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NEWHAVEN PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PORT MEDICAL OFFICER

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31st DECEMBER, 1961.



Public Health Department,
The Grange,
Southover,
LEWES, Sussex.

March, 1962.



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To the Members of the Newhaven Port Health Authority.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Port Health Report for Newhaven for the year 1961.

Passenger traffic between Newhaven and Dieppe extended from 22nd March to 31st October, 1961. During 1961 the total number of inward passengers (alien and British) which arrived at the Port was 175,866 as compared with 163,163 in 1960, whilst outward passengers numbered 170,156 as against 156,814 in 1960.

The annual numbers of inward aliens arriving at Newhaven from 1946 to 1961 are given in the following table:-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Inward Aliens</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Inward Aliens</u>
1946	26,376	1954	54,652
1947	31,551	1955	58,410
1948	41,412	1956	49,934
1949	48,127	1957	43,330
1950	49,521	1958	41,030
1951	51,918	1959	39,146
1952	52,104	1960	40,440
1953	51,084	1961	44,610

Of the 44,610 aliens who arrived at the Port in 1961, sixty-seven were refused permission to land by the Immigration Officer, 43,974 were inspected by a Medical Inspector and 699 were subjected to detailed medical examinations. Four were found to be undesirable for medical reasons.

The scheme whereby four medical inspectors are employed on rote in inspecting aliens was continued in 1961.

The total tonnage entering Newhaven Port in 1961 was 574,246 as compared with 512,037 tons in 1960. In 1961 the numbers of ships entering the Port were 713 from foreign ports and 240 coastwise.

Imports in 1961 amounted to 262,492 and were comprised chiefly of coal, building and roadmaking material, coke and patent fuel, fruit, vegetables and other foodstuffs, timber, iron and steel.

Exports in 1961 amounted to 40,929 tons and were comprised chiefly of iron, steel, vehicles and vehicle parts, machinery and building and road materials.

There were no cases of notifiable or other infectious disease on ships in 1961.

REMARKS FROM HEALTH AUTHORITY

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1961

I have to thank Drs. Alexander, Kirker and Barton for their help in the medical inspection of aliens and Mr. Harrison, the Port Health Inspector, for his very ready assistance.

Lastly I want to tender my thanks to you for your help and encouragement during the year.

Yours obediently,

J. L. COTTON,

M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Port Medical Officer and
Medical Inspector of Aliens.

<u>Inward Aliens</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Inward Aliens</u>	<u>Year</u>
54,532	1956	54,532	1956
52,810	1957	52,810	1957
48,324	1958	48,324	1958
48,130	1959	48,130	1959
41,010	1960	41,010	1960
39,184	1961	39,184	1961
40,440	1962	40,440	1962
44,010	1963	44,010	1963

Of the 44,010 aliens who arrived at the Port in 1961, sixty-seven were released on condition to land by the Immigration Officer, 44,711 were detained in a Medical Inspector and 60 were admitted as detailed medical examination. Four were found to be undesirable for medical reasons.

The schedule whereby four medical inspectors are employed on duty in inspecting aliens was continued in 1961.

The total number of passengers for whom Port Health 1961 was 545,342 compared with 528,610 for 1960. In 1961 the number of ships arriving the Port was 113 from foreign ports and 240 coastwise.

Imports in 1961 amounted to 502,475 and were comprised wholly of food, clothing and household goods, and 45,000 tons of fuel, iron, steel, and other commodities, timber, from the States.

Exports in 1961 amounted to 40,983 tons and were comprised chiefly of iron, steel, vehicles and various other machinery and building materials.

There were no cases of notified or other infectious diseases in 1961.

SECTION I

STAFF.

TABLE A

NAME OF OFFICER	NATURE OF APPOINTMENT	DATE OF APPOINTMENT	QUALIFICATIONS	ANY OTHER APPOINTMENT HELD
Dr.J.L.Cotton	Port Medical Officer and Medical Inspector of Aliens.	1.11.1960.	M.B., Ch.B. M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.	M.O.H. E.Sussex United Districts
Dr.G.Kirker	Assistant Medical Inspector of Aliens.	5.4.1957	M.B., Ch.B. B.A.O.Dub	-
Dr. R. Alexander	Assistant Medical Inspector of Aliens.	27.1.1957	M.R.C.S. L.R.C.P. D.P.H.	-
Dr.C.S.Barton	Assistant Medical Inspector of Aliens.	25.8.1959	M.A., B.Sc. L.M.S.S.A. D.R.C.O.G.	-
Mr.W.P.Harrison	Port Health Inspector and Food Inspector.	5.3.1945	Cert.R.S.I & S.I.J.B. Cert.R.S.I Meat & Foods M.R.S.H., B.O.T.Cert. Master Mariner.	Public Health Inspector Newhaven U.D.C.
Mrs.R.K.Osborne	Part time Clerk in Port Health Dept.,	4.10.1954	-	-
Mrs. E.Croucher	Nurse/Attendant to Medical Inspector of Aliens	15.6.1956	-	-
Address and Telephone Number of the Medical Officer of Health.			The Grange, Southover, LEWES, Sussex. Lewes 4282	

SECTION II

AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE DISTRICT DURING THE YEAR

TABLE B

Ships from:-	Number	Tonnage	Number Inspected		Number of ships reported as having or having had during the voyage infectious disease on board
			By the M.O.H.	By the P.H.I.	
Foreign Ports	713	477,215	-	82	Nil
Coastwise	340	97,031	-	100	Nil
Total	1,053	574,246	-	182	Nil

SECTION III

CHARACTER OF SHIPPING AND TRADE DURING THE YEAR

TABLE C

Number of Passengers INWARD 175,866
 Number of Passengers OUTWARD 170,156

Principal IMPORTS

	<u>Tons</u>
Coal, coke and patent fuel	112,585
Building and roadmaking material	88,456
Fish	119
Fruit and vegetables	7,335
Other food and provisions	1,846
Iron and steel	4,191
Timber	12,426
Chemicals and chemical fertilisers	3,699
Raw wool	867
* Other commodities	30,968
TOTAL	<u>262,492</u>

* Includes Motor vehicles
 over one ton 248
 under one ton 5,562
 motor cycles and caravans 578
 6,388

SECTION III (Continued)

Principal EXPORTS

	<u>Tons</u>
Iron and steel	1,457
Building and roadmaking materiel	4,812
Machinery	3,228
* Vehicle and vehicle parts	10,367
Woollen goods	17
Other textiles	6
Chemicals and chemical fertilisers	1,158
Other commodities	19,884
TOTAL	<u>40,929</u>
* Includes	
Over one ton	3,098
under one ton	4,934
Motor cycles	540
	<u>8,572</u>

Principal ports from which ships arrive.

The main trade of the Port is with Dieppe and near Continental Ports but there are also arrivals from German, Baltic and Scandinavian ports with general cargo and timber.

SECTION IV

INLAND BARGE TRAFFIC

The Port is not used by Inland Barge Traffic.

SECTION V

WATER SUPPLY

No change.

SECTION VI

PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS) REGULATIONS, 1952.

IX No change.

SECTION VII

Smallpox

No change.

SECTION VIII

Venereal Diseases.

No change.

SECTION IX

CASES OF NOTIFIABLE AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES ON SHIPS

TABLE D

Category	Disease	Number of cases during the year		Number of ships concerned
		Passengers	Crew	
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports.	-	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed of before arrival.	-	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases landed from other ships	-	Nil	Nil	Nil

Short account of measures taken on arrival by ships of (a) any cases of smallpox, cholera, plague, yellow fever, typhus or relapsing fever excluded in Table D (b) any suspected case of such disease.

No measures were required to be taken as there were

(a) No cases of smallpox, cholera, plague, yellow fever, typhus or relapsing fever, and

(b) No suspected cases of such disease which occurred during the year.

SECTION X

OBSERVATIONS ON THE OCCURRENCE OF MALARIA IN SHIPS

No case of malaria arrived at the port, nor did any vessel report a case of malaria during the voyage.

SECTION XI

MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST SHIPS INFECTED WITH OR SUSPECTED OF PLAGUE

No measures were taken as there were no ships infected with or suspected of plague.

SECTION XII

MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

1. Procedure for inspection of ships for rats.

Where possible the Port Health Inspector or the Rodent Operator examines vessels for the presence of rats. A regular inspection is made in the case of the Cross-Channel vessels and an attempt is made to inspect thoroughly all foreign going ships.

2. Arrangements for the Bacteriological or Pathological examination of rodents with special reference to rodent plague, including the number of rodents sent for examination during the year.

Arrangements exist for the examination of rodents from ships when necessary at the Public Health Laboratory, Brighton.

No specimens were sent during 1961.

3. Arrangements in the district for Deratting ships, the methods used and if done by a Commercial Contractor, the name of the Contractor,

The Port is a designated approved port for this purpose.

Trapping, poisoning and gassing are available. The Contractors carrying out this work are Associated Fumigators Limited and Ratsouris Limited.

4. Progress in the rat-proofing of ships.

Ships using the port are mainly Cross-Channel passenger and cargo vessels with a high degree of rat-proofing and little harbourage. Colliers entering the port have been found to be almost devoid of harbourage, while in the modern vessels rat-proofing is good.

If any excessive temporary harbourage is discovered the Master is required to abate same.

TABLE E

RODENTS DESTROYED DURING THE YEAR IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

Category	Number
Black rats	Nil
Brown rats	Nil
Species not known	Nil
Sent for examination	Nil
Infected with plague	Nil

TABLE F

DERATTING CERTIFICATES AND DERATTING EXEMPTION
CERTIFICATES ISSUED DURING THE YEAR FOR SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

H.C.N.	Other fumigant (State method)	After Trapping	After Poisoning	TOTAL	Number of Deratting Exemption Certs. issued	Total Certs. issued
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	7	7

SECTION XIII

TABLE G

INSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCESINSPECTION & NOTICES

Nature and number of Inspections.	Notices Served		Result of serving notice.
	Statutory	Others	
Foreign going 82	Nil	2	2 complied
Coastwise 100	Nil	5	4 complied
TOTAL 182	Nil	7	6 complied

SECTION XIV

PUBLIC HEALTH (SHELL FISH)

No Change.

SECTION XV

MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS

1. List of Medical Inspectors of Aliens holding Warrants of Appointment

- (a) Dr. J. L. Cotton, Chief Medical Inspector of Aliens.
- (b) Dr. G. Kirker, Assistant Medical Inspector of Aliens.
- (c) Dr. R. Alexander, Assistant Medical Inspector of Aliens.
- (d) Dr. C. S. Barton, Assistant Medical Inspector of Aliens.

2. List of other staff engaged on this work.

Mrs. E. Croucher - Nurse/Attendant.

3. Organisation of work.

The organisation of the work is such that the requirements of the Aliens Order, 1953, are met.

4. Nature and Amount of Aliens Traffic.

	TOTAL	Number inspected by the Medical Inspector.	Number subjected to detailed examination by the Medical Inspector.	Lunatic, idiot or mentally deficient.	Undesirable for medical reasons.	Physically incapacitated.	Suffering from acute infectious disease.	Transmigrants.
(a) Total number of Aliens landing at the Port.	44,610	43,907	699	-	4	-	-	-
(b) Aliens refused permission to land by the Immigration Officer.	67	67	-	-	-	-	-	-
(c) Transmigrants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(d) Total Aliens arriving at the Port.	44,677	43,974	699	-	4	-	-	-

