disease is early recognition and immediate treatment. Whereas we do not want people to become disquieted, it is as well for them not to forget Cancer, particularly when they reach the Cancerous age.

It is a striking fact that there are 9 deaths from Road Traffic Accidents. From Typhoid, Cerebro Spinal Fever, Scarlet Fever, Measles, Whooping Cough and Diphtheria there are none. Little use saving children from death from these to be killed on the road. There is great slackness in giving people right of way when using a "Belisha" crossing, and I should like to see all town traffic reduced to a speed of twenty miles an hour—Ambulances, Police and Fire Brigades excepted; it could make but little difference to the rest.

Our experience of action taken under the provisions of the Sale of Food and Drugs Act reveals the importance of the protection of the Food Consumer. The purpose of the original Act, as the preamble cites, is the making of better provision for "the sale of Food and Drugs in a pure and genuine condition," but the practical difficulty of defining "pure and genuine condition" remained since there were few established standards of composition on which to rely. The Defence (Sale of Food) Regulations, 1943, made important changes. Misleading claims in respect of food could be challenged, although the label sets out in faithful detail the composition of a food the description under which it may be sold may still be held to be misleading. The Local Authority has the active assistance of a Government Advisory Service, which is also at the disposal of traders, so that the complicated nature of the labelling law may be explained and advice sought thereon.

Bacteriological standards of cleanliness are as essential in relation to Milk and Milk Products as in relation to Water, and the time is long overdue when power should be conferred on Local Authorities to insist on recognised bacteriological standards of cleanliness in connection with the product known as Ice Cream.

Infectious Disease. The Town has been once again remarkably free from Infectious Disease. The incidence of Whooping Cough is the lowest recorded since notification came into force in 1940.

The operation of the National Health Service Act, 1946, has provided the Medical Officer of Health with many problems of a varied and highly complicated character. Attention to administrative detail has, for the time being, replaced much of the personal study and reflection previously given to the many facets of individual difficulty in the lives of the people. Only experience in the working of this Act will prove its value.

I would like to pay tribute to the support of a loyal staff, who give unsparingly in making our Service a success.

I have the honour to be, Sirs,

Your obedient Servant,

H. M. HOLT,

Medical Officer of Health.

Public Health Department,
Lowfield House,
Town Hall Square,
Keighley.

Causes of and ages at death of Infants dying under 1 year of age during 1949 (Residents only).

		1
Total under I year.		28
9-12 months.		
.sdrnom e—8		
3—6 months.		2
I—3 months.	т с	9
Total under 4 weeks.	64 96 8	20
3—4 меекs.	57	2
2—3 меекв.	-	1
1—2 меекs.	- 8	10
Under I week.	3 6 2	12
Cause of Death.	mall Pox leasles Vhooping Cough carlet Fever iphtheria rysipelas rysipelas on-Pulmonary Tuberculosis onvulsions ronchitis neumonia (all forms) viarrhoea and Enteritis ongenital Syphilis uffocation njury at Birth ongenital Malformation, etc. remature Birth trophy, Debility and Marasmus	Total

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# BOROUGH OF KEIGHLEY A.—NATURAL AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS

The Borough of Keighley covers an area of 23,611 acres.

The population, according to the Registrar's Estimate for 1949, is 56,570.

The estimated number of inhabited houses is 18,785. The rateable value is £372,633, and the sum represented by a Penny Rate gross, £1,450.

#### PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES.

The average number of persons registered as unemployed during the year was 39, and in Haworth 2, as compared with 58 and 1 respectively for the year 1948.

#### VITAL STATISTICS.

Births. The total number of births registered was 958, 27 of these being still-births and 59 illegitimate. 634 of the total births notified occurred in maternity homes or institutions. The Birth Rate is 16.9.

Deaths. The Deaths registered for the year are 872. The Death Rate is 15.4.

#### STREET ACCIDENTS.

There were 9 fatal road accidents during the year.

#### INFANT MORTALITY.

The number of infants dying under one year of age is 29. The Infant Mortality Rate is 31.1 per 1,000 live births.

#### MATERNAL MORTALITY.

The number of women dying directly as a result of child-birth is 1. The Maternal Mortality Rate is 1.04 per 1,000 total (live and still) births.

#### GENERAL OBSERVATIONS.

The natural increase or decrease per 1,000 of the population is plus 1.5.

# REGISTRAR GENERAL'S RETURN OF CAUSES OF DEATH DURING 1949 (Residents only).

Diseases.	Male	Female
Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers		
2. Cerebro-Spinal Fever	_	
3. Scarlet Fever		_
4. Whooping Cough	_	-
5. Diphtheria		_
6. Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	10	11
7. Other forms of Tuberculosis	2	3
8. Syphilitic Diseases	4	1
9. Influenza	7	7
10. Measles	-	_
11. Acute Polio-myelitis and Polio-encephalitis		1
12. Acute Infectious Encephalitis	_	
13. Cancer of Buccal Cacity and	TV T	1-
Oesphagus (males)	5	
Uterus (females)	_	10
14. Cancer of Stomach and Duodenum	11	7
15. Cancer of Breast	1	11
16. Cancer of all other sites	42	29
7. Diabetes	4	7
18. Inter-cranial Vascular Lesions	57	72
9. Heart Diseases	153	156
20. Other Diseases of Circulatory System	8	12
21. Bronchitis	31	28
2. Pneumonia	12	12
23. Other Respiratory Diseases	7	2
24. Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	2	
25. Diarrhœa under 2 years	1	1
26. Appendicitis		1
27. Other Digestive Diseases	4	7
28. Nephritis	9	7
29. Puerperal and Post-Abortive Sepsis		_
30. Other Maternal Causes		1
31. Premature Births	2	4
32. Congenital Malformations, Birth Injuries,	THE HEAT	
Infant Diseases	8	8
33. Suicide	5	1
34. Road Traffic Accidents	6	3
35. Other Violent Causes	3	9
36. All Other Causes	29	39
All Causes	423	449

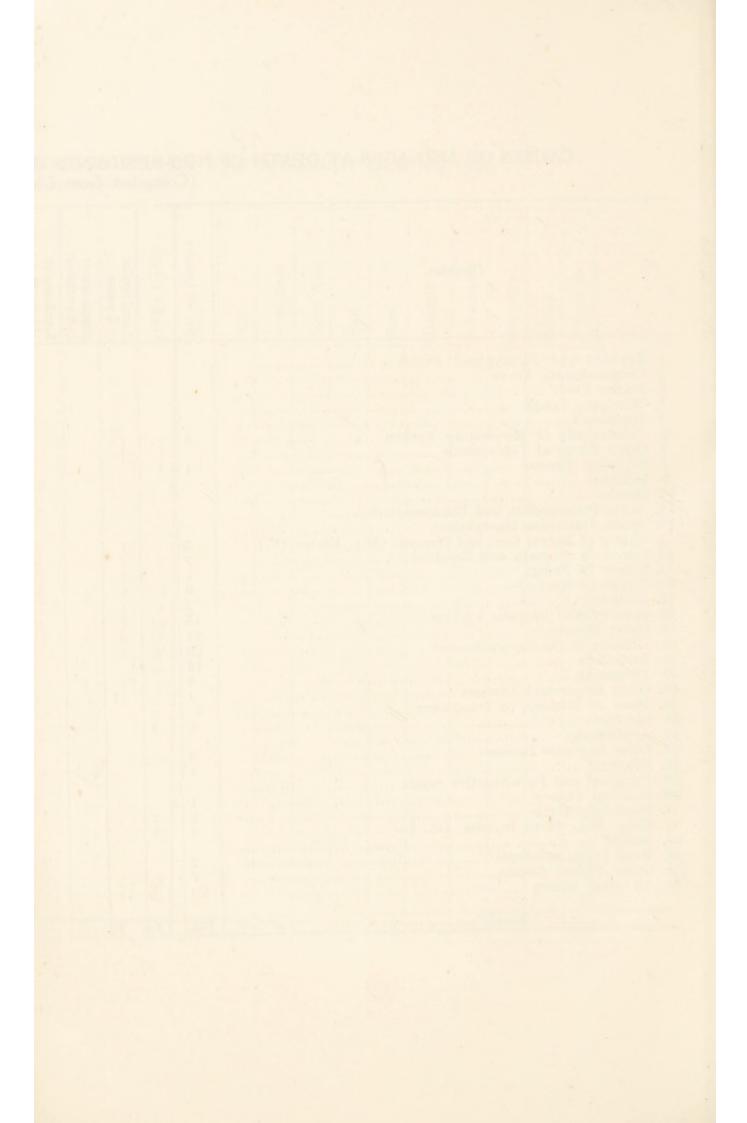
#### CAUSES OF AND AGES AT DEATH OF RESIDENTS OCCURRING WITHIN OR WITHOUT THE BOROUGH DURING 1949. (Compiled from Local Returns).

Diseases.	No. of Deaths	Under 1 year	1 and under 2 years	2 and under 5 years	5 and under 15 years	15 and under 25 years	25 and under 45 years	45 and under 65 years	65 and upwards	Central	East	North-East	North-West	South	West	Haworth	Oakworth	Oxenhope	Morton	Deaths in Institutions
1. Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers 2. Cerebro-Spinal Fever 3. Scarlet Fever 4. Whooping Cough 5. Diphtheria 6. Tuberculosis of Respiratory System 7. Other Forms of Tuberculosis 8. Syphilitic Disease 9. Influenza 10. Measles 11. Acute Poliomyelitis and Polioencephalitis 12. Acute Infectious Encephalitis 13. Cancer of Buccal Cav. and Oesoph. (M.), Uterus (F.) 14. Cancer of Stomach and Duodenum 15. Cancer all other sites	22 6 4 13 1 1 14 15 13	2	1	1	1 2	3 1	3 1 2	13 2 4 5 6 3	1 2 8 7 9 10	2 1 1	2 1 2 2 2	1 1 1 1 5 2	2 1 1 3	4 2 1 2 1	3 4 2 1	1 1 1 2	1 1		2 2 1 1 1	6 5 2 1 1 1 3 4 5
16. Cancer an other sites     17. Diabetes     18. Intra-Cranial Vascular Lesions     19. Heart Disease     20. Diseases of Circulatory System     21. Bronchitis     22. Pneumonia     23. Other Respiratory Diseases     24. Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum     25. Diarrhoea     26. Appendicitis     27. Diarrhoea     28. Diarrhoea     29. Diarrhoea     20.	70 14 59 178 153 63 21 9 3	4				1 1	5 2 1 1 1 4 2 3	27 3 8 42 35 23 5 2	38 9 50 135 117 36 10 3	1 4 5 2 1	4 6 17 8 7 1	8 8 16 11 6 2 1	7 25 13 8	6 1 6 18 13 7 1 1	6 1 6 14 9 10 2 2	8 4 8 19 2	2 2 1 13 12	2 1 2 6 12 3	7 2 6 18 6 1	22 7 13 39 45 17 14 4 3
27. Other Digestive Diseases 28. Nephritis 29. Puerperal and Post-Abortive Sepsis 30. Maternal Causes	9 13	2					1 1	3 5	3 7		2		1	3	1	1	1 2	1	1	7 2
31. Premature Births 32. Cong. Mal., Birth Injuries, Inf. Dis. 33. Suicide 34. Road Traffic Accidents 35. Other Violent Causes 36. All other causes	6 23 5 6 11 134	6 11 1	1	1	2	1 1 2	1 1 1 9	3 4 1 3 9	3 1 3 6 110	3	1 1 6	2	1 1 10	2	11	2 2 1	1 4	9	1	1 5 14 3 5 8 41
Totals	867	29	2	2	5	10	43	208	568	20	60	74	77	81	72	70	40	37	59	277



### CAUSES OF AND AGES AT DEATH OF NON-RESIDENTS OCCURRING WITHIN THE BOROUGH DURING 1949. (Compiled from Local Returns).

Diseases.	No. of Deaths	Under 1 year	1 and under 2 years	2 and under 5 years	5 and under 15 years	15 and under 25 years	25 and under 45 years	45 and under 65 years	65 and upwards	Central	East	North-East	North-West	South	West	Haworth	Oakworth	Oxenhope	Morton	Deaths in Institutions
1. Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers 2. Cerebro-Spinal Fever 3. Scarlet Fever 4. Whooping Cough 5. Diphtheria 6. Tuberculosis of Respiratory System 7. Other Forms of Tuberculosis 8. Syphilitic Disease 9. Influenza 10. Measles 11. Acute Poliomyelitis and Polioencephalitis 12. Acute Infectious Encephalitis 12. Acute Infectious Encephalitis 13. Cancer of Stomach and Duodenum 15. Cancer of Breast 16. Cancer of Breast 17. Diabetes 18. Intra-Cranial Vascular Lesions 19. Heart Disease 20. Diseases of Circulatory System 21. Bronchitis 22. Pneumonia 23. Other Respiratory Diseases 24. Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum 25. Diarrhoea 26. Appendicitis 27. Other Digestive Diseases 28. Nephritis 29. Puerperal and Post-Abortive Sepsis 30. Maternal Causes 31. Premature Births 32. Cong. Mal., Birth Injuries, Inf. Dis. 33. Suicide 34. Road Traffic Accidents 35. Other Violent Causes 36. All other causes	3 1 2 3 1 1 9 2 2 15 24 29 13 8 1 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1 2 1	1			1 2	1 1 1 1 1 1	2 1 1 3 1 1 5 3 3 1 1 1 1 1 5 1 1 1	2 1 1 2 5 1 1 14 17 26 13 6	1	1 1	1 1	1		1		1	1		3 3 1 1 3 3 8 2 2 14 4 22 28 28 11 8 1 1 1 2 1 1 7 22 2
Totals	152	4	1	1	-	4	6	24	113	2	2	2	2	-	1	- 1				141



# B.—GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES WITHIN THE BOROUGH

#### 1.—HOSPITALS PROVIDED.

The Hospitals in this area are administered by the Bingley, Keighley, Skipton and Settle Hospital Management Committee, under the direction of the Leeds Regional Hospital Board in accordance with the National Health Service Act 1946.

A list of the Hospitals managed by this Committee is set out hereunder:

Keighley and District Victoria Hospital.

Skipton and District Hospital. Bingley and District Hospital.

St. John's Hospital, Fell Lane, Keighley.

Morton Banks Isolation Hospital. Harden Bridge Isolation Hospital.

Cawder Ghyll Maternity Hospital, Skipton.

Raikeswood Hospital, Skipton.

Castleburg Hospital, Settle.

The following cases were admitted to the Morton Banks Isolation Hospital during the year:—

				36
				9
		1111		13
				9
		****		2
				1
				4
				4
***	****	****		3
				1
			****	1
	****			1
				1
				5
			****	10
	T	otal		100

#### 2.—AMBULANCE SERVICE.

See Annual Report of the County Medical Officer.

#### 3.—CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES.

School Clinics.—See Annual Report of School Medical Officer.

Maternity and Child Welfare Clinics.—See Annual Report of the County Medical Officer.

Orthopædic Clinic, Ophthalmic Clinic and Ultra Violet Clinic.
—See Annual Report for 1938.

Dental Clinic.—See Annual Report of the County Medical Officer.

Scabies Clinic.—Special facilities are in operation for the treatment of Scabies; during the year 17 cases were treated.

Tuberculosis and Venereal Diseases Clinic.—See Annual Report of the County Medical Officer.

#### 4.—HOME HELP SCHEME AND MOTHERCRAFT.

Home Helps.—See Annual Report of the County Medical Officer.

Mothercraft Classes.—Mothercraft Classes were again held at the Keighley Girls' Grammar School. The average attendance during the year was 30.

#### 5.—PROFESSIONAL NURSING.

Midwifery Service.—See Annual Report of the County Medical Officer.

Home Nursing Service.—See Annual Report of the County Health Visiting Service.—See Annual Report of the County

Medical Officer.

#### 6.—INSTITUTIONAL MIDWIFERY.

Administered by the Regional Hospital Board in accordance with the National Health Service Act, 1946.

#### 7.—DAY NURSERIES.

See Annual Report of the County Medical Officer.

#### 8.—LABORATORY WORK.

Laboratory work for this area is performed by the Public Health Laboratory of the Medical Research Council.

### 9.—PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY.

See front page.

#### 10.—SCHOOLS.

See separate report on School Medical Services.

# C.—PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES

#### 1.—NOTIFIABLE INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

93 visits of investigation were paid and 73 for the purpose of disinfection.

No cases of Smallpox were notified.

- (a) Measles.—The number of cases notified was 414. No deaths were registered.
- (b) Whooping Cough.—The number of cases notified was 23. 2 of which were not confirmed. No deaths were registered.
- (c) Scarlet Fever.—The number of cases notified was 46. No deaths were registered. 86.95 per cent. of the notified cases were removed to hospital.
- (d) **Diphtheria.**—The number of cases notified was 10, all of which were removed to Hospital, but only 3 cases were confirmed as Diphtheria. No deaths were registered.
- (e) Cerebro-Spinal Fever.—3 cases were notified, all of which were removed to Hospital. No deaths were registered.
- (f) Puerperal Pyrexia.—3 cases were notified. There were no deaths.
- (g) Acute Primary or Influenzal Pneumonia. 37 cases were notified, 15 of which were removed to hospital. 3 deaths were registered.
  - (h) Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—2 cases were notified.
- (i) **Typhoid Fever.**—2 cases were notified, neither of which were confirmed.
- (j) Para Typhoid Fever.—1 case was notified and removed to hospital. No deaths were registered.
- (k) Acute Anterior Poliomyelitis.—3 cases were notified, 2 of which were confirmed. All 3 cases were removed to hospital. No deaths were registered.

- Erysipelas.—The number of cases notified was 15, 9 of which were removed to hospital.
- (m) Dysentery.—The number of cases notified was 18. No deaths occurred.
- (n) Tuberculosis.—61 cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis were notified, Non-Pulmonary cases notified being 20. 22 Pulmonary and 6 Non-Pulmonary deaths were registered.
- (o) Food Poisoning.—12 cases were notified; 4 were removed to Hospital. No deaths were registered.

#### 2.—CANCER—MALIGNANT DISEASE.

The number of deaths registered was 112. The number of cancer patients admitted from Keighley Victoria Hospital to the Radium Therapy Department of the Bradford Royal Infirmary totalled 78, and the total number of days' stay amounted to 1,403. Similar arrangements exist for treatment as shown previously.

#### KEIGHLEY INFANTS' AID SOCIETY.

This Society continued to operate throughout the year, and have given much assistance, which is gratefully acknowledged.

# D.—SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

#### WATER.

The Borough Waterworks Undertaking is described in the Annual Report for 1938.

The Water Engineer has kindly supplied the following information.

Average daily consumption of water per head of population within the Borough for the year 1949 for all purposes:—38.83 gallons per day; for domestic and unmeasured purposes 24.41 gallons per day.

During the year 192 samples of water were sent for bacteriological examination. Of 99 filtered samples 97 per cent. were satisfactory, and the remaining 93 samples were unfiltered water. The following mains have been laid during the year:-

Bracken Bank.					
4in.				1,256	yards
9in.				233	yards
Gooscote Lane					
6in.				403	yards
Bradford Road					
4in.			****	126	yards
3in.	****		****	67	yards
Hainworth Cra	ıg.				
2in.			****	1,226	yards
3in.		****	****	15	yards
Oldfield Lane.					
3in.				24	vards

#### Plumbo Solvency Samples.

Supply.	Date Sample Collected.	Approx. length of lead service pipe.	—рН	of Examination Lead Content (grains per gall.)
Keighley M.B. Watersheddles.				
After standing in pipe for a masured period of half-an-hour		20ft.	6.7	Nil
After standing in pipe all night		20ft.	6.7	Nil
Sladen Valley via Bracken Bank Storage Reservoir.				
After standing in pipe for a measured period of half-an-hour	00.0.10	35ft.	6.7	Nil
After standing in pipe all night		35ft.	6.7	Nil

There are still numerous private water supplies, particularly in connection with farm premises, which have been frequently sampled in the past. Users are advised as to necessary precautions where the index of pollution indicated this as desirable. Such premises are outside the present economic possibility of having a suitable alternative wholesome supply laid on from the town's mains.

During the year 9 such samples were taken, 5 of which were found to be satisfactory and 4 unsatisfactory.

Extension of town's supply to outlying districts such as Newsholme, Spring Wells, Holme House, Green Top, Goose Eye, Outer Stanbury, Upper Marsh and Leeming, Oxenhope, and Cackleshaw, Oakworth, where comparatively small groups of dwellings are served by private supplies, has now been considered by the Council, who have resolved:—

"That where a supply is provided on the request of the Health Committee following a notice requiring the provision of a supply of wholesome matter to a house not so supplied in pursuance of Section 138 of the Public Health Act, 1936, but where the ordinary water charges in such cases do not yield one-tenth of the cost of supplying and laying the necessary pipes, the Council determine that the Health Committee bear the financial responsibility falling on the Local Authority under the Water Act 1945, and the Public Health Act 1936, in excess of the amount recoverable from the property owners."

This decision was based on the logical and natural contention that the Health Committee should function as a Local Authority in matters designed to safeguard health and should compile their estimates accordingly.

The table below shows the cost of the proposed supply to the six areas under consideration and the amount of subsidy to be met by the Health Committee.

Locality.	Estimated cost of providing supply.	Prescribed fraction of cost being one-tenth.	Estimated Annual Revenue.	Annual amount to be met by Health Committee.
	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Upper Marsh	1237	123 14 0	18 10 0	105 4 0
Goose Eye Holme House	200	78 12 0	18 1 3	60 10 9
Green Syke Spring Wells	1290	129 0 0	9 9 0	119 11 0
Newsholme	953	95 6 0	23 4 6	72 1 6
Oldfield Area	972	97 4 0	12 12 6	84 11 6
Cackleshaw	290	29 0 0	11 10 3	17 9 9
	5528	552 16 0	93 7 6	459 8 6

A supply to Leeming, Tansy End and Horkinstone districts is receiving consideration.

A figure of £105 was included in 1949 and a further figure of £150 in 1950 estimates, with a view to making it economically possible for a good, clean, wholesome water to be taken

# RAINFALL.

The total amount of rainfall recorded during 1949 is 33.69 ins.

The rainfall gauge is situated in a field at the rear of the Public Abattoir, and the following table shows the readings taken during the year.

Dec	in.	.49	69.	.79	1	91.	.50	.23	.30	.20	1	1	.50	.15	.03	.85	Η.	.42	.01	.02	.14	.10	1	1	.74	.10	.14	.01	1	1	1
. AONT	in.	1	60.	.48	80.	.35	71.	.02	99.	.36	.43	.81	10.	1	10.	.25	.83	1	1	.34	60.	1	.04	.02	.01	.48	10.	1	1	10.	1
-	ii.	70.	1	1	1	1	1	1	99.	.26	91.	1	1	.01	.01	.03	.68	92.	80.	.25	.01	.04	.42	.14	.64	.01	1	1	.05	1	1
och.	ii.	01.	1	01.	1	1	10.	.02	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	117	.80	1	.03	1	1	.30	1	10.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
· Smy	in.	71.	.05	1	.02	1	79.	.05	.10	.40	10.	1	1	1	.02	1	1	1	1	1	1	.05	1	1	1	1	1	1	.20	1	17.
com.	i ii.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7	1	ı	1.36	.34	.47	.20	1	.04	0.7	.18	1	1	1	1	1	10.	1	91.	1	.12	.02
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into two of the out-districts tabled. The Council's intention is to augment this by further annual financial subsidies until a maximum of £460 per annum is contributed for a period of twelve years, or roughly £6,000.

#### RIVERS AND STREAMS.

There has been no evidence of river or stream pollution brought to the attention of the Department during the year.

#### SWIMMING BATHS.

There are no privately owned swimming pools in the district, but the Corporation own two swimming baths of the first and second class type, which are described in the 1938 Report.

#### DRAINAGE, SEWERAGE, AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

The five sewage disposal works are fully described in the Annual Report for 1938.

125 yards of new sewers have been laid during the year.

### SANITARY CONVENIENCES AND REFUSE ACCOMMODATION.

No. of Water Closets in premises,	including	houses		19,150
No. of Waste Water Closets	do.	do.		1,915
*No. of Pail or Tub Closets	do.	do.	****	46
No. of Privies (at farms where no supply is reasonably available		d/or wa	iter	180

<sup>\*</sup> Not including Air-Raid Shelters.

Inspections were made regarding Sanitary and refuse accommodation, in connection with which the following improvements were effected:—

1 privy converted to Water Closet.

4 privies otherwise reconstructed.

15,327 closets, other than privies, reconstructed as Water Closets.

9 additional Water Closets and 1 other type provided.

96 Water Closets repaired or renewed.

785 premises were provided with regulation dust-bins in lieu of unsatisfactory refuse receptacles.

#### SUMMARY OF SANITARY INSPECTIONS.

Total number of premises dealt	with				3,992
Total inspections for nuisances-	-Dwelil	ngs			1,638
	Others	S			1,382
Total nuisances found					1,655
Number abated			****	****	1,553
Inspections and re-visits for oth	er Stat	utory	Purpos	ses—	
Inspections	****				4,627
Re-visits		****			3,463
Number Sanitary Improvement controlled by Public Health					2,054
Number of interviews	****		****	****	1,326

#### NOTICES SERVED AND COMPLIED WITH.

	Notices	Served.		ng matters t forward				
	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal				
Public Health Acts	420	35	382	46				
Housing Acts	11	67	35	36				
Factories Act	27	_	14	2				
filk and Dairies Order	3	_	_	_				
Shops Act	-	-	_	6				
Keighley Corporation Acts	-		2	_				

#### HOUSING

#### 1.—GENERAL CONDITIONS.

(a)	Total Number of Houses in Borough	****	18,785
(b)	Number of working-class houses included in above		16,783
(c)	Number of new houses built in 1949		117

#### 2.—OVERCROWDING.

The circumstances described in the 1941 Report have naturally progressed to a more chaotic state and no relief is anticipated from this until the Government authorise Re-housing Schemes which are, of course, under current consideration.

16 recommendations to the Housing Committee were made on the grounds of technical overcrowding following 49 investigations. 8 cases of overcrowding have been relieved. Since the operation of the Act, only 4,730 houses have been supplied with the "permitted number" by the Department.

#### COMMON LODGING HOUSES.

There are two in the Borough, solely used by men, and they are well maintained. 40 inspections were made.

As a result of Ministry of Health advice re the danger of Louse-born Typhus Fever, such premises are inspected to determine from the evidence available the number of inmates who are actually carrying lice on their persons. An examination of the bedding reveals this state of affairs. By arrangement with the Keeper the men are, as soon as practicable, transported to the Disinfestation Station for appropriate treatment to their bodies, clothing and other effects. No such treatment has been necessary during the year.

18
Inspection of Factories.

		Number of	f
Premises.	Inspections	Written Notices.	Occupiers Prosecuted.
Factories with Mechanical Power	23	2	
Factories without Mechanical Power	146	9	
Other Premises under the Act	11	The last	-
	180	11	

#### Defects found in Factories.

		Number	of Defects		
Particulars	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector.	Referred by H.M. Inspec- tor.	No. of Prosecu- tions.
Want of Cleanliness	3	3		1	-
Inadequate Ventilation	49	49	_	1	-
Sanitary Conveniences—					
Insufficient	- 5	5	_	3	-
Unsuitable or Defective	49	49	-	3	-
Not separate for sexes	_	-	-	_	-
Other Offences	4	4	_	2	-
Total	110	110	_	10	

#### SITES FOR MOVEABLE DWELLINGS

8 sites for moveable dwellings were licensed subject to the sanitary conditions being brought up to the standard specified in the licences. The sites accommodate a maximum total of 16 dwellings; of this total 4 dwellings are the subject of individual licences.

#### OUTWORKERS

Lists were submitted by 11 employers, showing the employment of 86 persons. In each case the premises were visited and found to be satisfactory.

#### ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION

Routine smoke observations have been carried out during the year. 333 observations were made, resulting in 19 cautions being issued and 5 statutory notices served.

#### SOOT DEPOSIT GAUGES.

Twelve monthly deposits collected in gauges situate at Low Bridge, Public Abattoir, Public Library, and Oldfield, are as follows:—186 tons per sq. mile, 156 tons per sq. mile, 244 tons per sq. miles and 132 tons per sq. mile respectively. The gauge at the Public Abattoir was transferred from the Morton Cemetery on the 31st December, 1948. No reading was taken at Oldfield in March due to the gauge being damaged.

#### SUPERVISION OF FOOD PREMISES

592 inspections were made of Food Premises.

The precautions outlined in the 1941 Report are still being brought to the attention of food traders and their personnel generally.

#### BAKEHOUSES.

There are 86 bakehouses in the district, of which 6 are basement bakehouses licensed under the Factories Act, 1937.

#### MEAT SUPPLY.

The circumstances are still the same as reported in the 1941 Report re private slaughterhouses and centralised slaughtering.

A 100% system of meat inspection is in force, and for the purpose of this system the Inspectors were on duty at the Public Abbttoir on 525 occasions.

## Summary of Animals Slaughtered and Inspected at the Public Abattoir.

	Cattle (Exclud- ing Cows)	Cows.	Calves.	Sheep & Lambs.	Pigs.
Animals killed and inspected	1594	819	1718	8275	637
All Diseases except Tuberculosis :					
Whole carcases condemned	2	4	10	24	5
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	830	337	33	750	121
Percentage of the number in- spected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis	52.19	41.63	2.50	9.35	19.78
Tuberculosis Only.					
Whole carcases condemned	7	49	5	-	_
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	217	282	2		25
Percentage of the number in- spected affected with Tuber- culosis	14.05	40.41	0.40	_	3.92

#### Number of Animals Killed and Weight in lbs. of Unsound Meat Surrendered.

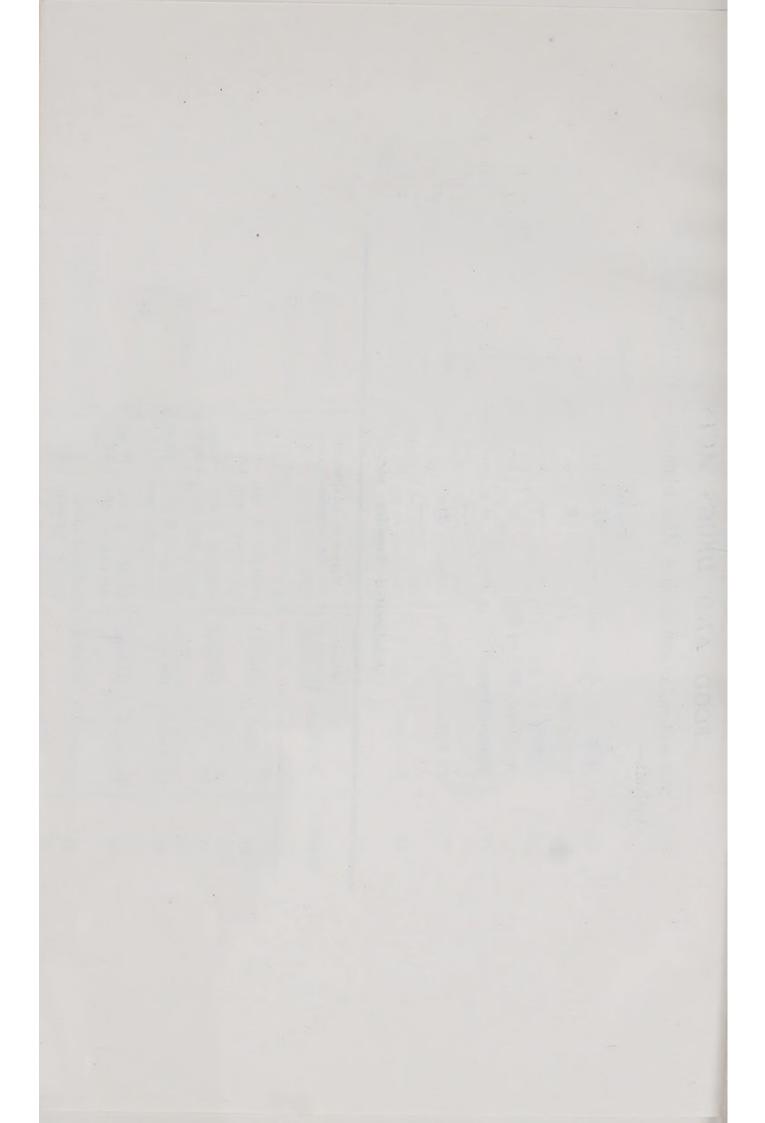
	Total No. of Animals	NAME OF THE OWNER OWNER OF THE OWNER OWN	nole ases.		art cases.	0	ffal.	To	otal.
	Killed and Inspected	т.в.	Other Causes	T.B	Other Causes	T.B.	Other Causes	T.B.	Other
Cows Other Cattle Sheep Pigs Calves	819 1594 8275 637 1718	25443 3503 — 226	2073 568 1158 1229 430	1733 353 — —	830 224 41 387 46	8904 5269 364 21	6402 8883 1862 1028 79	36080 9125 364 247	9305 9675 3061 2644 555
Totals	13043	29172	5458	2086	1528	14558	18254	45816	25240

The total weight condemned therefore was 31 tons 14 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

# LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

The following proceedings arose out of action taken during the year:-

Acts, Orders or Regulations under which proceedings were taken.	Food & Drugs Sale of Chic Act, 1938 deficient in (Section 3) 1%. Should less than 30 meat.	do. Sale of milk containing 5.1% added water.	Food & Drugs Sale of milk containi Act, 1938 12.94% added water.	Sale of milk contain 6.46% added water.	Sale of milk containing 5.4% added water.	Shops Act Serving customers 1912, 1934 closing hours on six (Section 2) sions.	Act, 1938 but intended for (Section 10) and Milk & conveying milk in treased. Page 4 tacle which could 1926 readily cleansed.	Food & Drugs Possession of unsound Act, 1938 Food.	Food & Drugs Use of Unlicensed Act, 1938 Slaughterhouse. (Section 57)	Public Health (Meat) Regu- lations 1924 & slaughtered is 1935 (Article 9)	Slaughter of Unlawful Slaughtering Animals Act, 1933 (Section 1)	Public Health Failing to g (Meat) Regulations, 1924 & 1935 (Article 8)	Food & Drugs Sale of Orange Squash Act, 1938 deficient in orange juice (Section 3) (only 15%).	do. Sale of Orange Squash deficient in orange juice (only 20%).	do. Sale of Orange Squash deficient in orange juice (only 16%).	Food & Drugs Sample of S Act, 1938 Marzipan M (Section 3) nut Flavour only 4.50% ( not be considered
Remarks	of Chicken Rissoles cient in meat. Meat tent not more than Should contain not than 30% of chicken t.	containing water.	containing d water.	containing water.	containing water.	tomers after on six occa-	For depositing Milk Unfit but intended for sale for human consumption and conveying milk in a recep- tacle which could not be readily cleansed.	punosun J	ensed	give notice of conditions of d animal.	ughtering	to give notice of	range Squash	range Squash	range Squash	Sample of Soylina Mock Marzipan Mixture Coco- nut Flavour. Contained only 450%, Old and could norb be considered as being in any way a substitute
Result.	Fined.	Fined.		Fined.		Fined.	Fined.	Fined.	Fined.	Fined.	Fined.	Fined.		Cases dismissed without costs.		Case dismissed without costs.
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Weight (in lbs.) of Meat Condemned for the reasons specified.

Diseases.		Cows.	Other Cattle.	Sheep.	Pigs.	Calves
Abscess		229	439	67	_	
Actinomycosis		160	457	_		
Angiomatosis		295	182			
Arthritis		498	_	3	130	10
Cirrhosis		1486	3134		_	
Decomposition and Contamin	ation	219	131	_	235	35
Dropsy and Emaciation			194	953	300	33
Enteritis		743	121	20	417	34
Erysipelas	4344	-	-	-	140	_
Gangrenous Conditions			394	138	_	_
Hydraemia	****	_	-	117	_	38
Injury, Bruising and Macerat	ion	1304	97	33	240	36
Immaturity	****	_			_	94
Johnne's Disease		594	40	_	_	_
Joint Iill and Umbilical Pyae	mia				_	219
Mastitis		1320	171	_	40	_
Melanosis		_	8	-	_	_
Moribund			_	50	120	46
Nephritis		21	2	1	8	-
	(Ech					1 10
Vet; Ten; and Distoma)		1421	4025	1655	26	_
Pericarditis		28	_	1	51	-
Pneumonic Conditions		399	280	23	239	10
Septicaemia (Metritis and	100000					
Pericarditis)	****	588	_	_	698	-
Fuberculosis	****	36080	9125	_	364	247
Totals		45385	18800	3061	3008	802

# Total Weight of Other Foodstuffs Condemned.

							Weigh	t.	
Types of F	ood Con	demned	1.			Tons	Cwts.	Qrs.	lbs.
Butter								2	3
Margarine	****	****							4
Lard									5
Cheese								2	25
Sweet Fat		****						4	26
Bacon									19
Syrup								1	2
Sugar							6	2	14
Wet Fish	****						7	1	8
Dates									12
Rice	****								5
Suet									5
Chocolate an	d Swee	ets		****				2	14
Tea									10
Coffee									2
Cocoa									2
Mineral Wate	ers								6
Frozen Eggs								3	16
Flour			****	4741	****		1	2	3
Biscuits			****					1	8
Cereals					****				17
Pickles and S	Sauces		****	****			6	2	17
Sago								4	19
Meat							2	1	20
Cake				****					12
Chickens								1	24
Vegetables		****			****		18	1	8
Canned Good	ds			****		1	4	1	2
Canned Milk							4	2	20
						3	18	3	20
						0	10	O .	20

## MILK SUPPLY

Production. In the Borough are 284 cowkeepers at 282 milk farms housing approximately 3,800 cows in a total of 500 cowsheds. 42 of these farms are licensed by the West Riding County Council to produce "Accredited" milk and 28 to produce "Tuberculin Tested" milk.

Purveying. There are 240 wholesale traders (118 of these also retailing) and 244 retailing only (the latter including 175 shops registered for the sale of bottled milk). One supplementary licence to sell "Sterilised" Milk in the district, was granted to a retail trader during the year. One licence to pasteurise milk was extended for the year, and the holder of this licence retails pasteurised milk at 21 shops in the district.

260 visits to cowsheds and 200 visits to dairy premises were made.

#### MILK SAMPLING.

## (a) To ascertain Cleanliness.

No. obtained and sent to County Laboratory For Examination.	Grade of Milk.	Satisfactory.	Unsatisfactory.
37	Tuberculin Tested	1 31	6
67	Accredited	53	14
103	Pasteurised	100	3
47	Ordinary	39	8
Total 254		223*	31
	or 8	7.79%*	or 12.21%

<sup>\*</sup>Comprises 218 produced in Keighley and 5 elsewhere.

#### REGISTRATION OF PREMISES.

327 premises are registered under Section 14 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1938, for either the manufacture, storage, or sale of ice cream or the preparation or manufacture of sausage, potted, pressed, pickled or preserved food, or fish frying.

7 transfers of occupiers were made.

1 shop is registered for the sale and storage of artificial cream under section 28 of the Act.

# OFFENSIVE TRADES

Number in Borough, 14, comprising 5 Tanners and Leather Dressers, 2 Tripe Boilers, 1 Bone Boiler and Fat Refiner, 2 Tripe Boilers and Gut Scrapers, 1 Fat Refiner, and 3 Rag and Bone Dealers. The 58 Fish Friers, whose trade at the moment is not regarded as offensive, are now all registered under the provisions of the Food and Drugs Act, 1938.

Number of inspections made—152.

## REPRESSION OF VERMIN.

### Rodent Control under Direction of Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

The following tables give the administrative and operative action taken under the above direction.

One whole-time rodent operator is employed for this work.

#### Administrative Work.

(1) No. of visits to groups of premises	 	82
(2) No. of Informal Notices served re alleged inf		
obstruction	 	-
(3) No. of Contracts signed	 	6
(4) No. of Contracts rescinded	 	_
(5) No. of Formal Notices served re Rat Destruct Proofing		_
(6) No. of Formal Notices complied with by Local		
in default		_
Work of Rodent Operator.		
(a) Private Premises.		
(1) No. of Premises treated	 1	21
(2) No. of other Investigations re Rat Infestat		
(3) Weight of Pre-baits		
(4) Weight of Poison Baits (following (3))		
(5) Weight of Post Baits		
(6) Weight of Poison Baits (following (5))		
(7) No. of Rats Destroyed		
(b) Corporation Sewers.		

# (b) Corporation Sewers.

Sewers throughout the whole district have been treated for elimination of rats on two separate occasions.

A 10% Test Bait which was commenced on February 21st, 1949, and completed on February 25th, 1949, with a view to ascertaining the extent of any additional infestations.

The Test Bait revealed that some localities were quite clear, while others were earmarked for further maintenance treatment.

A summary of the work done is as follows:-

(1) No. of Manholes in Areas Treated		688
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- (2) No. of these Manholes Baited .... 688
- (3) No. of Manholes where Pre-bait taken .... 123
- (4) No. of Manholes where Poison-bait taken .... 122

Estimated No. of Rats Destroyed .... 1340

#### Verminous Houses and Household Effects.

The facilities for disinfestation prior to removal to Corporation houses, as described in the 1938 Report, are still available.

34 inspections were made of 26 alleged verminous premises.

Advice given as to treatment by owners and occupiers, and the cases kept under observation.

#### DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS AND ORDERS.

The Chief Sanitary Inspector is the Council's Inspector under these Acts and senior officers of the Police act as officers of the Local Authority for the purpose of granting licences and other administrative duties. A summary of action taken by all officers, including the Divisional Inspector of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, is as follows:—

# Anthrax Order, 1938.

In 1949 there were 2 suspected cases, one of which was not confirmed.

#### Tuberculosis Order, 1938.

48 Form "A" Notices were served. Of these 46 animals were slaughtered, 2 Form "A" Notices were withdrawn.

# Swine Fever Order, 1938.

There were 3 suspected cases, which were not confirmed by the Ministry.

# Sheep Scab Order, 1938.

Action under the Sheep Scab Order, 1938, has resulted in the double dipping of 1,439 sheep at various premises in the Borough.

### Foot and Mouth Disease Order, 1938.

No action found necessary.

# RAG FLOCKS ACT, 1911 to 1928. FABRICS (MISDESCRIPTION) ACT, 1913.

No action found necessary.

### SHOP ACTS, 1912-1936.

These Acts deal with closing hours of retail shops, half day closing orders, hours of employment of young persons and meal hours of shop assistants and Sunday trading restrictions.

This type of supervision is carried out simultaneously with the statutory duties laid on Local Authorities by welfare and hygienic provisions in the Act of 1934. These provisions aim at the control of temperature, ventilation and lighting in shops, suitable and sufficient sanitation, and washing and meal taking facilities.

In the case of food shops these provisions, together with the hygiene of premises requirements of the Food and Drugs Acts are enforced.

Notwithstanding the vague phrasing of most of this legislation every substantial food shop, store and warehouse in the Town now has reasonable facilities for promoting cleanliness of premises and personnel.

# E.—CLEANSING

The Cleansing Department is responsible for the collection and disposal of house refuse and salvage and the maintenance and cleansing of the public conveniences.

#### Refuse Collection.

The maintenance of a regular collection of house refuse is still impaired by the scarcity of available labour for this class of work. This was particularly evident during the early part of the year, when there was considerable sickness amongst regular employees. Except for this period, however, the frequency of collection generally has shown an improvement on the previous year.

Reorganisation carried out during the summer months resulted in the formation of three districts in which the regular weekly collection of refuse was established and maintained during the remainder of the year. The frequency of collection in the other districts of the town was also improved, and it is anticipated that the extension of the arrangements as in the three districts stated, will, in the future, lead to greater regularity of collection in all districts.

During the year a scale of charges for the collection and disposal of trade refuse was introduced.

## Refuse Disposal.

Refuse is disposed of by the controlled method of tipping.

The Department has four tips in the Borough, namely:— Marley, Bogthorn Tip, Oakworth, Oakworth Cemetery Tip, and Oxenhope.

Of these, only Marley and Oakworth Cemetery Tip were used during the year, and the bulk of the refuse was dealt with at Marley.

In spite of the large amount of trade refuse handled, there were periods when suitable and sufficient material for use as tip cover was difficult to obtain.

Outbreaks of fire continue to occur at Marley and Oakworth Cemetery Tip. These have all been caused by unauthorised persons, children mostly, who gain access after working hours. In only one case was the service of the Fire Brigade necessary, all other outbreaks being promptly dealt with by the staff.

## Salvage.

So far as Salvage is concerned, the year was notable for the situation that arose about the middle of the year when the waste paper markets became overstocked, and which led to the relaxation of the Governmental direction on many Authorities, including Keighley, to collect this material.

Despite the instability of the markets, however, no difficulties were experienced by the Department in profitably disposing of waste paper, and the collection, baling and sale of this material continues as one of the activities of the Department. The amount collected and sold was 45 tons greater than in the previous year, an increase of  $12\frac{2}{3}\%$ .

Food waste is collected from communal bins placed throughout the more densely populated areas of the Borough. In this case, the amount collected shows a decrease of 53 tons when compared with 1948, a loss of 15%. Part of this loss at least was due to the nefarious activities of certain local pigbreeders, who, by emptying the bins after dark, have been surreptitiously acquiring feeding stuffs for their stock. With the assistance of the Police, two of these unofficial collectors were located while engaged on this work. They were summonsed, and fined 15s. and costs.

#### Public Conveniences.

On 1st April, the control and management of public conveniences was taken over by the Department. There are 26 in number, 5 for ladies and 21 for gentlemen, situated in various parts of the Borough. Two of the conveniences, both ladies, are equipped with washing facilities, and have full-time attendants.

#### General.

The details of expenditure, costs, etc., given below relate to the financial year from 1st April, 1949, to 31st March, 1950, except in the case of salvage where data applies to the calendar year.

## Expenditure.

Gross Expenditure		***				£26,264	16	9
Gross Income		1007				7,360	15	9
Net Expenditure		2444			****	18,904	1	0
Net Cost of 1,000 o	f pop	ulation	****	****		334	3	5
Net Cost per head of	of pop	ulation					6	8
Net Cost per head	of po	pulation	per	week				$1\frac{1}{2}$

#### Refuse Collection.

Weight of refuse collected (including salvag	e)		13,0	70	tons
Average weight of refuse collected per day (3	00 d	ays)	43.	57	tons
Weight of refuse per 1,000 of population per	ann	um	2	31	tons
Weight of refuse per head of population per	ann	ıım	4.6	32 c	wts.
Net cost of refuse collection		£14	,772	15	9
Net cost per ton of refuse collected			1	3	$10\frac{1}{2}$
Net cost per 1,000 of population per annum			261	2	9
Net cost per head of population per annum	****			. 5	$2^{1}_{2}$

### Refuse Disposal.

Refuse Disposai.	
Weight of refuse collected by Department	12,358 tons
Weight of refuse from private traders	13,323 tons
Total weight of refuse dealt with	25,681 tons
Average weight of refuse dealt with per day	85.6 tons
Net cost of refuse disposal	£1,178 6 0
Net cost per ton of refuse per annum	11
Net cost per 1,000 of population per annum	20 16 7
Net cost per head of population per annum	5

# Salvage.

The following table shows weight, value and types of materials salvaged and sold during 1949.

				We	eight.		Val	ue.	
Type of M	faterial.		Tons	Cwts.		Lbs.	£	s.	d.
Waste Pa	per		 404	7	2	0	2669	9	8
Waste Foo	bo		 305	11	2	0	750	7	3
Scrap Met	tal		 39	11	2	10	55	1	3
Aluminiun	n			3	0	22	4	9	6
Brass	****	****			2	19		18	9
Textiles			 3	19	3	20	36	2	7
Copper	****			3	1	14	6	13	8
			753	17	3	1	3523	2	8

Increase in revenue over previous year, £437.

## Public Conveniences.

Gross Expenditure					)	£1,634	13	7
Revenue						410	6	6
Net Expenditure						1,224	7	1
General.								
Total number of n	notor ve	hicles						17
Total number of h	orses		****					2
Average number o	f employ	yees per	r weel	c				59







