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ANNUAL REPORT

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Vice-Chairman: Councillor H. Stockdale.

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J. R. BLACKLEDGE,

Cert. S.I. Board

Cert. Meat and Food Inspection R.S.I.

Additional Public Health Inspector:

J. B. SAWDON,

Cert. S.I. Board

Clerk:

D. TUNE.

To the **Chairman and Members of the Selby Rural District Council.**

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you my Fifteenth Annual Report on the health of the Selby Rural District and the work of the Public Health Department during 1961.

102 live births were registered, giving a Birth Rate of 15.6 per thousand population (Adjusted Birth Rate 17.0). The aggregate rate for W.R. Rural Districts was 18.5 and for England and Wales 17.4.

The Infant Mortality Rate was 9.8 (1 death). The W.R. Rural Rate was 25.7 and the National Rate 21.4, a new low record.

80 deaths occurred, giving a Crude Death Rate of 12.2 (Adjusted Death Rate 13.2). The W.R. Rural Rate was 10.3 and the Rate for England and Wales 12.0. Of these deaths 34 (42.5%) occurred at the age of 75 years or over, and of these 22 were over 80 years of age and 2 over 90 years. Births exceeded deaths by 22.

56 cases of notifiable infectious disease occurred, 54 of these being measles.

1961 was a Census Year and the provisional population figure for the District showed a surprising and obviously inaccurate increase of 10.8%. The mid-1961 estimated population, which is usually almost identical to the census figure, has now been amended to 6,540, and can be taken as approximately correct for 1961.

Census	1891	....	5,873	
	1901	....	5,822	Decrease 51
	1911	....	5,923	Increase 101
	1921	....	6,155	Increase 232
	1931	....	5,942	Decrease 213
	1951	....	6,428	Increase 486
	1961	....	6,540	Increase 112

Protection Against Poliomyelitis.

The steady demand for protection by injections was met throughout the year until late autumn when Salk vaccine was in short supply and no vaccination, except for certain priority groups, was done during the last quarter. The shortage was due to the heavy demand for vaccine in those parts of the country experiencing sharp outbreaks of the disease. A number of Selby R.D. residents working in or visiting Hull in October availed themselves of the oral vaccine which was used there to control an outbreak. (Sabin oral vaccine became available for all up to the age of 40 years in March, 1962).

A modern Training Centre was opened at Rawcliffe in November. This provides training for persons found to be unable to benefit from education in normal or special schools. At present two trainees from this District attend.

After years of endeavour a long-felt need was met when in October a fine, well-equipped Clinic was opened in Raincliffe Street, Selby, to provide adequately for the County Health Services. Maternity and Child Welfare and School Health Services, which have done good work for a long time under trying conditions, can now do even better work, and for the first time the School Dental Service in Selby has a static Centre. Mothers and children from the Rural District attend this Clinic or the one at Snaith according to convenience.

In conclusion, I record my thanks to the Members and Officers of the Council for their co-operation during 1961.

I remain, Your obedient servant,

S. KENNAUGH APPLETON,

Medical Officer of Health.

July, 1962.

GENERAL STATISTICS, 1961.

Area of Rural District	33,304 acres
Population (mid 1961)	6,540
Number of Inhabited Houses	2,195
Rateable Value (April 1962)	£49,447
Product of Penny Rate (Est. 1962/63)	£191/19/4

VITAL STATISTICS

	SELBY R.D.	Aggre- gate West Riding R.D.s	West Riding Admin. County	England and Wales (Provi- sional)
BIRTH RATE (per 1,000 population)	15.6	18.5	17.2	17.4
CRUDE DEATH RATES (per 1,000 population)				
All causes	12.2	10.3	12.1	12.0
Infective & Parasitic Diseases	0	0.05	0.05	—
Respiratory Tuberculosis	0.14	0.07	0.06	0.07
Other forms of Tuberculosis	0	0	0	0.01
Respiratory Diseases (excluding Tuberculosis)	2.53	1.35	1.64	—
Cancer	1.97	1.71	1.98	2.16
Heart and Circulatory Diseases	3.37	3.75	4.50	—
Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	1.97	1.49	1.84	—
INFANT MORTALITY (Deaths under one year per 1,000 live births)	9.8	25.7	24.6	21.4
STILLBIRTHS	0	21.4	20.2	18.7
MATERNAL MORTALITY (Deaths of mothers in child- birth per 1,000 total births)	0	0.23	0.27	0.33

Comparability Factors:

For Births, 1.09.	Adjusted Birth Rate, 17.0
For Deaths, 1.08.	Adjusted Death Rate, 13.2.

BIRTH AND DEATH RATES FOR SIX YEARS AND MEAN RATES FOR DICENNIAL PERIODS

BIRTH RATE

(per 1,000 population)

1961	....	....	15.6	1901-1910	....	....	26.0
1960	....	....	14.6	1911-1920	....	....	22.9
1959	....	....	13.8	1921-1930	....	....	19.6
1958	....	....	14.8	1931-1940	....	....	14.5
1957	....	....	15.1	1941-1950	....	....	17.6
1956	....	....	12.8	1951-1960	....	....	14.3

STILLBIRTHS

(per 1,000 total births)

1961	....	....	0	1901-1910	....	....	—
1960	....	....	29.4	1911-1920	....	....	—
1959	....	....	10.6	1921-1930	....	....	—
1958	....	....	29.4	1931-1940	....	....	34.5
1957	....	....	38.5	1941-1950	....	....	30.0
1956	....	....	23.3	1951-1960	....	....	32.2

ILLEGITIMATE BIRTHS

(per 1,000 total births)

1961	....	....	39.0	1901-1910	....	....	—
1960	....	....	49.0	1911-1920	....	....	65.0
1959	....	....	53.2	1921-1930	....	....	69.8
1958	....	....	39.2	1931-1940	....	....	54.7
1957	....	....	57.7	1941-1950	....	....	82.9
1956	....	....	69.7	1951-1960	....	....	61.4

INFANTILE MORTALITY

(per 1,000 live births)

1961	....	....	9.8	1901-1910	....	....	98.3
1960	....	....	20.2	1911-1920	....	....	83.3
1959	....	....	43.0	1921-1930	....	....	68.9
1958	....	....	30.3	1931-1940	....	....	41.8
1957	....	....	10.0	1941-1950	....	....	34.5
1956	....	....	11.9	1951-1960	....	....	20.1

NEONATAL MORTALITY

(Deaths in first month per 1,000 live births)

1961	....	....	0	1901-1910	....	....	—
1960	....	....	20.2	1911-1920	....	....	44.7
1959	....	....	32.3	1921-1930	....	....	42.7
1958	....	....	20.2	1931-1940	....	....	22.0
1957	....	....	0	1941-1950	....	....	18.2
1956	....	....	11.9	1951-1960	....	....	13.8

MATERNAL MORTALITY

(per 1,000 total births)

1961	....	....	0	1901-1910	....	....	1.39
1960	....	....	0	1911-1920	....	....	2.17
1959	....	....	0	1921-1930	....	....	2.56
1958	....	....	0	1931-1940	....	....	2.28
1957	....	....	9.62	1941-1950	....	....	1.03
1956	....	....	0	1951-1960	....	....	1.85

TOTAL DEATH RATE

(per 1,000 population)

1961	....	....	12.2	1901-1910	....	....	15.6
1960	....	....	11.9	1911-1920	....	....	13.2
1959	....	....	9.8	1921-1930	....	....	12.4
1958	....	....	9.3	1931-1940	....	....	12.2
1957	....	....	11.2	1941-1950	....	....	12.0
1956	....	....	8.7	1951-1960	....	....	10.8

DISEASES OF HEART AND CIRCULATION

1961	....	....	3.67	1901-1910	....	....	1.36
1960	....	....	5.01	1911-1920	....	....	1.51
1959	....	....	3.86	1921-1930	....	....	1.96
1958	....	....	2.54	1931-1940	....	....	2.95
1957	....	....	4.24	1941-1950	....	....	3.18
1956	....	....	3.35	1951-1960	....	....	3.37

VASCULAR DISEASES OF CENTRAL NERVOUS
SYSTEM

1961	....	....	2.14	1901-1910	....	....	—
1960	....	....	1.77	1911-1920	....	....	—
1959	....	....	1.48	1921-1930	....	....	1.25
1958	....	....	1.64	1931-1940	....	....	0.91
1957	....	....	1.36	1941-1950	....	....	1.95
1956	....	....	1.07	1951-1960	....	....	1.68

CANCER

1961	....	....	2.14	1901-1910	....	....	1.16
1960	....	....	2.06	1911-1920	....	....	1.04
1959	....	....	1.34	1921-1930	....	....	1.77
1958	....	....	1.79	1931-1940	....	....	1.73
1957	....	....	2.12	1941-1950	....	....	1.91
1956	....	....	2.29	1951-1960	....	....	1.78

RESPIRATORY DISEASES

1961	....	....	2.75	1901-1910	....	....	1.86
1960	....	....	0.88	1911-1920	....	....	1.66
1959	....	....	1.34	1921-1930	....	....	1.60
1958	....	....	1.20	1931-1940	....	....	1.28
1957	....	....	1.51	1941-1950	....	....	1.32
1956	....	....	0.61	1951-1960	....	....	1.17

INFECTIVE AND PARASITIC DISEASES

1961	....	....	0	1901-1910	....	....	1.17
1960	....	....	0	1911-1920	....	....	0.51
1959	....	....	0	1921-1930	....	....	0.28
1958	....	....	0	1931-1940	....	....	0.19
1957	....	....	0	1941-1950	....	....	0.05
1956	....	....	0	1951-1960	....	....	0.03

RESPIRATORY TUBERCULOSIS

1961	....	....	0.15	1901-1910	....	....	0.91
1960	....	....	0.15	1911-1920	....	....	0.68
1959	....	....	0	1921-1930	....	....	0.36
1958	....	....	0.15	1931-1940	....	....	0.36
1957	....	....	0	1941-1950	....	....	0.34
1956	....	....	0	1951-1960	....	....	0.06

NON-RESPIRATORY TUBERCULOSIS

1961	....	....	0	1901-1910	....	....	0.72
1960	....	....	0.15	1911-1920	....	....	0.21
1959	....	....	0	1921-1930	....	....	0.16
1958	....	....	0	1931-1940	....	....	0.12
1957	....	....	0	1941-1950	....	....	0.14
1956	....	....	0	1951-1960	....	....	0.05

BIRTHS, 1961

			Male	Female	Total
Live Births.—	Legitimate	....	51	47	98
	Illegitimate	....	3	1	4
			—	—	—
	Total	....	54	48	102
Stillbirths	....	....	0	0	0

CAUSES OF DEATH, 1961

			Male	Female	Total
Influenza	....	....	2	2	4
Pneumonia	....	....	2	1	3
Tuberculosis (Respiratory)	....	....	1	0	1
Tuberculosis (Other forms)	....	....	0	0	0
Malignant Neoplasms	....	....	7	7	14
Vascular Lesions of Nervous System			2	12	14
Heart Diseases	....	....	11	10	21
Other Diseases of Circulatory System			2	1	3
Bronchitis	....	....	9	2	11
Other Respiratory Diseases	....	....	0	0	0
Nephritis	....	....	0	0	0
Leukaemia	....	....	0	0	0
Diabetes	....	....	0	0	0
Hyperplasia of Prostate	....	....	0	—	0
Suicide	....	....	0	0	0
Congenital	....	....	0	0	0
Motor Accidents	....	....	0	0	0
Other Accidents	....	....	4	1	5
All other causes	....	....	2	2	4
			—	—	—
Total	....		42	38	80

TUBERCULOSIS**New cases in 1961**

			Male	Female	Total
Pulmonary	....	....	0	0	0
Non-Pulmonary	....	....	0	0	0
			—	—	—
Total	....		0	0	0

Total cases on Register

Pulmonary	....	....	13	6	19
Non-Pulmonary	....	....	3	4	7
			—	—	—
Total	....		16	10	26

INFANTILE MORTALITY.

One infant died from Broncho-Pneumonia and Congenital Heart Disease.

CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE notified during the year 1961

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE.	NUMBER OF CASES NOTIFIED							
	At all Ages.	According to Age						
		Under 1	1 to 4	5 to 14	15 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	Over 65
Small-pox	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Food Poisoning	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diphtheria	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Erysipelas	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Scarlet Fever	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Enteric Fever	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Puerperal Pyrexia	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Acute Poliomyelitis, paralytic	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" non-paralytic	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Acute Encephalitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Other forms of Tuberculosis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Measles	54	..	20	34	..	..	..	..
Primary Pneumonia	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Influenzal Pneumonia	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Whooping Cough	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dysentery	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Encephalitis Lethargica	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals	56	..	20	35	..	..	..	1

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACTS, 1948-51.

An 81 years old man suffering from grave chronic disease was removed under the provisions of these Acts to St. John's Hospital, Goole, where he died a few weeks later.

WEST RIDING COUNTY DIVISIONAL HEALTH SERVICES IN SELBY RURAL DISTRICT, 1961

The Public Health Nursing Staff in this Division no longer works according to County District boundaries. Most of the figures in the following summaries refer to Selby R.D., but in a few cases the figures are those for the Rural and Urban Districts combined or for Division No. 10 as a whole.

1. BIRTHS.

Live Births	....	....	....	....	....	102
Stillbirths	....	....	....	....	....	0
Illegitimate	....	....	....	....	....	4
Males	....	....	....	....	....	54
Females	....	....	....	....	....	48

2. PREMATURE BABIES. Babies weighing 5½ lbs. or less at Birth.

(i) Born at home	....	....	....	....	Alive	0	
					Stillborn	0	
(ii) Born in hospital	....	....	....	....	Alive	5	
					Stillborn	0	
						Total	5

3. HEALTH VISITING (Division No. 10 as a whole).

		First Visits	Other Visits	Total
Expectant Mothers	....	248	209	457
Children under 1	....	770	4510	5280
Children between 1 and 5	....	—	4489	4489
Other cases	....	—	3110	3110
Ineffective visits	....	428	1785	2213
		Total	14103	15549

4. CHILD WELFARE CLINIC.

44 children made 134 visits to Snaith clinic.

55 children made 261 visits to Selby clinic.

5. SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE.

Total number attending Paediatric Consultant	2
Total Number attending County Oculist	109
Number ordered Spectacles	40
Number attending Speech Therapy	8
Total number inspected in School by School M.O.	344
Total number inspected in School by School Nurse	1418
Total number of verminous heads	4
Tests for subnormality	2
Re-examinations	0
Reported to M.D. Authority as ineducable	0
Reported to M.D.A. for care and guidance	0
Recommended for special schools	0
Attending special schools	2
Recommended for Child Guidance	0

The following defects were found at medical inspections :

	Requiring treatment	For ob- servation
Verminous heads	4	0
Skin	1	3
Vision	11	19
Other eye conditions	0	5
Hearing	0	1
Other ear defects	3	3
Nose and throat	1	2
Speech	1	5
Cervical glands	1	2
Heart and circulation	0	2
Lungs	0	3
Developmental	0	2
Orthopaedic	3	9
Nervous System	1	1
Psychological	2	2
Other conditions	0	2

6. MATERNITY SERVICES.

Ante-Natal Clinics:

	Total visits	Mothers attending
Selby	54	24
Snaith	14	2

Confined in Hospital:

Leeds Maternity Home	....	....	....	....	5
York Maternity Home	....	....	....	....	36
Goole Borough Maternity Home	....	....	....	....	1
Others	....	....	....	....	11
					—
Total	....				53

County Midwives.

There were 41 domiciliary confinements in Selby Rural District.

The following summary of the work of the County Midwives is for Division 10 as a whole:—

Number of midwives	....	....	8
Number of cases	....	....	394
Number of visits	....	....	12441
Gas and air analgesia	....	....	187
Trilene analgesia	....	....	155

7. HOME NURSING (Division 10 as a whole).

Number of Nurses	....	....	6
Number of cases	....	....	479
Number of visits	....	....	12045

8. HOME HELPS.

Home Helps were employed for 66,471 hours attending cases in the Division.

The following Selby Rural cases were attended:—

Maternity	....	....	....	7
Chronic Sick (Over 65)	....	....	....	48
Chronic Sick (Under 65)	....	....	....	2
Others	....	....	....	6
				—
Total	....			63

9. IMMUNISATION AGAINST DIPHTHERIA during 1961

Children under 5 years	....	....	....	....	87
Children over 5 years	....	....	....	....	3
					90
Booster doses	....	....	....	....	62
					Total 152

Total number of children under 15 years of age who have been immunised up to the 31st December, 1961

Age—Years	0—1	1—4	5—9	10—14	Total Under 15
Number	28	258	410	548	1244
Percentage	56		97		93

10. IMMUNISATION AGAINST WHOOPING COUGH.

				During 1961	Total to Dec., 1961
Under 6 months	....	....	....	44	73
6 to 12 months	....	....	....	29	
1 to 2 years	....	....	....	3	158
2 to 3 years	....	....	....	7	
3 to 4 years	....	....	....	4	
				Total 87	231

11. B.C.G. VACCINATION OF SCHOOL CHILDREN (13 years of age).

Number of acceptances in 1961	....	34
Pre-vaccination Tuberculin Tests:		
Positive (not requiring vaccination)		2 (5.9%)
Negative (requiring vaccination)	....	32 (94.1%)
		34
Number vaccinated with B.C.G.	....	32

12. VACCINATION AGAINST POLIOMYELITIS.

Total registered to 31st December, 1961	....	2197
Vaccinated	....	2188
Third Injections	....	1782

13. MENTAL HEALTH.

Mental Health Act, 1959.

The number of persons under care and guidance at the end of 1961 was as follows:—

	Male	Female	Total
Psychopathic	0	1	1
Mentally ill	0	3	3
Subnormal	6	6	12
Severely Subnormal	1	3	4

Admissions to Mental Hospitals by the Mental Welfare Officers during 1961 were as follows:—

	Male	Female	Total
Emergency Admission	2	1	3
Admission for Observation	0	0	0
Admission for Treatment	0	0	0
Informal Admission	4	1	5

14. MASS RADIOGRAPHY SURVEY, 1961.

The unit visited Selby during the year.

Number examined	....	2022
Number of abnormalites found	....	8

PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION No. 10

The County Districts forming Division No. 10 are:—

Goole Borough (1,267 acres)	Selby Urban (3,883 acres)
Goole Rural (38,238 acres)	Selby Rural (33,304 acres)

Area of the Division	....	....	76,692 acres
Population (estimated mid-1961)			44,450
(Census 1961)	....		44,533

DIVISIONAL HEALTH OFFICE AND STAFF

6/7 Belgravia, Goole. Telephone, Goole 936 & 123.

Divisional Medical Officer and Divisional School Medical Officer:

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Senior Assistant County Medical Officer and School Medical Officer:

MURIEL J. LOWE, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H., D.C.H.

Assistant County Medical Officer and School Medical Officer:

EILEEN M. R. BELL-SYER, M.B., B.S.

School Dental Officer:

M. R. HOLLINGS, B.Sc.D., F.D.S.R.C.S. (Eng.)

Health Visitors and School Nurses:

Mrs. B. BEAL, Miss D. M. BUTLER, Mrs. M. DODSON, Mrs. M. HARGREAVES, Mrs. M. KELLY, Mrs. L. PRATT, Miss A. RIDSDALE, Miss D. M. ROBINSON, Mrs. A. SUTHERLAND (part-time).

Home Nurses:

Miss P. K. AGER, Mrs. S. CLAYBOURN, Mrs. N. CURRAN, Mrs. W. E. DUFFIN, Mrs. L. A. POLLARD, Mrs. J. SAWDON.

Domiciliary Midwives:

Miss L. ADDINALL, Mrs. M. BEDFORD, Miss I. CAMPBELL, Miss H. ELLIS, Mrs. M. E. HORNSHAW, Mrs. A. G. HORSFIELD, Mrs. M. M. HUGHES, Mrs. L. KITCHEN.

Mental Health Officers:

Mr. T. G. FOSTER, Mrs. M. MYERS.

Rawcliffe Training Centre:

Supervisor: Miss C. S. LOGAN. Staff: Mrs. A. ALVEY, Mrs. E. GOODALL, Mr. R. C. HUNT, Mrs. C. M. LAZENBY.

Speech Therapy:

Miss K. WADE (Divisions 10, 11 and 12).

Welfare Officer:

Mr. N. SUTCLIFFE.

Clerical:

Senior Clerk: Mr. R. TOWELL.

Deputy Senior Clerk: Mr. H. DODSON.

Miss S. L. BRAMHAM, Mrs. M. E. BRYARS (part-time), Mrs. B. BUCKLE, Miss F. A. CAMPBELL, Mr. J. LAWTON, Mr. G. N. NOWILL, Mrs. J. NOWILL (part-time), Miss J. E. SMAJE.

REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR FOR 1961

Water Supply.

Mains water is supplied to all parishes by the Council, which is the water undertaker for the whole of the District.

Water is purchased in bulk from Selby Urban District Council, and is obtained from deep boreholes in the red sandstone at Brayton Barff, which is situated in the Selby Rural District.

Chlorination is carried out at the source, but no other treatment has been found necessary.

A 6in. main has been laid during the year from Brayton Barff to Hambleton to improve the supply to Gateforth Hospital and Hambleton Village. The main has yet to be connected by Leeds Corporation to their 9in. main.

Negotiations have continued during the year regarding the formation of the Pontefract, Goole and Selby Water Board, and the control of the water undertaking will pass from the Council to the Water Board on the 1st April, 1962.

Sewerage.

Satisfactory sewerage schemes now exist in the parishes of Barlow, part of Carlton and the parish of Thorpe Willoughby.

The Brayton sewerage scheme is to be submitted to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government during the early part of 1962 and it is hoped that a start can be made on this scheme during that year.

The Council instructed their Consultants to prepare a scheme for the sewerage of Camblesforth and the remainder of Carlton. The Consultants' report was presented at the end of the year.

The sewage disposal plant which was built to accommodate the now redundant R.A.F. camp at Burn, has been acquired by the Council for use in connection with future sewerage schemes in the nearby parishes.

The five small disposal plants at Council housing sites have been well maintained and are functioning satisfactorily, but it is anticipated that at least one of these works will have

to be enlarged to accommodate anticipated Council housing development.

The Council's 800-gallon mechanical cesspool emptying vehicle continues to be fully employed, maintaining a free service for domestic tanks and on a rechargeable basis for all other types of tanks.

Refuse Collection and Disposal.

House refuse is collected throughout the district by direct labour.

A new 10 cubic yard diesel Karrier Refuse Vehicle was purchased during the year to replace the 7 cubic yard Karrier Bantam vehicle.

This new vehicle, together with the Karrier Dual Tip refuse collector, has enabled the Council to maintain a weekly collection of dustbins and pails throughout the district.

Disposal is effected on four tips at widely dispersed points and whilst every endeavour is made to keep the tips in satisfactory condition, much of the Council's efforts are nullified by indiscriminate tipping by unauthorised persons and by lack of mechanical plant.

The Council have been able to purchase a tipping site at Carlton but have met with difficulties in the Hambleton, Gateforth area, and unless a suitable site can be found fairly quickly, the refuse collection service in these parishes may suffer.

Housing and Public Health Inspections.

Routine inspection of house property is carried out as circumstances permit and any complaints are investigated without delay.

Remedies are effected largely by a personal visit to the owner and, in appropriate cases, informal notices are served. It was found necessary to issue one statutory notice during the year.

Number of houses rendered fit in consequence of					
informal action	....	....	....	....	28
Sanitary inspection under Public Health Acts	....				23
Housing inspections	....	....	....	....	435
Inspections for pests	....	....	....	....	521
Other inspections	....	....	....	....	72
Shops and food premises	....	....	....	....	126

One house in Sherburn Street, Cawood, was represented as unfit, and a demolition order made. Two houses have been demolished and four families rehoused from properties previously condemned.

Food Inspection.

The standard of cleanliness in food shops has been maintained at a satisfactory level, and no action has been necessary apart from verbal advice.

There are no ice cream manufacturing premises in the district, but a number of traders are licensed to sell pre-packed ice cream.

Following the report on the slaughterhouses in the district, which was submitted to the Ministry of Agriculture under the provisions of section 3 of the Slaughterhouses Act, 1958, October 1st, 1961 was made the appointed date by which time the slaughterhouses had to be brought up to the required standard.

The necessary work has been completed at three of the slaughterhouses in the district, and work is proceeding at the fourth.

Inspection of all food animals slaughtered for human consumption is regularly carried out, and during the year the following number of carcasses have been inspected:

Bullocks and Heifers	....	159
Cows	....	Nil
Calves	....	3
Sheep and Lambs	....	122
Pigs	....	38

The standard and quality of the meat slaughtered in the Selby Rural area was very high, and the willing co-operation of the butchers has made the inspection of animals slaughtered a far easier task than in many other districts.

Owing to the comparatively small amount of meat condemned, it is not an economical proposition to salvage it, and by arrangement with the Superintendent at Selby Baths, this material is destroyed by burning in the Baths furnace.

Rodent Control.

For a number of years, in conjunction with our neighbours, Derwent R.D.C., a full-time Rodent Operative has been

employed, devoting one-third of his time to the Selby Rural District.

It has become apparent that the volume of work in the Selby Rural District was more than one operator, working on this basis, could carry out efficiently.

It has been decided that from 1st January, 1962, the Selby Rural District will have its own operator, who will take over all existing contracts and extend the service to make it as self-supporting as possible.

New Housing.

New houses have been erected or are in course of erection within the district as follows:

By Council		By Private Developers	
Completed	In Course or Erection	Completed	In Course of Erection
4	0	38	35

The Council have made 36 Standard Grants during the year to enable owners to modernise their houses.

The Council have also increased the grant to be given to owners to £20, or half the cost of the work, whichever is the least, for the conversion of existing pail or earth closets into water closets. It is hoped that this grant will enable a number of owners of older property, who cannot afford to provide all the amenities and claim a standard grant, to at least provide their tenants with a suitable sanitary convenience, and at the same time to abolish for all time the insanitary ash pit.

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 to 1959

Part I.—Inspections.

Premises	No. on Register	Inspections	Written notices	Occupiers prosecuted
Factories in which Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6 are to be enforced by L.A.s	1	7	0	0
Factories not included above in which Sec. 7 is enforced by L.A.s	15	46	0	0
Other premises in which Sec. 7 is enforced by L.A.s	0	0	0	0
Total	16	53	0	0

Part I.—Defects.

Particulars	Found	Remedied	Referred to HMI	Referred by HMI	Prosecutions instituted
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	0	0	0	0	0
Overcrowding (S.2)	0	0	0	0	0
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	0	0	0	0	0
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	0	0	0	0	0
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	0	0	0	0	0
Sanitary conveniences insufficient, unsuitable or defective (S.7)	0	0	0	0	0
Other offences	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0

Part VIII Outworkers.—Nil.

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