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To The Chairman and Members of the Selby Urban District Council.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you my Eighteenth Annual Report on the health of the Urban District and the work of the Public Health Department for the year 1964.

Vital Statistics.

There were 209 live births registered, an increase of 9, giving a Birth Rate of 19.6 per thousand population (Adjusted Birth Rate 20.4). The West Riding County Birth Rate for Urban Districts was 18.3 and for England and Wales 18.4. Three stillbirths occurred.

134 deaths occurred, giving a Crude Death Rate of 12.6 (Adjusted Death Rate 11.8). The aggregate County Rate was 12.2 and the rate for England and Wales 11.3. Births exceeded deaths by 75.

Only 2 infants died under the age of one year, giving an Infant Mortality Rate of 9.6. This is the lowest rate for 25 years and the third lowest ever recorded. The National Rate was 20.0.

Infectious Diseases.

Notifiable infectious diseases totalled 101, of which 62 were measles. The 20 cases of food poisoning notified formed the major part of an outbreak of 23 cases among patients and staff at the Longwood Hospital during a very warm spell of weather in the first week of September. All the victims became ill a few hours after a meal in which the principal item was warmed up neck of mutton. Although none of the meat was available for bacteriological investigation, the fact that it had been part cooked one day, not refrigerated over night and warmed up the next day is strong presumptive evidence that it was the cause of the outbreak.

This Division took part in the Measles Vaccination Trial in October and November and I am gratified that so many parents accepted my assurance that the vaccination would be both beneficial and harmless and registered their children. About 33% of children eligible were registered. The trial was limited to selected children between the ages of ten months and two years. 148 children were selected by birthday date and received two injections, the others being registered as controls. All have been followed up at quarterly intervals. Over a six months period measles has occurred in this age group as follows:

Children vaccinated	....	....	....	1
Children registered as controls	....	....	....	13
Children not registered	....	....	....	27

At this stage the value of vaccination against measles looks promising.

Perinatal Mortality Rate.

This Rate is calculated from the number of stillbirths and the number of deaths in the first week of life per 1,000 total births. In my Annual Report for 1963 I commented at some length on the high Perinatal Mortality Rate in Selby in comparison with other local authorities in the West Riding. It is a relief, therefore, to report that in 1964 this Rate, at 18.9, is the second lowest recorded for the town, and only fourteen of the 89 West Riding authorities had a better rate. The County Rate was 30.7.

As I indicated last year too much importance should not be attributed to the figures, good or bad, in any one isolated year. (One death more or less makes a difference in the Rate, up or down, of 4.7). It may

well be that the overall trend which has been upwards since 1946, except for 1961, is beginning to fall. No effort should be spared, however, to ensure that every expectant mother gets adequate and continuous ante-natal care, a safe confinement, and immediate medical care for premature or delicate babies.

Cancer.

Deaths from cancer were fewer during 1964 in comparison with 1963. Cancer did take a toll of 21 lives however.

It seems appropriate to quote from a small booklet published by the Cancer Information Centre, which exists "not to frighten but to enlighten," a few sentences which have an urgent message for everyone.

"It is tragic that a human should lose his life through lack of information on how to save it; it is even more tragic for him to delay acting on what he knows until it is too late.

Cancer is so common that none of us will go through life without it crossing our path, even if we are lucky enough to avoid a personal collision with it. We must learn to recognise the Seven Danger Signals and be aware of the absolute necessity of treatment at the earliest indication of cancerous growth. The Seven Danger Signals are:—

1. Unusual bleeding or discharge.
2. A lump or thickening in the breast or elsewhere.
3. A sore that does not heal.
4. Change in bowel or bladder habits.
5. Hoarseness or cough.
6. Difficulty in swallowing.
7. Change in a wart or mole.

If your signal lasts more than four weeks, go to your doctor. Usually they are the symptoms of some disorder other than cancer, but they may indicate the presence of a malignant growth.... Following this rule has saved many lives, and some day it may save yours."

Mental Health.

By the end of 1964 the Rawcliffe Training Centre for severely sub-normal patients had reached its overall capacity of 64 patients and plans for considerable extensions are under consideration. Adults are doing regular sub-contract work for County Supplies and are earning up to 7/6 a week incentive money.

In December a Day Social Centre for patients convalescing from psychiatric illness became fully operative in the old school at Snaith and is the first centre of this kind in the West Riding. Here patients can rehabilitate socially and industrially under the guidance of an instructor on their progression from hospital back to full community life. Patients from Goole, Selby and Thorne may attend on the recommendation of the psychiatrists responsible for their treatment.

In conclusion, I must place on record my appreciation of the continued support of the Members and Officers of the Council, the loyal service of the Public Health Staffs, and the help given by the Voluntary Committee at the Clinic and the W.V.S.

I remain, Your obedient servant,

S. KENNAUGH APPLETON,

July, 1965.

Medical Officer of Health.

GENERAL STATISTICS, 1964.

Area of Urban District	3,883 acres
Population (mid 1964)	10,670
Number of Inhabited Houses	3,650
Rateable Value	£349,901 (Apr. 1965)
Product of Penny Rate (estimated) £1,389	(Apr. 1965)

VITAL STATISTICS

	SELBY U.D.	Aggre- gate West Riding U.D.s	West Riding Admin. County	England and Wales (Provi- sional)
BIRTH RATE (per 1,000 population)	19.6	18.3	18.5	18.4
CRUDE DEATH RATES (per 1,000 population)				
All causes	12.6	12.2	11.5	11.3
Infective & Parasitic Diseases	0	0.04	0.04	—
Respiratory Tuberculosis	0.09	0.06	0.05	0.05
Other forms of Tuberculosis	0	0	0	0.01
Respiratory Diseases (excluding Tuberculosis)	1.87	1.47	1.37	—
Malignant Neoplasms	1.97	2.09	2.02	2.11
Heart and Circulatory Diseases	4.87	4.64	4.37	—
Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	1.87	1.88	1.74	—
INFANT MORTALITY (Deaths under one year per 1,000 live births)	9.6	22.1	22.2	20.0
STILLBIRTHS	14.2	18.3	17.6	16.3
PERINATAL MORTALITY	18.9	30.7	30.0	—
MATERNAL MORTALITY (Deaths of mothers in child- birth per 1,000 total births)	0	0.49	0.40	0.25

Comparability Factors:

For Births, 1.04.

Adjusted Birth Rate, 20.4.

For Deaths, 0.94.

Adjusted Death Rate, 11.8.

BIRTH AND DEATH RATES, 1964 AND MEAN RATES FOR DICENNIAL PERIODS

BIRTH RATE = 19.6

(per 1,000 population)

1901-1910	....	....	27.2	1931-1940	....	....	15.5
1911-1920	....	....	23.0	1941-1950	....	....	17.8
1921-1930	....	....	19.7	1951-1960	....	....	15.1

STILLBIRTHS = 14.2

(per 1,000 total births)

1901-1910	....	....	—	1931-1940	....	....	28.0
1911-1920	....	....	—	1941-1950	....	....	37.5
1921-1930	....	....	38.6	1951-1960	....	....	34.1

ILLEGITIMATE BIRTHS = 33.0

(per 1,000 total births)

1901-1910	....	....	—	1931-1940	....	....	38.4
1911-1920	....	....	48.4	1941-1950	....	....	56.9
1921-1930	....	....	46.5	1951-1960	....	....	27.0

INFANTILE MORTALITY = 9.6

(per 1,000 live births)

1901-1910	....	....	127.7	1931-1940	....	....	49.1
1911-1920	....	....	97.4	1941-1950	....	....	54.0
1921-1930	....	....	62.9	1951-1960	....	....	32.1

NEONATAL MORTALITY = 4.8

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

1901-1910	....	....	28.8	1931-1940	....	....	26.2
1911-1920	....	....	38.1	1941-1950	....	....	31.1
1921-1930	....	....	33.4	1951-1960	....	....	23.8

PERINATAL MORTALITY = 18.9

(Stillbirths and first week deaths per 1,000 total births)

1921-1930	....	....	61.1	1941-1950	....	....	58.8
1931-1940	....	....	65.4	1951-1960	....	....	54.8

TOTAL DEATH RATE = 12.6

(per 1,000 population)

1901-1910	....	....	13.7	1931-1940	....	....	11.7
1911-1920	....	....	13.0	1941-1950	....	....	13.0
1921-1930	....	....	11.8	1951-1960	....	....	12.9

DISEASES OF HEART AND CIRCULATION = 4.87

1901-1910	....	....	1.01	1931-1940	....	....	2.41
1911-1920	....	....	1.29	1941-1950	....	....	2.73
1921-1930	....	....	1.53	1951-1960	....	....	4.72

VASCULAR DISEASES OF CENTRAL NERVOUS
SYSTEM = 1.87

1901-1910			—	1931-1940			1.03
1911-1920	....	....	—	1941-1950	....	....	1.50
1921-1930	....	....	1.24	1951-1960	....	....	1.75

MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS = 1.97

1901-1910	....	....	0.91	1931-1940	....	....	1.73
1911-1920	....	....	1.16	1941-1950	....	....	2.04
1921-1930	....	....	1.62	1951-1960	....	....	2.17

RESPIRATORY DISEASES = 1.87

1901-1910	....	....	1.72	1931-1940	....	....	1.57
1911-1920	....	....	1.90	1941-1950	....	....	1.80
1921-1930	....	....	2.56	1951-1960	....	....	1.65

INFECTIVE AND PARASITIC DISEASES = 0

1901-1910	....	....	1.53	1931-1940	....	....	0.24
1911-1920	....	....	0.68	1941-1950	....	....	0.06
1921-1930	....	....	0.43	1951-1960	....	....	0.04

RESPIRATORY TUBERCULOSIS = 0.09

1901-1910	....	....	0.94	1931-1940	....	....	0.59
1911-1920	....	....	0.92	1941-1950	....	....	0.32
1921-1930	....	....	0.72	1951-1960	....	....	0.06

NON-RESPIRATORY TUBERCULOSIS = 0

1901-1910	....	....	0.36	1931-1940	....	....	0.16
1911-1920	....	....	0.44	1941-1950	....	....	0.08
1921-1930	....	....	0.17	1951-1960	....	....	0.03

MATERNAL MORTALITY = 0

(per 1,000 total births)

1901-1910	....	....	5.08	1931-1940	....	....	3.69
1911-1920	....	....	5.02	1941-1950	....	....	1.59
1921-1930	....	....	3.11	1951-1960	....	....	0.69

BIRTHS, 1964

			Male	Female	Total
Live Births.—	Legitimate	....	108	94	202
	Illegitimate	....	5	2	7
			—	—	—
	Total		113	96	209
Stillbirths	....	....	2	1	3

CAUSES OF DEATH, 1964

			Male	Female	Total
Tuberculosis, respiratory	....	....	1	0	1
Syphilitic disease	....	....	0	0	0
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	....	....	2	0	2
Malignant neoplasm, lungs, bronchus	....	....	3	0	3
Malignant neoplasm, breast	....	....	0	3	3
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	....	....	—	1	1
Other malignant neoplasms	....	....	6	6	12
Leukaemia, aleukaemia	....	....	0	0	0
Diabetes	....	....	0	0	0
Vascular lesions, nervous system	....	....	5	15	20
Coronary disease, angina	....	....	15	9	24
Hypertension with heart disease	....	....	2	2	4
Other heart disease	....	....	5	11	16
Other circulatory disease	....	....	6	2	8
Influenza	....	....	1	3	4
Pneumonia	....	....	6	3	9
Bronchitis	....	....	4	2	6
Other respiratory disease	....	....	1	0	1
Ulcer of stomach, duodenum	....	....	2	1	3
Gastritis, enteritis	....	....	0	1	1
Nephritis	....	....	1	0	1
Hyperplasia of prostate	....	....	0	—	0
Pregnancy, childbirth	....	....	—	0	0
Congenital malformations	....	....	0	1	1
Motor vehicle accidents	....	....	1	0	1
All other accidents	....	....	2	2	4
Suicide	....	....	0	0	0
All other causes	....	....	4	5	9
			—	—	—
Total			67	67	134

INFANTILE MORTALITY Causes of Death in Age Groups

	Under 1 week	1 to 2 Weeks	2 to 3 Weeks	3 to 4 Weeks	1 to 3 Months	3 to 6 Months	6 to 9 Months	9 to 12 Months	TOTAL
Congenital malformations	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1
Respiratory infection ....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	1
	1	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	2

CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE notified during the year 1964

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	20	...	...	...	...	2	...	18
Diphtheria	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Erysipelas	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Scarlet Fever	5	...	...	5	...	...	...	...
Paratyphoid Fever B	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Puerperal Pyrexia	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Acute Poliomyelitis, paralytic	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" non-paralytic	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Acute Encephalitis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	...
Other forms of Tuberculosis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	62	2	25	33	2	...	...	...
Primary Pneumonia	3	...	...	2	...	...	1	...
Influenzal Pneumonia	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Whooping Cough	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dysentery	7	2	4	...	...	1	...	...
Encephalitis Lethargica	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	101	4	30	40	2	3	4	18

TUBERCULOSIS

New cases in 1964

	Male	Female	Total
Pulmonary	2	0	2
Non-Pulmonary	0	0	0
Total	2	0	2

Total cases on Register

Pulmonary	36	30	66
Non-Pulmonary	4	6	10
Total	40	36	76

WEST RIDING COUNTY DIVISIONAL HEALTH SERVICES IN SELBY RURAL DISTRICT, 1964

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 U.D., but in a few cases the figures are those for the Urban and Rural Districts combined or for Division No. 10 as a whole.

1. BIRTHS.

Live Births	....	....	....	....	....	202
Stillbirths	....	....	....	....	....	3
Illegitimate	....	....	....	....	....	7
Males	....	....	....	....	....	108
Females	....	....	....	....	....	94

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

			Living	Stillborn
(i) Born at home	....	....	5	1
(ii) Born in hospital	....	....	11	1
			16	2

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

		First Visits	Other Visits	Total
Expectant Mothers	....	376	171	547
Children under 1	....	795	3207	4002
Children between 1 and 5	....	2048	3560	5608
Other cases	....	—	5337	5337
Ineffective visits	....	905	1522	2427
		4124	13797	17921
	Total	4124	13797	17921

4. CHILD WELFARE CLINIC.

Total number of children under 5 years of age who first attended the Clinic during the year:

(i) Born in 1964	....	....	....	....	216
(ii) Born 1959-63	....	....	....	....	511

Number of Sessions held:

Selby	....	....	....	....	49
Total attendance	....	....	....	....	4013
Average per session	....	....	....	....	82

Of the above, 25 East Riding children made 231 visits and 103 Selby Rural children made 391 visits.

5. SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE.

Attendances at Clinic (S.U.D. and S.R.D.)	....	146
Number attending Paediatric Consultant (at Goole)		2
Number attending County Oculist	....	215
Number prescribed Spectacles	....	89
Number attending Speech Therapy	....	16
Number inspected in School by School M.O.	....	442
Number inspected in School by School Nurse	....	5211
Number of verminous heads	....	44
Tests for Subnormality	....	3
Re-examinations	....	0
Reported to M.D. Authority as ineducable	....	1
Recommended for Residential Schools	....	0
Attending Residential Schools	....	4
Reported for Care and Guidance	....	1

The following defects were found at medical inspections:

	Requiring treatment	For ob- servation
Verminous heads	44	—
Skin	25	8
Vision	36	43
Other eye conditions	1	—
Hearing	110	5
Other ear defects	10	7
Nose and throat	2	11
Speech	9	4
Cervical glands	11	3
Heart and circulation	2	7
Lungs	2	6
Developmental	8	5
Orthopaedic	4	6
Nervous System	5	1
Psychological	—	2
Other conditions	1	—

SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE (Division No. 10 as a whole)

Number inspected	....	6133
Requiring treatment	....	3867
Offered treatment	....	3294
Treated	....	1603

6. MATERNITY SERVICES.

Ante-Natal Clinics:

Number of patients attending	....	....	....	37
Total number of attendances	....	....	....	94
Number of sessions held	....	....	....	50
Average attendance per session	....	....	....	1.8

Of the above, 12 Selby Rural Mothers made 34 visits.

A Mothercraft and Relaxation Exercise Class for expectant mothers is held weekly and 768 attendances were made.

Confined in Hospital:

Leeds Hospitals	....	....	....	....	3
York Maternity Home	....	....	....	....	99
Other Maternity Homes	....	....	....	....	17
Total					119

County Midwives.

There were 98 domiciliary confinements in Selby Urban 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	....	....	374
Number of visits	....	....	11137
Gas and air analgesia	....	....	0
Trilene analgesia	....	....	295

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

Number of Nurses	....	....	6
Number of cases completed	....	....	332
Number of visits	....	....	12179

8. HOME HELPS.

Home Helps were employed for 80,272 hours attending cases in the Division.

The following cases were attended in Selby U.D.:—

Maternity	....	....	....	3
Chronic Sick (Over 65)	....	....	....	74
Chronic Sick (Under 65)	....	....	....	15
Others	....	....	....	3
Total				95

9. IMMUNISATION AGAINST DIPHTHERIA.

Immunised during 1964.	Children under 5 years	181
	Children over 5 years	21
		202
	Refresher Dose	286
	Total	488

Total number of children under 15 years of age who have been immunised up to the 31st December, 1964

Age—Years	0—1	1—4	5—9	10—14	Total Under 15
Number	121	626	714	779	2240
Percentage	91.6		93.3		92.7

10. IMMUNISATION AGAINST WHOOPING COUGH during 1964.

Under 6 months	....	....	....	....	82
6 months to 1 year	....	....	....	....	39
1 to 2 years	....	....	....	....	46
2 to 3 years	....	....	....	....	9
3 to 4 years	....	....	....	....	3
				Total	179

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

Number of acceptances in 1964 192

Pre-vaccination Tuberculin Tests:

Positive (not requiring vaccination) 13 (7.2%)

Negative (requiring vaccination) 167 (92.8%)

180

Number vaccinated with B.C.G. 166

12. VACCINATION AGAINST POLIOMYELITIS.

Total registered, 31st December, 1964	....	....	6402
Vaccinated	....	....	6376

13. MENTAL HEALTH.

Mental Health Act, 1959.

The number of persons under care and guidance at the end of 1964 was as follows:—

			Male	Female	Total
Psychopathic	....	....	1	0	1
Mentally ill	....	....	6	8	14
Subnormal	....	....	6	12	18
Severely Subnormal	....	....	2	1	3

Admissions to Mental Hospitals by the Mental Welfare Officers during 1964 were as follows:—

			Male	Female	Total
Emergency Admissions	....		3	1	4
Admission for Observations	....		3	1	4
Admission for Treatment	....		2	1	3
Informal Admission	....	....	4	14	18

14. MASS RADIOGRAPHY SURVEY 1964.

The unit did not visit Selby this year.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACTS, 1948-51

An elderly woman was removed under these Acts and detained in hospital. She had taken her own discharge from hospital and returned to an insanitary hovel whilst still suffering from grave chronic disease.

PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION No. 10

The County Districts forming Division No. 10 are:—

Goole Borough (1,267 acres)	Selby Urban (3,882 acres)
Goole Rural (38,238 acres)	Selby Rural (33,304 acres)
Area of the Division	76,692 acres
Population (Estimated mid-1964)	45,060
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:

S. KENNAUGH APPLETON, S.B.St.J., M.D., Ch.B., D.P.H., D.T.M.

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.)

Divisional Nursing Officer:

Vacant.

Health Visitors and School Nurses:

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

Home Nurses:

Mrs. H. B. BEAUMONT, Mrs. S. CLAYBOURN, Mrs. M. LUND, Mrs. W. E. DUFFIN, Mrs. L. A. POLLARD, Mrs. J. SAWDON.

Domiciliary Midwives:

Miss E. CLAYTON, Miss I. CAMPBELL, Miss H. ELLIS, Mrs. D. FRANKLIN, Mrs. M. E. HORNSHAW, Mrs. A. G. HORSFIELD, Mrs. M. M. HUGHES, Miss E. D. LAKING.

Mental Health Officers:

Mr. T. G. FOSTER, Miss M. J. HURLEY.

Rawcliffe Training Centre:

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

Speech Therapy:

Miss R. M. ROGERS (Divisions 9, 10 and 11).

Welfare Officer:

Mr. N. SUTCLIFFE.

Clerical:

Senior Clerk: Mr. R. TOWELL.

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. M. READSHAW (part-time), Miss J. ROCKETT, Miss J. E. SMAJE.

CLINICS.

(30.6.65)

The following Child Welfare, Maternity, School Health Services and Specialists' Clinics are held in the new County Clinic, Raincliffe Street, Selby.

Monday 10-12: School Clinic Dr. E. M. R. Bell-Syer.
Miss A. Ridsdale.

Monday 10-12 and 2-4:
Speech Therapy Miss R. P. Rogers.

Monday 2-4: Ante-Natal Clinic Dr. E. M. R. Bell-Syer.
Miss A. Ridsdale.
Mrs. A. Sutherland.

Thursday 2-4:
Relaxation and Mothercraft Midwives.

Friday 10-12: Minor Ailments Miss A. Ridsdale.

Friday 2-4: Child Welfare Dr. E. M. R. Bell-Syer.
Miss A. Ridsdale.
Mrs. A. Sutherland.

A Training Centre for the training of severely subnormal children and adults is situated at Rawcliffe.

Dr. L. Wittels holds eye-testing sessions 3 times a month either at Goole or Selby.

The Children's Specialist has sessions in Goole on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month, which are available to the children of Selby. Sun-ray treatment is also available at Goole.

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT.

Inspection Work 1964.

Inspections (including re-inspections of dwellinghouses)	353
Visits in connection with the letting of houses	59
Visits in connection with exchange of houses	39
Council houses inspected	13
Visits in connection with infectious diseases	4
Visits in connection with caravan sites	22
Visits re slum clearance	57
Water samples taken	4
Smoke observations (Clean Air Act)	10
Inspections re rodent infestations (Rodent Operative)	349
Cinema inspections	10
Inspections of Milk Shops and Dairies	16
Ice Cream premises	41
Fish and Chip premises	15
Sausage and Pork products	12
Bakehouses	4
Grocers and Provision Merchants	29
Restaurants, cafes and kitchens	28
Market inspections—Stalls and vehicles	333
Licensed premises	9
Visits for food inspection	258
Visits for meat inspection	193
Carcases inspected:	
Beasts	409
Pigs	7
Sheep	279
Other Visits and Interviews	1742
Total	4295

During the year 69 notices were served under the Public Health and Housing Acts; of these 65 were complied with.

Details of Sanitary Improvements effected as a result of inspections made and notices issued under Public Health and Housing Acts:—

Roofs repaired and made weatherproof	....	....	59
Rainwater gutters repaired or renewed	....	....	27
Rainwater downspouts repaired or renewed	....	....	31
External walls repaired	....	....	11
Fireranges and firegrates repaired or renewed	....	....	5
Wall plaster repaired	....	....	19
Ceiling plaster repaired	....	....	8
Floors repaired	....	....	10
Window frames repaired or renewed	....	....	39
Doors repaired or renewed	....	....	6
Dampness remedied	....	....	8
Miscellaneous (not included above)	....	....	53

Water Closets.

Roofs and walls repaired	....	....	11
Basins renewed	....	....	5
Flushing apparatus repaired	....	....	19
Seats repaired or renewed	....	....	3
Other defects remedied	....	....	17

Drainage.

Defective drains repaired	....	....	19
Choked drains cleansed			82

Storage of Refuse.

Defective dustbins renewed			127
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Cinemas.

No complaints received during the year and they were generally well kept.

Periodical inspections were carried out and any minor defects reported to the respective managers remedied without the service of notices.

Meat and Other Foods.

Meat.—Total weight of meat condemned: 4 cwts. 9 lbs.

Food.—Total weight of food condemned: 20 cwts. 2 qrs.

Rats and Mice Destruction. Rodent Operative.

Number of visits and re-visits	....	....	....	349
Number of complaints received	....	....	....	74

Rat Infestation of Sewers.

The sewers are treated twice each year. The method of treatment is as follows: A 10% baiting test is placed in the inspection chambers, this gives an indication as to which sections are rat infested. The infested sections are then treated with Zinc Phosphide and from the amount of this poison taken it would seem that a large number of rats were killed.

Water Supply.

All houses are provided with piped water from deep wells at Brayton. During the year 4 samples were taken for bacteriological examination. All were satisfactory.

Clean Air Act.

Ten smoke observations were made, each of 30 minutes' duration. Interviews with stokers were held regarding methods of firing. Interviews were also held with the respective managers.

Market Stalls and Vehicles.

29 verbal warnings were given for minor infringements of Byelaws. In all cases the matter complained of was rectified forthwith.

Public Baths.

The water fed to the baths is from the town mains and is chlorinated in the Pumphouse at Brayton Barff. Breakpoint chlorination of the swimming water is also carried out at the Baths before the water enters the bath. The swimming water is changed every 4 hours.

HOUSING ACTS.

Herewith find particulars of condemned properties:—

The following Tables show the amount of work which has been accomplished under the Housing Acts since 1946.

Clearance Areas.

			Number of Houses		No. of Persons Displaced
			Demolished or to be Demolished	Provided	
South Parade	....	....	18	18	40
East Common	....	....	23	14	16
Standerings Yard	....	....	6	3	3
New Lane	....	....	5	5	7
Massey Row	....	....	9	9	22
14, 15, 16 Shipyard	....	....	3	3	10
49 to 59 Shipyard Road	....	....	6	5	11
1—5 Canal Side	....	....	5	5	13
19—20 Shipyard	....	....	2	2	5
3—47 Shipyard Road	....	....	23	23	57

Individual Unfit Houses since 1946.

Situation	Demolished or to be Demolished	Undertaking Accepted	Houses Provided	Pop.
85 and 87 Gowthorpe	2	0	1	4
2 Church Lane	0	1	1	3
4 Church Lane	0	1	1	4
69a Wide Street	0	1	1	12
1 New Lane	0	1	1	7
3 New Lane	0	1	1	5
65 Wide Street	0	1	1	4
1 Haigh's Yard	0	1	0	0
2 Haigh's Yard	0	1	1	3
10 Shipyard	0	1	1	5
8 Market Lane	0	1	1	7
2 Market Lane	0	1	1	4
4 Market Lane	0	1	1	2
6 Market Lane	0	1	1	3
Cottage, Liversidge Sidings	0	1	1	3
8 Wren Lane	1	1	1	10
56a Micklegate	0	1	1	3
18 New Lane	0	1	1	3
12 Maltkiln Yard	0	1	1	3

Situation	Demolished or to be Demolished	Undertaking Accepted	Houses Provided	Pop.
1 Eastman's Flats	0	1	1	4
2 Eastman's Flats	0	1	1	3
Parvin's Yard	0	1	1	4
10, 12, 14 Market Lane	0	3	3	5
3 Haigh's Yard	0	1	1	4
Cottage, Ross Carr Farm	0	1	1	8
56 Ousegate	0	1	1	6
11 Dam Bank	0	1	1	3
8 Adams' Square	0	1	1	3
5 Midge Yard	0	1	1	1
6 Midge Yard	0	1	1	2
64a Ousegate	0	1	1	3
32a Church Hill	0	1	1	5
24 Millgate	0	1	1	4
1 Massey Row	0	1	1	2
43b Micklegate	0	1	1	2
Cottage, George Hotel Yard	0	1	1	0
Cottage, Nags Head Yd.	0	1	1	7
49 Shipyard Road	1	1	1	5
2 The Nook	0	1	0	1
1 & 2 Southwood's Yard.	0	2	0	0
3 Wren Lane	0	1	1	4
11 New Lane	0	1	1	5
16 Millgate	0	1	0	4
Caravan, Mount Pleasant	1	1	1	4
Caravan, Flaxley Road	1	1	1	3
1, 2 & 3 Canal Side	3	3	3	10
53, 57, 70 & 72 Millgate	0	4	4	13
22 Lock Hill	0	1	1	5
Bradfield's Yard	0	1	0	0
34 Ousegate	0	1	0	0
4 New Lane	0	1	1	1
100 Gowthorpe	0	1	0	0
Caravan, Mount Pleasant	1	0	1	2
3 & 4 Hutchinsons Yard	2	0	2	4
13 Bondgate	1	0	1	2
51 & 55 Millgate	0	2	2	6
1, 2 & 3 Denison Arms Yard	3	0	2	3
21 Lock Hill	0	1	1	2
25 Gowthorpe	0	1	1	3
1 and 2 Maltkiln Yard	0	2	2	6

Staff.

I am pleased to say that my assistant carried out her duties in a courteous and efficient manner. I take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Wiseman for her willing service.

I remain, Your obedient servant,

WILKINSON LITTLE,

Senior Public Health Inspector.

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	74	6	0	0
Factories not included above in which Sec. 7 is enforced by L.A.s	0	0	0	0
Other premises in which Sec. 7 is enforced by L.A.s	0	0	0	0
Total	74	6	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)	2	2	0	0	0
Other offences	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	2	0	0	0

Part VIII Outworkers.—Nil.