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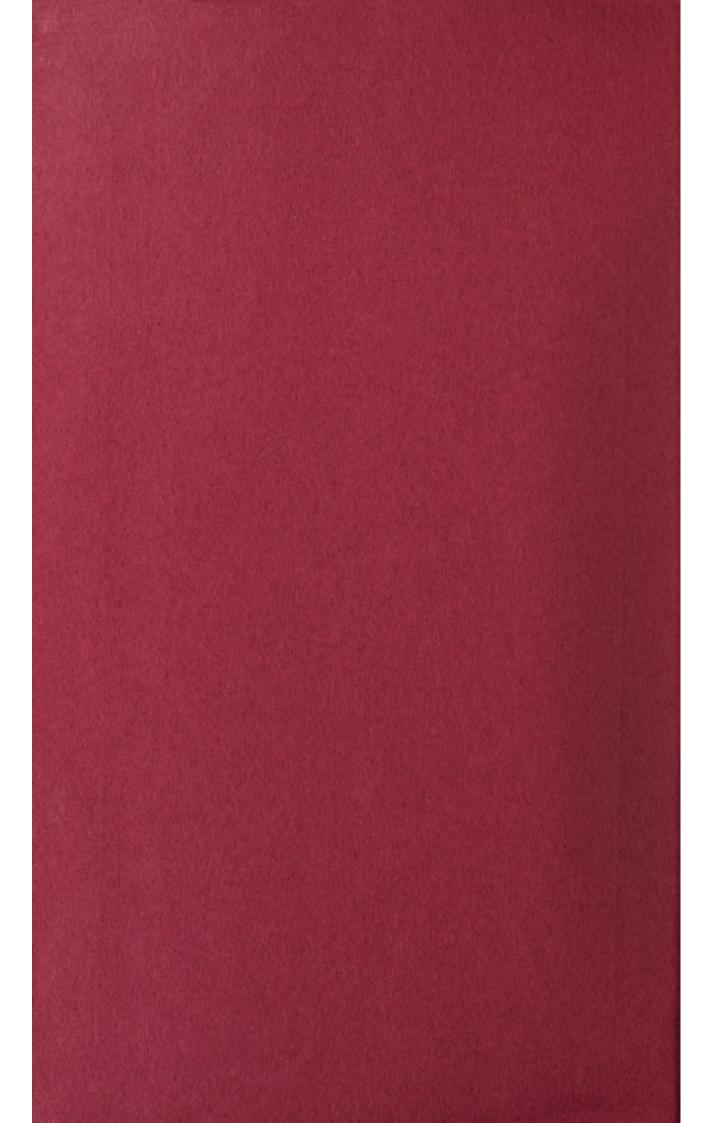
Medical Officer of Health

for the

Year Ending December 31st, 1969

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

Medical Officer of Health.



### PADIHAM URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

### HEALTH COMMITTEE

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### HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Medical Officer of Health: Dr. P. G. HOLT, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Public Health Inspectors:

ERNEST WRIGLEY, C.S.I.B., M.A.P.H.I., M.R.I.P.H.H. (TO 31.7.69)

FRANK HEWITT, M.A.P.H.I. (FROM 1.8.69)

IAN BEARDSWORTH, M.A.P.H.I. (DEPUTY FROM 1.8.69)

Clerks to the Health Department ... Mrs. M. Whitehead (from 2.6.69)
Miss M. Lott (from 11.8.69)

(23.8.CC asp) representations

Health Department, PADIHAM.

June, 1970.

Mr. Chairman, Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report on the Health and Environmental Condition of the Urban District of Padiham, for the year ending 31st December, 1969. The layout follows the usual pattern and the contents include all the items requested by the Department of Health and Social Security.

The small decline in population which has occurred over the last two years appears to have been arrested, as the estimated mid-1969 figure is the same as the year before, but it will not be possible to obtain a really accurate figure until the results of the 1971 Census are available.

The really big event during the year was the opening of the new swimming pool in November. This superb asset to the town will allow its residents to enjoy healthy exercise and recreation summer and winter. It will also enable many youngsters to learn to swim and so reduce the number of drowning incidents which are reported with such tragic frequency.

Much progress has been made in recent years in overcoming air pollution by industrial and domestic smoke, and the ninth Smoke Control Order became operative on July, 1st, 1969, but I am concerned that the struggle for clean air is in danger of suffering a setback, because of the serious shortage of solid smokeless fuel. As the Ministry seem prepared to suspend smoke control orders when shortages arise, it is to be hoped that such suspensions will be given only in circumstances of real difficulty and for the shortest possible time. Otherwise the health of the community will be unnecessarily at risk as air pollution once again increases. To my mind it is rather regrettable that I have to write these words in Conservation Year when the attention of all responsible people is directed towards the danger of our heavily polluted environment.

I am, Gentlemen, Your Obedient Servant,

P. G. HOLT.

Medical Officer of Health.

### STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Area in Acres	976
Population (Census 1961)	9,893
Population (Estimated)	10,160
Number of inhabited houses (according to Rate Book at the end of 1969)	3,831
Rateable Value	£356,606
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	£1,427

The social conditions were generally quite good. The chief industries are cotton and silk weaving and light engineering trades.

### VITAL STATISTICS

POPULATION:	The	population a	as	estimated	by	the	RegistrarGeneral
	for	mid 1969 is	10	,160.			

BIRTHS: 159 Live Births belonging to the District occurred during 1969, as follows:-

Live Births (Legitimate) (Illegitimate)	73 74 8 4	Management and Company of the Compan
	81 78	159
Stillbirths (Legitimate) (Illegitimate)	2 -	2 -
Stillbirth Rate per 1,000 live Total Live and Stillbirths	and stillbirth	12 161

Comparative particulars with regard to live births over the last five years are given in the following tables:-

	1969	1968	1967	1966	1965	
Total Live Births Crude Birth Rate per	159	181	187	183	173	
				17.9		
Tilesitimate Live Dinthe non				17.7	10.9	

Illegitimate Live Births per cent of total
Live Births: 8.0

INFANT DEATHS: All infants under 1 year of age

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		(b)	Mortalit	y Rate	per 1	.000 li	ve birt	hs 6.	0	
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		(b)	Mortalit			.000 to	otal live	NIL	,	
DEATHS:	163 Death as follow		onging to	the I	istric	t occu	rred du	ring 1969,		
					-		Females	-		
	Deaths wi					37	50	87		
	Deaths ou in Hospit					48	28	76		
						85 =	78	163		
	Comparati									
			1969	1968	-	1966	1965			
	Total Dear			141	160	149	131			
	per 1000 population	estmd.		13.9	15.7	14.6	12.9			
	Adjusted :		15.5	13.6	15.5	13.9	13.1			

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The following table gives the ages at which deaths occurred, also the causes of all deaths belonging to Padiham during 1969.

				-		-		-	-			-	-		-
CAUSE	under 4	4 wks									75				
OF DEATH	wks.	under									80				
		l yr.	1-	5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	over	M.	F.	Total	_
Malignant neoplasm buccal cavity									1			1	-	1	
Malignant neoplasm stomach									1	1	3	3	2	5	
Malignant neoplasm intestine											1	-	1	1	
Malignant neoplasm lung, bronchus									1	1	2	4	_	4	
Malignant neoplasm									1			-	1	1	
Malignant neoplasm prostate											1	1	-	1	
Leukaemia									1			_	1	1	
Other malignant neoplasms	-							1	2	2	1	4	2	6	
Benign and un- specified neo-															
plasms					1							1	-	1	
Diabetes Mellitus										1		-	1	1	
Other endocrine etc., diseases		1										1	-	1	
Anaemias								1			1	-	2	2	
Other Diseases of Nervous system			1				1					2	-	2	
Chronic Rheumatic Heart disease										1		1	-	1	
Hypertensive disease									1	2	3	2	4	6	
Ischaemic Heart disease							1	4	5	16	11	21	16	37	
Other forms of Heart disease									1	3	5	4	5	9	
Cerebrovascular disease								1	3	9	18	8	23	31	
Other diseases of Circulatory system										2	13	8	7	15	
Influenza										1		-	1	1	
Pneumonia				1					1	2	4	4	4	8	
Bronchitis & Emphysema									1	5	1	5	2	7	
Other disease of Respiratory system											1	1	-	1	
Peptic ulcer					1		-			2		2	-	2	
Intestinal Ob- struction and Herni	.a									1	1	1	1	2	
	-	1	1	1	1	-	2	7	19	49	66	74	73	147	
	1	-	-	-	1	als		vard			1				

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	JSE OF ATH	under 4 wks.	4 wks and under 1 yr.		5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75 & over	М.	F.	Total	
Brought F	orward	-	1	1	1	1	-	2	7	19	49	66	74	73	147	
Other Di of Dig System	gestive											2	2		2	
Nephrit:											1	1	1	1	2	
Diseases Muscul Skelet System	lo-									1	1		1	1	2	
Birth In Diffic Labour		1											-	1	1	
Symptoms Ill-de Condit	efined									1		1	-	2	2	
Motor Ve						1					1		2	-	2	
All Othe				1								2.	3	-	3	
Suicide Inflic Injuri	eted						1					1	1	1	2	
TOTAL ALI	CAUSES	1	1	2	1	2	1	2	7	21	52	73	84	79	163	

### TUBERCULOSIS

### CASES ON THE REGISTER AT THE 31st. DECEMBER, 1969.

On the Register at the end of December, 1969, there were 24 cases of Tuberculosis (21 Pulmonary and 3 non-Pulmonary)

	15	25	35	45	55	65	over 65	TCTAL
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	1	1	5	4	5	3	1	20
Non-Pulmonary Gland of Neck	-	-	1	_	_	_	-	1
Skin	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Roght Hip Joint	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Abdomen	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
	2	1	7	5	5	3	1	24
	CONTRACT AN	ALT BUILDING	-					

### VENEREAL DISEASE

Treatment is a function of the Manchester Regional Hospital Board, and inquiries or cases brought to our notice are directed to the clinic at Burnley.

### ILLEGITIMATE CHILDREN

The Burnley and District House of Help act as agents for the County Council, and carry out all the necessary arrangements, combining efficiency with understanding.

### LABORATORY WORK

This work is carried out at the Public Health Laboratory, Meadow Street, Preston as and when necessary.

The Lancashire County Council provides and maintains the following, with delegation to the No. 6 Divisional Health Committee, on which Padiham Urban District has representation.

AMBULANCE SERVICE The District is served by purpose-built County Ambulance Stations at Altham and Nelson, and there are five vehicles providing day and night cover. The average time taken to reach a patient, after receipt of an emergency call is approximately 8 minutes and to hospital, 25 minutes.

CHILD WELFARE SERVICE The Infant Welfare Centre and School Clinic for the Urban District is at Parish Street. The new Clinic, which is situated on Station Road in the centre of the town, is near completion.

MIDWIFERY SERVICE There are two District Midwives assigned to Padiham, who reside within the District, namely Miss R.M.S. Catterall and Mrs. S.H. Murphy.

HOME NURSING This service is in the capable hands of Sisters K.M.Cox and A.Goodwin, and Nurse Gears.

## SUMMARY OF VITAL STATISTICS

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Increase or decrease in 1969 on 5 years average 1964-1968 Change on previous year							nil nil nil			+	2.5		
YEAR		BI	RTHS			DEAT	THS		POP	ULATION			
1960 1961 1962 1963 1964 1965 1966	1962 160 1963 173 1964 179 1965 173 1966 183						130 9,830 145 9,920 170 9,950 162 10,050 134 10,130 131 10,170 149 10,210 160 10,200						
1968 1969		18	87 81 59			141 10,160 163 10,160							
NOTIFIA	BLE DI	Market Street, Square Street, St. 188	MARKET MARK	W-table-ord	The Park of the Pa	and the same of th	CULOS		DURING	THE Y	and the second second		
DISEASE	TOTAL	under 1 yr.	3	3-5	5-10	10-	15- 25	25 <b>-</b> 65	over 65	Total cases Rem'd to Hosp.	Deaths in Hosp. of Pers. belg. to District		
MEASLES	21	2	5	7	7	-	-	-	-	-	-		
SCARLET FEVER	3	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-		
ACUTE MENINGITIS	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
FOOD POISONING	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
INFECTIVE JAUNDICE	3	-	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-		
	29	4	5	8	9	2	1	-	-	-	-		
				-									

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### SANITARY ADMINISTRATION

### WATER SUPPLIES

Padiham is supplied with a constant supply of water from the mains of the Calder Water Board and there were no new sources of supply during the year. The water is of good quality and in good supply. All dwellinghouses within the District are supplied direct from public mains.

The number of houses supplied direct from public mains is 3,842.

### SWIMMING BATHS

After a reporting period of 46 years, it is indeed a pleasure to record the completion and opening of a most modern swimming pool and slipper baths.

The following statistical information will be of interest to those who have not yet seen this project:

Amount of water in pool Complete change of water in pool every Number of filters Rate of change of water No. of boilers Each boiler produces Pool hall temperature maintained at Number of BTU's required to heat pool water 1,130,000 perhour Type of coal Rate of air change

113,000 gallons 4 hours 28,250 galls per hour 1,116,000 BTU per hour 75 F (when outdoors 30°F) Rank 702 washed single 12,100 cub.ft. per min.

SEWAGE DISPOSAL The sewage is carried by gravity feed to the Disposal Works, just outside the District Boundary, at Altham. Treatment is by means of screens, detritus tanks, settlement tanks, sprinkler filters and contact beds. The effluent from the works is discharged into the River Calder. These works are due for complete renewal.

### SANITARY ACCOMMODATION

There are only five at isolated dwellings Number of pail closets and these are emptied by the tenants.

5,958. Number of fresh water closets

Number of waste water closets 546.

### Conversions during the year

Number of Pail closets to Fresh Water Closets	1
Number of Waste Water Closets to Fresh Water Closets	23
Number of Waste Water Closets abolished	12
Number of houses on the water carriage system	3,842

### Chief Sanitary Requirements of the District

- 1. The conversion of all waste water closets to the fresh water system.
- Implementation of the Housing Act, 1969.
- Anti-pollution measures.
- 4. Completion of Smoke Control programme.
- 5. Review of Public Conveniences.

## PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTIONS DURING 1969.

Number of complaints received Number of premises visited Number of visits made Number of defects or nuisances discovered Number of defects remedied Number of Notices served(Statutory) Number of Notices served (Informal)	702 1789 1994 124 118 12 33
Number of inspections and visits made during the year:-	
Houses - Public Health Act. Houses - Housing Act Houses - Improvement Grants Clean Air Act Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act Yarls and Passages Drainage Prevention of Damage by Pests Act Water Supply Re-visits to property Factories Butchers Bakers Fish Fryers Grocers Greengrocers Tripe Dressers Snack bars and conteens Poultry Packers Licensed Premises Other food shops Council houses Miscellaneous Noise Abatement Verminous Premises Infectious Diseases Food Poisoning Smoke Observations	219 104 257 397 54 26 66 201 12 218 34 30 15 15 31 18 3 23 33 26 96 72 20 7 2
Interviews	366

### Defects remedied and Other Improvements Executed: -

Waste Water Closets cleared Water closet compartment repaired	16
External pointing carried out Rainwater pipes renewed, repaired or cleared	2
Defective drainage	9
Defective sinks	13
Roofs repaired	5
Water supply	5
Enves gutters renewed, repaired or cleared	6
Internal ceiling plaster renewed	2
Internal wall plaster renewed	3
Doors repaired	2
Window frames renewed or repaired	2
Yard gates provided	3
Wooden floors repaired	3
Defective chimney stack	2
Ruinous buildings demolished	1
Accumulation of refuse	3
Dustbins provided or renewed	135

### DISINFESTATION

Twenty-five dwellings were treated during the year, sixteen for cockroach infestation, and nine for flea infestation. D.D.T. powder with Pyrethrum, Multispray and Gammexane Smoke Generators were used.

### CAMPING SITES AND MOVEABLE DWELLINGS

There are no caravans or sites licensed under the Public Health Act, 1936, and no licenses have been applied for under the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960.

## HOUSING

The Housing Act, of 1969 come into operation on the 25th August, 1969.

The Act aims to stimulate the improvement of houses in general improvement areas and of individual houses elsewhere. It is also planned to secure the improvement of the environment by, for example, the provision of improved car parking facilities, play spaces for children and better street furniture.

The Act embodies a new general duty under which authorities are to cause an inspection of their districts to be made from time to time with a view to dealing with a wide range of unsatisfactory conditions in older houses in their areas.

The Act introduces a new system governing the rents of privately rented dwellings which have been brought up to a satisfactory standard.

The Act contains provisions which modify the existing slum clearance code. Owner occupiers of unfit houses affected by slum clearance will in general be entitled to a supplementary payment bridging the gap between site and market value. The level of payments for good maintained houses is being doubled; and a payment can for the first time be made in respect of a house that has been partially well maintained.

Changes have been made in the criteria of fitness for human habitation.

"Internal bad arrangement" is now any feature which prohibits the safe or unhampered passage of the occupants in the dwelling e.g. narrow, steep or winding staircases, absence of handrails, inadequate landings outside bedrooms, ill-defined changes in floor levels, a bedroom entered only through another bedroom, and also includes a W.C. opening directly from a living room or kitchen.

The Ministry of Housing and Local Government will be urging local authorities to use their new powers as fully, and as soon as possible. It is now particularly urgent that means be found of increasing the rate at which houses are improved and there must be an enthusiastic approach by this Local Authority, your officers, house owners and tenants.

CONDITION The majority of the houses are stone built and of the

terraced type. This type of property is on an average 70/80 years old and in general are quite well maintained, due to the fact that quite a large percentage of them

are owner occupied.

NEW BUILDINGS During the year 4 houses were completed by private

enterprise.

OVERCROWDING No new cases were reported during the year.

### INSPECTION OF DWELLINGHOUSES DURING THE YEAR

1. (a) Total number of dwellinghouses inspected formally or informally for housing defects under the Public Health or Housing Acts. 161 (b) Number of inspections, formal or informal made for 326 the purpose Number of dwellings found to be not in all respects (c) reasonably fit for human Mabitation but capable of being rendered fit 48 Total number of dwellings existing at end of year which were unfit for human habitation and not capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit and in respect of which:-(a) Demolition, Clearance or Closing Orders have been made (at any time) (b) Demolition, Clearance or Closing Orders have not 140 yet been made

HOUSES	HOUSES DEMOLISHED In Clearance Areas:		Displaced during year	
In Cle			Persons	Families
1-/	Houses unfit for human	11	20	7
	Houses included by reason of bad arrangement etc.	NIL	NIL	NIL
	Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by Medical Officer of Health	NIL	NIL	NIL
Unfit	Houses Closed	Number	Displaced	during year
	Approximation of the second		Persons	Families
(i)	Under Sections 16(4), 17(1) and 35(1), Housing Act, 1957	2	6	2
(ii)	Under Sections 17(3), and 26,			NIL
	Housing Act, 1957.	NIL	NIL	MILL

Unfit Houses made fit and Houses in which Defects were Remedied:

i.	After informal action by Local	By Owner	By Local Authority
	Authority	27	nil
ii.	After formal notice under (a) Public Health Acts.	11	3
	(b) Sections 9 and 16 Housing Act, 1957.	nil	nil
111.	Under Section 24, Housing Act, 1957,	nil	nil

Housing Act, 1949, and Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1958 - Improvement Grants, etc:-

No. of dwelling houses or other Buildings affected in schemes of

		described at the state of the s		
Action	during year:	Private Bodies or Individuals	Local Authority	
i.	Submitted by private individuals to Local			
	Authority	nil	nil	
ii.	Approved by Local Authority	nil	nil	
iii.	Submitted by Local Authority to Ministry	nil	nil	
iv.	Finally approved by Ministry	nil	nil	
v.	Work completed	1	nil	
vi.	Additional separate dwellings included in (v) above	nil	nil	

House Purchase and Housing Act, 1959, and Housing Acts, 1961, 1964 and 1969. - Standard Grants:-

Action	during year:	No. of dwelling other bus affected	
i.	Applications submitted to Local Authority for improvement to full standard	90	
ii.	Applications approved by Local Authority for improvement to reduced standard	nil	
iii.	Total applications approved by Local Authority	90	
iv.	Work completed	81	
v.	Particulars of any action taken relating to compulsory improvement of dwellings	nil	
		1969	Total
Number Number	of applications received of applications not dealt with approved refused	90 - 90 -	656 - 644 12

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Standard Amenities Approved	Standard	Amenities	Approved
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Baths Wash-hand basins Sinks Hot water supply to bath " " " wash-hand basin " " " " sink Water closet Food store	1969 38 39 nil 38 39 23 <b>7</b> 4 64	Total 401 402 nil 337 338 274 564 534
Total amounts of grants approved	£9,829.0.0.	£67,401.18.9.
Grants paid		
Total grant paid	£8,260. O. O.	£55,349. 7.4.

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### WAITING LIST

Number paid

The following tables give an overall picture of the Housing demands for the District, at at the end of the year

In Lodgings	Padihan	Out of District	Total
Man & wife - no children " " - one child " " - two children	4 7 11	2 2 -	6 9 11
	22	4	26
Tenants of Houses	Padiham	Out of District	Total
Man & wife - no children  " " " - one child  " " " - two children  " " " - three children  " " " - four children  " " " - five children  " " " - six or more children	43 29 8 7 4 -	16 16 17 9 3 1	59 45 25 16 7 1
	92	63	155
Elderley Persons' Accommodation	Pedihen	Cut of District	Total
In lodgings Tenents of Houses	5 99	- 2	5 101
	104	2	106

Grand Total 287

Number of houses erected under the various acts:-

i.	Housing Act,	1919	31
ii.	Housing Act,	1923/24	170
iii.	Housing Act,	1930/36	228
iv.	Housing Act,	1936/46	21
v.	Housing Act,	1946/51	260
vi.	Housing Act,	1957	177
			STATE OF THE PARTY
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### RENT ACT, 1957

No applications for certificates have been received during the year.

### INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

### MILK SUPPLY

Number of registrations effected during the year	1
Total number of Distributors of Milk on the Register	
at the end of the year.	51

The Lancashire County Council is the Food and Drugs Authority and all Dealers' licenses are issued by the County Council in accordance with Section 12 of the Milk (Special Designation) Regulations, 1960.

### MILK SAMPLING

During the year 100 samples of milk were obtained, 98 of which were Raw Milk (Tuberculin Tested), 1 Pasteurised and 1 Sterilised. These samples were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory for bacteriological examination with the following results:-

Type of Test	No. of Scriples	Results
Tuberculosis	98	96 satisfactory, 2 no result.
Brucellosis ring test	98	83 negative, 12 positive and 3 equivocal.
" culture test	9	3 negative, 5 positive and 1 no result.
" biological test	5	5 negative.
Methylene Blue	1	l satisfactory.
Phosphatase	1	1 satisfactory.
Turbidity	1	l satisfactory.

### SLAUGHTERHOUSE FACILITIES

There are no public or private slaughterhouses in operation within the District.

Two persons applied for and were granted licenses to slaughter animals.

### FOOD POISONING

One case of Food Poisoning was reported during the year.

# FOOD HYGIEVE (GEVERAL) REGULATIONS, 1960.

The number of Food Premises by type of business in the District at the end of 1969 was as follows:-

	Type of Business	Number	Number of Inspections
Gener	ral grocers and provision dealers agrocers and fruiterers (including	48	96
those	selling wet fish, game etc.) congers (including those selling	11	22
poult Meat	ry, game etc.) shops (butchers, cocked and	1	2
prese	rved meats, tripe etc.)	16	32
	s and/or confectioners	13	26
Shops	fish shops selling mainly sugar,	9	18
Licen	ctionery, minerals, ice cream. sed premises, clubs, canteens,	10	20
resta	urants, cafes and snack bars	33	67
Other	s	2	7
i.	Total number of Food Premises sub mentioned Regulations.	ject to the	e above-
ii.	The number of premises fitted to Regulation 16.	comply with	142
iii.	The number of premises to which F applies.	Regulation :	
iv.	The number of premises fitted to Regulation 19.	comply with	1. 143

Number of food premises, by type registered under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, the Lancashire County Council Acts or other local Act:-

Type of Business	Number Registered	Number of Inspections of Registered premises during Year.
Butchers Confectioners	10	21 15
Cafés Off Licenses Grocers Sweets, Ice Cream etc.	14 30 9	8 14 43 12

### POULTRY INSPECTION

1.	Number of poultry processing premises within the	
	District (plucking only)	1
2.	Number of visits to thes premises	12
3,	Number of birds processed during the year	not known
4.	Types of birds processed	Mainly hens
5.	Percentage of birds rejected as unfit for	
	human consumption	approx. 1.5%
6.	Weight of poultry condemned as unfit for	**
	human consumption	not known
7.	The poultry plucking is carried out under hygienic	
	conditions and full co-operation is given by the	
	owner as regards inspection	

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#### FOODSTUFFS

The following feedstuffs were examined, condemned for original use, surrendered for disposal and destroyed.

Type of Food	Quantity condemned
Frozen Fish  " Vegetables  " Pastry " Cakes	20 lbs. 16 lbs. 2 lbs.

2 lbs. 7 lbs. Chicken Meat Ice Lollies 192.

#### FOOD SAMPLING

A total of 31 samples was obtained comprising 18 milks and 13 others as follows:-

> 1 Sonalgin tablets 1 Daprisal tablets

1 Beef and tomato paste

1 Lard

1 Dripping

1 Beef sausages

1 Part loaf of bread

1 Nut mix

1 Ground almonds

1 Carrots, canned 1 Chicken fillets in felly

1 Mincement

1 Greaned mushrooms, canned

The County Analyst gave an adverse report on the following:-

#### Sample Result of Analysis Action taken

Part loaf of beend Contained 0.200 grammes of dis- Complainant coloured dough containing 2 ngms. informed and of minoral grease and 1.76 ngms bakery cautioned. iron oxide.

### THE LIQUID EGG (PASTEURISATION) REGULATIONS, 1963

There are no egg pasteurisation plants in the District.

### FACTORIES ACT, 1961

Inspections for the purpose of provisions as to health.

		Number on Register	Number Inspections	Written	Occupiers Prosecuted	
1.	Factories in which sections 1,2,3,4, and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	6	4	-		
2.	Factories not included in (1) in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	61	34	_	-	
3.	Other promises in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	1	1	-	-4	
	Total	68	39		-	-

Cases in which defects were found.

	Num	ber of cas defects	Number of cases in which prosecutions		
Particulars	Found	Remedied	To H. M. Inspector	By H. M. Inspector	Were
Want of Cleanliness (S.1.)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2.)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (8.3.)	-	-	_	-	
Inadequate ventilation (S.4.)	-	-	-	-	66
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6.)	-	-	+	-	-
Senitary conveniences (S.7.)					
(a) Insufficient (b) Unsuitable or	1	1	-	1	-
defective (c) Not separate	1	1		1	
for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including					
offences relating to outwork)	-	-	-	-	
Total	2	2	-	2	-

. Description (8)

#### NIL

Classification of F	actories	and We	orkshops	
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Abrasive crushing and grinding						
Abrasive wheel manufacture						
Bakers						
Boiled sweet manufacturer						
Boot repairers and cloggers						
Cabinet makers						
Carpet manufacturer						
Cotton weaving etc						
Cotton waste						
Electrical generation						
Fireplace manufacturer						
Gas appliances						
Hide and Skin						
Hospital clothing maker						
Joinery						
Jute pulling						
-	nufact					
Light engineering						
Morter grinding						- 1
Motor vehicle repairer						
Minerals (aerated) waters					••	
Nylon weaving						
Printers				••	••	
Paint mamufacturers						
Plumbers merchants						
Poultry plucker						1000
Production laboratory					• •	
Rayon fabric weaving						
Ready mixed concrete manufactur		- ::		::		
Dood maleone						
Continue 7 Installen			••			
Shopfitters						
Silk weaving						
Tripe dressers						
Valued mountain						
Motor opring manufacturers						-
novor Bpring manufacturers	• •					
1. The number of Factories now	in the	Regist	er is			66

2. The number of workplaces now in the Register is ....... 11

#### SHOPS ACT, 1950.

# Classification of Shops as shown in the Register.

Antiques			 	 	 1
Boots, shoes			 	 	 3
Builders merchant	S		 	 	 2
Butchers			 	 	 12
Cafe			 	 	 4
Car accessories			 	 	 1
Carpet dealers			 	 	 1
Chemist			 	 	 4
Cocked foods			 	 	 3
Confectioners			 	 	 8
Cycle dealers			 	 	 1
Drapers			 	 	 11
Dyers and cleaner			 	 	 3
Electrical applia	nces		 	 	 6
Fancy goods			 	 	 4
Fish fryers			 	 	 9
Fishmongers			 	 	 1
Furniture dealer			 	 	 4
General dealer			 	 	 1
Gas appliances			 	 	 1
Greengrocers			 	 	 10
Grocers			 	 	 33
Hairdressers - ge			 	 	 4
" - la	dies		 	 	 10
Hardware			 	 	 6
Handyman's suppli			 	 	 2
Heating & samitar	y applia	ances	 	 	 2
Jeweller			 	 	 1
Launderette			 	 	 1
Newsagents			 	 	 6
Newspaper office			 	 	 2
Optician			 	 	 1
Outfitters - gent			 	 	 2
" - ladio	es		 	 	 2
Off licence			 	 	 13
Paint & wallpaper			 	 	 4
Photographers			 	 	 3
Petrol and oil			 	 	 1
Pet shop			 	 	 1
Poultry and game			 	 	 1
Public Houses			 	 	 16
Sports equipment			 	 	 2
Stationers and pri	inters		 	 	 1
			 	 	 2
Sweets and tobacco	0		 	 	 10
Timber merchant			 	 	 1
Tobacconists			 	 	 1
Wholesale booksell	lers		 	 	 1

In accordance with the policy laid down by the County, limited inspectoral duties under the Act were delegated to the Public Health Inspector, and in fulfilment of these duties, 392 visits were undertaken.

#### OFFENSIVE TRADES

The following offensive trades are in existence within the District:-

Tripe Boiler 1 Fish fryers 9

The various premises have been inspected on 32 occasions.

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As there is still no evidence of the local rag dealer doing any business in bones, the premises are not included in the list of offensive trades.

Byelaws made under Section 108 of the Public Health Act, 1936, by the Council for the regulation of offensive trades, businesses or manufacturers, and the trade or businesses of fish frying, apply in the district.

The trades affected are:Blood boiler and dryer
Tallow melter, fat melter or fat extractor
Tripe boiler
Glue maker and size boiler
Rag and bone dealer
Fish fryer

#### PET ANIMALS ACT, 1952

One person has been licensed for the keeping of pets for sale.

#### ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT ACT, 1963

There are no such establish ments in the district.

#### DISEASES OF ANIMALS (WASTE FOOD) ORDER, 1957

No.	of	plants licensed at the 1st April, 1969	1
No.	of	plants licensed during the year	nil
No.	of	licenses cancelled or revoked	nil
No.	of	inspections	2
No.	of	prosecutions	nil

#### AGRICULTURAL ACT, 1956

#### Sanitary Conveniences on Farms

The farm properties in this district are visited at frequent intervals, and all matters which require inspection are dealt with. It has not been found necessary to t ke any action under the above Act.

#### PREVE TICH OF DAYAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

Action relating to redent control during the year:-

	Type of Property		
	Non- agricultural	Agricultural	
(a) No. of properties in district	4,681	6	
(b) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	149	-	
(c) No. of (b) infested by - rats	94 55	-	
(d) Total number of properties inspected for rats/mice for reasons other than notification	71	5	
(e) No. of (d) infested by - rats	69 2	2 minor inf.	

#### CLEAN AIR ACT

There are now nine smoke control areas operative within the district.

- No. 1 Smoke Control Order became operative on 1st September, 1961.
- No. 2 Smoke Control Order became operative on 1st November, 1962.
- No. 3 and 4 Smoke Control Orders became operative on lat July, 1963
- No. 5 and 6 Stoke Control Orders became operative on 1st November, 1963.
- No. 7 Smoke Control Order became operative on 1st December, 1966.
- No. 8 Smoke Control Order became operative on 1st July, 1968.
- No. 9 Smoke Control Order became operative on 1st July, 1969.

The above Orders cover 566.75 acres and 2,362 premises.

No. 10 and 11 Smoke Control areas have been submitted for Ministry approval.

Much publicity has been given to the fact that there is a shortage of smokeless fuels. There is, however, no shortage of smokeless fuels as a whole but there is a shortage of types of premium fuels, particularly 'Coalite', that more readily burn on the ordinary improved open fire.

Offences are being corritted mainly in the first areas to be declared in Padiham (Nos. 1 to 6), where at that time the people were not given freedom of choice in appliances. The only grant-aided appliance was the improved open fire, which will not burn the locally available authorised fuel; that is 'Sumbrite'.

Inspection experiences indicate that there is a defiant attitude on the part of the householders visited, who avow that they will continue to burn coal. One coal merchant is equally adament in supplying coal to these people.

It is very obvious to your officers that the present situation is due to the fact that far too many pre-1963 improved open fires exist and the open fire requirement of smokeless fuel, set down in paragraph 16 of the Peech Report, 1960, can no longer be met.

It is apparent that maladministration in smokeless fuel distribution is responsible for the present chaotic state, where too such premium fuel is being diverted to too many unqualified areas and also that the approved open fires installed in the pre-1963 smoke control areas can no longer be relied upon to burn locally available smokeless fuel.

#### OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PRESISES ACT, 1963.

No. of registered premises at end of year:-

Offices	22
Retail shops	55
Wholesale shops, warehouses	4
Catering establishments open to the publ	ic, canteens 11
Fuel storage denote	7/47

No. of visits of all kinds by inspectors to registered precises 98

No. of registered premises which received general inspections 104

No. of exemptions current at end of year Nil

### RAG FLOOK AND OTHER FILLING MATERIALS ACT, 1951.

No contraventions observed.

#### RIVERS AND STREAMS

The Lancashire Rivers Board is responsible for the supervision and protection of rivers and streams in the district.

#### SOCIAL WELFARE

The Health Department continues to be available for liason work. The principle activity has been to provide contact with the Home Help Organiser. Several cases were dealt with.

## ACCIDENTS IN THE HOME AND HEALTH EDUCATION

A policy of propoganta by displays of posters and the distribution of handbills was continued.

