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URBAN DISTRICT OF MATLOCK.

ANNUAL REPORT

- of the -

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

G.L. Meachim, M.B., Ch.B.

- and the -

SANITARY INSPECTOR

C.R.Lill, C.R.San.I., M.S.I.A.

for the year

1951





To the Chairman and Members of the Matlock Urban District Council,
Mr Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I present herewith my Annual Report as Medical Officer of Health on the sanitary circumstances and vital statistics affecting the Urban District of Matlock for the year 1951.

First it is a pleasure to report that no case of diphtheria has been notified during the year, but one must again stress the vital importance of immunisation. It should be our aim to have at least 75% of children protected against diphtheria; but evidence serves to show that only 50% avail themselves of the facilities placed at the disposal of the parents, either at the clinic, or through their own family doctor. We sincerely hope that all parents of children, particularly those of pre-school age, will not be negligent in taking the necessary steps to ensure that immunisation is carried out.

The report received on the results of mass radiography reveals the district in a favourable light. The incidence of suspected and established cases of pulmonary lung tuberculosis was lower than for the country as a whole; and doubtless this will be even lower as conditions, particularly in regard to housing, improve. We shall welcome return visits of the mass radiography unit, as it is an efficient method of detecting early signs of latent or active tuberculosis, which eludes detection by other tests. Early recognition, particularly of the active type, helps to check the spread of the disease. If consideration is given to diseases which cause loss of working years of life by prolonged illness or death, tuberculosis is much more important than cancer. It is the duty of those responsible for the health of the community to emphasise prevention, and in children of school age the highest cause of death is violence, accidents in the home being slightly commoner than those on the road, and the next highest is tuberculosis, two thirds being non-pulmonary, both these are, of course, preventable.

Whilst the incidence of infectious diseases, with the possible exceptions of measles and whooping cough, gives cause for satisfaction it must be borne in mind that disease can alter in severity and character and therefore we must, of necessity, be relentless in our pursuit of any departure from the normal, laying the emphasis on the prevention of spread, with early recognition as the most important factor.

The district has been free from any case of scute poliomyelitis. There have been no outbreaks of food poisoning, which speaks well for those who serve food in this particular area, and augers well for the future of Matlock as an attraction for visitors.

Milk is better delivered in bottles that have been previously sterilised. Complaints have been lodged that some consumers, at any rate, would give the impression that they are indifferent to the fate of the empties, in that they are left in such places that render them vulnerable to attack by domestic pets. To safeguard bottles from contamination a simple and cheap method would be the provision of a small safe placed in a suitable position for the milkman in which to deliver the full bottles and at the same time collect the empty ones.

Routine water sampling has revealed few unsatisfactory results and immediate steps are taken to render it safe for consumption. So far, with average rainfall, the quantity has proved adequate to present needs, but future requirements will no doubt be inadequate unless every possible source of supply is examined, and adopted or rejected according as to whether it is suitable and economically feasible. We regret to have to report that there are still a number of houses not connected to the mains, and thus without a continuous supply of water and affecting the lives of about 1,372 inhabitants. Additional connections have been made during the year but progress is slow owing to shortage of materials; also there are a number of isolated dwellings some of which are situated above the existing limit of supply, and others are a long distance from the mains.

I wish to thank the members of the Health Committee and Officials of the Council who have helped loyally and consistently throughout the

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Factories Acts, 1937 and 1948.

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Sanitary Inspector).

	Number		Numbe	er of
	on	Inspec-	Written	Occupiers
	Register	tions	Notices	Prosecuted
(1) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforce by Local Authorities	ed 37	46	_	2.0
(2) Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforce by the Local Authority) ed. 131	96	9	-
(3) Other Premises in which Secti 7 is enforced by the Local	lon			100
Authority (excluding out- workers' premises)	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	168	142	9	
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Want of Cleanliness (S.1)	19	19 -	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2) Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	and I	5 5	Ξ	_
Inadequate ventilation (8.4)	3	3 -	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (8	3.6) -		-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)				
(a) insufficient (b) unsuitable or defective	9	3 -	-	5
(c) not separate for sexes	9	3 -		_
Other offences (not including	2			
offences relating to Outwork)				
Other offences against the Act				
(not including offences				4
relating to Outwork)				
TOTAL	49	31 -	-	-
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TABLE SHOWING CERTAIN VITAL STATISTICS AS COMPARED WITH OTHER CENTRES IN ENGLAND & WALES.

	England and Wales	126 County Boroughs & Great Towns including London	148 Smaller Towns Resident Population 25,000-50,000	London Adminis- trative County	Matlock U.D.C.
Live Birth Rate (Per 1,000 population)	15.5	17.3	16.7	17.8	14.73
Death Rate (Per 1,000 population)	12.5	13.4	12.5	13.1	13.21
Infant Mortality (Deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live Births)	29.6	33.9	27.6	26.4	25.73
Deaths under 4 weeks (per 1,000 live Births)	-	-	-	-	18.38

FORM NO.1.

MATLOCK District.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

ses notified during 1951.	Noti-	of Cases Removed Hospital
Tuberculosis - Pulmonary	6	6
Tuberculosis - Other Forms	1	1
Smallpox:-		
No. vaccinated and re-vaccinated No. vaccinated in infancy No. unvaccinated	Ē	Ē
Scarlet Fever	7	Nil
Diphtheria	Nil	Nil
Enteric Fever:-		
Typhoid Para-typhoid	Nil Nil	Nil Nil
Puerperal Pyrexia	2	2
Cerebro-spinal Fever	3	3
Erysipelas	Nil	Nil
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Nil	Nil
Acute Encephalitis (a) Infective (b) Post-infectious	Nil Nil	Nil Nil
Acute Polio-Myelitis (a) Paralytic (b) Non-paralytic	Nil Nil	Nil Nil
Pneumonia	4	1
Measles	126	Nil
Whooping Cough	35	Nil

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EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS & SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

Registrar-General's Estimate of Population Mid 1951 18,470
Population Census 1921 15,716
Population Census 1931 16,596
Area in Acres
Rateable Value £120,964
Product of Penny Rate

	Male	. Female	o. Total.					
Live Births:- Total Legitimate Illegitimate	123 117 6	149 142 7	272 259 13					
Still Births:-Total Legitimate Illegitimate	2 1 1	3 2 1	5 3 2					
Deaths all Ages:-	110	134	244					
Deaths of Infants under 1 Yea	r of Age:-							
Total Legitimate Illegitimate	3 3 -	4 4 -	7 7					
Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of Age:-								
Total Legitimate Illegitimate	2 2 -	3 3 -	5 5 -					

Birth Rate is 14.73 per 1,000 population

Death Rate is 13.21 per 1,000 population

Phthisis Death Rate .05 per 1,000 population

Other Tuberculosis Deaths .11 per 1,000 population

Respiratory Death Rate .97 per 1,000 population

Infantile Death Rate under 1 year 25.73 per 1,000 Births

Death Rate, Legitimate Infants 27.03 per

1,000 legitimate live Births

Death Rate, Illegitimate Infants, NIL Infantile Death Rate Under Four Weeks 18.38 per 1,000 Births.

TABLE OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND INFANT MORTALITY FOR 8 YEARS.

	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
Birth Rate	19-9	16.1	19.12	21.64	18.45	16.50	15.99	14.73
Death Rate	12.5	12.0	14.21	13.55	10.88	12.04	12.48	13.21
Deaths under 1 year - all causes per 1,000				07.40	00.06	1.6 66	70 h0	25 73
live births.	44.6	29.9	43.34	27.10	20.96	46.66	30.40	25.73

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TABLE SHOWING NUMBER OF NEW TUBERCULOSIS CASES IN MATLOCK AREA.

TUBERCULOSIS		CASES		MORTALITY.				
Age Period.	Respira	atory	Non-Respi	ratory.	Respira	atory	Non-Resp	oiratory.
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
0	-	-	-	_	-	_	-	-
1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 25	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
25	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 45 55 65	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
65	-	-	- ·	-	-	-	-	-
	4	2	1	-	-	1	-	-

1. Tuberculosis, Respiratory 2. Tuberculosis, Other 3. Syphilitic Disease	1 -	1	1 2
2. Tuberculosis, Other	1 -	1	1
Z. Tuberculosis, Other	-		
	-	1	1
		1	1
4. Diphtheria 5. Whooping Cough			
6. Meningococcal Infections	-	_	
7. Acute Poliomyelitis	_	_	
8. Measles	-		
9. Other infective and Parasitic Diseases	-		
10. Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	- z		7
11. Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	3 3	- 1 <u>- 5</u>	3
12. Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	_	6	26
13. Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	_	2	2
14. Other Malignant & Lymphatic Neoplasms	11	6 2 5 1	3 3 6 2 16
15. Leukaemia, Aleukaemia		-	-
16. Diabetes	_	1	1
17. Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	19	32	51
18. Coronary Disease, Angina	21	11	32
19. Hypertension with Heart Disease	1	5	51 32 6
20. Other Heart Disease	13	30	43
21. Other Circulatory Disease	13	10	16
22. Influenza	1		5
23. Pneumonia	2	3	5
24. Bronchitis	7	4 3 3 1 1 2 1	10
25. Other Diseases of Respiratory System	2	1	3
26. Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	4	1	5
27. Gastritis, Enteritis & diarrhoea	1	2	3
28. Nephritis and Nephrosis	2	1	3
29. Hyperplasia of prostate	1 2 7 2 4 1 2 3	-	16 55 10 35 33 3
30. Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion	-	-	-
31. Congenital Malformations	-	-	
32. Other Defined and Ill-Defined diseases	5 2 1	11	16 2
33. Motor Vehicle Accidents	2	3	2
34. All other accidents	1	3	4 2
35. Suicide	2	-	2
36. Homicide and Operations of War	-		-
Total Deaths, all causes	110	134	244

Town Hall, Matlock.

G. L. Meachim,

Medical Officer of Health.

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SANITARY INSPECTOR

C.R.Lill, C.R.San. I., M.S. I.A.

for the year

1951.

ANNUAL REPORT OF SANITARY INSPECTOR MATLOCK URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL 1951.

Chairman of the Council.

Councillor Mrs A.M. Greatorex, J.P.,

Vice Chairman.

Councillor O.R. Tinti

Health Committee.

Chairman: Councillor T.N. Johnson

Vice Chairman: Councillor Mrs T. M. Wildgoose

Councillors: H.F. Aspey

F. W. Beddington

Rev. I.O. Evans

Mrs A. M. Greatorex

G.F. Slade

E.C.P. Stevens

Mrs L. Wright

J. Turner

O.R. Tinti

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Medical Officer of Health:-

G. Leslie Meachim M.B., Ch. B.

Sanitary Inspector :-

C. Raymond Lill, C. R. San I., M.S. I.A.

Housing Assistant:-

R. G. Childs

Clerk:-

A.S. Duncan

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Statistical Summary.

Rateable Value of General Rate at 31/3/51 £119,035

Estimated product of a Penny Rate 1951-52 £470

Area of District 16,598 acres

Population (1951 Census) 17,770

Number of inhabitated houses 5,273

Rainfall 35.98 inches

To the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee, Mr Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am again honoured to submit to you my seventh Annual Report as your Sanitary Inspector and in that Report endeavour to give you an idea of the work carried out by the Department.

It is interesting to note that Food Bye-Laws based on the Ministry of Food Model were finally approved and confirmed during 1951 and these are being issued to all food premises free of charge with a view to securing sanitary clean conditions and practice in connection with the handling, wrapping and delivery of food and the sale of food in the open air.

With these in mind I would point out that the Council now being the ownersof the Market Ground should look to the means provided for the sale of food on this ground with a view to incorporating better stall and washing facilities than those existing in their future layout of this open market.

The general activities of the Department have been carried out with enthusiasm which, unfortunately, seems always to be tempered with the chilling winds of frustration, delay and shortage of capital in these days, however one takes heart from the encouragement sometimes received when requests for repairs and improvements in the various types of premises are asked for.

With respect to repair of houses much has been done during the past few years, but, as a result of the low standard of maintenance of house property during the war and the accumalative effect of these and after years, much remains to be done. My concern regarding the conditions under which families are living cannot be stressed too strongly.

I would record my appreciation of the support awarded to me by the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee, to the Officials of other Departments and members of my staff, for the help and consideration which has greatly helped towards the progress during the year.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT OF SANITARY INSPECTOR FOR 1951.

Inspections made & nuisance abated.	Inspections	Work Completed	
Miscellaneous Defective Privies, Pails etc. Conversion of Privies to W.Cs Conversion of Pails to W.Cs Conversion of Privies to Pails Defective Water Closets Additional Water Closets Dust Bins No Disconnection of Waste Pipes Waste Pipes, Traps, Drains Drains obstructed Drains reconstructed Paving of Courts and Yards Roof Repairs Rain water piping and eaves Defective sinks Windows Walls Dampness Water Supply Premises Cleaned Offensive Accumulations Pigsties Fireplaces Floors Plaster Doors Food storage Washing facilities Rats and Mice	239 12 43 260 1 20 34 206 4 78 73 82 33 53 54 65 15 77 32 6 14 14 22 46 21 19 3 458	141 9 16 58 13 24 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	
Infectious Diseases Housing Inspections Factories, Workshops & Offices Milk and Dairies Meat Inspection Fish and Chips Butchers Cafes etc. Bakehouses Licensed Premises Food Shops Ice Cream Market Stalls Slaughterhouses Swimming Pools Offensive Trades Tents, Vans, Moveable Dwellings Controlled Tip & Depot	2 440 44 42 52 32 14 29 41 51 131 117 44 5 17 2 58 315 4894		



Factories Acts, 1937 and 1948.

1. <u>INSPECTIONS</u> for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Sanitary Inspector).

		Number			er of			
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		Register	tions	Notices	Prosecuted			
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	TOTAL	168	142	9	-			
2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.								
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Want of Cleanliness	(8.1)	19	19 -	-	-			
Overcrowding (S.2)	(0 7)	-		-	-			
Unreasonable temperatinadequate ventilation		. 3	3 -					
Ineffective drainage		.6) =		-	-			
Sanitary Conveniences	s (S.7)							
(a) insufficient		9	3 -	-	-			
(b) unsuitable or de		9	3 -	-	-			
(c) not separate for Other offences (not		9	3 -	-	7			
offences relating to Other offences against	Outwork)							
(not including offend relating to Outwork)		_		_	_			
	TOTAL	49	31 -	_	-			
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etc. 15	-	-	-		-			



ANNUAL REPORT OF SANITARY INSPECTOR 1951. TO THE DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.

GENERAL SANITARY ADMINISTRATION.

	No. on Register	Increase or Decrease	Inspections Made.
Bakehouses	19	-	41
Canal Boats	-	-	-
Common Lodging Houses	-	-	-
Dairies	3	-	20
Factories & Workplaces	168	-	142
Houses Let in Lodgings	-	-	-
Ice Cream Premises	89	11 +	117
Market-Stalls	-	-	44
Milk Distributors	2	-	20
Moveable Dwellings (a) Sites	10	4 +	6
(b) Dwellings	47	35 +	58
Offensive Trades	1	-	8
Outworkers	18	2 +	19
Preserved Food Stores	19	_	27
Shops	333	5 +	233
Slaughterhouses	5	-	5
Knackers Yards	-	-	-

SAMPLING.		f Samples			Result		
			Meth.			Sat.	Unsat.
Ice Cream			16	-		-	-
			Meth.				
Milk (a) Routine		9	9	-			
			Positi	ve	Negativ	re	
(b) Biological		1	-		1		
			Sat.		Unsat.		
(c) By Food & Drugs Authority	21	+	21		3		
			Sat.		Unsat.		
Water (a) Mains	189	9	176		13		
(b) Other sources	23	3	12		11		



WATER SUPPLIES.		Est. Pop. Involved.
No. of Houses in District connected to mains	4869	17,042
No. of Houses in District supplied from standpipes on mains	56	196
No. of Houses in District not supplied from standpipes or mains	336	1,176
No. of connections made during year:-		
(a) existing houses	21	74
(b) new houses	127	445
(c) other premises	7	-25
DRAINAGE.		
No. of Houses in District connected to sewers	4544	15,308
No. of Houses in District not connected to sewe	ers 729	2,456
No. of connections made during year:-		
(a) existing houses	75	
(b) new houses	127	
(c) other premises	-	
No. of conversions of other closets to w.cs.	74	
HOUSING.		
HOUSING. New Houses erected during year by:-		
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Additional Inspections.

Shop Inspections 233
Factories & Workshops 142
Fried Fish & Chip Shops 32
Ice Cream Shops etc 117
Bakehouses 41

Milk and other Foods.

Milk Samples:-

Routine 9 satisfactory
Biological 1 satisfactory
Food & Drugs Authority 21 satisfactory
" " " 3 unsatisfactory

Refuse Collection and Disposal.

Controlled Tip and Depot 315 Refuse Collection 206

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL.

Although during the year we have had 8.65% incidence of sickness we can fairly claim, apart from a short period of serious breakdown of lorries, that a very fair average weekly collection has been maintained in spite of the increasing number of bins occasioned by new property, this eventually will, of course, mean reorganisation of our collecting districts and an increased labour force to deal with it, particularly with the more thickly populated areas.

The number of receptacles which we are responsible for collecting is 5578 Dust Bins and 576 pail closets.

The whole of the district's house and trade refuse has again been disposed of by Controlled Tipping at Dimple Farm. The first section, originally estimated for five years, is now in it's last few weeks of useful life, after which it will be necessary to soil over as materials are available and eventually a decision made as to the final finishing off and seeding down, when the appropriate allowance has been made in the Rate Estimate to enable this to be done.

The income from salvage sorted from refuse at the Tip during 1951 was £363 2s 5d, with a total income taken during the five years life of the Controlled Tip of £1,319 Os 5d.

Under the new voluntary bin supply scheme 142 bins have been supplied during the year ending 31st December 51 by the Council, of these 61 were paid for outright and 81 will be charged out with the 1952-53 Rate Demands.

No new legislation has come into force during the year to help clarify the position in respect to the provision of dust bins.

During the year a Ministry order came into being forbidding the use of galvanised material for dust bins so that unfortunately we have only been able to purchase painted dust bins. It is feared that these will not have so long a life as the galvanised ones and it is to be hoped that the Ministry will quickly change it's mind on this and the usual galvanised dust bin will soon again be made available.

SALVAGE.

During 1951 the increasing importance of waste paper to the National economy was emphasised by the prices paid for this commodity, these prices rose to the hitherto unknown height of £13 per ton for mixed paper, and this together with our increasing collection brought our income total from salvage to it's highest ever as will be seen from the following table.

Fish & Chip Fryers.

Number on Register: - 11 Premises 1 Mobile Van

32 visits have been made to shops, vans and preparation premises and again, with one exception, all were found maintained to a good standard.

LICENSED PREMISES.

These premises are slowly coming up to a more sanitary and hygienic condition with regard to washing facilities and sanitary conveniences, and better accommodation is being provided for the landlords. Five licensed houses have been improved during the year and plans or contracts have been approved for eight further houses to be done during 1952.

Progress is slow, chiefly owing to licensing difficulties but I do appreciate the cooperation of the various brewery companies in the carrying out of these much needed improvements.

HOUSING.

833 housing inspections have been made in response to complaints, in the course of routine inspections and as a check on applications for tenancy of Council houses.

The increasing deterioration of existing house property due to lack of proper maintenance, together with the effect of the Rent Restrictions Act, the revision of which is long overdue, is the first and one of the most fundamental problems of today. It is thought that an all round increase in rents is not desirable but that the owner be allowed to add a percentage of the cost of repairs, certified by a sanitary authority, to the existing rent.

At present the owner may add to the rent 8% of the cost of "necessary improvements", it is suggested that this might be extended to "necessary repairs", provided the total rent is not raised by more than a fixed percentage.

During the year one closing order for an underground room has been made under Section 12 of the Housing Act 1936.

Three undertaking under Section 11 have been accepted during the year.

SWIMMING POOLS.

13 samples have been taken of swimming pool water, those taken at our own pool proved that consideration of the results of the examination of the Inlet Supply and the Outlet showed that the Filtration-Chlorination process is highly satisfactory as is the hygienic quality of the Inlet water supply.

The samples taken from the private pool proved unsatisfactory and it is pleasing to record that with the ready cooperation of the owners much remedial work has been undertaken, and a chlorination plant is in course of installation for operation during the 1952 season.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT 1948, SECTION 47.

No action under the above Act has been necessary owing to the cooperation of persons concerned agreeing to be taken care of by the Welfare Authorities.

VERMINOUS PREMISES.

It has been necessary to report on one verminous house and persons occupying, however statutory action was not necessary, the persons concerned agreeing to go away for cleansing, the premises being disinfected during their temporary vacation.



MEAT.

The following schedule shows the meat inspected at Bakewell Slaughterhouse during 1951, where 52 visits were made for this purpose.

In addition to the meat condemned on the schedule the following amounts were surrendered informally by traders as unfit for human consumption:-

Beef: 130 lbs

Ham: 484 lbs

Bacen: 9 lbs

Tinned Meat: 16 lbs

The transport and handling of Meat has been reasonably well maintained during the year with occasional reminders to the haulage contractor as to the need for constant and careful handling of this commodity.

MEAT INSPECTION UNDER THE CENTRAL SCHEME. CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

	CATTLE EXCLUDING COWS	cows	CALVES	SHEEP AND LAMBS	PIGS
Number Killed (if known)	427	220	84	1625	29
Number Inspected	427	220	84	1625	29
All diserses except Tuberculosis:-					
Whole carcases condemned	-	2	1	3	1
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	150	77	-	32	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis	35.12%	35.09	1.19%	2.15%	3.45%
Tuberculosis only:-					
Whole carcases condemned	3	7	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	86	96	-	-	
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	20.14	43.64	-	-	11981

There is no doubt that meat inspection is one of the most important public health services and today the sale of diseased meat is practically unknown. Because we have in most areas a hundred per cent inspection and the fact that the householder is properly safeguarded results in the failure of many people to realise the constant maintenance of a high standard of meat inspection. When nothing goes wrong appreciation tends to vanish, but those officers connected with meat inspection know, not only the efficiency of performance but the many hours of overtime worked by inspectors.

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TENTS, VANS & MOVEABLE DWELLINGS, SEC. 269, PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1936.

During the year one case of infringement against the above Act occurred in connection with two very unsatisfactory caravans stationed on an unregistered site at Porter Lane.

The owner was given notice to remove forthwith and fined £5. One caravan was removed; the other was not. It was then decided to proceed against the occupier, who was now the offender, and upon being before the Court of Summary Jurisdiction seven days notice was given and a fine of £10 imposed. This caravan was broken up and removed from the site.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT.

(1) No. of portable dustbins		(4) Water Closets	4254
emptied by Council (2) Premises visited for	5578	(5) Pail & Earth	
waste paper (3) Pail closets emptied by	175	Closets	931
Council	576	(6) Cesspools in Area	39

Conversions.

Number of pails and privies converted to W.Cs - 74

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT 1949.

The following is the Annual Report on Rodent Control submitted to

-	the Ministry of Agricultu	re an	d Fisherie	S. of	Property	
	Lo Autho	cal	Dwelling Houses	Agri- cultural	All other (including Business & Industrial)	Total
I.	Total No. of properties in Local Authority's District	22	5118	115	815	6070
II.	No. of properties in- spected by the Local (a) Authy during 1951 as a result (a) of notifi-	2	12 408	1 22	23	38 812
	cation or (b) otherwise (b)	20	400	33	351	012
III.	No. of properties (under MI) found to be infested	ajor	-	1	-/	1
by rats		inor 12	30	2	21	65
IV.	No. of properties (under II) found to be seriously infested by mice	4	2	-	2	8
v.	No. of infested properties (under III & IV) treated by the Local Authority	14	29	1	26	70

Number of "block" control schemes carried out - 31

A large factor in the continued prevalence of rats throughout the country is the gross carelessness of the public in general in the indiscriminate disposal of refuse and food scraps, despite the excellent service given nowadays by the majority of local authorities, and the need for kitchen waste for pig feeding. Local authorities and appropriate Government departments are, however, not wholly clear of criticism as legislation is now long overdue whereby complete rat-proofing of new buildings should be made a compulsory requirement when building approval is sought, especially where the premises are to be used for the storage or manufacture of food.

Town Hall, Matlock. June 1952. I remain, Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,
C.R. Lill,
Sanitary Inspector.

