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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH TO THE PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY (PENZANCE DIVISION)

Gentlemen:

My Annual Report for the year ended 31st December, 1960 is as follows:-
(in conformity with Form Port 20)



SECTION I - STAFF

TABLE A

<u>Name of Officer</u>	<u>Nature of Appointment</u>	<u>Date of Appointment</u>	<u>Qualifications</u>	<u>Any other Appointment held</u>
Dr. W. Leslie	M.O.H. (Part time)	January, 1924	M.B. B.S. (London)	G.M.P. (etc.)
Dr. D.W.L. Leslie	Dep. M.O.H. (part time)	December, 1951	M.A. M.B. B.Ch. M.R.C.S. L.R.C.P	G.M.P. (etc.)
Mr. A.T. Harper	Public Health Inspector (Part time)	March, 1937	Certificate R.S.I.	Public Health Inspector Borough of Penzance.

Address and Telephone No. of M.O.H.:- 2 Morrab Road, Penzance - Phone: Penzance 3586

SECTION II - AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE DISTRICT DURING THE YEAR

TABLE B

<u>Ships from</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Tonnage</u>	<u>Number Inspected</u>		<u>Number of Ships inspected as having or having had during the voyage Infectious Disease on Board.</u>
			<u>By the M.O.H.</u>	<u>By Sanitary Inspector</u>	
Foreign Ports	547	17381	64	104	Nil
Coastwise	509	183357	34	22	Nil
TOTAL	1056	200738	98	126	Nil

SECTION III - CHARACTER OF SHIPPING AND TRADE DURING THE YEAR

Character of Shipping At Penzance Harbour the ships calling at the Port are practically all small coast-wise vessels of up to 500 (net) tonnage, with a few smaller ships from Channel Ports of Northern Europe. The R.M.V. "Scillonian"

runs daily in the summer and three days a week in the winter, between Penzance and the Isles of Scilly. At Newlyn small coastwise and foreign going vessels call to load stone (crushed) from the quarry situated there, and additionally the Harbour is used by fishing craft comprising British, French, Dutch and Belgian trawlers, French "Crabbers" and local in-shore fishing craft to land catches of fish for sale in the Fish Market there.

Character of Trade Imports - Coal (for Gas-works and Domestic use), General merchandise, cement, artificial manures, potash, box-wood, vegetables and flowers from home ports, the Isles of Scilly and Northern European Ports.

Exports - Stone from Newlyn to home and foreign ports. There is an active ship-repairing industry and dry dock for small vessels at Penzance and a Fish Market at Newlyn. The only passenger traffic at Penzance is by the R.M.V. "Scillonion" to and from the Isles of Scilly. There is no passenger traffic between our ports and any foreign port.

TABLE C

Passenger Traffic	Inwards	} approx. 16500 Day-Trippers, Holiday Makers and Business passengers to and from the Isles of Scilly during the year.
	Outwards	

Cargo Traffic	{ Principal Imports	Coal, cement, wood, artificial manures, flowers and fish
	{ Principal Exports	General cargoes to the Isles of Scilly, crushed stone to home and foreign ports.

Principal Ports from which ships arrive. Home Ports and the Channel Ports of France, Belgium and Holland.

SECTION IV - INLAND BARGE TRAFFIC

Nil

SECTION V - WATER SUPPLY

1. The source of the Water Supply for the district and for shipping is the main Water Supply of the Borough of Penzance.
2. Tests for contamination and for the Protection of Hydrants - as for the Borough of Penzance.
3. There are no water-boats kept at the port.

SECTION VI - PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS) REGULATIONS 1952

1. List of Infected Cases Extracts (when applicable) are made from the weekly published lists of Infected areas and forwarded to H.M. Customs and Excise Waterguards at Penzance and Newlyn for this information.
2. Radio Messages to Ships at Sea are received and sent via Land's End Radio Station. During the year 1960 medical

advice was given by radio to 56 ships at sea. Of these 14 were instructed to put into Mount's Bay where they were boarded by the Deputy Medical Officer of Health, who superintended the landing of cases of sickness or accident for admission to Hospital.

3. Notifications other than by Radio are made either by H.M. Customs or the local shipping agents to the Medical Officer of Health by Telephone.
4. Mooring Stations There is a special anchorage designated for ships in quarantine for major infectious diseases at Gwavas Pool off Newlyn Harbour.
5. Arrangements for Infectious Diseases other than Smallpox

- (a) Hospital accommodation: The County Infectious Diseases (Isolation) Hospital, Truro.
- (b) Surveillance and follow-up of contacts, by Hospital Authority.
- (c) Cleansing and disinfection of ships - no facilities available.

SECTION VII - SMALLPOX

1. Cases of Smallpox would be sent to the County Isolation Hospital at Truro.
2. Ambulance Transport and the vaccinal state of ambulance crews is the responsibility of the Ambulance Service of the Cornwall County Council.
3. The County Medical Officer of Health, who has a panel of four consultants, would be asked to supply the services of a Smallpox Consultant.
4. Facilities for the Laboratory diagnosis of Smallpox are available at the Royal Cornwall Infirmary, Truro.

SECTION VIII - VENEREAL DISEASE

There is no local clinic available for the diagnosis and treatment of Venereal Disease. Any cases arising would be seen by the Port Medical Officer of Health or his Deputy.

SECTION IX - Cases of Infectious or other notifiable Diseases on Ships

TABLE D

Nil Return

SECTION X - OBSERVATIONS ON THE OCCURRENCE OF MALARIA IN SHIPS

Nil Return

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

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1. The purpose of this memorandum is to inform you of the results of the study conducted by the Joint Staff, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense, regarding the proposed changes to the Department of Defense, and to recommend the appropriate action to be taken.

RECOMMENDATION

2. The Joint Staff, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Department of Defense, recommend that the proposed changes to the Department of Defense, be approved, and that the necessary steps be taken to implement the same.

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CONCLUSION

(a) The proposed changes to the Department of Defense, are recommended for approval.

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SECTION XI - MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST SHIPS INFECTED WITH OR SUSPECTED OF PLAGUE

Nil Return

SECTION XII - MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

No facilities for the de-ratting of ships exist either at Penzance or Newlyn.

TABLES E and F

Nil Returns

SECTION XIII - INSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCES

TABLE G. INSPECTIONS AND NUISANCES

Nature and Number of Inspections	Notices Served		Result of Serving Notices
	Statutory Notices	Other Notices	
Ships from Foreign Ports 168	NIL	3	-
Coastwise Ships 56	NIL	1	Nuisance satisfactorily abated before vessels left port.
Total 224	NIL	4	-

SECTION XIV - PUBLIC HEALTH (SHELL-FISH) REGULATIONS 1934 and 1948

There are no shell-fish beds or layings within the jurisdiction of the Authority.

SECTION XV - MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS

Not Applicable

SECTION XVI - MISCELLANEOUS

Nil Return

I have the honour to be,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

(signed) W. LESLIE, M.O.H.

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