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PORT HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

The Port Health District of Preston embraces the whole estuary of the River Ribble, from Blackpool to Foraby Point, and up the River Ribble and its tributaries to the furthest point to which the tide flows.

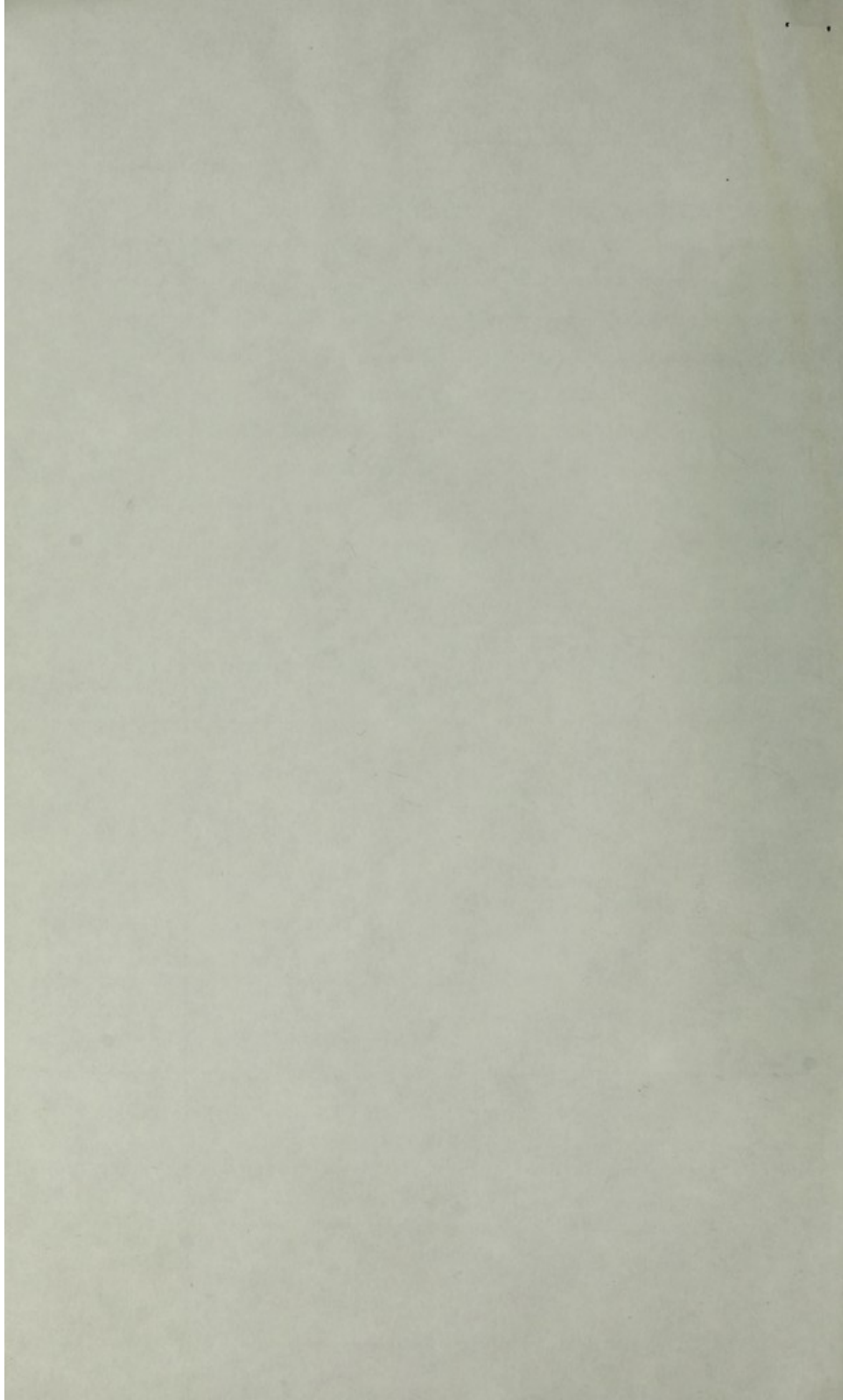
The dock, which is 3,200 feet long and 600 feet wide, covers 40 acres and is approached by the entrance basin 850 feet long by 300 feet wide, an area of four and three-quarter acres.

The communicating locks are 550 feet long and 66 feet wide, with a depth of 29 feet 6 inches at high water ordinary spring tide. The dock is situated within the County Borough and is about 16½ miles along the River Ribble from the sea.

The quays are over one and a half miles long. There are 170 acres of storage ground and 590,000 square feet of covered floor space.

Section 1 - Staff

| Name of Officer | Nature of Appointment | Date of Appointment | Qualifications | Any other appointment held |
|-----------------|------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| C.F.W. Fairfax | Port Medical Officer | 1.1.69 to 17.9.72 | M.B., B.S., D.P.H. | Medical Officer of Health |
| J.T. CARROLL | Port Medical Officer | 20.11.72 | M.B., F.R.C.S., D.R.C.O.G., D.P.H. | Medical Officer of Health |
| K.K.U. Perera | Deputy Port Medical Officer | 10.1.72 | M.B., B.S., D.P.H. | Deputy Medical Officer of Health. |
| I.M.R. Purdom | Boarding Medical Officer | 17.9.57 | M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H. | Departmental Medical Officer |
| K. Dowling | Boarding Medical Officer | 4.4.49 | B.A., M.B., B.Ch. | Departmental Medical Officer |
| A.T. Nolan | Boarding Medical Officer | 2.10.72 | L.R.C.P.I. L.R.C.S.I. & L.H., D.P.H. | Departmental Medical Officer |
| D.A. Tait | Boarding Medical Officer | 10.5.71 | L.M.S.S.A., M.R.C.G.P. | Departmental Medical Officer |
| G. Wood | Port Health Inspector | 17.5.68 | Cert.P.H.I.E.B. Cert. Meat & Foods | - |
| M.J. Alden | Deputy Port Health Inspector | 17.5.68 | Dep.P.H.I.E.B. | District Public Health Inspector. |



Address and Telephone Number of the Medical Officer of Health:

Health Department, P.O.Box 66. Market Street, Preston PR1 2EA.
Telephone number: Preston 54881

(Ambulance Station Telephone Number:Preston 55306).

For routine medical clearance of shipping the Port Health Inspector issues Pratique on receipt of satisfactory Maritime Declarations of Health, medical staff being summoned only in the event of illness on board or at the request of the Immigration Officer. Six Medical Officers were available for routine port health work and with the above mentioned system working satisfactorily boarding by doctors was not required. The number of ships from foreign ports boarded and inspected during 1972 by Port Health Inspectors was 260.

Co-operation from H.M. Immigration Officers, Trinity House Pilots, H.M. Customs Officers, the officials and staff of the Preston Port Authority, the shipping agents and others who have been contacted about various matters has assisted in the smooth running of the Port Health Authority's functions.

Section 11. Amount of Shipping entering the district during the year.

| Ships from | Number | Tonnage | Number Inspected | | Number of ships reported as having or having had during the voyage infectious disease on board. |
|---------------|--------|-----------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| | | | By the Medical Officers | By Port Health Inspectors | |
| Foreign Ports | 288 | 139,423 | - | 260 | - |
| Coastwise | 2010 | 1,094,781 | - | 40 | - |
| Total | 2298 | 1,234,204 | - | 300 | - |

Section 111 Character of Shipping and trade during the year.

Passenger Traffic

Number of passengers INWARDS 5,026
Number of passengers OUTWARDS 4,792

| Passengers to and from: | Foreign Ports | Irish Ferry Service |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Passengers in: Alien: | 1 | } 4,872 |
| British: | 153 | |
| Passengers out: Alien: | - | } 4,728 |
| British: | 64 | |

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| Ship Type | Number of ships | Number of passengers | |
|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|------------|
| | | By the ... | By the ... |
| Foreign Ports | 250 | - | - |
| Coastal | 40 | - | - |
| Total | 290 | - | - |

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| Passenger Details | Number of passengers | |
|-------------------|----------------------|-----|
| | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... |
| | ... | ... |

The previous figures do not include "supernumerary" crew (i.e. wives of the crew members etc.) who are subject nevertheless to the Aliens Order 1957.

Cargo Traffic.

Principal Imports:

Animal feeding stuffs, arsenic, bacon, butter, bitumen, canned goods, confectionery, eggs, fertilisers, fish oil, frozen foods, fuel oils, grain, hardboard, hides, maize, meat, meat products, milk products, paper, petroleum, potatoes, poultry, sulphur, synthetic fibre, timber, woodpulp, vehicles and containers.

Principal Exports:

Barbed wire, canned goods, cloth goods, coal, coke, cotton goods, iron and steel, machinery, meat & offal, scrap-iron, tar, vehicles and containers, wines & spirits.

1970 Total imports - 1,241,514 Total exports - 1,009,044

1971 Total imports - 1,201,930 Total exports - 1,013,222

1972 Total imports - 1,005,762 Total exports - 850,903

Principal ports from which ships arrive - Foreign

Foreign:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| North America: | Carleton N.S., Newcastle N.S., Weymouth N.S., |
| Belgium: | Antwerp, Ghent. |
| Denmark: | Copenhagen, Esbjerg, Frederikshavn, Hirtshals, Koge, Skagen. |
| Finland: | Hamina, Jakobstad, Kasko, Kemi, Kotka, Mantyluoto, Oulo, Rauma, Turku, Topila, Yxpilä. |
| France: | Bayonne, Bordeaux, Brest, Donges, Rouen, Tonnay, Sete. |
| Germany: | Bremen, Emden, Hamburg, Kiel, Wismar. |
| Holland: | Amsterdam, Delfzijl, Groningen, Rotterdam. |
| Middle East &) North Africa) | Casablanca, Ceuta, Kenitra, Gibraltar. |
| Norway: | Follafo, Frederikstad, Halden, Haugesund, Hommelvik, Kristiansund, Larvik, Lauvsnes, Narvik, Oslo, Porrgrunn, Steinjker, Sarpsborg, Tofte, Vadheim. |
| Poland: | Gdansk, Stettin. |
| Portugal: | Leixos, Setubal. |
| Sardinia: | Cagliari, Porto Torres. |
| Spain: | Aviles, Bilbao, Gijon, Pasajes, Seville. |
| Sweden: | Dansjo, Domsjo, Gefle, Gothenburg, Gota, Halmstad, Helsingborg, Hernosand, Husum, Iggesund, Karlstad, Kramfors, Marieburg, Munkstad, Norrkoping, Norsundet, |

The preceding figures do not include "supplementary" raw (L.S.) items of the same nature etc. (see also supplementary to the Annex under 1937).

Table 10

Principal Exports

Animal feeding stuffs, cereals, becos, butter, tallow, canned goods, concentrates, eggs, fertilizers, fish oil, frozen foods, fuel oil, grain, hardware, hides, metal, wool products, milk products, paper, petroleum, potatoes, poultry, rubber, synthetic fibre, timber, wood pulp, vehicles and accessories.

Principal Exports

Barbed wire, canned goods, cloth goods, coal, other, cotton goods, iron and steel, machinery, meat & oil, sugar, iron, tar, vehicles and containers, wine & spirits.

| | | | | |
|------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
| 1935 | Total exports - | 1,002,762 | Total exports - | 550,302 |
| 1937 | Total exports - | 1,501,230 | Total exports - | 1,012,222 |
| 1939 | Total exports - | 1,751,214 | Total exports - | 1,000,014 |

Principal Exports from which duties are levied

Exports

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Barley | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Beeswax | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Birds | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Butter | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Cattle | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Concentrates | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Eggs | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Fertilizers | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Fish oil | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Frozen foods | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Fuel oil | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Grain | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Hardware | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Hides | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Machinery | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Meat & oil | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Milk products | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Paper | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Petroleum | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Poultry | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Rubber | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Synthetic fibre | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Timber | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Wood pulp | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Vehicles and accessories | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |
| Wine & spirits | Canada, U.S., New Zealand, N.Z., New South Wales, Norway, Spain. |

Sweden continued... Ostrand, Ronnskar, Skelleftea, Skutskar, Sundarne, Sundsvall.

U.S.S.R.: Archangel, Kalingrad, Leningrad, Murmansk, Onega, Stalingrad, Tallin.

British Isles:

Ardrossan, Barrow, Belfast, Bristol, Drogheda, Dublin, Fowey, Glasgow, Greenore, Larne, Liverpool, London, Londonderry, Manchester, Milford Haven, Swansea, Stanlow, Workington.

The principal imports from foreign ports continue to be timber and wood pulp chiefly from Scandinavia and the U.S.S.R., and to a lesser degree from North America, North Africa and Spain.

The container and ferry services from Northern Ireland and Eire again provided the bulk of shipping entering the port. The use of containers for general cargo is increasing.

Section IV - Inland Barge Traffic.

There is no inland barge traffic to or from the Port of Preston.

Section V - Water Supply

1. Source of Supply

(a) District

(The Dock Estate) - Preston and District Water Board.

(b) Shipping - District supply from hydrant and hose.

2. Report of Tests for Contamination

a. District

| From | Type | Number | Results | |
|-------------|-----------------|--------|--------------|----------------|
| | | | Satisfactory | Unsatisfactory |
| Dock Estate | Bacteriological | 3 | 3 | NIL |
| Dock Estate | Chemical | 1 | 1 | NIL |

b. Shipping

| | No. of ships involved | No. samples Taken | No. Satisfactory | No. Unsatisfactory | Total |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| Distribution aboard ships | - | - | - | - | - |
| Storage aboard ships | - | - | - | - | - |

Section I - General...
 Section II - Specific...
 Section III - Details...

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Section IV - Island Data

There is no island data available for the Port of Boston.

Section V - Water Supply

a. Source of Water

(a) District

(The Port of Boston) - Boston and District Water Board.

(b) Shipping - District supply from District and zone.

b. Source of Water for Consumption

a. District

| Type | No. | Results | |
|------------|-----|---------|-------------|
| | | Water | Consumption |
| Port Water | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Port Water | 1 | 1 | 1 |

b. Shipping

| Port of Origin | No. of ships involved | No. of samples taken | No. of factory | No. of factory | Total |
|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------|-------|
| Port of Origin | - | - | - | - | - |
| Port of Origin | - | - | - | - | - |

3. No change.
4. No water boats are used in the Port of Preston.

Section VI. Public Health (Ships) Regulations 1970

1. List of infected areas (Regulation 6)

No change.

2. Radio messages

No change.

3. Notifications otherwise than by Radio 14 ((1) b)

No change.

4. Mooring stations (Regulation 22 - 30)

No change.

5. Arrangements For:-

- (a) Hospital accommodation for infectious diseases (Other than smallpox)
- (b) Surveillance and follow up of contacts.
- (c) Cleansing and disinfection of ships, persons, clothing and other articles.

No change.

Section VII - Smallpox

1. Ainsworth Hospital (near Bury) admit cases of smallpox.
2. Responsibility for the transport of all cases, suspect cases or contacts of smallpox rests with the Lancashire County Ambulance Service. Ambulance crews are given regular smallpox vaccination.
3. Smallpox Consultants:

Professor A.B.Semple, Health Department, Hatton Garden, Liverpool 3.
Tel: 051-236 8433 and 051-428 2081 (Home)

Dr. T.L.Hobday, School of Hygiene, Mount Pleasant, Liverpool.
Tel: 051-709 2542 and 051-733 4333 (Home).

Dr. A.G.Ironside, Monsall Hospital, Newton Heath, Manchester 10.
Tel: 061-205 2254 and Marple 1488 (Home).

Dr. A.B.Christie, Fazackerley Hospital, Liverpool 9.
Tel: 051525 2324 and Formby 3368 (Home).

Professor K.McCarthy, Liverpool University,
Tel: 051-709 7983 and 051-722 5560 (Home).

4. Facilities for the laboratory diagnosis of smallpox are available at The Department of Bacteriology, University of Liverpool, under the direction of Professor K.McCarthy, and at the Central Public Health Laboratory, Colindale under the direction of Dr. C.L.Miller.

No change

4. No other parts are used in the form of provision.

Section VI - Public Health (Hospitals) (Amendment) 1977

1. List of infected areas (Amendment 2)

No change

2. Public Health

No change

3. Public Health (Amendment) 1977 (1)

No change

4. Hospital (Amendment) 1977 - 20)

No change

5. Arrangements for

(a) Hospital arrangements for infectious diseases (Other than swine)

(b) Surveillance and follow up of contacts

(c) Cleaning and disinfection of sites, premises, clothing and other articles.

No change

Section VII - Swine

1. Approved hospitals (new entry) when cases of swine

2. Responsibility for the transport of all cases, suspect cases or contacts

of swine with the Lancashire County Swine Service. Arrangements

shall be given similar swine vaccination.

3. Swine vaccination

Professor A. S. Hayat, Health Department, Horton Garden, Liverpool 1.
Tel: 051-709 7423 and 051-709 7424 (Home)

Dr. F. L. Harty, School of Veterinary, Bootle Pleasure, Liverpool.
Tel: 051-709 7423 and 051-709 7424 (Home)

Dr. A. S. Hayat, Health Department, Western House, Manchester 10.
Tel: 051-709 7423 and 051-709 7424 (Home)

Dr. A. S. Hayat, Veterinary Hospital, Liverpool 1.
Tel: 051-709 7423 and 051-709 7424 (Home)

Professor A. S. Hayat, Liverpool University.
Tel: 051-709 7423 and 051-709 7424 (Home)

4. Facilities for the laboratory diagnosis of swine are available at
the Department of Bacteriology, University of Liverpool, when the direction of
Professor K. Hayat, and at the Central Public Health Laboratory, Colindale,
under the direction of Dr. C. L. Hayat.

Section VIII - Venereal Disease.

No change.

Section IX

Cases of notifiable and other infectious diseases on ships

| Category | Disease | Number of cases during the year | | Number of ships concerned |
|---|---------|---------------------------------|------|---------------------------|
| | | Passengers | Crew | |
| 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 |

No cases or suspected cases of smallpox, cholera, plague, yellow fever, typhus or relapsing fever occurred during the year.

During the year the Port Health Authority were notified of a seaman, resident in U.K. but of Dutch Nationality, regularly travelling to Preston on the Irish Ferry service, being in Hospital with Tuberculosis. The remaining eight men in the crew were given medical examinations and X-rays but all the results were satisfactory.

Section X - Observations on the occurrence of Malaria in ships

No cases of Malaria occurred during the year.

Section XI - Measures taken against Ships infected with or suspected for plague

No ship infected with or suspected for plague arrived during the year. In the event of such an occurrence action in accordance with the measures outlined in paragraph 1 of the fourth Schedule Public Health (Ships) Regulations 1970 would be pursued.

Section XII Measures against Rodents in ships from foreign ports.

1. Procedure for inspections of ships for rats.

All foreign going vessels are inspected in the following order of priority:

- (a) Vessels from infected ports
- (b) Vessels from non-infected ports
- (c) Foreign going vessels that have arrived from another port in the British Isles

No change.

Section IX

Cases of malarial and other infectious diseases on ships

| Number of cases reported | Number of cases during the year | | Disease | Category |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|------|---------|---|
| | Passengers | Crew | | |
| Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Cases listed from ships from foreign ports |
| Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been diagnosed as follows: |

No cases or suspected cases of malarial, cholera, plague, typhoid fever,

typhus or relapsing fever, occurred during the year.

During the year the Port Health Authority were notified of a case, resident in

U.S. port of Dutch nationality, regularly travelling to Preston on the Irish Ferry

service, being in hospital with typhoid fever. The resident was in the crew

and given medical examination and X-rays but all the results were satisfactory.

Section X - Investigation of the occurrence of malaria in ships

No cases of malaria occurred during the year.

Section XI - Malarial cases on ships infected with or suspected for being

infected with or suspected for being infected with malaria during the year. In

the event of such an occurrence action in accordance with the measures outlined in

paragraph 2 of the former Health (Malaria) Regulations 1950 would

be taken.

Section XII - Malarial cases on ships from foreign ports

1. Information for investigation of ships for malaria.

All foreign ports visited were included in the following order of priority:

(a) Ports from which ships

(b) Ports from which ships

(c) Ports from which ships have arrived from other ports in the British Isles

A rodent operator sets traps on vessels where evidence of rats is found and revisits these vessels and other vessels from foreign ports while cargo is being discharged . During the year he carried out a rodent search of 375 ships from foreign ports and 130 coastwise ships and made 170 revisits to such vessels.

2. Arrangements for the Bacteriological or Pathological Examination of rodents with special reference to rodent plague.

Rodents caught are placed in a muslin bag, dipped in paraffin, labelled and despatched to the Public Health Laboratory, Preston. No rodents were sent for examination during the year.

3. Arrangements in the District for Deratting Ships.

The deratting of vessels prior to the issue of a Deratting Certificate may be effected with hydrogen cyanide or sodium fluoroacetamide. Such procedure has not, however, been necessary since 1963.

All derattings are carried out by Rentokil, a recognised contractor, in the Port of Preston.

The high standard of rat proofing, the type of ship entering the port, and the ports of call of such ships were factors which led to inspectors revealing rodent free vessels.

4. Progress in Rat-Proofing of Ships

Rat proofing was found to be satisfactory on the vessels inspected and no repairs or improvements were required. Modern ship building is such as to leave few structural harbourage points for rodents and this is particularly evident in the case of container ships, which only have one large hold.

Rodents destroyed during the year in ships from foreign ports

| Category | Number |
|----------------------|--------|
| Black Rats | - |
| Brown Rats | - |
| Species not known | - |
| Sent for examination | - |
| Infected with plague | - |

Deratting Certificates and Deratting Exemption Certificates issued
during the year for ships from foreign ports.

| Number of Deratting Certificates Issued | | | Number of deratting Exemption Certificates issued | Total Certificates | | |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|---|-----------------------|--------------------|-------|
| After Fumigation with | | After trapping | | | After poisoning | Total |
| H. C. N. | Other fumigant | | | | | |
| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) |
| - | - | - | - | - | 34 | 34 |

In addition to his visits to shipping the rodent operator makes regular inspections of the dock estate. During the year he made 397 inspections of premises and land and discovered 25 infestations. 30 rats and 7 mice were found dead after laying bait. The more realistic estimate of the "kill" is to be judged from the fact that of 650 poison baits laid 173 were consumed. No heavy or major rodent infestation was found on the dock estate.

Section X111 Inspection of Ships for Nuisances

| Nature and Number of Inspections | Defects Found | Notices served | | Defects Remedied |
|---|------------------|----------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| | | Statutory Notices | Other Notices | |
| Total number of ships visited - 300 | | | | |
| The following defects and nuisances were found: | | | | |
| Vermin | 1 | - | - | 1 |
| Heat, Light and Ventilation | - | - | - | - |
| Washplaces and fittings dirty and defective | 1 | - | - | 1 |
| Drainage defective | 1 | - | - | - |
| Sanitary accommodation defective | - | - | - | - |
| Food stores and preparation places and fittings dirty and defective | 1 | - | - | 1 |
| Accommodation dirty & defective | - | - | - | - |
| Drinking water system defective | - | - | - | - |
| Refuse accumulations | - | - | - | - |
| Smoke emissions | 2 | - | - | 2 |
| Totals | 6 | - | - | 5 |

Defective Certificates and Defective Handling Certificates Issued During the year for this year (overleaf page)

| Total Certificates | Number of Handling Certificates Issued | Number of Defective Certificates Issued | | | | | |
|-----------------------|---|---|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|------|---|
| | | Total | After repacking | After stripping | Per Certificate with | | |
| | | | | | Other Defects | C.A. | |
| (7) | (8) | (9) | (10) | (11) | (12) | (13) | |
| | | - | - | - | - | - | - |

In addition to his visits to shipping the subject operator made regular inspections of the dock estate. During the year he made 307 inspections of premises and found and discovered 15 deficiencies. 10 were and 5 were found and after laying out. The most defective article of the "Bill" is to be found from the fact that of 850 pieces of bills 173 were examined. No heavy or major defect information was found on the dock estate.

Defective Inspection of Bills for Handling

| Defective Handling | Defects Found | | Number and Defect of Inspections |
|-----------------------|-------------------|------------------|--|
| | Spurious Bills | Other Defects | |
| | | | Total number of bills visited 300 |
| | | | The following defects and billions were found: |
| 1 | - | 1 | Weight |
| - | - | - | Heat, light and ventilation |
| 1 | - | 1 | Condition and fitness of and defective |
| 4 | - | 4 | Storage defects |
| | | | Defective communication |
| | | | Defective |
| | | | Food stores and preparation plans and fitness of and defective |
| | | | Communication bills & defective |
| | | | Printing water system defective |
| | | | Other communication |
| | | | Other equipment |
| | | 6 | Total |

Of the 300 ships visited, 260 were from foreign ports: the remainder being coastwise or from Ireland. There were 42 foreign and 10 coastwise ships revisited.

The majority of ships entering the port are of modern construction with a good standard of crew accommodation. In recent years few structural defects have been noted and most nuisances discovered have been unhygienic features which are quickly remedied. Statutory action was not found to be necessary on any occasion.

Section XIV - Public Health (Shell-fish) Regulations, 1934-1948

No Change.

Section XV - Medical Inspection of Aliens and Commonwealth Immigrants.

1. The following Medical Inspectors held warrants of appointment during 1972, both under The Aliens Order, 1953 and Commonwealth Immigrants Act 1962.

- Dr. C.F.W. Fairfax
- Dr. J.T. Carroll
- Dr. K.K.U. Perera
- Dr. I.M.R. Purdom
- Dr. K. Dowling
- Dr. A.T. Nolan
- Dr. D.A. Tait.

2. Apart from occasional clerical work, no other staff are engaged.

3. No change

4. (a) Alien Arrivals

| | |
|--|---|
| Total number of arriving ships carrying aliens | 1 |
| Total number of aliens arriving at the port | 3 |
| Total number of medically examined | - |
| Certificates issued | - |

Commonwealth Immigrant Arrivals

| | |
|--|---|
| Commonwealth citizens subject to control | - |
| Commonwealth citizens medically examined | - |
| Certificates issued | - |

4. (b)

| Number of Arrivals | Number Medically Examined | Number landed Conditionally |
|--------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Nil | Nil | Nil |

5. No change

Section XVI - Miscellaneous

(a) Arrangements for the burial on shore of persons who have died on board ship from infectious disease.

No change.

Of the 100 ships listed, 250 were from foreign ports; the remainder being

registered in the United States. There were 250 vessels and 100 crew members

involved.

The majority of ships entering the port are of modern construction with a
good standard of crew accommodation. In recent years few registered vessels have
been noted and most registered vessels have been registered in accordance with the
strictly enforced. However, action was not taken to be necessary on any occasion.

Section IV - Sanitary Conditions (1941-1942), 1941-1942

No Change.

Section V - Health Inspection of Aliens and Quarantine Inspection

The following health inspectors have worked at approximately during 1941:
with under the Alien Order, 1921 and Quarantine Act, 1907.

- Dr. G.V.E. Fisher
- Dr. J.V. Carroll
- Dr. R.E.H. Powers
- Dr. I.M.E. Hudson
- Dr. R. Goring
- Dr. A.V. Wilson
- Dr. D.A. Tate

As part of the occasional check work, no other staff are engaged.

No change.

(a) Alien Arrivals

| | |
|---|--|
| 1 | Total number of arrivals with carrying alien |
| 2 | Total number of alien arrivals at the port |
| 3 | Total number of arrivals examined |
| 4 | Quarantine cases |
| 5 | Quarantine treatment cases |
| 6 | Quarantine cases subject to control |
| 7 | Quarantine cases medically examined |
| 8 | Quarantine cases |

| Number of Arrivals | Number Medically Examined | Number Quarantined |
|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| 101 | 101 | 101 |

No change.

Section VI - Disinfection

Arrangements for the disinfection of persons who have been in contact
with the infected persons.

No change.

(b) Food Inspection

The tonnage of foodstuff arriving at the port again increased. It comprised mainly, bacon, butter, canned meat, canned fruits, confectionery, eggs, frozen foods, meat and meat products, milk powder and milk products, poultry and potatoes.

The majority of incoming cargoes are from Northern Ireland and Eire arriving on all tides. Due to contamination of bacon on a "flat" during the year, all bacon is now carried in containers.

Transshipment of cargo is still very common. Inspection of transhipped cargo is carried out by arrangement.

Containerised foodstuff still remains a problem for inspection because in most instances the foodstuff is present on the dock for so short a period as to make inspection difficult without considerable hindrance to the efficiency of the container ferry service.

All foodstuffs that are "imported" under the Imported Food Regulations 1968 are either examined at the port of entry or at the final destination. The system works smoothly, co-operation from the Customs & Excise, dock transport industry and ferry services have assisted the inspector in carrying out his duties.

During the year approximately 700 consignments of food were inspected and only approximately 5 loads were notified to inland authorities.

Quantities of eggs and canned foods were found to be unfit for human consumption, the commonest complaint noted being that of faulty packing or dock handling.

(b) Food Sampling

A total of 6 samples of food were taken during the year, all of which were submitted to the Public Analyst for chemical examination. No samples were reported as unsatisfactory.

One sample submitted for bacteriological examination was found to be satisfactory.

(c) Food Hygiene

There are no new matters to report. As practically all foodstuff liable to contamination is now carried by containers instances of contamination have fallen considerably.

Daily visits continued to be made to the bacon transshipment bay and the ferry container berths to ensure maintenance of satisfactory standards of food hygiene.

The Bureau of Laboratory Services of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Washington, D.C., is pleased to advise you that the results of the examination of the specimens submitted to it on 10/15/68 are as follows:

The majority of the specimens submitted for examination were found to be free of any detectable amount of the substance in question. However, one specimen, identified as "A", was found to contain a trace amount of the substance in question. This specimen was found to contain approximately 0.1 mg of the substance in question per gram of the sample.

All specimens that were "detected" under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act are listed in the report on the final destination. The results were generally consistent with the Bureau's findings, with the exception of one specimen, identified as "B", which was found to contain a trace amount of the substance in question. This specimen was found to contain approximately 0.1 mg of the substance in question per gram of the sample.

Specimens of type and name listed were found to be safe for human consumption. The maximum amount of the substance in question per gram of the sample was found to be 0.1 mg.

(b) Food Samples

A total of 6 samples of food were taken during the year, all of which were submitted to the Public Analyst for chemical examination. No samples were reported as adulterated.

One sample submitted for toxicological examination was found to be safe for human consumption.

(c) Food Samples

There are no new orders in report. As previously all reports have been submitted to the Bureau of Laboratory Services of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Washington, D.C., for their review and approval.

Very truly yours,
Director

(d) Dock Estate

During the year the Port Health Inspector made 400 inspections of the dock estate.

The major sewage scheme on the northern side of the dock is now working satisfactorily.

A new container storage depot has been constructed for the sole use of Sealand (Containerships) Ltd. and this has assisted in the carrying out of routine inspections.

(e) Smoke Control

The entire dock estate is within operative Smoke Control Orders resulting in effective control of smoke emission from installations on the dock estate.

Smoke from ships has now almost completely disappeared and in the two instances where smoke emissions were noted ships' masters and engineers were ready to co-operate to the fullest extent in abating the emission.

No statutory action was found to be necessary.

(f) Diseases of Animals Act, 1950 and Orders

No livestock were transported through the port.

Under the terms of the lease agreement...

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A new contract was entered into...

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routine inspection.

(2) Book Entry

The entire book entry is a...

The witness's account of the...

books from which the...

entries were made...

There is no evidence...

No entry was found...

(3) Witness's Account

No witness was...