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ANNUAL REPORT FOR
1950.

TO
THE PERSHORE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.



BY


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TO:-- THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE PERSHORE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.
MR. CHAIRMAN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.

I beg to present my Report on the health of your District for 1950.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Registrar-General's population estimate - 17,160.

<u>BIRTHS.</u>	<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
Legitimate.	144.	137.	281.
Illegitimate.	8.	6.	14.
	152.	143.	295.

STILL-BIRTHS.

Legitimate.	8.	2.	10.
Illegitimate.	1.	-	-
	9.	2.	11.

1949.

Birth rate per 1,000 of estimated resident population. 17.2. 20.9.

Still-Birth rate per 1,000 total (live & still) births. 35.9. 31.6.

	<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
<u>DEATHS.</u>	111.	91.	202.

Death rate per 1,000 of estimated resident population. 11.8. 12.4.

Deaths from Puerperal causes:-

Rates per 1,000 total
(live & still) births.

Puerperal Sepsis.	} nil.
Other Puerperal causes.	
Total.	

	<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
Deaths of Infants under one year.	5.	1.	6.
Deaths of legitimate infants.	5.	1.	6.
Deaths of illegitimate infants.	-	-	-

Death rates of Infants under one year:-

All infants per 1,000 live births.	20.	13.
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births.	21.	
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births.	Nil.	

Deaths from Cancer. (all ages).	32.
Deaths from Measles. (all ages).	Nil.
Deaths from Whooping Cough. (all ages).	Nil.

Comparison with certain figures for the whole country is as follows:-

	<u>England & Wales.</u>	<u>District.</u> 1950.	<u>District.</u> 1949.
Birth Rate.	15.8.	17.2.	20.2.
Death rate.	11.6.	11.8.	12.4.
Infant Mortality rate.	29.8.	20.	13.

CAUSES OF DEATH.

The following table gives the causes of death during 1950.

<u>CAUSE OF DEATH.</u>	<u>MALES.</u>	<u>FEMALES.</u>	<u>TOTAL.</u>
Tuberculosis, respiratory.	2	2	4
Tuberculosis, other.	1	-	1
Syphilitic Disease.	-	-	-
Diphtheria.	-	-	-
Whooping Cough.	-	-	-
Meningococcal infections.	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis.	1	-	1
Measles.	-	-	-
Other Infective and parasitic diseases.	2	-	2
(Malignant neoplasm, stomach.	5	-	5
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus.	1	1	2
Malignant neoplasm, breast.	-	2	2
Malignant neoplasm, uterus.	-	-	-
Other malignant & lymphatic neoplasms.	13	8	21
Leukaemia, aleukaemia.	2	-	2
Inclusive totals.	21.	11.	32.
Diabetes.	-	3	3
Vascular lesions of nervous system.	8	12	20
Coronary disease, angina.	14	6	20
Hypertension with heart disease.	2	-	2
Other heart disease.	23	31	54
Other circulatory disease.	3	4	7
Influenza.	1	-	1
Pneumonia.	4	2	6
Bronchitis.	5	2	7
Other diseases of respiratory system.	-	1	1
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum.	1	1	2
Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea.	-	-	-
Nephritis and Nephrosis.	3	2	5
Hyperplasia of prostate.	4	-	4
Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion.	-	-	-
Congenital malformations.	-	1	1
Other defined and ill-defined diseases.	7	11	18
Motor vehicle accidents.	3	1	4
All other accidents.	3	1	4
Suicide.	2	-	2
Homicide and operations of war.	1	-	1
	111	91	202.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA.

The Infectious Disease Hospitals are under the control of the Regional Hospital Board.

No difficulty has been found in obtaining admissions, and the transport system is satisfactory.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT.Water Supplies.

A total of 2,263 houses with a population of 7,958 is supplied from public mains.

2,214 dwellings with 7,522 persons are dependent on well water supplies. Many of these are unfit for drinking.

Piped water from Cheltenham and Worcester Corporations augment the local mains supply.

The river Severn supply for Coventry will, it is hoped, assist in supplying some villages now using well water.

One extension has been carried out at Stoulton to supply the remainder of the village.

There is no evidence of plumbo-solvency in the district.

Approximately twelve houses are supplied with stand-pipes.

Analyses.(a) RAW WATER.

Bacteriological examination	- 36.	Satisfactory 30.	} including independent Parish Spring supplies.
		Unsatisfactory 6.	
Chemical examination	- 36.	Satisfactory 34	}
		Unsatisfactory nil.	

(b) TREATED WATER.

Satisfactory reports from Cheltenham Corporation.

Parish and Population Supplies.

<u>PARISH.</u>	<u>FROM PUBLIC MAINS.</u>		<u>FROM WELLS, SPRINGS, ETC.</u>	
	<u>NO. OF HOUSES.</u>	<u>POPULATION.</u>	<u>NO. OF HOUSES.</u>	<u>POPULATION.</u>
BREDON.	298.	1,045.	44.	154.
COMBERTON, Great.	53.	188.	20.	70.
COMBERTON, Little.	45.	157.	31.	108.
ECKINGTON.	175.	612.	36.	126.
PEOPLETON.	69.	246.	14.	48.
PINVIN.	133.	465.	21.	73.
WICK.	67.	178.	27.	96.
WYRE.	92.	322.	15.	52.
WHITTINGTON.	96.	336.	15.	52.
PERSHORE.	1,063.	3,738.	98.	343.
BIRLINGHAM.	20.	70.	81.	284.
BREDON'S NORTON.	8.	38.	48.	169.
DEFFORD.	103.	367.	42.	144.
STOULTON.	34.	120.	69.	241.
BESFORD.	15.	53.	25.	87.
NORTON.	9.	31.	166.	581.
OTHER PARISHES.	-	-	1,462.	4,894.
TOTALS.	2,263.	7,958.	2,214.	7,522.

Sewerage and Sewage Disposal.

3 further small works were completed during the year, making a total of 19 since the end of the war, to serve small blocks of new Council Houses in various parishes.

A further 34 pail closets have been converted, leaving seven to be finally disposed of during 1951. This will then put an end to the collection of "night soil" in the town of Pershore.

The scheme for Eckington village has finally been approved, and work will begin as soon as it is feasible.

A new sewerage scheme is an urgent necessity for the town of Pershore.

HOUSING.

During 1950, the Council erected 46 houses, making a post-war total of 228.

14 houses were built during the year by private bodies.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

In addition to the Inspector of Weights and Measures, samples are taken by the Sanitary Inspector's Staff under the Food and Drugs Acts, 1928 - 38. There are 32 registered premises for the sale of ice-cream which are regularly supervised.

There are no slaughter houses in this area.

No cases of food poisoning were reported during the year.

FACTORIES ACT, 1937.

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

PREMISES.	Number on Register.	NUMBER OF -		
		Inspections.	Written notices.	Occupiers prosecuted.
(1) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by local authorities.	10.	2.	-	-
(2) Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the local authority.	49.	31.	-	-
(3) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the local authority (excluding Out-workers' premises).	-	-	-	-
TOTALS.	59.	33.	-	-.

(2) Cases in which defects were found:-

PARTICULARS.	NUMBER OF CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND -				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted.
	Found.	Remedied.	REFERRED		
			to H.M. Inspr.	by H.M. Inspr.	
Want of cleanliness.	1.	1.	-	-	-
Overcrowding.	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature.	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors.	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary conveniences.	1	3	-	2	-
(a) insufficient.	-	-	-	-	-
(b) unsuitable or defective.	-	-	-	-	-
(c) not separate for sexes.	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outworkers).	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS.	2	4	-	2	-

OUTWORK IN UNWHOLESOME PREMISES - SECTIONS 110 and 111.

There were no instances of this during the year.

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Notified diseases (other than tuberculosis) during the year 1950.

<u>DISEASE.</u>	<u>TOTAL CASES NOTIFIED.</u>	<u>ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL.</u>	<u>TOTAL DEATHS.</u>
Puerperal Pyrexia.	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever.	9.	8.	-
Diphtheria.	-	-	-
Pneumonia.	1.	1.	-
Measles.	360.	-	-
Acute Polio-myelitis.	4.	3.	1.
Whooping Cough.	20.	-	-
Erysipelas.	1.	-	-
Acute Encephalitis.	1.	1.	1.
Dysentery.	1.	-	-
Malaria.	1.	1.	-

ANALYSIS OF TOTAL NOTIFIED INFECTIOUS DISEASE CASES
(OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING THE YEAR, 1950.

AGE GROUPS.	SCARLET FEVER.	MALARIA.	PNEUMONIA.	MEASLES.	WHOOPING COUGH.	ACUTE POLI-MYELITIS.	ERYSIPELAS.	DYSENTERY.	ACUTE ENCEPHALITIS.
Under 1 year.	-	-	-	4	2	-	-	-	-
1 - 3 years.	-	-	-	67	2	-	-	-	1
3 - 4 "	-	-	-	70	3	-	-	-	-
5 - 9 "	5	-	-	187	10	1	-	-	-
10 - 14 "	2	-	-	24	1	-	-	-	-
15 - 24 "	2	-	1	4	-	1	-	-	-
25 and over.	-	1	-	4	2	2	1	1	-
TOTALS.	9	1	1	360	20	4	1	1	1

No cases of Diphtheria were notified.

There was a very large crop of measles cases, the greater number occurring in younger school children. There were no deaths.

Acute Polio-myelitis.

Four cases, with one death.

First case notified on 29th June, female aged six years. Slight transient muscular weakness, inter-alia with complete recovery. She remained at home.

Second case on 31st July, female aged 18 years. Recovery with partial limb dysfunction.

Case three notified on 1st August, from General Hospital. Death occurred from bulbar paralysis.

The fourth case notified on 26th August made a complete recovery free from any defect.

All cases came from different parishes, and no sources of infection could be found.

Acute Infective Encephalitis.

The death of a male child, aged one year and four months, was reported from the Worcester Royal Infirmary, during the month of August.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

The table below gives the numbers immunised during the year.

<u>Numbers immunised.</u>	<u>Numbers immunised</u>	<u>Total.</u>
<u>0 - 4 inclusive.</u>	<u>5 - 14 inclusive.</u>	
127.	10.	137.

School reinforcing doses - 133.

This work is now directed by the County Council.

TUBERCULOSIS.

The following table includes notifications and deaths arising from this disease during 1950.

AGE GROUPS.	NEW CASES.				DEATHS.			
	Respiratory.		Non-Respiratory.		Respiratory.		Non-Respiratory.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
YEARS								
0 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 -	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 -	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-
10 -	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-
15 -	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
20 -	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
25 -	1	3	-	-	1	-	-	-
35 -	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	-
45 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 -	2	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
65 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS.	7	9	2	2	2	2	1	-
		16.		4.		4.		1.

Number of Deaths from Tuberculosis. - 5.
 Number notified by Death. - Nil.

	<u>1949.</u>	<u>1950.</u>
Total number of tuberculosis notifications.	18.	20.
Total number of deaths.	9.	5.

The infantile mortality rate compares favourably with that of the country as a whole, 20 as against 29.

The death rate is less than last year, as is the birth rate.

124 of the total deaths were of persons aged 65 years and over.

Extensions of piped water supplies are desirable with the provision of sewage disposal works especially as regard the Town of Pershore.

The general health of this area is quite satisfactory.

I am indebted to the Chief Sanitary Inspector and his staff for their kind assistance during the year.

J.J. MURRAY,

Medical Officer of Health.

This work is now directed by Mrs. Jennie Donnell.

TUBERCULOSIS.

The following table includes notifications and deaths arising from this disease during 1916.

AGE GROUP.	Males.		Females.		Totals.	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
YEARS						
0-1	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
2-4	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
5-9	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
10-14	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
15-19	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
20-24	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
25-29	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
30-34	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
35-39	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
40-44	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
45-49	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
50-54	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
55-59	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
60-64	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
65-69	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
70-74	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
75-79	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
80-84	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
85-89	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
90-94	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
95-99	1	1.0	1	1.0	2	1.0
TOTALS.	16	16.0	16	16.0	32	16.0

Number of Deaths from Tuberculosis.

5.

Number notified by Death.

5.

Total number of tuberculous notifications.

16.

Total number of deaths.

16.

The tuberculous mortality rate compares favorably with that of the country as a whole, 10 per cent.

The death rate is less than last year, as in the North.

164 of the total deaths were of persons aged 65 years and over.

Examination of sputum was made for tubercle with the provision of sputum disposal works especially as regards the town of Perth.

The general health of this area is quite satisfactory.

I am indebted to the Chief Sanitary Inspector and his staff for their kind assistance during the year.

J. J. LITTLE.

Medical Officer of Health.

ANNUAL HEALTH REPORT FOR 1950.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen.

I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report of the Sanitary Officers' work undertaken during the year ended 31st December, 1950.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT.

Sewage Disposal.

The following works have been completed to deal with post-war housing sites and private properties.

CROPTHORNE	- 20 houses.	}	Gravitation schemes to settlement tanks and rotary aeration beds.
DEFFORD	- 15 houses.		
WICK	- 32 houses.		A pumping scheme which is to be enlarged to deal with drainage from 100 houses during 1951.

Defford.

Work has also commenced on a prefabricated unit with pumping plant at Lodge Hill, Defford, to deal with twelve houses.

Bredon.

An extra continuous flow settlement tank has been installed and the works overhauled to deal with new housing. It is emphasised that these works will, within the next few years, require further improvements and it is suggested that a system of rotary distribution of the effluent should be substituted for the present wasteful method of land irrigation.

Eckington (Population of 750).

The scheme for re-sewering this parish and construction of sewage disposal works has been approved provisionally by the Ministry of Local Government and Planning and detailed drawings will be submitted early in 1951. The lack of this service has temporarily held up the construction of new houses.

Pershore.

Plans have not yet been completed by the Council's Consulting Engineers for submission to the Ministry.

Norton.

Detail plans for sewerage the hamlet of Littleworth and construction of sewage disposal works have been submitted to and approved by the Ministry of Local Government and Planning. The scheme incorporates duplicate pumping apparatus and hopper type settlement tanks. The estimated cost of the works is £6,000.

Elmley Castle.

A suggested scheme for the sewerage and construction of sewage disposal works in this Parish has been submitted to the Council's Consulting Engineers for their observations.

Broughton Hackett (36 Houses); Stoulton (30 Houses) and Wadborough (24 Houses).

Three small schemes primarily dealing with the sewage from new housing sites has been approved and work should start in 1951.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

Short lengths of ditches have been piped to obviate public nuisances but only as an interim stop until main drainage schemes are possible.

W.C. Conversions, Pershore.

Under the Public Health Act, 1936, thirty-four conversions have been carried out and there remain seven pail latrines to be dealt with. Five properties have been connected to the main sewerage system.

Defford.

Work commenced on a small sewage ejector to drain four privately owned houses.

Lower Moor.

Several private properties in this Parish at Upper Moor are urgently in need of main drainage. The recommendation is for a combined cesspool to be emptied periodically by a vehicle which it is hoped the Council will decide to purchase for this and other work.

River Pollution.

An endeavour has been made to clear up three known cases of pollution. The main improvement has been the construction of a combined trade effluent and sewage disposal scheme from a Factory at Wyre, Nr. Pershore. Excessive pollution reaches the River Avon at Pershore as a direct result of the lack of a proper drainage and sewage disposal scheme.

Future Schemes.

As a result of the commencement of the work on the Regional Water Scheme next year, it is envisaged that small sewerage schemes will become a necessity in several northern parishes, otherwise pollution of watercourses will be inevitable.

PUBLIC CLEANSING.

Further use has been made of neighbouring Authorities vehicles and a Contract service utilised for the cleaning of septic tanks in private ownership and works belonging to the Local Authority. It is felt that a much improved service could be offered, were the Council to own their own vehicle.

Street cleansing and watering particularly in the summer months after week-ends is desirable.

REFUSE AND SALVAGE.

An old vehicle has been replaced with a new 12 cubic yard low loader for work in the Town. Certain districts have requested more frequent collections. Tenders will be submitted for Contracts with Military Establishments in the district.

The tip in Pershore, though near to houses, has continued to be used and controlled tipping and covering is practiced. An alternative small disposal site has been located at Drakes Broughton.

The refuse vehicles have not once been taken off the road due to breakdowns and are receiving very satisfactory maintenance at the Depot. Improved garage equipment has been installed. A relief vehicle is rapidly becoming a necessity, partly as a result of expansion and development in the Town.

The salvage collections have increased sharply, particularly waste paper, and approximately £87 was realised from the sale of waste paper during the year. A salvage revenue of £1,000 will be aimed at for 1951.

WATER SUPPLY.

Main Supplies.

The quality of water received from the Overbury Springs and the Cheltenham and Worcester Corporations is consistently high, though the ammonia content during summer months from the Cheltenham supply is above normal.

There is an increasing demand for a main supply in the district and 31 premises have been connected during the year. It is estimated that there are approximately 2,263 dwellings supplied with main water.

The Ministry of Local Government and Planning have approved the Regional Water Scheme and a starting date for the first portion of the scheme, involving the northern Parishes, has been given as June, 1951.

The existing 3" asbestos cement main at Hawbridge, Stoulton has been extended 1,375 yards to supply water to the remainder of the village at an estimated cost of £1,890.

Norton.

Details of a proposed water scheme for supplying the hamlet of Littleworth (320 persons) with water from a borehole have been completed.

Great Comberton.

This independent main spring supply is improved and the surface pollution has been eliminated.

Analyses.

(a) Treated Water.

Bacteriological examinations -

No. 32.	Results - Satisfactory.....	30.
	Unsatisfactory.....	2.

Chemical Analyses -

No. 32.	Results - Satisfactory.....	32.
	Unsatisfactory.....	5.

(b) Water supply from wells.

Number taken - 48.

	<u>Satisfactory.</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory.</u>
Bacteriologically.	15.	33.
Chemically.	15	30.

Tilesford, Nr. Pershore.

It was found that a farm and two cottages at Tilesford were dependent upon a water supply from Whitsum Brook, which was heavily polluted with faecal bacteria. A main supply has now been arranged with the neighbouring R.A.F. Station.

Transport of Water.

This service is continued during the whole year to northern Parishes in particular, where shallow well supplies are polluted.

MOVEABLE DWELLINGS.

A census of moveable dwellings and caravans in the district which are used for permanent occupation has been carried out. There are approximately 35 such structures, some with poor amenities.

Temporary Pea and Fruit Pickers Quarters.

Arrangements have been made for a supply of main water and for improved sanitary and living accommodation at a Pickers Camp at Norton.

DISINFECTION AND DISINFESTATION.

18 houses were disinfected after infectious disease notifications with formaline spray and formaldehyde gas. Arrangements were made to steam disinfect bedding and linen. 2 premises were disinfested with Thermatox fumigators.

MORTUARY.

The Mortuary situated in Pershore was purchased from the Parish Council and has been repaired, redecoration and much improved facilities provided.

RODENT CONTROL.

As a result of the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949, greater responsibility has fallen on the Council who are now the responsible authority. An 8 h.p. Van was purchased for the use of the Rodent Operative. Many complaints have been promptly dealt with and checks made on the seasonal movement of rodents.

No. of Infestations dealt with at Private houses.....	237.....
No. of Infestations dealt with on Business premises.....	36.....
Number of other infestations dealt with.....	20.....
Number of complaints received.....	27.....

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

As a result of the Milk and Dairies Act, 1949, few farms have been visited except in connection with applications for Planning Consent. In such cases careful attention is paid to the provision of water supplies and drainage arrangements.

Milk (Special Designations) Regulations, 1949.

No. of Dealers Licenses (including supplementary licences) issued by the Local Authority during the year in respect of:-	<u>Tuberculin Tested Milk.</u>	
	(1) Bottling... ¹	(2) Distribution... ¹
No. of Licences issued in respect of "Pasteurised Milk".	<u>Accredited Milk.</u>	
	(1) Bottling... ⁷	(2) Distribution... ⁷
Number of Licences issued in respect of "Sterilised Milk".	<u>Pasteurising Plants.</u>	
	Retail Distribution 1.
Number of Licences issued in respect of "Sterilised Milk".	<u>Sterilised Milk Plants.</u>	
	Retail Distributor

Milk Samples. (ordinary).

Number taken - 5.

Satisfactory...4:.....

Unsatisfactory...1:.....

Meat and other foods.

The slaughtering arrangements at Evesham Slaughterhouse are very poor indeed and it has been decided by three neighbouring Local Authorities to make application to the Ministry of Food for consideration to build a new slaughterhouse.

One informal case under the Transport of Meat Regulations was dealt with.

Catering Licences.

A closer liaison is now maintained with the Food Executive Officer and five premises have been inspected under the Food and Drugs Act before licences were granted.

Ice cream.

There are a total of 32 registered retailers and no manufacturers registered.

Unfit foods voluntarily surrendered.

The following items of voluntarily surrendered unfit foods have been condemned.

Eggs.	52 dozen.
Apples.	11 lbs.
Tomatoes.	11 lbs.
Flour.	21 lbs.
Oranges.	60 lbs.
Sausage.	12 lbs.
Cheese.	2½ lbs.
Butter.	3½ lbs.
Bacon.	65½ lbs.
Mutton.	78½ lbs.
Jellied Veal (tinned).	36 lbs.
Milk.	51 tins.
Tomatoes.	9 tins.
Sausage.	10 tins.
Various fruits, vegetables etc.	21 tins.
Custard Powder.	42 dozen.

SUMMARY OF SANITARY INSPECTIONS DURING THE YEAR (OTHER THAN HOUSING).

Number of premises visited.	750. (approx.)
Defects or nuisances found.	8.
Defects or nuisances abated.	8.
Number of Informal Notices served.	6.
Number of Statutory Notices served.	-.
New Drainage to sewers.	50. (approx.)
New drainage to septic tanks.	12.
Drains repaired.	21.
Obstructed drains cleared.	24.
Drains tested.	37.
Number of insanitary lavatories, sinks and urinals dealt with.	4.
Number of shops visited.	23.
Cases under Shops Act, 1934, (informal).	1.
Number of Factories inspected.	33.

HOUSING STATISTICS.

Number of new houses erected during the year -

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| (1) | by the local authority. | 46. |
| (2) | by other bodies or persons. | 14. |
| (3) | by other local authorities. | 2. |

Inspection of dwelling houses during year -

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| (1) | Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts.) | 234. |
| (2) | Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation. | 64. |
| (3) | Number of dwelling houses (excluding those referred to under the preceding sub-headings) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation. | 158. |

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the local authority or their Officers. 19.

Action under Statutory Powers during the year -

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| (1) | Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs. | 2. |
| (2) | Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:- | |
| | (a) by owner. | 2. |
| | (b) by local authority in default of owner. | - |

Proceedings under Public Health Acts.

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| (1) | Number of dwelling houses in respect of which informal notices were served requiring defects to be remedied. | 6. |
| (2) | Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of informal notice. | 6. |

Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936.

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| (1) | Number of dwellings in respect of which Demolition Orders were made. | 4. |
| (2) | Number of dwellings demolished. | 1. |

NEW HOUSING.

The Council have built 46 houses, 14 have been erected privately and 2 by other local authorities during the year ended 31st December, 1950. Total post-war development -

Local Authority development.	228.
Private.	70.
Total houses owned by local authority.	612.

Applicants rehoused in permanent new houses.

Throckmorton.	4.
Croptorne.	6.
Great Comberton.	6.
Peopleton.	8.
Pershere.	18.

Applicants rehoused (continued).

Old persons dwellings.

6.

Applicants rehoused in existing converted temporary accommodation - 7.

Number of applicants for housing accommodation as at 31st December, 1950. -

With separate accommodation. 316.

Sharing accommodation. 285.

601.Temporary Housing.

Hurstmead Hostel has been taken over and conversions are being carried out to provide nine flats for a period of 10 years. All public services will be available and modern amenities provided.

In view of the large number of applicants for houses which is practically the same as for 1949, it will not be possible for a few years to consider making clearance orders in the Town of Pershore, or to demolish other than dangerous structures.

HOUSING RURAL SURVEY.

Number of houses inspected. 2,024.

Classification of houses inspected -

Category (1)	144.
" (2)	547.
" (3)	957.
" (4)	376.

Houses included in the preceding four categories which have been noted for action under the Housing Rural Workers Acts. - 383.

There remains approximately 260 houses to be inspected.

REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE AND CONVERSIONS.

It has not been found necessary to take action formally for repairs to houses, except in two cases. Many properties have been substantially improved by owners/occupiers.

Number of repair licences issued. 58.

Number of houses converted (providing 12 flats.) 3.

HOUSING ACT, 1949.

Applications received. 6.

Applications approved. 2.

Applications rejected. -

Applications under consideration. 4.

GENERAL REMARKS.

The erection of a further 46 Council Houses and 14 private houses has slightly relieved the housing situation and consequently some overcrowding. The construction of the small sewage disposal works has enabled some 70 properties to be connected to main drainage systems.

There is an ever pressing need for a new sewerage system and sewage disposal works in the Town of Pershore.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

J. W. HOLMES.

Chief Sanitary Inspector.

MISS J. E. B. B. B.

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REPORT

The purpose of this report is to provide a detailed account of the activities and findings of the research team during the period from January 1, 1968, to December 31, 1968. The report is organized into four main sections: Introduction, Methods, Results, and Discussion. The Introduction section provides a brief overview of the research project and its objectives. The Methods section describes the procedures and techniques used in the study. The Results section presents the data obtained from the study, and the Discussion section discusses the implications of the findings.

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