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HAYLE PORT HEALTH ANNUAL REPORT 1962

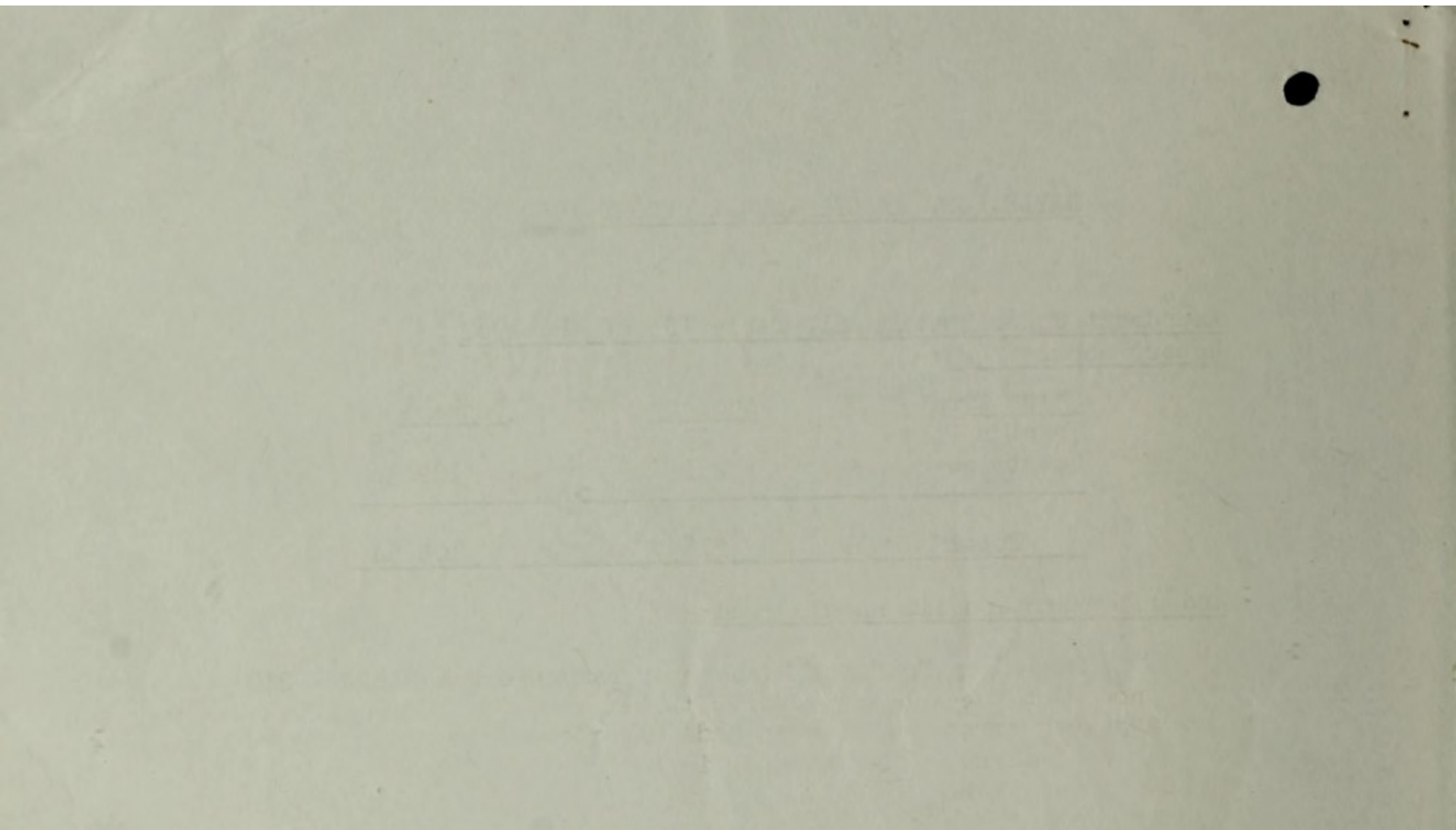
Amendment under Section ii, Table 'B' of the 1962

Report should read:-

<u>Ships from</u>	<u>Numbers</u>	<u>Tonnage</u>
Foreign Ports	25	5818
Coastwise	251	102436
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Total	276	108254

and under Section iii should read:-

Passenger Traffic (Numbers of passengers INWARDS - 240





PENZANCE (HAYLE DIVISION) PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

ANNUAL REPORT OF PORT MEDICAL OFFICER AND PORT HEALTH INSPECTOR

1962

To the Chairman and Members of the Port Health Committee.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I present my Annual Report for the year 1962 which enumerates the statistics called for by the Ministry.

Although shipping volume has increased, particularly from foreign ports during the year, nothing of major importance occurred which called for special action.

I would report that as a result of imported cases of smallpox into the country early in the year, certain precautions were issued to all Port Authorities by the Ministry of Health. Areas covered were Essen, Midlands, Pennybont, Llantrissant and Rhondda. No ports were involved and no action was found necessary at Hayle. The complete ships' companies were however vaccinated in three cases where the ships were proceeding abroad.

Information was supplied in June, 1962 by the Ministry on procedure to be adopted on request for a monitoring service for shipping which may have been subject to radioactivity. No cases of this nature have yet come to our notice.

The structural condition of Hayle Mortuary was considered by the Committee and resulted in some renovations being agreed which would have the effect of operating the premises in a more hygienic manner and provide better facilities for the County Pathologist carrying out his post mortem duties. The premises catered for 16 cases during the year.

No cases of notifiable disease were reported in shipping entering the Port.

The Canonstown-St. Erth sewerage scheme was in operation during the year with effluent discharges into the tidal portion of Hayle River. No circumstances arose which required your attention.

The storm water overflow at Glebe Row was introduced by the District Council to assist in the relief of this sewer during adverse weather and tide conditions and to date this appears to be a reasonably satisfactory short term solution to the surcharging of the drainage arrangements of the dwellinghouses on this Section.

I am,

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

P. E. Morris,

Port Medical Officer.

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FOR THE YEAR 1962

SECTION I - STAFF

Table "A"

<u>Name of Officer</u>	<u>Nature of Appointment</u>	<u>Date of Appointment</u>	<u>Qualification</u>	<u>Any other appointment held</u>
P. E. Morris	Port Health Medical Officer	1st April 1952	M.B. Ch.B.	Police Surgeon Certifying Factory Doctor.
J.W. Hitchens	Port Health Inspector	1st October 1952	P.H.I Cert. M & F.I. Cert. R.S.I. & S.I.E.J.B.	Chief Public Health Inspector West Penwith R.D.C.

Address and Telephone Number of Port Medical Officer of Health: "Bonaer" Hayle 2315

SECTION II - Amount of Shipping entering the District during the year
Table "B"

<u>Ships from</u>	<u>Numbers</u>	<u>Tonnage</u>	<u>No. inspected by</u>		<u>No. of ships reported as having or having had during the voyage infectious disease on board.</u>
			<u>M.O.H</u>	<u>P.H.I</u>	
Foreign Ports	48	14926	20	Nil	Nil
Coastwise	192	102426	18	Nil	Nil
Total	240	117352	38	Nil	Nil

SECTION III - Character of Shipping and Trade during year

Passenger Traffic	(Number of passengers	INWARDS	-	Nil
	(" " "	OUTWARDS	-	Nil
Cargo Traffic	(Principal Imports	...	Coal, Cement, Potatoes, Sulphur, Oil, Patent Fuel, Timber.	
	(Principal Exports	...	Scrap Metals.	
Principal Ports from which ships arrive	...	Blyth, Goole, Port of London, Fawley, Barry, Belfast, Milford Haven, Bayonne		

SECTION IV - Inland Barge Traffic

Number and tonnage using the district and places served by the traffic - Nil

SECTION V - Water Supply

- (1) Source of supply for (a) the district ... Mains supply from Mellanear filtered and chlorinated.
(b) shipping ... Supply pipes taken through the docks with water points at intervals at dock side.
- (2) Reports of tests for contamination ... Samples satisfactory.
- (3) Precautions taken against contamination of hydrants and hosepipes ... One person charged by Dock Undertakers to maintain water points and equipment in satisfactory condition.
- (4) Number and sanitary conditions of water boats and powers of control by the Authority ... Nil
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SECTION VI - Public Health (Ships) Regulations 1952 -61

- (1) List of infected areas (Reg.6) - Weekly records of Quarantinable Diseases are received and amendment of the list as applied to the Home Trade Ports made as and when required. This information is supplied to Pilots and Customs Officers where circumstances warrant.
- (2) Radio Messages. - This is not a radio transmitting or receiving Port but arrangements are made with the dock owners to forward any radio messages they may receive in connection with infectious diseases.
- (3) Notifications otherwise than by radio - Arrangements made with Pilots and Customs Officers for notification and despatch of "Declarations of Health".
- (4) Moring Stations - Stations have with approval of Harbour Master and Customs Officers been sited in the bay.
- (5) Arrangements for:-
(a) Hospital Accommodation for infectious diseases - County Isolation Hospital, Truro, through No.1. Health Area Office, Penzance.
(b) Surveillance and follow up of contacts - Through normal channels of Public Health Department of Rural District Council and No.1. Health Area Office.
(c) Cleansing and Disinfection of ships, persons, clothing and other articles. - Disinfection of ships carried out under direction of Port Health Inspector. No facilities for personal cleansing. Clothing etc. steam disinfected at West Cornwall Hospital, Penzance, by arrangement.
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SECTION VII - Smallpox

- (1) Name of Isolation Hospital to which cases are sent from the district. - Smallpox Hospital, Liskeard.
- (2) Arrangements for transport of such cases to that hospital by ambulance etc. - Contact Dr. Pierson, M.O.H. Plymouth, or Plymouth Ambulance Bureau, Tel. No. Plymouth 4101
- (3) Name(s) of smallpox consultant(s) - Dr. W.A. Lister, 7, The Crescent, Plymouth, Tel. No. Plymouth 5701.
Dr. Johnstone, Swilley Isolation Hospital, Plymouth, Tel. No. 64311 & 61437.
(Private Tel. No. Plymouth 3358)
- (4) Facilities for Laboratory diagnosis. - Virus Reference Laboratory, Central Public Health Laboratory, Collindale Avenue, London, N.W. 9.

SECTION VIII - Venereal Disease

Location, days and hours of the available facilities for the diagnosis and treatment of venereal disease among merchant seamen.

West Cornwall Hospital, Penzance, V.D. Clinic every Tuesday, 5 p.m. Psychiatric clinic every Thursday each month 3 p.m. by appointment.

Customs Offices advise contact direct with M.O.H's surgery or Health Dept., West Penwith R.D.C. Penzance.

SECTION IX - Cases of Notifiable and other
Table "D" Infectious Diseases on Ships

<u>Category</u>	<u>No. of cases during the year</u>			<u>No. of ships concerned</u>
	<u>Disease</u>	<u>Passengers.</u>	<u>Crew</u>	
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed of before arrival.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases landed from other ships.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

SECTION X - Observations on the occurrence of
Malaria in Ships

No ships from areas of epidemic malaria visited the Port and I have no observations to make on its occurrence in those ships from foreign Ports visiting Hayle.

SECTION XI - Measures taken against ships
infected with or suspected for plague

No measures necessary.

SECTION XII - Measures against rodents in ships
from Foreign Ports

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| (1) Procedure for inspection | -- | Routine examination. Validity of deratting or deratting exemption certificates. |
| (2) Arrangements for the bacteriological or pathological examination of rodents etc. | -- | Public Health Laboratory Service, Royal Cornwall Infirmary, Truro. No rodents sent for examination during the year. |
| (3) Arrangements for deratting ships, methods used etc. | -- | Hayle is not an approved Port for this purpose. If necessary ships directed to Falmouth or other approved Port. |
| (4) Progress in the ratproofing of ships. | -- | Nil. |

Table "E"

Rodents destroyed during the year
in ships from Foreign Ports - Nil

Table "F"

Deratting Certificates & Deratting Exemption
Certificates issued during the year for
ships from Foreign Ports. - Nil

SECTION XIII - Inspection of ships for Nuisances

Table "G"

Inspections and Notices

<u>Nature and Number of</u> <u>Inspections</u>	<u>Notices served</u>		<u>Results of</u> <u>Serving Notice</u>
	<u>Statutory Notices.</u>	<u>Other Notices</u>	
As in Table "B"	Nil	Nil	Nil
Total 38	Nil	Nil	Nil

SECTION XIV - Public Health (Shell-Fish)
Regulations 1934 - 1948

Not applicable.

SECTION XV - Medical Inspections of Aliens

Not applicable

SECTION XVI - Miscellaneous

Arrangements for the burial on shore of -- Port M.O.H. in conjunction with
persons who have died on board ship from District M.O.H. institute procedure
infectious disease. prescribed by Section 162 P.H.A. 1936.
