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Annual Report

OF THE

Medical Officer of Health

AND

Chief Public Health Inspector

FOR THE YEAR 1965

*“To grow in the midst of dangers
is the fate of the human race.”*

*Rene Dubos essay on,
“Mirage of Health”*

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To the Chairman and Members of the
Repton Rural District Council,

MR. CHAIRMAN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report for the year 1965 which was an important centenary year since in 1865 Lister put his theory that if the fermentation of wine (his father was a wine merchant, a microscopist and an F.R.S.) was due to microbes, as shown by Pasteur, the putrefaction of tissues might have a similar cause to the practical test on 12th August, 1865 in the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow. James Greenlees, eleven years, was admitted to Hospital with an open fracture of the leg bones and instead of having the limb splinted and await putrefaction Lister cleaned the wound with antiseptic fluid and applied an antiseptic dressing. In 1965 it is very difficult to understand what a revolution in treatment was here displayed, but it certainly made possible all modern surgery and saved countless lives and limbs in the two World Wars.

In obstetrics the application of his principles to puerperal sepsis brought about a notable reduction in mortality from childbirth and, of course, much had been done in connection with this infection by Ignaz Semmelweis round about 1850 when he was a Doctor in Budapest, by insisting that students and Doctors washed their hands and dipped them in antiseptic between dissecting room and maternity wards, that instruments and utensils be clean and that sheets and blankets be washed and thus reduced the maternal mortality rate from 124 per 1,000 births to 12. He made many enemies and suffered much opposition and died in August 1865 before his concepts became generally accepted and not until 1906 was a statue unveiled in Budapest to his memory. He who had done so much to prevent sepsis died in the August of Lister's great discovery from an infection that entered his finger through a cut inflicted during an operation.

It is salutary for us not only to recall this great discovery, but also to recollect the repeated attacks made on Lister's theory so much so that he returned to London in 1887 and from then until 1893 he fought to have the truth of his methods accepted. Nevertheless, it was not until 1914 that the revolution was complete.

The older surgeons and some of the younger ones too fought him hard, ridiculed his ideas, though they hardly understood what he was trying to do. It was that sad and inevitable occurrence, the normal human reaction to a new idea. Is there perhaps in this piece of historical recollection evidence sufficient to make the opponents of fluoridation consider that they may be damming progress in the prevention of dental caries under the cloak of ethical scruples?

The Ministry of Health has emphasised again his approval of fluoridation and is prepared to indemnify any Local Health Authority or Statutory Water Undertaking in England and Wales in the event of legal proceedings.

Fluoridation protects against dental decay which is a very serious problem, especially in children. At school entrance four out of five children have some decayed teeth. In one year alone in children aged 5 to 17 in England and Wales over 9½ million fillings were inserted in permanent teeth and over 1½ million permanent teeth were extracted.

Some are concerned about the effect of fluorides on health, but really they need not be perturbed, for people living in areas with as much or more than one part per million naturally in the water enjoy normal health and studies of the patterns of disease in such areas over many years, compared with those in areas of low natural fluoride, have failed to reveal any adverse effect on health that would be attributed to the presence of fluoride whether one is young or old, healthy or sick.

Moreover, there need be no change in cooking habits when water is fluoridated, since the safety factor is such that a person would come to no harm from consistently consuming fluoridated water which had undergone prolonged boiling or foods prepared with fluoridated water which had undergone prolonged cooking.

Fluoridation will not affect any industrial process, even including canning and brewing.

Finally the cost - only a few pence per head per year - and in return for this very modest outlay the avoidance of much pain and ill-health in both children and adults, together with teeth well-formed and of good appearance.

During the year there were 585 cases of Measles with three Hospital admissions and no deaths. The possibility of immunising against measles arose more than ten years ago and the resultant live vaccine, although highly effective was unacceptable for large-scale immunisation because of the severe febrile reactions. More recent vaccines have had a large-scale trial under the auspices of the Measles Vaccines Committee of the Medical Research Council and having due regard to the elimination of febrile reactions it is probably wiser to give a small dose of a killed vaccine followed four to six weeks later by a live vaccine.

Some residents from the Rural District spent a summer holiday at Blackpool and became infected with paratyphoid B. as a result of the sale of unpasteurised and infected milk by a producer in the Fylde, Blackpool. There were two cases and two carriers and all the tests are now negative and have remained so after a period of six months.

One family only was involved, and as the standard of cleanliness and hygiene was above average the infected individuals were dealt with at home in co-operation with the general practitioner and, so far as we know, there have been no secondary cases, or carriers. This home control and surveillance saved hospital beds and considerable expense to the Regional Hospital Board.

The disease was of a mild food poisoning type and it was difficult in retrospect to distinguish cases from carriers.

I am grateful for the help of Mr. Lomas and Mr. Davoll, the advice and guidance of the Treasurer on possible financial repercussions and the examination of numerous specimens by the Public Health Laboratory, Derby, under the direct control of the Medical Director, Dr. B. W. Barton.

Last, but not least, all the persons concerned gave us every assistance and there was no need to use the compulsory powers which legislation has given to the Medical Officer of Health.

The modern plague is the accident epidemic on the road, in the home and in industry. Just the mere numbers are staggering for even one group. On the roads during the year under review, there were 397,937 casualties in Great Britain, or 12,438 (3%) more than in 1964. Deaths totalled 7,952, an increase of 132 (2%). Those seriously injured were 97,865 about 2% above the 1964 totals and this group places a heavy burden upon our already overloaded hospital services.

This man-made epidemic of the machine age requires for its basic prevention education, engineering and enforcement. The burden of home accidents falls mainly on the children and the old people and much can be accomplished by education through leaflets and posters, but better still, on the spot advice by Health Visitors, Home Nurses and Social Workers. Family Doctors do a great deal by giving timely warning to the adult patient when tablets are prescribed such as aspirin, ferrous sulphate and antihistamines, all of which are surprisingly deadly to young children. To reduce

road accidents, the driving public must exercise self-discipline and accept a greater restriction on their freedom of action through speed limits and the curb on the drinking of alcohol before driving.

During the month of March the Queen visited the North-East London centre of the National Blood Transfusion Service which has a donor panel of just over the million mark. This National Blood Transfusion Service is literally the life-blood of the Accident Services of Great Britain and merits the support of all who come within the requirements and regulations of the Transfusion Service. Our local centres are:-

National Blood Transfusion Service,
Derbyshire Donor Panel,
St. John Hall, Haddon Road
Bakewell, Derbyshire.

Regional Blood Transfusion Centre,
Vincent Drive,
Edgbaston,
Birmingham, 15.

Tel. No.: Bakewell 156

Tel. No.: Selly Oak 3111

Over the year there were 500 deaths in the District and of these 302 were due to diseases of the heart and blood vessels, a percentage of 60.4. One-third of the 302 deaths were directly due to disease of the coronary arteries, the vessels supplying blood to the heart muscle. It is important in coronaries to make a sharp distinction between the working-man's thrombosis and the senile man's thrombosis. In the former, death can be an unmitigated disaster to family, employer and nation, but in the latter should often be regarded as a blessing. For the youngish coronary (one in our District was 38 years) a good deal can be done by altering the work pattern, controlling weight, taking exercise and to stop smoking cigarettes has the benefit of an immediate payoff.

A local pathologist has recorded the death of a youth of 18 years from coronary disease, and following thorough investigations of many post-mortem examinations has come to the conclusion that premature hardening of the arteries is the result of trouble in infancy and early childhood and that this trouble is frequently caused by gastric attacks due to faulty infant feeding. Breast fed babies seldom have these attacks. This line of investigation will no doubt be taken up by other research workers, but meantime the general advice on healthy living would not be without its efficacy to young and old alike.

The Meals on Wheels Service distributed well over nine thousand meals to our senior citizens in most parts of the Rural District during the year, and this fine piece of social service is organised by Councillor Mrs. M. M. Howarth through the W.V.S. assisted by other voluntary workers and in co-operation with the County and District Councils and staff. Our thanks and appreciation is willingly accorded to all who take part in this service and also to the staff at the two power stations and the three hospitals who prepare and supply the meals for distribution.

The Chief Public Health Inspector and the Engineer and Surveyor have written comprehensive and detailed accounts of their work for this report, and I am indeed profoundly grateful to them both, for it is only by means of this composite report that a true picture of the environmental factors influencing the health of the people can be obtained.

Within the Report there is a list of County Council Clinics, and a Table showing primary immunisations against Diphtheria for which I am indebted to Dr. J. B. S. Morgan, County Medical Officer of Health.

It is a pleasure to me to take this opportunity of thanking the Chairman and Members of the Council, Clerk to the Council and Rating Authority, the Treasurer, General Practitioners, Health Visitors, Heads of Departments and Staffs particularly, of course, all the Staff of the Public Health Department, especially the Chief Public Health Inspector and his Deputy.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

MALCOLM ALLAN,

Medical Officer of Health.

SECTION A.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS

Elevation of the District from 130 to 604 O.D.	
Area	65,654 acres
Registrar-General's estimated population mid 1965 (including Members of the armed forces stationed in the area)	41,130
Population (Census 1951)	31,562
Population, Registrar-General's Preliminary Figure (1961 Census)	37,579
Number of inhabited dwellings end of 1965	12,681
Rateable Value, 1st April, 1965	£1,816,334
Product of 1d. Rate, 1st April, 1965	£7,350

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VITAL STATISTICS

Live Births:	Total	M.	F.	Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population	16.19
Legitimate	643	332	311		
Illegitimate	23	13	10		
	<u>666</u>	<u>345</u>	<u>321</u>	Illegitimate Live Births per cent of total Live Births	3.45
Stillbirths:					
Legitimate	9	4	5	Rate per 1,000 (Live and Still) Births ..	13.51
Illegitimate	-	-	-		
	<u>9</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>		

Total Live and Still Births: 675

INFANT MORTALITY RATES

	Total	M.	F.	Total infant deaths per 1,000 total live births	13.51
Legitimate	9	4	5	Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births	14.00
Illegitimate	-	-	-		
	<u>9</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births	Nil

NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE

	Total	M.	F.	Deaths of infants under four weeks 1,000 total Live Births	9.01
Legitimate	6	3	3		
Illegitimate	-	-	-		
	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>		

EARLY NEO NATAL MORTALITY RATE

	<u>Total</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>		
Legitimate	4	2	2	Deaths of infants under	
Illegitimate	-	-	-	one week per 1,000 total	
	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	Live Births	6.01

PERINATAL MORTALITY RATE

	<u>Total</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>		
Legitimate	13	6	7	Stillbirths and Deaths	
Illegitimate	-	-	-	under one week combined	
	<u>13</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	per 1,000 Live and Still	
				Births	19.26

MATERNAL MORTALITY (INCLUDING ABORTION)

Number of Deaths Nil
 Rate per 1,000 total Live and Still Births Nil

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DEATHS (including Members of the armed forces who were stationed in the area) .. 500 DEATH RATE per 1,000 of the estimated resident population 12.16

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CLASSIFICATION OF DEATHS

DISEASE	All ages		TOTAL
	M.	F.	
1. Tuberculosis, respiratory	-	-	-
2. Tuberculosis, other	-	-	-
3. Syphilitic disease	1	-	1
4. Diphtheria	-	-	-
5. Whooping Cough	-	-	-
6. Meningococcal Infections	-	-	-
7. Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-
8. Measles	-	-	-
9. Other infective and parasitic diseases	2	-	2
10. Malignant neoplasm, stomach	6	4	10
11. Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus ..	17	4	21
12. Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	9	9
13. Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	2	2
14. Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	17	11	28
15. Leukaemia, aleukaemia	1	1	2
16. Diabetes	-	1	1
17. Vascular lesions of nervous system ..	31	34	65
18. Coronary disease, angina	59	41	100
19. Hypertension with heart disease	8	9	17
20. Other heart disease	32	59	91
21. Other circulatory disease	12	17	29
22. Influenza	1	-	1
23. Pneumonia	21	15	36
24. Bronchitis	22	7	29
25. Other disease of respiratory system ..	1	-	1
26. Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	1	-	1
27. Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea ..	1	2	3
28. Nephritis and nephrosis	-	1	1
29. Hyperplasia of prostate	1	-	1
30. Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	-	-	-
31. Congenital malformations	2	3	5
32. Other defined and ill-defined diseases	13	15	28
33. Motor vehicle accidents	4	3	7
34. All other accidents	5	1	6
35. Suicide	2	1	3
36. Homicide and operations of War	-	-	-
TOTALS	260	240	500

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES DURING YEAR 1965

Disease	Total Cases notified	Cases admitted to Hospitals	Total Deaths
Smallpox	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	19	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-
Enteric Fever:-			
Typhoid	-	-	-
Paratyphoid	2	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia ..	-	-	-
Meningococcal Infections	-	-	-
Erysipelas	1	1	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum ..	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis:-			
Paralytic	-	-	-
Non-Paralytic	-	-	-
Pneumonia	6	2	-
Dysentery	1	-	-
Food Poisoning	1	1	-
Measles	585	3	-
Whooping Cough	16	-	-

The cases of the following diseases occurred in the
Parishes set opposite thereto:-

<u>Dysentery:</u>	Bretby 1.
<u>Erysipelas:</u>	Mickleover 1.
<u>Food Poisoning:</u>	Mickleover 1.
<u>Paratyphoid:</u>	Castle Gresley 2.
<u>Scarlet Fever:</u>	Mickleover 16, Etwall 1, Hilton 1, Church Broughton 1.

CASES OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES AT VARYING AGES DURING 1965

Disease	Age Groups												TOTAL
	0-	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-	10-	15-	20-	35-	45-	60-	
Smallpox													-
Scarlet Fever					2	14	2	1					19
Diphtheria													-
Enteric Fever:-													
Typhoid													-
Paratyphoid				1					1				2
Puerperal Pyrexia ..													-
Meningococcal Infections													-
Erysipelas											1		1
Ophthalmia Neonatorum													-
Acute Poliomyelitis:-													
Paralytic													-
Non-Paralytic													-
Pneumonia	1	1				1					1	2	6
Dysentery		1											1
Food Poisoning			1										1
Measles	14	63	77	69	80	26	12	4	2				585
Whooping Cough		1	3	1	2	8	1						16

PARTICULARS OF NEW CASES OF TUBERCULOSIS
AND OF DEATHS FROM THE DISEASE IN THE AREA DURING 1965

AGE GROUPS	New Cases				Deaths			
	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Respiratory		Non-Respiratory	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Under 1 year								
1 - 4								
5 - 14								
15 - 24	1	2						
25 - 34	1							
35 - 44		2						
45 - 64		1						
65 and over	1							
TOTALS	3	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

CASES TREATED IN SANATORIA, ETC.

Derbyshire Royal Infirmary, Derby	..	..	..	1 case
Derwent Hospital, Derby	..	..	..	3 cases
Draycott Hospital, Draycott	1 case
Outwoods Hospital, Burton upon Trent	2 cases

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DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION

The following Table for England and Wales shows the dramatic decline in the disease since the national immunisation campaign was launched in 1940:-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Corrected Notifications</u>
1916	4,214	51,573 (uncorrected)
1955	12	155
1956	3	53
1957	4	37
1958	8	80
1959	-	102
1960	5	49
1961	8	51
1962	1	62
1963	6	45
1964	-	30
1965	-	35

The County Medical Officer of Health has kindly supplied the following details of Diphtheria Immunisation record cards received during the period 1st January to 31st December, 1965, in respect of children immunised during the year 1965:-

Primary	617
Booster	563
	<u>1,180</u>

SECTION B.

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL CLINICS

DERBY:

Ante-Natal and
Cytology Clinics

County Clinic,
Cathedral Road,
Derby.

Second, 3rd, 4th and 5th Tuesday 9.00 a.m.
to 12.30 p.m. Doctor attends each Session.

Child Guidance Clinic:

County Clinic,
Cathedral Road,
Derby.

By appointment.

Speech Therapy Clinic:

Village Hall, Hatton
and the

Temporarily unstaffed.

County Clinic,
Cathedral Road,
Derby.

Each Monday and Wednesday p.m.
By appointment.

Dental Treatment:

County Clinic,
Cathedral Road,
Derby

By appointment.

Eye Clinic:

County Clinic,
Cathedral Road,
Derby.

Every Monday p.m.

Minor Ailment Clinic:

County Clinic,
Cathedral Road,
Derby.

Monday a.m.

Orthopaedic Clinics:

County Clinic,
Cathedral Road,
Derby.

By appointment. Every Thursday from 9.00 a.m.
to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Infant Welfare Centre:

County Clinic,
Cathedral Road,
Derby.

Fridays 9.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Polio-myelitis Vaccination:

County Clinic,
Cathedral Road,
Derby.

Second Wednesday p.m. and 1st and 3rd
Saturday mornings.

Yellow Fever:

County Clinic,
Cathedral Road,
Derby.

Each Monday morning, by appointment.
(For certain travellers abroad only).

LITTLEOVER:

Infant Welfare Centre

Baptist Chapel Schoolroom,
Thornhill Road,
Littleover.

Every Thursday 1.30 p.m. to 4.15 p.m.

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL CLINICS

(CONTINUED)

MELBOURNE:

Minor Ailment Clinic:

Penn Lane, Melbourne

Every Wednesday a.m. Doctor in attendance
1st and 3rd a.m.

Infant Welfare Centre:

Penn Lane, Melbourne

Each Wednesday 1.30 p.m. to 4.15 p.m.

MICKLEOVER:

Infant Welfare Centre:

Methodist Church,
Mickleover

Each Thursday 9.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and
1.30 p.m. to 4.15 p.m.

OVERSEAL:

Methodist Church,
Overseal.

1st and 3rd Fridays in each month 1.30 p.m.
to 4.15 p.m.

REPTON:

British Legion Hall (Temp.)
Repton.

2nd and 4th Tuesday in each month,
1.30 p.m. to 4.15 p.m.

SINFIN:

Infant Welfare Centre:

St. Stephen's Church Hall,
Sinfin Lane, Sinfin.

2nd and 4th Monday in each month, 1.30 p.m.
to 4.15 p.m.

SWADLINCOTE, COUNTY COUNCIL CLINIC, CIVIC CENTRE:

Cytology Clinic:

1st Tuesday each month 9.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Child Guidance:

By appointment

Dental Treatment:

By appointment. (Temporarily unstaffed).

Eye Clinics:

By appointment, 4th Thursday in each month
commencing 2.30 p.m. and 2nd Friday in
each month commencing 9.30 a.m.

Infant Welfare Centre:

Every Monday 9.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and
1.30 p.m. to 4.15 p.m.

Minor Ailment Clinic:

Mondays 9.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. 2nd and
4th Wednesdays 9.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

Orthopaedic Clinics:

By appointment. Every Tuesday in each
month 9.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30
p.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Speech Therapy:

By appointment. (Temporarily unstaffed).

Poliomyelitis Vaccination:

4th Saturday morning, by appointment.

WALTON ON TRENT:

Village Institute,
Walton-on-Trent.

1st Thursday in each month 1.30 p.m. to
4.15 p.m.

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CHEST CLINICS

BURTON UPON TRENT

Chest Clinic,
Outwoods Hospital,
Belvedere Road,
Burton upon Trent.

Monday 1.30 p.m. to 3.00 p.m., Wednesday
1.30 p.m. to 3.00 p.m., Friday 9.00 a.m.
to 10.00 a.m.

Contact Clinics are held on alternate
Tuesdays from 9.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.

B.C.G. Clinics are held on Friday of the
same week as the Contact Clinic from
11.00 a.m.

DERBY:

The Chest Clinic,
Green Lane,
Derby.

Sessions daily, Monday to Friday.

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IMMUNISATION AGAINST DIPHTHERIA, PERTUSSIS, TETANUS AND POLIOMYELITIS

Facilities for immunisation are available on request, when the Doctor
is in attendance at Infant Welfare Centres and Minor Ailment Clinics.

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REPAIRS OR REPLACEMENT OF GLASSES FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

The necessary form may be obtained on request from the Principal School
Medical Officer, County Offices, MATLOCK, Derbyshire, or from the School
Medical Officers.

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WELFARE FOOD DISTRIBUTION CENTRES

The Schools, Bretby.	Alternate Wednesdays 3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.
Burton Co-op. Society, Mount Pleasant Road, Castle Gresley.	Shop hours.
County Clinic, Cathedral Road, Derby.	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9.00 a.m. to 12 Noon. Saturday 9.00 a.m. to 12 Noon.
Mrs. E. Stretton, Blenheim Farm, Etwall.	Wednesday 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.
Mrs. M. Rawson, The Green, Findern.	Shop Hours
W. P. Orme and Son, General Stores, Hartshorne.	Shop hours
A. & K. T. G. Tomlinson, 10 Station Road, Hatton.	Shop hours
Mrs. S. Jordon, 53 Field Close, Hilton.	Wednesday 2.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.
Derby Co-op Society, Burton Road, Littleover.	Shop hours
Derby Co-op. Society, Blagreaves Lane, Littleover.	Shop hours
The Bungalow, Penn Lane, Melbourne.	Each Wednesday 1.30 p.m. to 4.15 p.m.
Methodist Chapel Woodville Road, Overseal.	1st and 3rd Fridays 1.30 p.m. to 4.15 p.m.
British Legion Hall Repton	(Temporary). 2nd and 4th Tuesdays 1.30 p.m. to 4.15 p.m.
St. Stephen's Church Hall, Sinfin Lane, Sinfin.	2nd and 4th Mondays, 1.30 p.m. to 4.15 p.m.
County Clinic, Civic Centre, Swadlincote.	Monday, Tuesday and Friday 9.15 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Saturdays 9.00 a.m. to 12 Noon.
Geo. Gibson and Son, Bells End Road, Walton-on-Trent	Shop hours

WELFARE FOOD DISTRIBUTION CENTRES

(CONTINUED)

Methodist Church,
Station Road,
Mickleover. Thursday 9.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 p.m.
to 4.15 p.m.

Village Hall,
Walton-on-Trent 1st Thursday in each month, 1.30 p.m. to
4.15 p.m.

The Post Office,
Egginton. Shop hours.

Burton Co-op. Society,
High Street,
Newhall. Shop hours.

Burton Co-op. Society,
Fiveways,
Woodville. Shop hours

The Post Office,
Church Broughton. Shop hours.

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Your obedient Servant,
F. LOMAS, M.B.E., M.D., F.R.C.S., F.R.C.P., F.R.C.O., F.R.C.S.D., F.R.C.S.(S), F.R.C.S.(G), F.R.C.S.(C), F.R.C.S.(E), F.R.C.S.(H), F.R.C.S.(I), F.R.C.S.(J), F.R.C.S.(K), F.R.C.S.(L), F.R.C.S.(M), F.R.C.S.(N), F.R.C.S.(O), F.R.C.S.(P), F.R.C.S.(Q), F.R.C.S.(R), F.R.C.S.(S), F.R.C.S.(T), F.R.C.S.(U), F.R.C.S.(V), F.R.C.S.(W), F.R.C.S.(X), F.R.C.S.(Y), F.R.C.S.(Z).

13 - The Health Inspector.

S E C T I O N C .
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To the Chairman and Members of the
Repton Rural District Council,

MR. CHAIRMAN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I beg to submit my Annual Report on the sanitary circumstances of the District for the year ended 31st December, 1965.

As in previous years, steady progress has been made on the improvement of house conditions throughout the District and, as in the past, this has been encouraged by Grant aid both under the Standard and Discretionary Grant schemes, and also by loans offered by the Council on suitable properties.

Details of the number of houses improved under the Grant Schemes are contained within this Report.

The elimination of old sub-standard houses is also receiving attention and during the year three individual Demolition Orders and two Clearance Orders were made involving a total of twenty-two properties. The two Clearance Orders mentioned, together with one that was represented the previous year have now been confirmed.

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I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,

F. LOMAS,

Chief Public Health Inspector.

GENERAL SANITARY ADMINISTRATION

	No. on Register	Increase or Decrease	Inspections made
Bakehouses	2	-	-
Canal Boats	-	-	-
Common Lodging Houses ..	-	-	-
Dairies	8	-	-
Factories	84	-	16
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises ..	170	+1	170
Houses let in Lodgings ..	-	-	-
Ice Cream Premises ..	117	+2	78
Market Stalls	-	-	-
Milk Distributors ..	25	+1	-
Caravan Sites Licensed ..	19	-5	147
Offensive Trades	-	-	-
Preserved Food Stores ..	35	-	-
Outworkers	14	-	15
Shops	280	+4	110
Slaughterhouses	11	-	1,595
Knackers Yards	-	-	-

S A M P L I N G

The following sampling work was carried out during the year 1965:-

MILK*

Description of Sample	No. of Samples taken	Methylene Blue Test		Phosphatase Test	
		Sat.	Unsat.	Sat.	Unsat.
(a) Routine	65**	61	3	60	-
(b) Biological	4	4	-	-	-

*Sampling in this connection is carried out by the County Council. Certain of the routine samples are split for the purpose of a Phosphatase Test.

**One sample not done - temperature exceeded 70°F.

WATER

Description of Sample	No. of Samples taken	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
(a) Mains, S.S.W.W.C.	22	22	-
Mains, S.D.W.B.	137	137	-
(b) Other Sources, wells, etc.	18	13	5

WATER SUPPLIES

Estimated
Population
involved:

Number of houses in District connected to mains	12,376	43,529
Number of houses in District supplied from standpipes on mains	61	213
Number of houses in District not supplied from standpipes or mains	244	854
Number of connections made during the year:-		
(a) existing houses	31	
(b) new houses	320	
(c) other premises	Nil	

DRAINAGE

Number of houses in District connected to sewers	11,237	39,329
Number of houses in District not connected to sewers	1,400	4,900
Number of connections made during the year:-		
(a) existing houses	143	
(b) new houses	323	
(c) other premises	4	

SANITARY ACCOMMODATION

(a) Conversions to water-closets during 1965:-

(i) Privy Middens	Nil
(ii) Pail Closets	143
(iii) Waste Water Closets	Nil

The total number of conversions to water-closets up to the end of the year since the beginning of 1942 is 1,524.

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H O U S I N G S T A T I S T I C S

1. INSPECTION OF DWELLING-HOUSES DURING THE YEAR

(1)(a)	Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for houses defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	123
(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	315
(2)	Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925 and 1932 ..	86
(3)	Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	Nil
(4)	Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to in preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	45

2. REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES

	Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of Informal action by the local authority or their Officers	81
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3. ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR

Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 12 of the Housing Act, 1957

(1)(a)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Notices were served requiring repairs	Nil
(b)	Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of Formal Notices:-	
(i)	By Owners	Nil
(ii)	By Local Authority in default of Owners	Nil

Proceedings under Public Health Acts

(2)(a)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Statutory Notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	3
(b)	Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of Formal Notices	Nil

Proceedings under Sections 17 and 23 of the Housing Act, 1957

(3)(a)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	3
(b)	Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders, or by Agreement	18
(c)	Closed in pursuance of an Undertaking given by Owner under Section 16 and still in force	Nil

HOUSING STATISTICS *****

(CONTINUED)

ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR (CONTINUED)

Proceedings under Section 18 of the Housing Act, 1957

(4)(a)	Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made ..	Nil
(b)	Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit ..	Nil
(5)	Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1953, Closing Orders made under Section 10(1) ..	Nil

4. HOUSING ACT, 1957 (PART IV) - OVERCROWDING

(1)(a)	Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of year	} Figures not available
(b)	Number of families dwelling therein	
(c)	Number of persons dwelling therein	
(2)	Number of overcrowding cases reported during year	
(3)	Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year by rehousing	Nil
(4)	Particulars of any cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority has taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding	Nil

DETAILS OF IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

	DISCRETIONARY		STANDARD		BOTH GRANTS	
	January, 1954 to 31 December, 1965	1 January, 1965 to 31 December, 1965	July, 1959 to 31 December, 1965	1 January, 1965 to 31 December, 1965	January, 1954 to 31 December, 1965	1 January, 1965 to 31 December, 1965
Number of applications received	526	21	524	80	1,050	101
Number of houses involved	609	28	525	80	1,134	108
Number of houses improved	514	30	373	84	887	114
Number of applications refused	9	-	8	1	17	1
Number of applications withdrawn	45	1	28	5	73	6
Number started, but not finished	10	-	36	-	46	-
Number approved, but not started	15	-	80	-	95	-
Total Grants paid, or to be paid	£130,199. 11. 2.	£9,108. 0. 0.	£43,601. 16. 7.	£11,033. 14. 11.	£173,801. 7. 9.	£20,141. 14. 11.
Average Grant per house	£253. 6. 2.	£303. 12. 0.	£116. 17. 11.	£131. 7. 2.	£195. 18. 11.	£176. 13. 8.

UNFIT HOUSES

The following is a list of properties on which Demolition and Closing Orders have become operative. The position at the end of the year was as follows:-

Whitmore's Cottage, Lower Green, Findern
Grundy's Cottage, Lower Green, Findern
Pettifer's Cottage, Lower Green, Findern
2 Cottages, Church Farm, Cotton-in-the-Elms (Deakin)
6 Spring Cottage, Hartshorne
2 Houses, Main Street, Netherseal (Tagg's)
The Forge, Dog Lane, Netherseal
2 Cottages, The Bank, Burnaston
Hill Farm, Ashby Road, Ticknall
3 Block, Main Street, Ticknall
Knifton's Cottage, Main Street, Ticknall
4 Archway Cottages, Ticknall
2, 2A, 4 and 6 Well Lane, Repton
81 and 83 Burton Road, Castle Gresley
8 and 10 Hartshorne Road, Woodville
3 New Street, Rosliston
48B and 50 High Street, Woodville
Brookside Cottage, Egginton

The Council has made two Clearance Orders during the year on the following properties:-

1. Nos. 16, 18, 20, 22 and 24 Brook End, Repton
2. Nos. 3, 5 and 7 Chapel Street, Woodville,
Nos. 141, 143, 143B, 145, 147, 149, 151, 153, 155,
157 and 159 Moira Road, Woodville.

Both Orders have been confirmed by the Ministry of Housing and Local Government during the year, as also was the Canal Bridge Clearance Order at Willington affecting five properties reported in 1964.

DEMOLITIONS CARRIED OUT

1, 2 and 3 Cote Bottom Cottages, Church Broughton
Estate Nos. 49 and 50 Opposite Wheel Inn, Ticknall
1 Twyford Road, Willington
81 Main Street, Milton
19 - 27 Burton Road, Repton
13 Main Street, Hilton
62 Main Street, Linton
1 Easy Chair Cottage, Dalbury Lees
The Cottage, Egginton Road, Etwall (Road widening)
49 Twyford Road, Willington (Private redevelopment)
Field Cottage, Church Broughton

ANIMAL BOARDING AND ESTABLISHMENTS ACT, 1963

The above Act came into force on the 1st January, 1964 and provides for a system of licensing and inspection by Local Authorities of any establishment at which a business of providing accommodation for cats or dogs is carried on.

The issue of a licence is on payment of a fee, which this Council has fixed at 10/-.

Five licences have been issued during the year.

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CARAVAN SITES

There are two main camping sites in the area situate at Burnaston and Coton-in-the-Elms. The Burnaston site maximum of twenty-four vans was for a temporary period only, the licence for which has now expired. The County Planning Authority has served Notice on the site owner requiring him to clear the site of vans.

The Coton-in-the-Elms site is permanent, the majority of van dwellers being the families of workers engaged on the construction of Drakelow Power Station.

This site is licensed for a maximum of fifty-eight vans and although this number fluctuates during the year, the site is nearly always holding its maximum number of vans.

In addition there are sixteen site licences in respect of individual caravans.

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S M O K E A B A T E M E N T *****

One major complaint of smell and oil smuts emitted from a factory in the Hatton area was received from nearby residents in the early part of the year. Each of the items complained of presented a particular problem, but with the ready co-operation of the firm both sources of complaint were abated during the year, in the case of the smell nuisance by the installation of a special type of after-burner and in the case of the oil smuts by insulation of metal flues and the introduction of a Sulpho-Neutralizer into the oil fired boiler.

The question of commencing a Smoke Control Programme for the District was again considered by the Council during the year, but it was decided to defer the matter for a further twelve months.

Standard Deposit and Lead Peroxide gauges are sited adjoining the Drakelow and Willington Power Stations and monthly readings are obtained. The following average monthly deposits in tons per square mile, as recorded by the Standard Deposit Gauges over the past three years, are submitted for comparison:-

Year	Stenson	Drakelow
1963	8.43	10.77
1964	6.42	10.10
1965	7.06	14.52

It will be seen that whilst the figures for Stenson show no appreciable change, there is a marked increase in the deposit readings during 1965 in respect of Drakelow.

I have taken this matter up with the Station Superintendent of Drakelow Power Station who informs me that his readings taken from eight deposit gauges situate in the area show an increase of only 1.6 tons per square mile per month over the 1964 readings. The Station Superintendent considers that it is too early to draw any conclusions from the slight increase noted for the year and suggests that the abnormal increase shown on the Council's gauge may be due to one or two freak results which can occur when only one gauge is used to assess pollution. An abnormally wet summer may also cause an increased reading.

I continue to receive every co-operation from the Station Superintendents at both the Drakelow and Willington Power Stations who are anxious to ensure that no nuisance arises from the running of these large concerns.

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SECTION D.
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INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

During the year under review, the following foods were inspected and condemned as unfit for human consumption:-

	lbs.	ozs.
Corned Beef	36	0
Pork Luncheon Meat	4	0
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TOTAL WEIGHT CONDEMNED	40	0

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Five complaints of foreign bodies in food have been received, but in only one instance was it considered necessary to take any further action. This was in respect of a piece of string found in a link of black pudding.

In this case the manufacturer was invited to attend before the Council, when after very consideration of all the facts, the Council decided not to prosecute but to issue a strong warning.

FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1960

During the year a successful prosecution was taken against the owner in respect of dirty conditions prevailing in the preparation and distribution of food within a mobile cafe.

MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATION) ORDERS AND REGULATIONS
MILK AND DAIRIES REGULATIONS

The County Medical Officer of Health, Dr. J. B. S. Morgan, has forwarded the following information regarding samples of Pasteurised milk taken within the Rural District during the year 1965:-

<u>SAMPLES</u>		
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
60*	56	2

*Two samples not done - temperature exceeded 70°F.

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ICE CREAM

There were no new premises registered during the year for the manufacture of Ice Cream. Six new premises were added to the Register of Ice Cream Retailers, and nine transfers of Licence were recorded during the year under review.

MEAT INSPECTION

The total number of slaughterhouses in the District, as in 1964, remains at eleven.

In accordance with routine practice a representative of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food has inspected all the slaughterhouses in the area and is satisfied in the way the premises are being maintained under the Constructional Standards laid down in the Slaughterhouses Act, 1958.

The operation of the system for stamping carcasses and recording of payments by the butchers for inspection services is working satisfactorily and no complaints have been received. It is not considered that any change in charges should be made.

The quality of meat supplied by the butchers in this area is very good, the greater part of beef supplies coming from young animals, as indicated in the following table and classification of animals slaughtered during the period from the 1st January to the 31st December, 1965.

Although a certain amount of week-end inspection is still carried out, the owner of the one large slaughterhouse in the area has now been persuaded not to kill on a Sunday and this has relieved the burden of inspection on that day.

MEAT INSPECTION (CONTINUED)

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	3,046	612	162	7,880	2,833	-
Number inspected	3,046	612	162	7,880	2,833	-
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	1	1	-	2	1	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	339	111	4	208	583	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with diseases other than Tuberculosis or Cysticerci	11.1%	18.3%	2.4%	2.6%	20.6%	-
<u>Tuberculosis only</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	(-)	(-)	(-)	(-)	11 (4)	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	(-)	(-)	(-)	(-)	0.38% (0.25%)	-
<u>Cysticercosis</u>						
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	10	3	-	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration	1	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

1964 FIGURES IN BRACKETS

MEAT INSPECTION

(CONTINUED)

The weights of meat and offal condemned during 1965 were as follows:

		Tons	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.
Whole carcasses condemned	..		10	0	2
Part carcasses condemned	..		8	1	6
Offals condemned	..	3	15	0	21
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Total weight condemned	4	13	2	1

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SLAUGHTERHOUSES

Eleven slaughterhouses were licensed during the year, and the number of slaughtermen licensed was nineteen.

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FISH AND CHIP PREMISES

No alteration to the Register of Fish and Chip premises was recorded during the year under review.

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INFECTIOUS DISEASE

Upon receipt of notifications from General Practitioners of Infectious Disease, the premises are inspected and appropriate investigations made, according to the nature of the disease, and in all cases after close consultation with the Medical Officer of Health.

Where necessary, disinfection is carried out.

SECTION E.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

The work of rodent control over the whole District was maintained during the year up to the month of October when a break in normal routine inspections and treatments occurred due to the resignation of the Council's Rodent Officer, Mr. J. W. Upton, on the 7th October and the appointment of his successor, Mr. C. Elson on the 22nd November.

For the short period we were without a Rodent Officer the Public Health Staff dealt with the duties on a reduced scale until Mr. Elson took over.

I wish to take this opportunity of paying tribute to Mr. Upton who was with this Council for nine years during which time he maintained an efficient rodent control service over the whole District.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT

(CONTINUED)

Summary of Treatments	Local Authority Properties	Dwellings including Council Houses	Business Properties	TOTAL
<u>Number of Properties Inspected as a result of:</u>				
(a) Notification	-	111	26	137
(b) Survey under the 1949 Act	47	342	137	526
<u>Number of Properties Inspected which were found to be infested by:</u>				
<u>Rats</u> Major (over 20) ..	7	2	18	27
Minor	22	218	14	254
<u>Mice</u> Major	-	-	-	-
Minor	-	31	29	60
TOTAL	29	251	61	341
Number of Properties treated	29	251	54	334
TOTAL visits made	432	737	252	1,421

SEWER TREATMENTS

Test Bait Annual 10%	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
No. of manholes in systems under test	1111	No	1327	1327	1329	1321
No. of manholes in systems baited	132	Test	169	183	1329	1321
No. of manholes in systems showing "Take"	Nil		9	17	4	14

TREATMENTS

Minor treatments carried out by vertical block control, i.e. manholes in street and inspection chambers at all properties in vicinity of sewer infestation.

SECTION F.
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PREScribed PARTICULARS OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE
FACTORIES ACT, 1961. PART I OF THE ACT

INSPECTIONS for the purpose of provisions as to health (including
inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

PREMISES (1)	Number on Register (2)	NUMBER OF		
		Inspections (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	5	5	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority ..	79	11	-	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding Outworkers' Premises)	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	84	16	-	-

2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)	-	-	-	-	-
(a) insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) unsuitable or defective	-	-	-	-	-
(c) not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including Offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	-	-	-	-	-

PART VIII OF THE ACT

OUTWORK

(SECTIONS 133 and 134)

There were fourteen Outworkers reported as employed within the Council's area during the year. The Outworkers' premises have been visited and, in each case, found to be satisfactory.

NATURE OF WORK (1)	SECTION 133			SECTION 134		
	No. of outworkers in August list required by Section 133 (1)(c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4)	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5)	Notices served (6)	Prosecutions (7)
Wearing) Making, apparel) etc.	10	-	-	-	-	-
Lace, lace curtains and nets	2	-	-	-	-	-
The making of boxes or other receptacles or parts thereof made wholly or partially of paper	1	-	-	-	-	-
Toys (non-inflammable)	1	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	14	-	-	-	-	-

THE OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

REGISTRATIONS AND GENERAL INSPECTIONS

CLASS OF PREMISES	No. of premises registered during the year	Total No. of registered premises at end of year	No. of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	18	18	18
Retail Shops	106	108	108
Wholesale shops, warehouses	2	2	2
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	31	31	31
Fuel Storage Depots	13	11	11
TOTALS	170	170	170

PERSONS EMPLOYED IN REGISTERED PREMISES

Class of Workplace	No. of persons employed
Offices	127
Retail Shops	301
Wholesale departments, warehouses	3
Catering establishments open to the public	117
Canteens	16
Fuel Storage Depots	27
TOTAL	591
TOTAL MALES	195
TOTAL FEMALES	396

SECTION G.

ANNUAL REPORT OF CLEANSING SUPERINTENDENT

FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1965

To the Chairman and Members of the
Repton Rural District Council,

MR. CHAIRMAN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I have pleasure in submitting my Annual Report for the year ended
31st December, 1965, as follows:-

1. Refuse Collection

The weekly collection has been maintained at a satisfactory level throughout the year, the only times when a full collection has not been made being when annual, or statutory holiday has reduced the working week. Your employees give their whole-hearted support to your collection scheme and are most enthusiastic in their efforts to maintain a weekly collection. The bonus system of payment was altered during the year to give a payment of 2³/₄d. for complete collection from each domestic property instead of 2d. for each dustbin emptied. In addition, all bins were required to be brought out for collection complete with lid.

There have been times of labour shortage during the year and nine labour changes were necessary out of your total labour force of thirty-two men.

During the year three hundred and ninety-two extra properties were added to the collection rounds making an increase of nine-hundred and ninety-five since the inception of the bonus scheme and necessitating the employment of one extra man.

If each property had been collected each week a total of 709,143 bins would have been emptied during the year. In fact, 693,386 bins were emptied, a proportion of 97.8%. In conjunction with these figures it must be considered that of the 8,276 man/days possible, a total of 7,469 days, or 90.2% were worked due to holidays, sickness and labour shortage.

2. Refuse Disposal

Disposal of refuse from the Southern Parishes of the District continues to take place outside the Rural District in conjunction with the Local Authority within whose area the tip is situated. Initially the tip was a worked-out clay-hole containing some twenty feet of water, but the water level has now been passed and dry controlled tipping is being carried out with daily levelling by the Council's tractor. It is worthy of mention that whilst tipping was taking place into the water not one complaint of smell, etc. was received, although regular treatment for flies was necessary.

Refuse from the Northern area was disposed of at the Findern tip, which was commenced on the 14th December 1964 and was completed on the 2nd July, 1965. Power Station ash was used for daily cover and the tip was then covered with other material prior to being given a final layer of top soil so as to restore to agricultural use.

Refuse Disposal (continued)

In conjunction with the Willington Power Station tipping commenced at the Willington Hill site on the 5th July, 1965. An initial shortage of covering material made easy control of this tip something of a problem and other factors, particularly a series of inexplicable tip fires, added to the difficulties. Later in the year fly ash became available to cover the tip and control was then somewhat easier.

Advocates of controlled tipping for refuse disposal maintain that it is a satisfactory method, but I am inclined to the view that however good a tip is maintained it can never be as satisfactory as disposal by incineration. Nor, when relative costs are considered is there an appreciable difference to offset the constant problems which arise with controlled tipping.

3. Refuse Incinerator

The Autumn of the year saw the formation of the "Repton and Swadlincote Refuse Disposal Joint Committee", constituted to provide and maintain a refuse incinerator. A great deal of consideration is obviously necessary before a final decision can be made in this matter, but it is hoped that the desperate urgency for the plant will enable the early provision of this much needed facility.

4. Litter

Litter bins have been liberally provided throughout the District, but it is regretted that vandalism has caused serious thought to be given to the continual maintenance and repair of these receptacles.

The Council's service for the special collection of bulky items continues to be widely used, but during the year a case arose of dumping of refuse in a ditch and it was decided to take proceedings under the Litter Act, 1958.

There is no doubt that the standard of street cleansing could be improved upon, and it is hoped that in conjunction with the Derbyshire County Council, a scheme will be put forward for your consideration.

5. Pail Collection

The provision of foul sewers and your enthusiastic support of the Improvement Grant schemes has brought about a welcome decline in the number of pail closets, a reduction of 140, from 650 to 510 during the year.

Progress of this order in a large scattered Rural District must be regarded as satisfactory when it is considered that quite large urban areas have properties which are not yet provided with a water-closet. No doubt this steady reduction in the number of pail closets will continue, as I know that it is your intention to secure the provision of a water-closet at every house in the Rural District.

6. Cesspool Emptying

The work of this section continues satisfactorily, although there are times when heavy demand on the service makes a wait of a day or two inevitable. A new vehicle was put into service on the 11th February, 1965 and the Shelvoke and Drewry vehicle, sixteen satisfactory years old, was retained for relief use.

7. Refuse Vehicles

The relief Pakamatic vehicle was received on the 9th July, 1965 and this completes the change over to this type of vehicle, with the exception of the round which collects the less densely populated parts of the District and does not require a large vehicle.

It was decided to provide each vehicle with hand washing facilities and I welcome this amenity.

The condition of the Vehicle Depot further deteriorated during the year and a decision on the replacement of these buildings cannot be much longer delayed.

The fabric of the buildings has seriously deteriorated and protection in the Wintertime is virtually non-existent. Under better conditions it may be possible to secure the services of a Mechanic to service your vehicles and I have no doubt that the employment of such a person would be amply repaid in the maintenance of your vehicles.

In conclusion, I should like to thank Members and Officers of the Council for the help and support I have received throughout the year and Mr. C. Stanley, your Foreman, whose knowledge and reliability has been, as always, invaluable.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,

R. A. DAVOLL,

Cleansing Superintendent.

SECTION H.

ANNUAL REPORT OF ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR FOR

YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1965

1. SEWAGE DISPOSAL

Parishes of Poston and Scropton and Church Broughton Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Scheme

Details of this scheme were prepared during the year and were submitted to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government. An Inquiry was held by a Ministry Inspector who approved of the scheme in principle, but suggested a number of modifications that could be made. Details are now being finalised.

Parish of Egginton Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Scheme

On 1st April the Health and Public Works Committee gave consideration to a further report on the sewerage and sewage disposal scheme for the Village of Egginton.

The Committee will recall that the Consulting Engineers, Messrs. Pick, Everard, Keay and Gimson, in their report on the joint sewerage and sewage disposal scheme for Repton, Newton Solney, Milton, Woodville and Hartshorne, proposed to provide a new pumping station at Willington, and to pump the Willington sewage either to a joint new works or to an improved Pindern works, and in the event of either of these, it would be advantageous to pump the sewage from Egginton into the head of the Willington sewers so that this also would be disposed of ultimately in the same manner.

The Trent River Authority's consent to a proposal to proceed with such a scheme for Egginton in advance of the main scheme has been obtained.

The scheme consists of laying gravity sewers to drain the village to a point at the junction of Main Street and Duck Street. The sewage will then be pumped from this point to Willington.

An estimate of the cost of this scheme is £54,000. Os. Od. and details of the proposals are being prepared for submission to the Ministry.

Parish of Lullington Proposed Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Scheme

This scheme for a system of 6" diameter foul sewers and a treatment works was commenced in 1962, but due to loss of technical staff was placed in abeyance. The work has now been recommenced and design work is at an advanced stage.

Parish of Burnaston Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Scheme

This scheme consists of a 6" diameter foul sewerage system draining to a pumping station which will discharge into the existing foul sewer at the Etwall Rehabilitation Hospital and thence flow for treatment at the Etwall Works.

SEWAGE DISPOSAL (CONTINUED)

Parish of Burnaston (continued)

Design work has been completed, but progress was delayed at the end of the year due to difficulties in obtaining the owner's agreement to the sale of the land for the pumping station.

Parishes of Osleston and Trusley (Long Lane) Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Scheme

The contract for this work was completed in June and the properties are now being connected to the new sewers.

Parish of Etwall Extensions : Sewage Disposal Works

The contractors commenced the scheme for extensions to the treatment works in May and maintained satisfactory progress. The completion date of August 1966, is expected to be adhered to without difficulty.

Parish of Sutton-on-the-Hill Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Scheme

Some progress was made on this scheme during the year. Preliminary levelling work has been carried out and the layout and sections for a suitable scheme prepared. Negotiations with various farm owners wishing to connect their properties to the scheme have not yet been finalised, but the design of the works will be effected as soon as this information is complete.

Parishes of Drakelow, Overseal, Walton-on-Trent and Woodville Grass Plots

The Council has approved the construction of grass plot treatment areas for the sewage disposal works in the above parishes.

Provisional schemes have been prepared, and it is hoped that these will be carried out during the coming year.

Parish of Overseal and Netherseal Clarifiers

An upward flow clarifier was introduced into the humus tanks at the Overseal Works in an attempt to polish up the effluent. The initial results obtained were encouraging, and it is hoped that the condition of the effluent will further improve.

As a result of this, the Council also agreed to the installation of a similar upward flow clarifier at the Netherseal Works, and it is hoped that this will be carried out in the early part of the year.

2. MINING SUBSIDENCE

The position with regard to mining subsidence is much the same as at this time last year.

Further trouble has been experienced with the sewer in Cross Street, Castle Gresley, and a Damage Notice was served on the National Coal Board, but the Board refused to accept responsibility.

3. STREET LIGHTING

Several schemes were prepared and carried out during the year, as follows:-

Castle Gresley	..	..	..	..	1 Group "B"
Etwall	..	..	..	..	2 Group "B"
Findern	..	..	..	..	4 Group "B"
Foston and Scropton	..	..	..	..	13 Group "B"
Mickleover	..	..	..	..	1 Group "B"
Repton	..	..	..	..	1 Group "B"
Rosliston	..	..	..	..	3 Group "B"
Woodville	..	..	..	..	1 Group "B"

In addition, the scheme (consisting of 232 lamps) for the parishes of Repton, Milton, Findern, Hartshorne and Woodville, was completed.

Additional lighting was requested by the Parish Councils of Hatton (10 Group "B"), Coton-in-the-Elms (4 Group "B") and Woodville (4 Group "B") and was approved. However, due to the financial restrictions the Ministry refused Loan Consent for the time being. At a later date it is intended to re-submit these schemes together with the following which have also been prepared:-

Etwall	..	..	..	..	4 Group "B"
Hartshorne	..	..	..	..	5 Group "B"
Walton-on-Trent	..	..	..	..	4 Group "B"

A Specification has been prepared and forwarded to the Divisional Road Engineer, Ministry of Transport, for comment on a scheme of Group "A" lighting on the A.516 at Hilton.

Many sundry additional lamps have also been provided in various parishes.

4. HOUSING

The number of houses approved by the Minister of Housing and Local Government since 1946 is 1,923.

The number of houses completed up to 31st December, 1965, is 1,798.

The following summary gives the progress made during the year ended 31st December, 1965:-

Parish	Houses under Contract	Houses under constn.	Completed in previous year	Completed year ended 31.12.1965	Type
Linton	6	4	2	-	E.P. Bungalows
Lullington	4	-	-	4	"
Mickleover	24	-	11	2	"
Overseal	21	21	-	-	"
Ticknall	9	5	-	4	"
Walton-on-Trent	6	-	-	-	Traditional
Coton-in-the-Elms	9	-	-	-	"
Smisby	2	-	-	-	"
TOTALS	81	30	13	10	

HOUSING (CONTINUED)

Plans for 356 dwellings were approved during the year ended 31st December, 1965.

Three hundred and thirty dwellings were completed and 236 are in course of erection. These include properties approved during the previous year, but not completed.

The total number of applications and plans submitted to the Council for approval during the year was 1,581, of which 802 were approved.

Foul Drainage Connections:

New Houses:

Building Estates	..	..	..	206	on public sewer
Private Properties	..	..	..	117	on public sewer
Private Properties	..	..	..	7	on septic tanks or cesspools.

WATER SUPPLIES - YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1965

The District as a whole is exceptionally well served with mains supply of water and the following is a statement of the position in the area:-

Parish	Supplying Undertaker	Total Houses	No. of houses supplied	Estd. population supplied	Supply direct to property	Supply off Stand-pipes	No. of houses unpiPED supply
Ashe	S.D.W.B.	15	15	52	15	-	-
Barton Blount	S.D.W.B.	15	6	21	6	-	9
Bearwardcote	S.S.W.W.C.	10	4	14	4	-	6
Bretby	S.S.W.W.C.	259	246	861	246	-	8
do.	Sw. & Ashby	-	5	17	5	-	-
Burnaston	S.S.W.W.C.	68	60	210	60	-	8
Calke	Private Sup.	10	-	-	-	-	10
Castle Gresley	S.S.W.W.C.	410	410	1,435	410	-	-
Catton	S.S.W.W.C.	21	12	42	12	-	9
Cauldwell	S.S.W.W.C.	28	27	94	27	-	1
Church Broughton	S.D.W.B.	114	98	343	98	-	16
Coton-in-the-Elms	S.S.W.W.C.	161	159	556	159	-	2
Dalbury Lees	S.D.W.B.	61	60	210	60	-	1
Drakelow	S.S.W.W.C.	64	61	213	61	-	3
Egginton	S.S.W.W.C.	121	119	416	119	-	2
Etwall	S.S.W.W.C.	686	681	2,401	681	-	2
do.	S.D.W.B.	-	3	10	3	-	-
Findern	S.S.W.W.C.	344	312	1,092	312	-	20
do.	S.D.W.B.	-	12	42	12	-	-
Foremarke	Sw. & Ashby	26	26	91	21	5	-
Foston & Scropton	S.D.W.B.	135	120	420	120	-	15
Hartshorne	S.D.W.B.	970	970	3,395	946	24	-
do.	Sw. & Ashby	192	192	672	192	-	-
do.	Caulkley - Private Sup.	15	15	52	15	-	-
Hatton	S.D.W.B.	558	553	1,935	553	-	5
Hilton	S.S.W.W.C.	458	446	1,561	446	-	12
Hoon	S.D.W.B.	13	2	7	2	-	11
Ingleby	Private Sup.	20	20	70	20	-	-
Linton	S.S.W.W.C.	606	606	2,151	606	-	-
Lullington	S.S.W.W.C.	52	50	175	50	-	2
Marston-on-Dove	S.D.W.B.	16	11	39	11	-	5
Mickleover	S.D.W.B.	3,163	3,159	11,056	3,159	-	4
Netherseal	S.S.W.W.C.	279	279	1,076	279	-	-
Newton Solney	S.S.W.W.C.	154	145	508	145	-	9
Osleston and Thurstaston	S.D.W.B.	68	61	213	61	-	7
Overseal	S.S.W.W.C.	690	690	2,415	690	-	-
Radbourne	S.D.W.B.	45	40	140	40	-	5
Repton and Milton	S.S.W.W.C.	638	610	2,135	590	20	12
Rosliston	Sw. & Ashby	-	16	56	14	2	-
Smisby	S.S.W.W.C.	150	144	504	144	-	6
Sutton-on-the-Hill	S.D.W.B.	96	82	287	82	-	14
Ticknall	S.D.W.B.	34	23	80	23	-	5
Trusley	Private Sup.	-	6	21	6	-	-
Twyford and Stenson	S.D.W.B.	204	196	686	186	10	8
Walton-on-Trent	S.D.W.B.	33	33	115	33	-	-
Willington	S.D.W.B.	73	52	182	52	-	21
Woodville	S.S.W.W.C.	280	274	931	274	-	6
	S.S.W.W.C.	524	524	1,834	524	-	-
	S.D.W.B.	802	802	2,807	802	-	-
TOTALS		12,681	12,437	43,529	12,376	61	244

S.D.W.B. - South Derbyshire Water Board
 S.S.W.W.C. - South Staffordshire Waterworks Company
 Sw. & Ashby - Swadlincote and Ashby Joint Water Board



