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# BOROUGH OF RYE

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# ANNUAL REPORT

of the

# Medical Officer of Health

# for the Year 1956

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To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Rye.

I have the honour to Present the Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health for the year 1956.

The statistics reveal that the health of the Borough compares favourably with the rest of England and Wales.

It is satisfactory to record that arrangements were made to build 72 new houses on the Tilling Green Estate. This should go far to satisfy the needs of those who have been waiting for many dreary years.

During the year Sanitary Inspectors became Public Health Inspectors, a more apt description of their many duties covering the vast field of public health.

I am obliged to the Chief Public Health Inspector who has supplied the statistical information relevant to the sanitary circumstances of the Borough given in this report. It will be noted that his other duties include those of Borough Surveyor and Water Engineer, and that he has submitted reports on these subjects.

This Borough is enjoying the benefit of its vigorous immunisation campaign against diphtheria and I am happy to record that there have not been any cases of this dread disease during the past 12 years.

The Town Clerk has supplied the information in Section III relative to the letting of Council houses. His unfailing courtesy and help are much appreciated.

I am grateful to you all for your stimulating interest and support.

I have the honour to be, Mr.Mayor, Miss Warren and Gentlemen,

> M. I. SILVERION Medical Officer of Health.

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#### BOROUGH OF RYE

#### STAFF

#### Medical Officer of Health:

M. I. SILVERTON, O.B.E., T.D., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.

Chief Public Health Inspector, Surveyor, Town Planning Officer and Water Superintendent:

R. C. GREEN, M.S.I.A., M.R.San.I.

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D. T. REES, Cert.R.S.I., M.S.I.A. (resigned 20.10.1956)

The staff of the Battle Rural District Council Public Health Department carry out all the clerical work of the Medical Officer of Health.

 Diphtheria Immunisation and Vaccination Clerk:

MISS M. H. HEARNSHAW

\* (County Staff employed locally)

#### STATISTICS RELATING TO THE BOROUGH OF RYE

	<u>1954</u>	<u>1955</u>	1956
Area of the Borough in acres	1,021	1,021	1,021
Population (Registrar General's estimate for mid-year)	4,600	4,570	4,550
Rateable Value	£46,544	£46,617	£70,800
Number of inhabited houses	1,549	1,569	1,569
Number of rateable premises	1,911	1,938	1,897
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	£180	£183	£278



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# SECTION I

BIRTHS AND BIRTH RATES

				Male	Female	Total
Live Births						
Legitimate		••		28	27	55 1
Illegitimate				1	_	
				29	27	56
Stillbirths						
Legitimate				-	2	2
Illegitimate	••	•••	••	1	-	1
				1	2	3
				Boroug		England and Wales
Live birth rate per 1,0	000 h	ome				
populatio				12,	.3	15.7
Comparability Factor				1.	.03	-
Corrected birth rate				15.	.9	-
Stillbirth rate per 1,0 (Live and still	000 Ъ: L1)	irths		50.	.8	23.0
Stillbirth rate per 1,0 population		ame ••		0.	.65	0.34

Year	М	ALE	FEM	ALE	Total
	Legitimate	Illegitimate	Legitimate	Illegitimate	
1948	40	5	38	l	84
1949	35	2	31	1	69
1950	32	2	42	3	79
1951	39	5	58	0	102
1952	37	0	35	0	72
1953	35	2	37	1	75
1954	34	0	45	2	81
1955	22	0	30	0	52
1956	28	1	27	0	56

# Live Births

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#### DEATHS AND DEATH RATES

#### Deaths

Year	Male	Female	Total
1948	23	33	56
1949	33	33	66
1950	21	38	59
1951	20	31	51
1952	29	33	62
1953	37	29	66
1954	29	37	66
1955	30	26	56
1956	29	21	50

Death Rates:

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Death rate por 1,000 of resident population	10.98	11.7
Corrected death rate	9.45	-
Deaths of infants under 4 weeks	1	11,870
Death rate of infants under 4 weeks por 1,000 live births	17.8	16.9
Deaths of infants under 1 year	1	16,471
Death rate of infants under 1 year per 1,000 live births	17.8	23.8
Maternal mortality rate per 1,000 live and still births	nil	0.56

It is well known that this Borough is particularly favoured by those persons retiring from active life and is thus heavily weighted for age as compared with England and Wales as a whole, and so we get an apparently increased death rate. The Registrar General is aware of this and has given us a method of overcoming this bias by introducing a "comparability factor" of 0.86 for this Borough, thus giving a Corrected Death Rate of 9.45 which compares with 11.7 for England and Wales.

DEATHS FROM SPECIFIC CAUSES AND RATES PER 1,000 POPULATION

	Borough of R	ye	England and Wales		
and the second se	No. of deaths	Rates	No. of deaths	Rates	
Tuberculosis (respiratory)	1	0.21	4,849	0.10	
Influenza	nil	nil	2,625	0.06	
Pneumonia	3	0.65	23,173	0.52	
Polianyelitis	nil	nil	114	0.00	
Coronary disease and angina	2	0.43	74,783	1.67	
Cancer of the lung and bronchu	18 1	0.21	18,184	0.41	
Motor vehicle accidents	nil	nil	5,031	0.11	
Home accidents	1	0.21	6,908	0.15	
All other accidents	l	0.21	4,372	0.09	

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#### DETAILED CAUSES OF DEATH

Causes of Death	Male	Female	Total
Tuberculosis (Respiratory)	1	0	1
Malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	3	4	7
Vascular lesions of the nervous system	6	6	12
Coronary disease, angina	0	2	2
Other heart discases	4	5	9
Other circulatory diseases	2	2	4
Pneumonia	3	0	3
Bronchitis	2	0	2
Gastritis, enteritis, diarrhoea	0	1	1
Hyperplasia of prostate	1	0	1
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	4	0	4
Congenital malformations	1	0	1
Accidents other than motor vehicle	1	1	2
Homicide and operations of war	1	0	1
	29	21	50

#### MAIN CAUSES OF DEATH

	1953	1954	1955	1956
(i) Diseases of the heart and circulatory system	26(39.3%)	26(39.3%)	27(48.2%)	15(30.0%)
*(Coronary disease and angina)	4 (6.0%)	7(10.6%)	9(16.0%)	2 (4.05)
(ii) Vascular lesions of the nervous system	5 (7.5%)	6 (9.0%)	8(14.25)	12(24.0%)
(iii) Malignant neoplasms (cancer) (Cancer of lung and bronchus)	12(18.1%) Nil	13(19.6%) 1 (1.5%)	7(12.5%) 1 (1.7%)	7(14.0%) 1 (2.0%)
(iv) Respiratory diseases (excluding tuberculosis)	4 (6.0%)	6 (9.0%)	4 (7.1%)	5(10.0%)

\*Coronary disease and angina - Research has not revealed a definite cause but it would appear that excess weight, mental stress and lack of exercise accentuated by the advent of the motor car, particularly related to the professional and business executive classes, are important contributory factors.

	Borou	gh of Rye		London*				
	1954	1955	1956	1954	1955	1956		
Total Deaths	66	56	50	34,469	37,877	38,317		
No. of deaths 65 years and over	1,7	37	38	23,563	25,615	26,239		
Percentage of total deaths	71.2	66.0	76.0	68.3	67.6	68.4		

IEATHS - 65 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER

\* England and Wales not available.

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			M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
-	1.	No.on Register at 1st January, 1956.	9	6	15	1	1	2	10	7	17
	2.	Cases previously removed and re- notified in 1956	-	-	-		-		-	-	-
-	3.	Primary notifica- tions received in 1956.	1	-	1	1	-	1	2	-	2
	4.	Cases moved into area as transfers during 1956.	-	1	1	-	-	_	-	1	-1
*	5.	TOTALS Cases removed from Register in	10	7	17	2	1	3	12		20
-		1956.	3	1	4	-	-	-	3	1	4
	6.	No.on Register at 31st December, 1956.	7	6	13	2	1	3	9	7	16

# \*Analysis of Removals in 1956 (See para. 5 in above table)

Zalan and a s	Pulmo		Non-pul cas		Total Cases (all forms)		
	М	F	M	F	М	F	Total
Left the Borough	2	1	-	-	2	1	3
Died	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
TOTALS	3	1	-	-	3	1	4

Tabulated List in Age Groups of New Cases notified during 1956

			ases (Prim ifications	
лge	Pulm M	onary F	Non-pul M	monary F
$\begin{array}{r} 0 - 2 \\ 3 - 5 \\ 6 - 10 \\ 11 - 15 \\ 16 - 25 \\ 26 - 45 \\ 46 - 60 \\ 60 \& \text{ over} \end{array}$				
TOTALS	1	-	1	-



#### LUNG CANCER AND SMOKING

The Medical Research Council has published the results of investigations into the relationship between lung cancer and smoking and has stated without any possibility of bias that cigarette smoking is a major cause of lung cancer.

Atmospheric pollution and consumption of alcohol have not been found to be significant factors in increasing the incidence of lung cancer.

In males 50-54 years of age the lung-cancer death rate was one half of the total cancer death rate and about one eighth of the total death rate from all causes in males.

Ratio of Death Rates among men and women is in accordance with what is known of the smoking habits of the two sexes.

At current death rates the proportion of lifelong heavy cigarette smokers who will die of lung cancer is about 1 in 8, the corresponding figure for nonsmokers being 1 in 300.

Health education must start in the schools, a recent survey has shown that smoking may start as early as 8 years and be a confirmed habit by 13 years; unfortunately this practice is condoned by too many parents.

Parents mindful of the likelihood of their children wishing to emulate them will take care to smoke in private and not within the family circle. I can visualise a complete reversal where the addicted parent will retire to smoke by stealth in order not to offend the rest of the family and will guiltily remove all traces hoping that the tainted atmosphere will escape notice.

It is not many years ago that spitting was an accepted practice provided the spittoon was used and these were provided in most bars. All sorts of fines and sanctions were imposed upon those who were indiscriminate in disposal, nowadays the public have become sufficiently educated in hygicne to make this objectionable practice in public completely taboo.

Smoking during working hours by bakers and food shop assistants has been made an affence under Regulation 9 of the Food Hygiene Regulations, 1955, because of probable contamination of food and the dissemination of disease. Some cinemas are at present experimenting in banning smoking as being an atmospheric pollutant and objectionable to people sitting in nearby seats.

The future might quite easily see this addiction to smoking relegated to unpleasant practices of the past in common with spitting.



#### INCIDENCE OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

#### Comparative Statistics for the years 1951 - 1956

	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956
Scarlet fever	10	22	2	3	7	-
Measles	116	8	156	-	74	16
Pneumonia	12	12	10	11	12	16
Erysipelas	3	1	2	1	3	5
Whooping cough	54	1	26	5	66	2
Poliomyelitis	2	16	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal infection	-	1	-	-	-	-
Dysentery	-	-	-	- 1	-	62

1st January - 31st December.

#### Poliomyelitis

I am happy to record that there have been no cases of poliomyelitis in this Borough during the past four years.

#### Measles

It will be observed that measles followed the biennial trend of a high incidence in 1955 followed by a lesser incidence in the present year.

#### Whooping cough

It is hoped that the Immunisation Campaign against this condition is now having some effect, hence the lowered incidence.

#### Dysentery

A notification of Sonne Dysentery was received on 15th June, 1956, from St.Helen's Hospital, Hastings, where a boy aet 8 years had been admitted on 14.6.1956. Investigation revealed that he was a pupil at Tilling Green School, Rye (catering for children aet 5 - 8 years) although he lived in a neighbouring parish in Battle Rural District.

Members of this family were sampled with positive results.

It was then found that there were many absentees at Tilling Green School, the presenting symptom being diarrhoea.

Arrangements were made for strict attention to personal hygiene in all schools e.g.meticulous hand-washing after the use of the lavatory.

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#### Dysentery (Continued).

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Eighty-one samples were taken and thirty-nine were found to be positive for Sonne Dysentery.

All food handlers employed in schools within the Borough of Rye were sampled, one carrier was found and excluded until three negative specimens were obtained.

All doctors practising in the Rye area were notified of the presence of this organism. Copies of reports received on all cases sampled were immediately forwarded to the medical practitioners concerned.

Nearby coastal resorts had recently been heavily infected and it is likely that the infection was conveyed to the Rye area from this source.

The outbreak had subsided towards the end of August.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
Measles	7	2	2	1	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
Pneumonia	4	3	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	16
Erysipelas Whooping	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	5
cough	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	-	29	31	-	-	-	2		62

#### SEASONAL INCIDENCE OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES DURING 1956

#### CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES IN AGE GROUPS

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	Measles	Pneu- monia	Erysi- pelas	Whooping cough	Dysentery	TOTALS
Under 1 year	1	1	-	-	4	6
1 - 2 years	4		-	1	5	10
3 - 4 years	4	-	-	-	5	9
5 - 9 years	7	4	-	1	33	45
10-14 years	-	-	-	-	4	4
15-24 years	-	-	- 1	-	-	-
25-44 years	-	3	1	-	10	14
45-64 years	-	4	2	-	1	7
65 and over	-	4	2	-		6
TOTALS	16	16	5	2	62	101

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# PERIODS OF EXCLUSION IN CERTAIN INFECTIOUS DISEASES

# MINISTRY OF EDUCATION RECOMMENDATIONS

	1		Period of	Exclusion
	Usual Incubation period (days)	Interval between onset and appearance of rash (days)	Fatients	Contacts, i.e. the other members of the family or household living together as a family, that is, in one tenement.
SCARLET FEVER & STREPTOCOCCAL SORE THROAT.	1-7	1-2	Exclude from school for 3 weeks. Not allowed back if discharge from the nose or ear, sore throat or septic spots be present	Adult contacts engaged in school meals ser- vice excluded until Medical Officer of Health allows return to work. Other con- tacts, if healthy, need not be excluded.
DIPHTHERIA	2-7		Until pronounced by a medical practitioner to be free from infection.	At least 7 days. Return to school should not be per- mitted until bacteri- ological examination has proved negative.
MEASLES	7-14	3-4	10 days after the appearance of the rash if the child appears well.	Children under 5 years of age who have not had the disease should be excluded for 14 days from the date of the appearance of the rash in the last case in the house. Other contacts can attend school. Any contact suffering from a cough, chill or red eyes should be immediately excluded.
GERMAN MEASLES	5-21	0-2	7 days from the appearance of the rash.	None.
WHOOPING COUGH	6-18	-	28 days from the beginning of the characteristic cough.	Children under 7 years who have not had the disease should be ex- cluded for 21 days from the date of onset of the disease in the last case in the house
MUMPS	12-28	-	7 days from the subsidence of the swelling.	None.
CHICKEN POX	11-21	0-2	14 days from the date of appearance of the rash.	None.
INFLUENZA AND THE COMMON COLD	1-2	-	Exclude immediately for 7 days or until recovery is com- plete.	None.
RINGWORM OF THE BODY (including ATHLETE'S FOOT)	be exc nor in	luded. He si	hould not, however, ta f ringworm of the feet	d the patient need not ke part in swimming - : - in gymnastic classes

#### DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION

Diphtheria Immunisation is pursued with the utmost vigour and it is only by never "letting up" on an opportunity to point the necessity for continued protection from this erstwhile killing and disabling disease that these figures are achieved.

Immunisation against tetanus has been added to the combined injection against diphtheria and whooping cough. Tetanus is present in the soil, and any wound, scratch or abrasion, however small, may be sufficient to cause tetanus. Early immunisation against tetanus is advisable as although the incidence of the disease is low the mortality rate is high: two-thirds of the cases occur in children under fifteen years of age.

The report of the Chief Medical Officer to the Ministry of Health brought out in sharp contrast public reaction and clamour for a safe immunisation procedure against poliomyelitis, where in 1954 there were 1,300 odd cases of poliomyelitis associated with paralysis and 134 deaths in a total population of 44,000,000, compared with 18,500 cases of diphtheria and 722 deaths as recently as 1945.

In Diphtheria Immunisation we have a proven life-saving measure without reaction, yet parents dare to ignore the possible consequences of inaction.

One can only hope that the safe vaccine now perfected against poliomyelitis will give as solid an immunity.

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During 1956 the following children received injections:

Primary Immunisation.	Under <u>1 yr.</u>	1-4_	5-9	10-14	Total
Against Diphtheria	-	1	8	1	10
Against Diphtheria and Whooping Cough	22	6	-	-	28
Against Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus	15	2	2.1	-	17
	37	9	8	1	55
Re-inforcing injections.					
Against Diphtheria	-	8	37	93	138
Against Diphtheria and Whooping Cough	-	16	9	1	26
Against Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus	-	2	-	-	2
	-	26	46	94	166

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Total immunised during 1956 :-

Under 5	••	46
5-14 (inc)		9
Re-inforcing	1	166

Total number of children under 15 years of age, resident in the Borough, who had been immunised by 31st December, 1956:-

Under 5	212
5-14 (inc)	• 731
	943

Comparative figures for the past three years :-

		<u>1954</u>	<u>1955</u>	<u>1956</u>	
Number immunised under 5 years	•••• ••••	 252	245	212	
Child population (under 5)		 360	346	306	
Percentage of child population	immunised	 70.00%	70.80%	69.28%	
Number immunised 5-14 (inc)		 649	681	731	
Child population 5-14 (inc)		 680	698	739	
Percentage of child population	immunised	 95.44%	97.56%	98.91%	

(Population figures are estimated - Registrar General is unable to supply them).

It is generally accepted that immunisations given more than five years previously have largely lost their effect. The state of immunity of a child population at any given time is therefore more realistically given as the numbers immunised (primary or booster) within the previous five years. This figure is known as the Immunity Index.

		Under <u>1 yr.</u>	1 - 4	5 - 14	Tota1
Immunity Index expressed >	In 1954	18.42%	76.08%	69.11%	69.42%
as a percentage of the	In 1955	36.36%	73.14%	75.35%	73.85%
child population.	In 1956	46.15%	71.42	80.78%	77.41%

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#### VACCINATION AGAINST SMALLFOX

The following persons were vaccinated in 1956 :-

	Under 1 yr.	1	2-4	5-14	15 or	Total
Frimary vaccination	35	1	2	2	over 3	43
Re-vaccination	-	-	3	6	22	31
(Of the above numbers, 2 persons were before going abroad).	vaccin	ated	and 16 r	eceived	re-vacci	nation
Number of babies born in 1956						56
Number of babies under 1 year vaccina	ted in	1956.				35
Percentage vaccinated in 1956					6	2.50%
Comparison with previous years :-						
			1954	19	55	1956
Total primary vaccinations			. 54		50	43
Re-vaccinations			24		28	31
Percentage vaccinated, under 1 year .			55.55%	84	.615	62.50%

The speed of air travel makes the likelihood of the introduction of smallpox an ever-present possibility. Parents are exhorted to make use of vaccination during the early months of their children's lives in order that they may achieve full protection as early as possible with the minimum of inconvenience.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE BOROUGH

(A) PROVIDED BY THE EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

\*(1) Ambulance Service

	19	54	19	955	195	56
	Cases	Mileage	Cases	Mileage	Cases	Mileage
Illness	741	16,166	701	16,996	710	17,104
Accident and Emergencies	_74_	1,485	104	1,951	<u>116</u>	1,486
	815	17,651	805	18,947	826	18,590

A third full time driver/attendant was appointed in June, 1956, which has relieved the almost intolerable strain on the permanent staff and volunteers.

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(i) Ambulance Service (Continued).

The service is now adequately manned and able to perpetuate their excellent record of service.

- (ii) Care of Expectant and Nursing Mothers and Children under School Age.
- (iii) Contraceptive Advice.

Subject to the limitation that advice is only given where pregnancy or childbirth is liable to be injurious to the health of the mother, arrangements are made for contraceptive advice to be given to married women at a clinic conducted by Hastings Corporation.

- (iv) District Nurses (Midwives) and Health Visitors.
- (v) Home Help Service.
- (vi) Hospital Car Service.

The Hospital Car Service in this county is provided by the joint organisation of the British Red Cross Society and the St.John Ambulance Brigade. The Area Transport Office for this district is at 8, Endwell Road, Bexhill-on-Sea (Telephone: Bexhill 152).

(vii) Infant Welfare Centres.

The Infant Welfare Centre is held on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays in every month at the Youth Club Centre, Lion Street, Rye.

\* (viii) Immunisation and Vaccination Service.

Please refer to pages 11 - 13.

- (ix) Mental Health Service.
- (x) Registration of Nursing Homes.

There are no registered Nursing Homes in the Borough of Rye.

- (xi) School Dental Service.
- (xii) School Medical Service (\*Routine medical examinations including the assessment of handicapped pupils).
  - \* Delegated duties to the District Medical Officer of Health.

#### (B) HOSPITALS.

The following are the main hospitals providing accommodation and treatment for residents in the Borough of Rye :-

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#### GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE BOROUGH (Continued)

(B) HOSPITALS (Cont).

Darvell Hall Hospital, Robertsbridge, Battle Hospital, Dattle, Memorial Hospital, Rye Foreign, Royal East Sussex Hospital, Hastings (including V.D.Clinic), Mount Pleasant Isolation Hospital, Hastings, St.Helen's Hospital, Hastings, Fernbank Maternity Home, Hastings, Buchanan Hospital, St.Leonards-on-Sea, Eversfield Chest Hospital, St.Leonards-on-Sea, Hallingly Hospital, Hallingly, Pembury Hospital, Pembury, Fairlight Sanatorium, Fairlight, Hill House, Rye Foreign,

Administered by the South-Eastern Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board through their respective Hospital Management Committees.

(C) PUELIC HEALTH LA BORATORY SERVICE.

The Public Health Laboratory Service is a free national laboratory service designed to assist all those concerned in the diagnosis, prevention and control of communicable diseases. The benefits are not limited by health authority, hospital region or other administrative boundary. These facilities are available to all doctors, both for the submission of specimens and for consultation.

Gamma globulin, prepared from pooled plasma from normal healthy adults by the Lister Institute for the Ministry of Health, is distributed to doctors in England and Wales through laboratories of the Public Health Laboratory Service. Requests for supplies should be made to the director of the nearest constituent or associated laboratory of the Service. So far as supplies allow, it is issued for the protection of susceptible contacts of measles and rubella as shown below:-



#### GENERAL FROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE BOROUGH (Continued)

Disease	Available for	Usual dosage Prevention
Measles (i)	Control of hospital and institutional outbreaks.	3 years and over - 750 mg.
(ii)	Persons suffering from intercurrent illness or living in a poor en- vironment for whom an attack of measles would be dangerous.	
(iii)	Children under 3 years of age.	Attenuation 250 mg.
Rubella	Women exposed to infec- tion in the first four months of pregnancy.	750 mg.
The address of the nea	rest laboratory is The Pu	blic Health Laboratory,

Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton (Telephone: Brighton 23506, Director - Dr. J. E. Jameson).

- (D) NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948.
  - (i) Section 47: Removal to Suitable Premises of Persons in Need of Care and Attention.

Fortunately, it was not found necessary to invoke these provisions during the year.

(ii) Section 50: Burial or Cremation of the Dead.

No action was necessary under this Section.

(E) HOME PHYSIOTHERAPY SERVICE.

This service is generally much appreciated.

(F) NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO CHILDREN.

Liaison has been maintained.

#### MILK PRODUCTION

The following is an estimate of the designated and non-designated farms in the district surrounding the Borough:-

	Farms	Fercentage
Producing Tuberculin tested milk	239	67.51
Producing non-designated milks	115	32.49

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# (Continued)

The continuous increase of both heat-treated milk and T.T herds has made a great contribution in conserving the health of the people. The virtual elimination of bovine tuberculosis as a cause of death is a direct result of these health measures.

I have repeatedly stressed in my Annual Reports that T.T raw milk is not wholly safe and may be a vehicle for transmitting diseases other than Tuberculosis. Fasteurised milk is safe and the nutritional value is not impaired by the process of pasteurisation.

		1955				
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Aerated Water Manufacturers	4	4	8	4	3	7
Bakeries	16	22	38	21	26	47
Bedding Makers	4	3	7	3	2	5
Builders	82	2	84	89	2	91
Corn Chandlers	23	1	24	23	2	25
Engineering Works	142	13	155	179	19	198
Furniture Removers	12	1	13	11	1	12
Laundries	13	56	69	14	48	62
Pottery Works	6	8	14	6	8	14
Printing Works	10	6	16	9	5	14
Sawmills	7	2	9	8	2	10
Ship Repairing	5	-	5	5	-	5
Toy Manufacturers		r high m	-	14	39	53
Wastepaper Sorters	4	1	5	3	1	4

#### INDUSTRIES

The numbers employed within the Borough are not significantly different from last year.

#### Shop-keeping and Catering.

Shop-keeping and catering are two mainstays which contribute greatly to the prosperity of this attractive town and point the necessity for effective supervision from the hygienic point of view.

#### Rye Market.

The Market occupies a prominent position in the life of Rye, it employs one permanent staff member plus casual labour as necessary.

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#### INDUSTRIES

# Rye Market (Continued).

The following numbers of live stock are indicative of the activity on market days where farmers from near and far gather in large numbers to buy and sell. The Romney Marsh sheep being world famous and the fat stock of excellent quality:-

> Sheep ... ... 32,500 Pigs ... 7,000 Cattle... 2,450

#### Shipping

21 vessels are registered at the port of Rye

1 foreign ship brought a load of timber

19 yachts from overseas (pleasure craft) used Rye berthing facilities.

It has been ascertained that there are 106 vessels engaged in fishing between Bexhill and Dungeness. They make use of the facilities available from time to time.

#### HOUSING

#### Local Authority Housing and Television.

There has been much mud slung at the families who buy television sets when their economic position does not warrant an expenditure of this magnitude.

This is fundamentally fair criticism although the purchasers are not wholly to be blamed. In these days of high wages the initial payment for hire purchase is not too difficult to achieve but the constant monthly drain is not so easy to visualise and is thrust into the background against the desirability of having such a novel form of entertainment in one's own home and emulating the next door neighbour. The possibility of future hardship is therefore glossed over. However, provided the hardship does not extend to restricting the intake of essential foods by children and adolescents, the end results may prove to have been of some benefit.

The advent of television in the home coincided with larger wage packets and more leisure. It is generally accepted that these two factors in themselves may have an adverse effect on adolescents unless this new found leisure can be utilised within the home or conalised elsewhere, as in Youth /Clubs

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# HOUSING

# Local Authority Housing and Television (continued).

Clubs, etc.

The educational aspect of some programmes could be a minor stimulant to the few. The general entertainment may not be of a high level but it is preferable to other avenues open to the headstrong adolescent with too much money.

There are adverse effects to be noted in families where the discipline is lax and children of school age stay up late and are too tired to benefit from school activities next day. These families need to be educated and informed of their responsibilities, in many cases it is over-indulgence engendered by ignorance.

The lure of television in the home is such that many older children are kept off the streets some nights at least and perforce remain within the family circle. I think it is unanimously agreed that the family group should be nurtured and strengthened where possible, and when this era is studied in retrospect it may be considered on balance that this invention has been an influence for good.

#### Old People's Bungalows.

There are many elderly persons living in Council and privately owned properties too large and inconvenient to keep clean and heated. Many would be delighted to have small compact dwellings with modern amenities in the same area.

The lack of suitable dwellings of this type forces many of these old folk to seek accommodation in Old Age Homes, the cost to the County Council being £5. 1. 6d per week not including central office charges. Sick cases go into hospitals where they are rehabilitated but when fit for discharge must perforce stay on because there is no suitable accommodation to offer them. This is an expensive altervative, viz:- £10.18.0d per in-patient week at St.Helen's Hospital, Hastings.

The cost of the average Subsidy received from the Central Exchequer is 6/6d per week per dwelling. The cost to the Council may be nil but would not exceed 4/7d per week per dwelling depending on the amount of rent rebate.

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#### HOUSING

#### Old People's Bungalows (Continued).

I visualise that where these bungalows are built in sufficiently large blocks there will be a warden/nurse type who will keep a watching brief and be in a position to assist in acute illness of short duration not necessarily related to old age, e.g. "colds". Smaller units will rely on the District Nurse who normally lives on the Housing Estate.

Old people living alone in three-bedroomed Council houses should be requested ty the Housing Committee to move to this smaller and more suitable accommodation, thus not only relieving themselves of a burden but doing a service to the community in making a house available for a family. The Council would probably think it right under these circumstances that they should both arrange and bear the cost of removal.

I am not in favour of moving old people about for the sake of administrative tidiness or solely because their hygienic standards are lowered. The old persons I have in mind are in a half-way category and are fit enough, both mentally and physically, to enjoy their own homes and are not in need of the extra care and attention given in an old aged home or the long-stay hospital.

This is a half-way house where they can spend their days in reasonable comfort doing their domestic chores themselves, a home help service being available when necessary, virtually independent but nevertheless close to relatives and friends without being an encumbrance to them or under a sense of obligation for domestic assistance.

They would still be able to lead a full communal life with a sense of belonging, content in the basic pleasures of having their own homes and being surrounded by their possessions which have, in the nature of things, become such a part of themselves.

I feel sure that under these ideal circumstances old people in general could still make a worthwhile contribution to family life and in so doing relieve much of the tension engendered by present methods involving painful, forced separation to institutions.

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# SECTION II

The Chief Public Health Inspector reports :-

The following table gives a general summary of the visits and work carried out by the Public Health Inspectors during the year 1956:-

Visits to	houses re housing defect houses re other housing	s defects	:	:	··· 527 ··· 191
" " "	Farms Moveable Dwellings Streams and ditches Upholsterers				··· 6 ··· 15 ··· 19
" " Visits to	Unwholesome Fremises Work Places				··· 37 ··· 18
v183.ts to "" "" "	Butcher's Shops Dairies				··· 32 ··· 12 ··· 19 ··· 24 ··· 69
Visits to " " " " " "	Insects and Pests Keeping of Animals Overcrowding Rats and/or mice infesta		···· ···		30 9 11 32 24 
Interview Houses di Premises Smoke tea Water tes Informal Houses re	disinfected	of informal	action		118 6 15 6 11 68 47

# ICE CREAM

There are 16 premises registered under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, for the sale of ice cream. All ice cream retailed from these premises is manufactured by firms with a nation-wide trade and sold pre-packed.

There are no manufacturers of ice cream within the Borough.



# FACTORIES ACT, 1937

(22)

1. Inspections.

	Number	Number of			
Premises	on Register	Inspec-	Informal Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted	
<ol> <li>Factories in which sections 1,2,3,4 &amp; 6 are to be en- forced by Local Authority.</li> </ol>	9	17	6	-	
<ol> <li>Factories not included in         <ol> <li>(1) in which Sec.7 is en- forced by Local Authority.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	43	35	9	-	

2. Cases in which defects were found :-

	Numb	Number of cases in which defects were				
Particulars	Found	Remedied	Referred by H.M.Inspector	Prosec- utions		
Want of Cleanliness	4	3	-	-		
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-		
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-		
Inadequate ventilation	-	-	-	-		
Inadequate drainage of floors	-	-	-	-		
Sanitary Accommodation (offences)	5	5	3	-		

# THE PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

Number	of properties	inspected as a result of complaints 147	1
	"	" by survey	3
"	"	found to be infested by rats 197	•
"		treated by Council's operator for rats and mice 70	>
"		treated by occupier for rats 4	
"	visits by 1	Rodent Operator 570	)

The part-time rodent operator employed has been actively engaged in the eradication of rats and mice and I am pleased to note that during the year under review the rat population has shown a marked decrease.

Two treatments of the sewers were carried out during the year and again several sections of the sewerage system were found to be free of rats.



#### EXAMINATION OF MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

	Cwts	Stones	Lbs
Fresh Meat	2	4	6
Offal		2	3
Fish (fresh)		3	-
Sausages		7	-
Ba con		5	9
Ham		3	4
Canned Fruit		5	-
Canned Meat		6	4
Canned Milk		2	11
Canned Vegetables		4	-
Canned Fish		1	2
Cereals		1	-
Miscellaneous		4	9
	14	2	6

The following is a list of foods inspected during the year and certified as unfit for human consumption :-

# FOOD PREMISES

The educational aspect of visiting food premises has become apparent in a number of small ways including improvement in the general cleanliness of premises and better care, handling and display of food stuffs. In addition structural improvements have been carried out including in one premises a complete repair and re-design of the premises. In others there has been marked improvement including the provision of better sanitary accommodation and hot water supplies. In a very congested town the installation of even a single W.C. can be a most expensive item and the ready acceptance by most shopkeepers of the requirements of the Food Hygiene Regulations has been most gratifying.

#### MILK AND DAIRIES REGULATIONS

The following licences were issued during the year :-

Dealers	Licences :	for "Pasteurised" milk	9
Dealers	Licences :	for "Tuberculin Tested" milk	6
Dealers	Supplement	tary Licences for	
		"Pasteurised" milk	2
	н	"Tuberculin Tested" milk	2

11 samples were taken for laboratory examination. All passed the prescribed tests.



# Milk and Dairies Regulations (Cont)

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The Borough of Rye is included in the Milk (Special Designations) (Specified Areas) Order, 1955, which is now in force. This Order requires the compulsory use of special designations for all retail sales of milk within the Borough.

# HOUSING ACT, 1936

The following information is in accordance with the requirements of the Ministry of Health:-

1. Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the year.

Authority

(i) (	(a) Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under the Public	
	Health or Housing Acts)	231
	(b) Number of inspections made for this purpose	527
(ii) (	(a) Number of dwelling houses (included under sub-head (i) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 and 1932	-
(	(b) Number of inspections made for this purpose	-
(iii)	Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	26
(iv)	Number of dwelling houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-heading) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	79
Remedy of 1	Defects during the Year without Service of Formal No	otice.
	r of defective dwelling houses rendered fit	
	a consequence of informal action by the Local uthority or their officers	47
Action unde	er Statutory Powers during the Year.	
	roceedings under Sections 9, 10 & 16 of the ousing Act, 1936:-	
(3	i) Number of dwelling houses in respect of	
	which Notices were served requiring repairs	4
(i:	i) Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of formal Notices:-	
	<ul> <li>(a) By owners</li> <li>(b) By Local Authority in default of owners</li> </ul>	2 -
(11:	i) Number of dwelling houses acquired and subsequently rendered fit by the Local	

NIL



3. Action under Statutory Powers during the Year. (Cont).	
(B) Proceedings under the Public Health Acta :-	
(i) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	7
(ii) Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal Notices:	
<ul> <li>(a) By owners</li> <li>(b) By Local Authority in default of owner</li> </ul>	7 Nil
(C) <u>Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the</u> <u>Housing Act, 1936</u> :-	
<ul> <li>(i) Number of Representations, etc., made in respect of dwelling houses unfit for habitation.</li> </ul>	32
(ii) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	9
(iii) Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	2
(iv) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which undertakings were accepted from owners :-	
(a) To render the house fit for human habitition	- 15 -
(b) As to usage other than for human habitation	1
(v) Closing Orders under Section 10 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1954	5
(vi) Number of Houses dealt with under Housing Act, 1949, Section 3	4
(D) Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936:-	
<ul> <li>(i) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made</li> </ul>	4
<ul> <li>(ii) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement</li> </ul>	
or rooms having been rendered fit	4

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During the year the tenants of the following two unfit houses were rehoused by the Council:-

- (a) St.Eloi, Winchelsea Road, Rye. The Council served a Demolition Order under Section 11 of the Housing Act, 1936.
- (b) No.79, Winchelsea Road, Rye. The Council served a Closing Order under Section 10 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1954.

The following houses were either void at the time of representation or the tenants found their own accommodation before the notice became operative:-

> No.7, Landgate Square No.75, Winchelsea Road Gas Works Cottage, Wish Street No.3, Cadborough Road.

The tenants of the following houses which are in the ownership of the Rye Borough Council and which were represented as being unfit for occupation, have been rehoused by the Council:-

> Nos.79 - 85, Military Road Nos.87 - 103, Military Road.

#### WATER SUPPLY

Routine samples are taken for Bacteriological examination once a month and for chemical analysis once a quarter. Other samples are taken as required.

During 1956, 31 Bacteriological samples (16 chlorinated and 15 unchlorinated) and 4 chemical samples (2 chlorinated and 2 unchlorinated) were taken. All the samples proved to be satisfactory. Samples of water taken after chlorination at all times proved satisfactory.

The consumption of water during the year was as follows :-

and the second	Cadborough Waterworks Military Road Waterworks	67,638,000 gallons 12,861,300 gallons
		80,499,300 gallons

This represents an increase of 2,630,100 gallons.

The distribution of the water consumed was as follows :-

Borough of Rye	71,351,000 gallons
Hastings C.B (Rye Harbour)	5,111,000 gallons
Battle R.D.C (Playden)	3,913,000 gallons
Standpipe	124,300 gallons
	80,499,300 gallons

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The automatic sewage ejectors lifted the following amounts of sewage :-

Station A. Cadborough Marsh	680,100 gallons
Station B. Winchelses Road	18,372,450 gallons
Station C. New Winchelses Road	1,271,825 gallons
Station D. Kings Avenue	2,413,250 gallons
Station E. Mason Road	9,750,702 gallons
	32,488,327 gallons

#### RAINFALL

Month	Total Rainfall inches	Notes		
January	4.95	10th - 13th. 2.30"		
February	•49	2nd, 3rd, 4th, 10th, 18th. Snow.		
March	.18	5th - 20th. Absolute drought.		
April	•97	(24)		
May	•58	(24)		
June	1.69	(17)		
July	2.69	19th. 0.82" (16)		
August	3.985	30th. 1.38" (15)		
September	2.31	4th. 0.58" (17)		
October	1.14	17th. 0.46" (21)		
November	0.69	(22)		
December	3.42	15th. 0.64" (15)		

( ) indicate total number of days without measurable rainfall.

# REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

In all 5,784 cubic yards of refuse have been disposed of at Camber Fields Tip. Of this amount 4,110 cubic yards were collected as domestic refuse, the remaining 1,674 cubic yards being accounted for by builders' refuse, etc., deposited directly at the tip.



# SECTION III

# COUNCIL HOUSING

ACCOMMODATION under the letting control of the Council at the 31st December, 1956:-

Assisted Schemes -	Pre-war Houses	115
Assisted Schemes -	Post-war Houses and Flats	250
Expired Leases, pre-1914	houses	79
Requisitioned houses and	flats	-
Temporary hutments		21+

Applicants on Council's Housing List at 31st December, 1956 :-

Total dwellings

468

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Operative	77
Deferred	80
	157

Voon onding	Total Rent Collectible	Ammoore	Donacatora
Year ending	COLTEGELDIE	Arrears	Percentage
31st March, 1955	£24,452. 6. 3a	£28. 4. 3	0.115
31st March, 1956	£25,164.14. 4a	£25.13. 0	0.102
31st March, 1957	£33,812.11. 1d	£10. 4. 2	0.030

# HOUSING ACT, 1949 - SECTION 20

# Improvement Grants

ARREARS OF BENT

Applications received ...... 4 Applications approved ...... 2 (One owner-occupied and one for agricultural worker)

The amount promised in grants for 1956 ... ... £560. 0. 0d.

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