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THE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.ACTING MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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TO  
THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS of the }  
LYDNEY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL }

Westfield,  
Lydney, Glos.

27th January, 1942.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual  
Report on the Health of the Lydney District for the year 1941.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

C.O. CARSON,

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ISOLATION HOSPITALS.

## ALVINGTON:

Matron. Miss C.M. Arscott, S.R.N., S.C.M.,  
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SMALL-POX HOSPITAL. (Greenways)

Mr. A.W. Collinson. Tel. Cinderford 3109.

R E P O R T BY THE ACTING MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

During the year of 1941 there have been no serious epidemics of infectious fevers. There have been only 13 cases of Tuberculosis notified, i.e. roughly 1 for every 1000 of population, and there have been only 4 deaths from Tuberculosis, i.e. 1 for every 3000 of the population.

Out of 241 cases of infectious fevers notified there were only 5 deaths and of these five deaths, 2 died of cerebro-spinal-fever and 3 of pneumonia. The remarkable drop in the death rate from pneumonia is most certainly due to the discovery of M & B 693.

Of two small epidemics of Measles and Whooping-cough there were no deaths notified. Two cases of Diphtheria and one of Typhoid were notified but the immediate isolation and strict precautions taken abated an epidemic in each case. The fact that there have been only 18 cases of infectious fevers admitted to the Isolation Hospital, speaks for itself.

Among the outstanding improvements in the Health Services during the year are the following:-

- (a) Chlorination of the Lydney Water Supply
- (b) Erection of a new Mortuary at Lydney
- (c) Erection of new wards at the Isolation Hospital
- (d) Large increase in the number of Diphtheria Inoculations
- (e) The cleanliness of the milk samples taken
- (f) The improvement of the condition of the meat

In spite of war time conditions, with its rationing, over work, moving population etc., the health of the District has been exceptionally good.

C.O. CARSON,

Acting Medical Officer of Health.



LYDNEY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Composition of District:- The Parishes of Lydney, Aylburton, Alvington, St.Briavels, Hewelsfield, Woolaston and Tidenham.

I. - General Statistics:- Area (Acres) 24,544

Population (Census 1931), 10,824: in 1941 estimated 12,116

Number of inhabited houses. (Census 1931), 2447

Number of inhabited houses (end of 1941), 2930

Rateable Value £250,359

Estimated product of a penny rate £199. 8. 7

2. - Extracts from Vital Statistics of the Year:-

		Total	Male	Female
Live Births	(Legitimate	280	147	133
	(Illegitimate	12	5	7
Still Births	(Legitimate	7	6	1
	(Illegitimate	0	0	0
Deaths		153	79	74
Deaths from Puerperal Causes	(	No.29 Puerperal sepsis. 0 No.30 Other Puerperal causes 1		
Deaths from Cancer. (all ages).....		12		
do. from Measles (all ages).....		0		
do. from Whooping (all ages).....		0		
	Cough			
do. from Diarrhoea (under 2 yrs).....		2		

3. - Notifiable Diseases During the Year:-

Disease	Total Cases Notified	Cases admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths
Scarlet Fever	29	12 (Civilian) 15 (Non-civilian)	0
Diphtheria	8	1 (Civilian) 6 (Non-civilian)	0
Measles	158	0	0
Whooping-cough	7	0	0
Typhoid-Paratyphoid	1	1	0
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	0	0
Pneumonia	28	0	3
Cerebro-Spinal-Fever	5	5	2
Undulant Fever	1	0	0
Acute-poliomyelitis	1	1	0
Other diseases generally notifiable			
Encephalitis Lethargica	0	0	0

# Notifiable Diseases During the Year 1942. (Contd:-)

	<u>Total Cases Notified</u>	<u>Cases Admitted to Hospital</u>	<u>Total Deaths</u>
Other diseases notifiable locally			
Erysipelas	1	0	0
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1	0	0

<u>Tuberculosis:-</u>	<u>Total Cases Notified</u>		<u>Deaths</u>
(a) Pulmonary	( M.5 F.2		( M.2 F.0
Total	7	Total	2
(b) Non-pulmonary	( M.3 F.3		( M.0 F.2
Total	6	Total	4

## 4. Sickness During the Year:-

(Civilian) Five notifications of Cerebro-Spinal Fever were received during the year.  
Measles was prevalent  
Seven notifications of whooping-cough were notified  
Two cases of diphtheria and one case of Typhoid-Fever,  
also one notification of Acute-poliomyelitis and one  
of Ophthalmia-neonatorum were received.

(Non-civilian) Fifteen notifications of Scarlet Fever and six  
Diphtheria were received from Military Camps.

## 5. Hospitals and other Institutions available for the District:

(a) Hospitals provided or subsidised by the Local Authority or  
by the County Council.  
Tuberculosis: Standish House Sanatorium. Total Beds.....250

In addition there are 12 beds for advanced cases (female)  
at Cashes Green and 10 for acute surgical cases at Cheltenham  
General Hospital.

When the acute stage is over these go to the "surgical" beds  
at Standish House.

These beds are available for the whole county.

(2) Maternity. Gloucester D.N.A. No. of Beds: 12  
Cheltenham D.N.A. No. of Beds: 8

(3) Children. Longford No. of Beds: 30

(4) Orthopaedic No. of Beds: 11

Cheltenham-4: Gloucester-3: Bristol-4.

Inpatient treatment is available for County Cases at

(i) Cheltenham General Hospital (ii) Gloucestershire Royal Infir-  
mary and (iii) Winford Orthopaedic Hospital (Somerset)

6. Fever. (1) Wilderness I.D. Hospital. No. of Beds: 52, including  
6 cots and 6 beds for staff.

(2) Alvington Isolation Hospital. No. of Beds: 16

7. Small-pox. N.W. Glos.S.P.Hosp. No. of Beds: 50 and 5 for staff.

8. General. (1) Dilke Hospital. No. of Beds: 35

(2) Lydney & District Hospital.  
No. of Beds: 19. In new block: 20

Ambulance: (a) for infectious cases. One Motor.

(b) for non-infectious and accident cases. One Motor

School Clinics	Lydney	Tuesday	2 p.m.
Tuberculosis Dispensaries	do.	Periodic	
Orthopaedic Clinics	do.	Tuesday	10.30 a.m.
Ante-Natal Clinic.	Cinderford.	Third Thursday in month.	2 p.m.



MORTALITY AT ALL AGES 1941 - LYDNEY R.D. COUNCIL

Deaths in or belonging to whole District at Subjoined Ages

Registrar General's Index Nos.	Causes of Death	Sex		Ages											Lydney Parish	Aylburton	Alvington	Woolaston	Tidenham	Hewelsfield	St. Briavels Brockweir	Beachley Mil. Camp	Lydney Dis. Hospital	Died in but not belonging to the Dist.	Belonging to the District but died out	Inquests	Post Mortem
		M	F	At all Ages	Under 1 yr.	1 - 2 yrs.	2 - 3 yrs.	3 - 4 yrs.	4 - 5 yrs.	5 - 10 yrs.	10 - 15 yrs.	15-20 yrs.	20-35 yrs.	35-40 yrs.	45-65 yrs.	65 years & upwards											
7	Influenza	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9	Phthisis	4	1	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	3	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
10	Non-pulmonary Tuberculosis	1	3	4	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	-	-	-
12	Diabetes	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
13	Cancer (all forms)	10	2	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	8	3	-	3	2	1	-	1	-	2	-	-
14	Diabetes	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
15	Cerebral Hemorrhage	5	5	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	6	4	-	2	-	2	-	1	-	1	-	-
16	Heart Disease	15	28	43	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	11	31	17	2	9	1	3	-	1	1	4	-	-
18	Other Circulatory Diseases	6	4	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	8	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
19	Bronchitis	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20	Pneumonia (all forms)	3	5	8	3	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	4	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	1	1
21	Other Respiratory Diseases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
22	Septic Ulcer	4	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	2	-	1
24	Appendicitis	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
25	Cirrhosis of Liver	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
27	Other Digestive Disorders	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
28	Acute & Chronic Nephritis	5	3	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	5	2	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
29	Puerperal Sepsis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
30	Other Puerperal Causes	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
31	Congenital Deafity	6	6	12	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	7	4	3	-	-
32	Senility	1	3	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
33	Suicide	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
34	Other deaths, violence	10	3	13	-	1	-	-	-	1	3	1	2	1	2	2	3	1	1	-	-	-	6	6	3	11	-
35	Other defined diseases	7	3	10	2	-	-	-	-	3	-	1	-	-	1	3	2	-	-	-	2	1	5	4	1	4	-
TOTALS		79	74	153	19	1	-	1	-	6	3	2	6	5	36	74	52	11	6	6	10	1	31	22	27	17	3



INFECTIOUS DISEASES 1941 - LYDNEY RURAL DISTRICT

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (other than TUBERCULOSIS) DURING THE YEAR 1941.

Diseases	Sex		Cases and Ages													Cases and Parishes												
	M	F	At all ages	Under 1 yr.	1 to 2 yrs.	2 to 3 yrs.	3 to 4 yrs.	4 to 5 yrs.	5 to 10 yrs.	10 to 15 yrs.	15 to 20 yrs.	20 to 35 yrs.	35 to 45 yrs.	45 to 65 yrs.	65 and upwards	Lydney	Aylburton	Alvington	Woolaston	Tidenham	St. Briavels	Hewelsfield	Beachley Camp	Military Hospital	Lydney Hospital	Wilderness Hospital	Alvington Hospital	Total Deaths
Measles	86	72	158	-	11	13	13	21	65	16	9	9	-	-	1	93	1	-	-	42	6	4	12	6	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	1	6	7	1	1	-	3	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	23	6	29	-	1	2	-	-	5	3	14	4	-	-	-	11	1	-	-	2	-	-	15	15	-	1	12	-
Diphtheria	7	1	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	6	6	-	-	-	-
Cerebro-Spinal-Fever	2	3	5	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	5	2
Erysipelas	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia	20	8	28	-	2	3	1	1	1	2	1	2	7	6	2	19	1	-	1	4	1	-	2	2	2	-	-	3
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhoid and Paratyphoid	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Undulant Fever	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute-poliomyelitis	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
Ophthalmia-neonatorum	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	140	101	241	2	15	18	17	24	73	21	29	22	8	7	5	129	3	-	3	55	11	5	35	29	2	1	19	5

INFANT MORTALITY IN LYDNEY R.D. 1941.

	Causes of Death			Under 1 week	1 week and under 2 weeks	2 weeks and under 3 weeks	3 weeks and under 4 weeks	Total under One Month	1 - 3 months	3 - 6 months	6 - 9 months	9 - 12 months	Total under One Year	Lydney	Aylburton	Alvington	Lydney Hospital	Non-resident in District	
		M	F																
1.	Pneumonia	-	3	-	-	-	-	0	1	1	-	1	3	2	-	1	-	-	
2.	Bronchitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
3.	Congenital Debility	7	2	5	1	-	-	6	3	-	-	-	9	6	1	-	7	2	
4.	Other Defined Diseases	2	2	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2	4	1	-	-	4	3	
5.	Appendicitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS		9	7	6	1	-	-	7	4	2	-	3	16	9	1	1	11	5	



LYDNEY RURAL DISTRICT.

TUBERCULOSIS NEW CASES and MORTALITY DURING 1941.

Age Periods	New Cases				Deaths			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0 .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1 .....	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
5 .....	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
10 .....	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
15 .....	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
20 .....	2		0	0	0	0	0	0
25 .....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
35 .....	2	0	1	0	2	0	0	0
40 .....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
55 .....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
65 and upwards	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	5	2	3	3	2	0	0	2

Sanitary Inspector's Office,  
Tutnalls,  
Lydney,  
Glos.

24th February, 1942.

TO

THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS of the )  
LYDNEY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL )

Sir, Ladies & Gentlemen,

"ANNUAL REPORT"

I have the honour to submit for your consideration  
my Annual Report for the Year 1941.

HOUSING.

Inspection of dwelling houses during the year.

(a) 1.	Total number of houses inspected for Housing Defects (Under Public Health or Housing Acts)	45
2.	Number of inspections made for that purpose	45
(b) 1.	Number of houses included under the above which were inspected under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925 & 1937	45
2.	Number of inspections made for that purpose	45
(c)	Number of houses found to be in a state so dangerous, or injurious to health, as to be unfit for human habitation.	0
(d)	Number of houses exclusive of those referred to under (c) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation.	18

II. Remedy of Defects during the year without service of  
Formal Notices.

Number of defective houses rendered fit in consequence  
of informal action. 10

III. Action under Statutory Powers during the Year.

I.	<u>Proceedings under the Public Health Acts</u>	10
(a)	Number of houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	10
(b)	Number of houses rendered fit after service of formal notice	
(a)	By owners	10
(b)	By Local Authority in default of owners	0



HOUSING - (Contd:-)

B. Proceedings under Housing Act, 1936

Part II - Repairs - (Sec. 9, 10, 16)

(a) Number of houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	0
(b) Number of houses rendered fit after service of Formal Notices. (By owners)	0

C. Demolition. (Sec. II & 13)

(a) Number of houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	0
(b) Number of houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	2

D. Closure of portions of buildings. (Sec. 12)	0
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Part III. (Clearance: Re-development and Improvement Areas)

(a) Clearance Area Declaration made by Council	0
(b) Clearance Orders submitted and awaiting confirmation by Minister	0
(c) Clearance Orders rejected by Minister	0
(d) Clearance Orders confirmed by Minister	0

Part IV. - (Overcrowding)

(a) Number of cases of overcrowding reported during the year	5
(b) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	3
(c) Number of persons concerned in such cases	36

E. All New Houses.

(a) Total new houses erected during the year	2
(b) New houses erected during the year with State Assistance under Housing Acts	0
(i) By Local Authority	0
(ii) By other bodies or persons	0
1. New houses erected during the year without subsidy	2
2. New houses during the year proposed to be erected under Housing Acts but not yet built	0

# HOUSING ACTS - (Contd.)

In accordance with Circular 2156 from the Ministry of Health the Council granted six-month licences to owners of the following properties.

Nos. 2,3 & 4, Swan Row	Woolaston
Club-Rooms, Netherend	do.
Knoll-Bungalow, Woodside	do.
Cottage near Pumping-Station	Aylburton
No.1, Alms Houses	do.
Two Houses at Red-Lion Court	Tidenham

## Camping Sites.

(a) Number of sites used for camping purposes during the year	1
Number of applications refused by Council	0
(b) Number of camping sites in respect of which licences were granted by the Council under Sec.269 Public Health Act, 1936	1

Other sites were used for camping purposes during the School Holiday Period, no licences being required

## INFECTIOUS DISEASE. (Civilian)

Parish	Scarlet Fever	Diphth- eria	Cerebro- S-Fever	Typh- oid	Acute-Polio- mylitis	Isolated at Home	Removed to Hosp.	Total
Lydney	11	1	1	0	0	2	11	13
Aylburton	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Alvington	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
Woolaston	-	-	1	1	-	-	2	2
Tidenham	2	1	2	-	-	-	5	5
Hewelsfield	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1
St.Briavels	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1
TOTALS	14	2	5	1	1	2	21	23

One Diphtheria patient from the parish of Tidenham was removed to the Chepstow Isolation Hospital, and one Diphtheria patient from the parish of Lydney to the Wilderness Hospital.

19 patients were treated at the Alvington Isolation Hospital.



# INFECTIOUS DISEASE - (Contd.)

Other Civilian Notifications received were:-

Parish	Measles	Whooping-Cough	Erysipelas	Puerperal Pyrexia	Pneumonia	Undulant Fever	Total
Lydney	93	4	-	-	19	-	116
Aylburton	1	-	-	-	1	-	2
Alvington	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
Woolaston	0	-	-	-	1	-	1
Tidenham	42	3	1	-	4	-	50
Hewelsfield	4	-	-	-	-	-	4
St.Briavels	6	-	-	1	1	1	9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>182</b>

One notification of Ophthalmia-neonatorum was received from the parish of St.Briavels.

(Non-civilian) Notifications received from Military Camps were:-

MEASLES 12: SCARLET FEVER 15: DIPHTHERIA 6: PNEUMONIA 2: Total 35

The Scarlet Fever and Diphtheria patients were removed to the Cardiff and Newport Military Hospitals. Other infectious cases were removed to the Military Hospital Beachley.

## "DISINFECTION OF PREMISES"

Scarlet Fever & Diphtheria	16
Cerebro-Spinal-Fever	5
Measles & Whooping-cough	45
Erysipelas	1
Tuberculosis	5
Typhoid Fever	1
Acute-poliomyelitis	1
Verminous premises	5
2 verminous barges at Lydney Docks	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>81</b>

Methods of disinfections used:- Formaldehyde Spray: Lawes' "Formagen Generators" & Zaldecide Liquid Fumigant.  
For the 2 Barges at Lydney Docks. "Cimex Blocks" were used.

### WATER.

Number of Water-Samples submitted to the Public Analyst:-

Lydney Water-Supply 12: Woolaston 5: Tidenham 1:

Total:- 18.

No. of Public Wells closed:- 1

Improvements carried out to Public Wells:- 8

### MILK.

Number of Milk Samples submitted to the  
Public Analyst 21

Number taken from Farms:- 16

#### Number for Infectious Diseases

Typhoid Fever 2

Tuberculosis 2

Undulant Fever 1

#### "Accredited" and "Tuberculin Tested" Licences.

No. of "Accredited" Milk Licences on the Register  
at the end of 1940 21

No. of "Tuberculin Tested" Milk Licences on the  
Register at the end of 1940 5

Total..... 26

No. of "Accredited" milk licences granted during 1941 3

No. of "Tuberculin Tested" milk licences granted  
during 1941 1

No. removed from Register owing to change of tenancy 2

No. removed from Register owing to unsatisfactory  
milk-samples 1

#### Total number now on Register.

"Accredited" Milk Licences 21

"Tuberculin Tested" Milk Licences 5

Total..... 26

#### Improvements to Cowsheds.

Improvements were carried out to 7 Cowsheds in the  
district :-

(a)	LYDNEY	1
(b)	AYLBURTON	1
(c)	ALVINGTON	2
(d)	WOOLASTON	1
(e)	ST.BRIAVELS & HEWELSFIELD	2



### "MEAT REGULATIONS"

The following number of animals were slaughtered and the carcasses inspected for disease :-

Cattle (excluding cows)	432
Cows	93
Calves	383
Sheep & Lambs	5752
Pigs	255
Total.....	<u>6915</u>

Number slaughtered on unlicensed premises were :-

Pigs	540
Sheep	3
	<u>543</u>

Note:- The Lydney Food Executive Officer issued 522 licences during the year to self-suppliers.

The amount of meat condemned as unfit for human consumption was:-

(Cattle)	Three carcasses of Beef & Offal affected with Tuberculosis	1388 lbs
	Three forequarters of Beef affected with Tuberculosis	348 lbs
	Three complete offals of beef, affected with Tuberculosis	183 lbs
	15 Ox Heads affected with Tuberculosis	380 lbs
	26 Sets of Ox Lungs affected with Tuberculosis	246 lbs
	12 Ox livers affected with Tuberculosis	151 lbs
	19 Ox livers affected with "Fluke"	262 lbs
	1 Set of Ox Lungs affected with "Echinococcus"	10 lbs
	Two Hindquarters of Bruised Beef	200 lbs
	Portion of Bruised Beef	18 lbs
(Sheep)	One Sheep's Carcase affected with "Septicaemia"	47 lbs
	Two Sheep's heads and "Races" affected with "Strongylosis"	24 lbs
	187 Sheep & lambs livers affected with "Fluke" & "Echinococcus"	437 lbs
(Calves)	Three carcasses of "Emaciated" Veal	339 lbs
(Pigs)	Two carcasses of Pork affected with "Tuberculosis"	230 lbs
	One carcase of Pork affected with "Erysipelas"	136 lbs
	22 Pig's Heads affected with "Tuberculosis"	225 lbs
	6 Pig's "Races" affected with "Tuberculosis"	34 lbs
	8 Pig's "Races" affected with "Pneumonia"	36 lbs
	Bruised Pork	130 lbs
(Imported)	7 "Imported" Pig's "Races"	33 lbs
	Total.....	<u>4857 lbs</u>

Other Foodstuffs condemned as unfit for human consumption were:-

356 Tins of various foodstuffs. 26 cwt of Majestic Potatoes  
(Box) 5 stone of Pilchards

General:-

Complaints received:-

Nuisances reported to District Council	57
(a) Total	57
(b) Swine	0
Number of nuisances abated	54
Number of preliminary notices served	57
Statutory notices served	1
Convictions obtained	0
Nuisances unabated	3

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Number of earth closets or privy vaults abolished for 6  
pail privies.

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Number inspected of each of the following:-

	Number on Register	Number Inspected	Total number of Inspections
Common Lodging Houses	0	0	0
Slaughterhouses	10	1	154
Bakehouses	14	13	39
Dairies; Cowsheds; & Milkshops	126	108	117
Workshops	48	48	96
Canal Boats	0	0	0
Residence of out-workers	0	0	0

Factories Act, 1937.      "Factory Inspections"

Number of Factories with mechanical power on the register:- 10  
Number of inspections:- 22

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PREMISES OR OCCUPATIONS SUBJECT TO STATUTORY CONTROL.

Under the Shops Act, 1934

Number of visits and inspections were:- 45

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PETROLEUM ACTS

Number of licences granted by the Council under the Petroleum  
Acts, for storage of Petroleum Spirit was:- 26

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LYDNEY SHIPPING 1941.

AMOUNT of SHIPPING entering THE PORT during the YEAR 1941.

	Number	Tonnage	Number reported to be defective	No. of Vessels on which defects were remedied	Number inspected by Sanitary Inspector
<u>FOREIGN</u>					
Steamers	0	0	0	0	0
"Motors"	2	423	0	0	0
Sailing	0	0	0	0	0
Fishing	0	0	0	0	0
Total Foreign	2	423	0	0	0
<u>COASTWISE</u>					
Steamers	26	1997	0	0	10
"Motors"	250	14332	2	2	10
Sailing	214	9736	0	0	7
Fishing	0	0	0	0	0
Total Coastwise	490	26065	2	2	27
Total Foreign & Coastwise	492	26488	2	2	27

("Includes mechanically propelled vessels other than steamers")

## GENERAL.

### RATS & MICE DESTRUCTION ACT, 1919.

As the result of my report to the Council at their meeting held on the 20th May 1941, re Rat Infestation of the Lydney and Aylburton Refuse Tips, the Council entered into a three year agreement with the Gloucestershire County Council on the 20th June 1941, for the destruction of rats in the above tips.

Also the culverts under these refuse tips have been extended and the tips levelled. This work was carried out under the supervision of the Council's Engineer & Surveyor H.Russell, Esqr.

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### QUEEN STREET CULVERT.

In May 1941 complaints were received that W.C.'s from certain houses in Queen Street, Lydney, were connected to the culvert.

With the kind assistance of Mr.G.J.Elliott (jun) of the County Council's Divisional Surveyor's Office, the drains from 32 houses were examined and tested with the result that two drains from Nos.31 & 33, respectively were found to be discharging sewage into the culvert. These were immediately disconnected from the culvert and connected to the sewer.

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### DECONTAMINATION OF FOODSTUFFS SERVICE.

In view of the Ministry's letter dated 24th November 1939 the Memorandum M.F.G.I., and covering letter M.F.G.2., of the 24th June, 1940, and the letter M.F.G.3., of the 31st January, 1941, relating to foodstuffs (including animal feeding-stuffs) contaminated with Poison Gas and a further letter enclosing M.F.G.4., dated 14th March 1941, setting out arrangements which the Minister desires to make for dealing with foodstuffs thus contaminated, I was instructed by the Council to deal with this urgent matter.

After consultation with the Lydney Food Executive Officer, a meeting of the Lydney & District traders was arranged. The reason in calling this meeting was explained to the traders, who after a very useful discussion decided to form a committee of seven traders with the Food Officer and myself.

Eleven employees from the various food trades joined the Food Treatment Squad and as L.A.R.P. Instructor in Air Raid Precautions instruction in Anti-Gas was given at an early date, with the result that all members were successful in passing the examination which was carried out by S.J.Hotchkiss, Esq., B.Sc., L.A.G.C. Further training is being given in the treatment and disposal of foodstuffs contaminated by Poison Gas.

Treatment sites are under discussion, vehicles have been earmarked.

In each parish there is a "Contact" trader, who in case of an attack will notify the Control of any food supplied contaminated.

All traders in the Lydney Rural District have received a Leaflet as to The Protection of Foodstuffs Against Air Raid Damage and Contamination by Poison Gas.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr.Bell the Lydney Food Executive Officer; Members of the Food Treatment Squad and The Lydney & District Traders for their co-operation in this necessary work of protecting food-supplies.



DEMONSTRATIONS IN INCENDIARY BOMB CONTROL AND  
FIRE FIGHTING.

As L.A.R.P. Instructor in Air Raid Precautions demonstrations in Incendiary Bomb Control and Fire Fighting were carried out to the public during the year at Lydney, Aylburton, Alvington, Woolaston, Hewelsfield, Lydney and The Lydney Cottage Hospital.

I would like to thank Coun.J.Nelmes, Lydney, for his ready assistance at each demonstration, and also H.Russell, Esq. for providing the open shed.

ANTI-GAS LECTURES & INSTRUCTION.

During the year Full-Anti-Gas Lectures and Instruction were given to classes of trainees at Lydney, Berryhill and Bream.

Courses in "Individual Training (First Stage)", i.e., Elementary Training in A.R.P. Organisation, Incendiary Bomb Control, Protection against High Explosive Bombs, Anti-Gas etc., were given to trainees, together with revision lectures to A.R.P. personnel.

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HEWELSFIELD & ST.BRIAVELS HOUSING

During the absence of the official rent collector who is in H.M.Forces, I have carried out the duties of rent collecting and I am very pleased to report that the rent arrears for 31st December 1941, was 5d.

I beg to remain,

Your obedient Servant,

W.M. RICHARDS

(Sanitary Inspector).





