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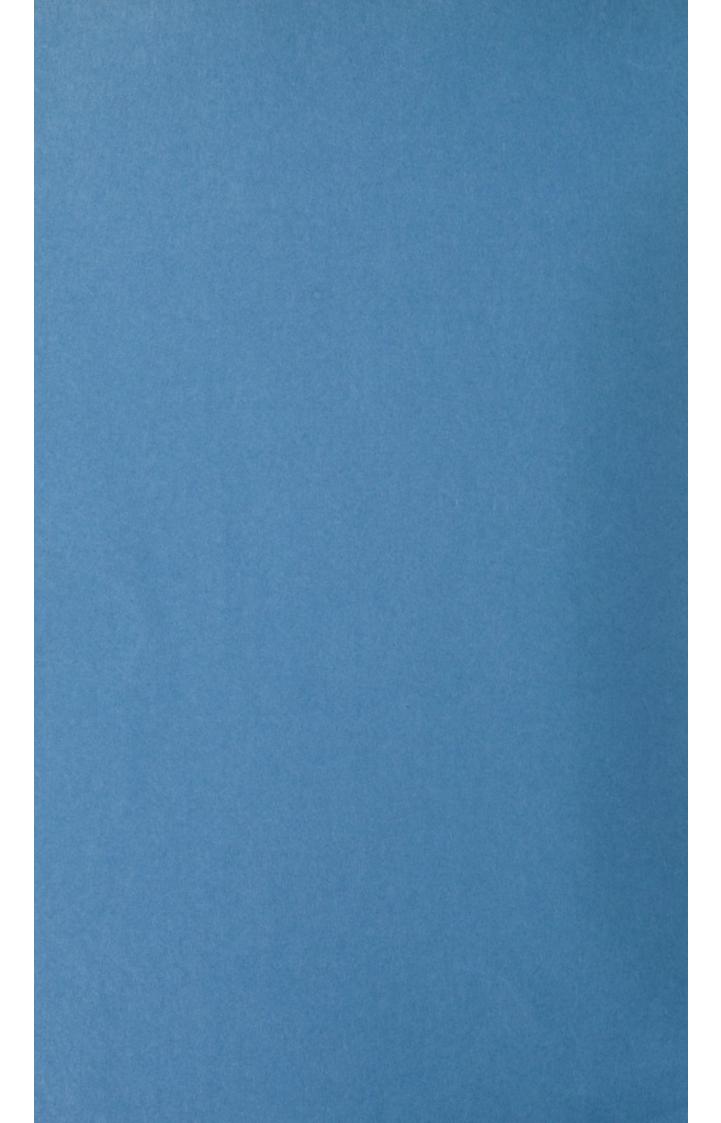
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FOR THE YEAR 1962

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT, COUNCIL HOUSE, STOURBRIDGE



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Deputy Mayor

Councillor C.J. Aston

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Medical Officer of Health

R.L. Corlett, M.D., Ch.B., D.P.H. (Retired 31.12.62)

Deputy Medical Officer of Health (Occasional)

C.W.J. Hingston, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.T.M.&H., D.F.H.

Chief Public Health Inspector, also Inspector under Petroleum and Shops Acts

立	A.E.K. Kent, A.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.
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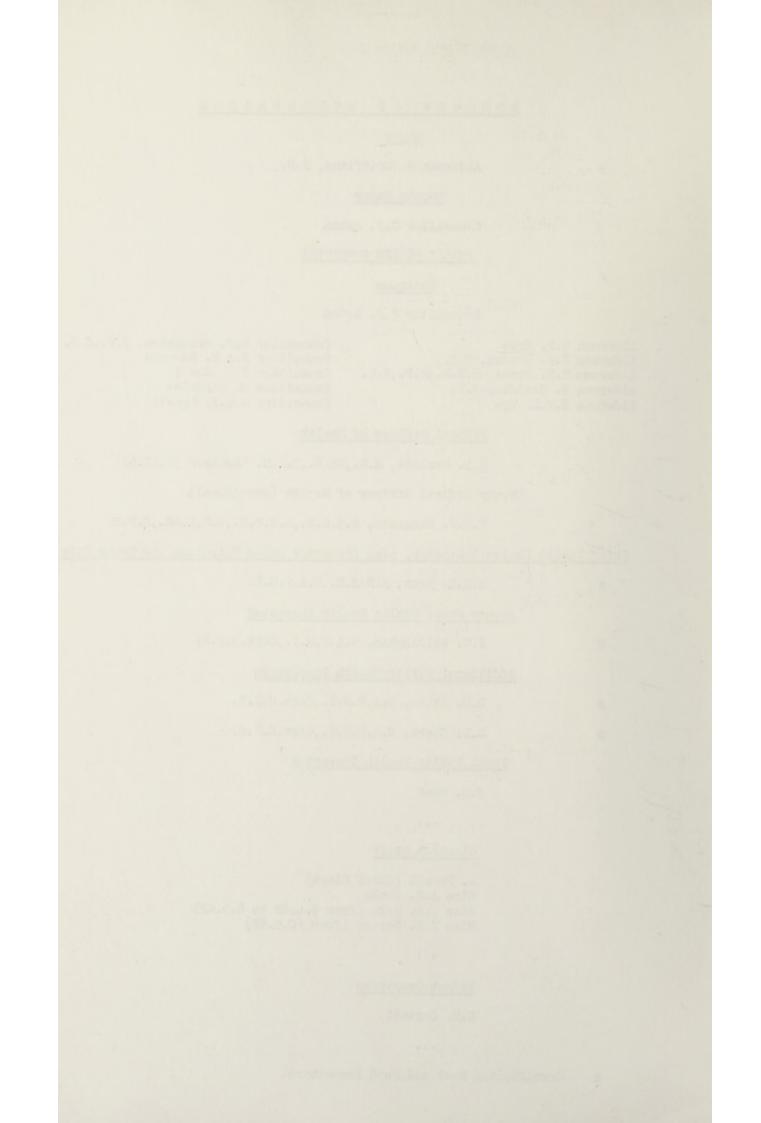
Rodent Operative

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Certificated Meat and Food Inspectors.

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ANNUAL REPORT of the MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH for 1962

To The Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of The Borough of Stourbridge.

Mr. Mayor and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report for the year 1962.

1. Infectious Diseases

(a) Pulmonary Tuberculosis

The figure of 19 new cases represents an increase of five new cases over the previous year.

The decrease of this disease over the last two decades has been considerable, due in part to potent anti-tuberculosis drugs, the virtual eradication of infected milk, and the greater use of diagnostic measures such as mass radiography, and the introduction of protective immunity in the young adolescent with B.C.G. vaccine which continues to be offered to school children before leaving school. The figure for new cases could possibly be further reduced by careful selective X-ray of those known to be at greater risk, and by perserverance on behalf of those known cases of tuberculosis in taking their anti-tuberculosis drugs which renders them non-infective to others. Although a difficult problem to achieve, total eradication should be the aim.

(b) Measles

Following the high incidence of measles reported in 1961 when 988 cases were notified, it was expected that only a few would accur and a figure of 6 cases confirmed this.

(c) Polionyelitis

I am happy to report that no cases of Poliomyelitis occurred in 1962 in this Borough. Lest anyone be lulled into a sense of false security by this fact I would stress the importance attached to the County Council scheme whereby oral vaccine may be given through their own doctor, or at the County Council Clinic in Hagley Road. It is hoped that many more will take advantage of this simple free procedure.

(d) Snallpox

Due to the entry into this country of smallpox in the early part of this year, considerable local work was done in the tracing of possible contacts, and vaccination figures showed that 2,314 people were given primary vaccination and 2,527 were re-vaccinated, a total figure considerably in excess of vaccination performed in the previous year.

A special clinic was set up in a laundry where the risk was considered to be greater, and all personnel were vaccinated. No known smallpox contacts were living in the Borough. It is hoped that parents will continue to request vaccination for their children in infancy, the most appropriate time being between 1 and 2 years of age.

(e) Dysentery

Five proved cases of Sonne Dysentery occurred out of a total of 14 cases notified. All were mild cases mainly affecting children.

2. Respiratory disorders and Air Pollution

The quality of the air we breathe often determines the extent of respiratory disorders in the community. This is especially so in the case of chronic Bronchitis from which 43 have died in the Borough during the year. Under the Clean Air Act, preparations to make 17 areas Smoke Controlled were undertaken in 1962. This covers about 1/10th of the area of the Borough and about 1/15th of its population. It is hoped that the Ministry will grant these Orders by August, 1963.

It is indeed unfortunate that the number of children and young adults who take up cigarette smoking is increasing, due in no small part, I feel, to the effect of television advertising. This self-induced pollution of one's lungs can best be prevented by the attitude of parents, teachers and Youth Organisations towards this problem, as the result of formal lectures at school from doctors on dangars of smoking has had on the whole disappointing results. to The Boyer, Aldering and Councillings

Mr. Mayor and CentLinday,

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3. Water Supplies

Since October, 1962 the water supply came under the control of the newly constituted North West Worcestershire Water Board. Prior to this date the Stourbridge and District Water Board had provided water to this Borough since 1909.

It is also important to note that before the end of 1962 the decision was taken by the Council to recommend the addition of fluoride to the Borough water supply, and thus provide a means of reducing the high incidence of dental caries in children. It is hoped that this important Public Health measure will be implemented in the next year or two.

4. Old People's Health and Welfare

A Committee was formed to consider the Health and Welfare requirements of the elderly in the Borough on behalf of the County Health and Welfare Departments. Circulars were sent to Family Doctors, Health Visitors and Social Workers requesting information on elderly persons who may require domiciliary Health and Welfare Services through the County Health and Welfare Departments. Information so far received from these sources has led me to believe that the number who need these services is small, and no major problem arising from the lack of these services exists in the Borough. It is hoped that the proposed extension of the Meals Service undertaken by the W.V.S. on behalf of the County will meet the growing need of the many elderly who have indicated their desire for this service, and who have to date not been able to benefit from it.

As regards housing of the elderly, 190 bungalows or flatlets have been built specifically for them. 106 of these are covered by a Warden system, 18 have some form of flashing light-call system and 66 are independent of either. Modifications in design of bungalows for the elderly should include switch and tap fittings raised to hip level, to reduce the risk of falls which many elderly experience on bending down, non-skid floors, windows which open sideways with convenient latch handle height, hand grip for baths and wide passages and doors.

The new Grange Court Flatlets accommodating 29 elderly persons opened in 1962 with a Resident Warden, have incorporated in their design these modern aids for safety and confort of the elderly, and are very much appreciated by them.

It is pleasing to note how a change in environment alone from substandard housing to these modern flatlets can affect the whole outlook of these elderly people so set in their ways, and in many cases has resulted in a marked change in their whole mode of life, reflected in a noted improvement in their standard of personal cleanliness, and the tidiness of their rooms. An excellent common room well patronised in the evening is bound to foster a good community spirit.

5. Vital Statistics

Infant Deaths totalled 18 cases compared with 12 in 1961. Congenital defects incompatable with life still remains the commonest cause of death, there being 7 cases. Infection accounted for 5 deaths. The Infant Mortality Rate is 22.8 compared with 16.2 for 1961.

The Perinatal Mortality Rate which takes into account factors arising from the 26th week of pregnancy, factors arising during labour and during the first 7 days after birth, is a useful reflection of the ante natal care, conduction of labour and immediate post natal care of the child. The figure of 26.2 shows a slight decrease over 1961 and a considerable decrease over the years 1960 and 1959.

Deaths from Cancer of the Lung number 22 as compared with 24 in 1961. Coronary disease accounted for 89 deaths compared with 84 in 1961 and continues to be the commonest single cause of death.

The estimated mid-year population is μ_{t+} ,010 an increase of 1,150 over the previous year. The total number of live births exceeded the total number of deaths by 303. Alars Coloner, 1962 the relat stirily and under the control of the rawly constituted forth lost Vercenterables Veter Sourd. Frior to this date the Starterical work District Satur Scout had provided wrear to the Scout & story 1900.

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I should like to thank my predecessor, Dr. R.L. Corlett, for all the help he gave me during my term as Deputy Medical Officer of Health to the Borough since January, 1960.

I wish to express my gratitude to the Chairman, Councillor C.J. Aston, and Members of the Public Health Committee for their help and consideration, and to the Town Clerk, Mr. Drury, and his staff for their help and advice.

In conclusion I take this opportunity to thank Mr. Kent and his Health Inspectorate staff, also Mr. Powell, Chief Clerk, and the clerical staff for their ready co-operation at all times.

I am, Mr. Mayor and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

CLAYTON W.J. HINGSTON

Medical Officer of Health.

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SECTION A
Statistics and Social Conditions
The town is partly residential and partly industrial, and the chief industries are galvanised hollow-ware and iron-founding, engineering, manufacture
of forgings, spades and shovels, chains, fireclay and electrical products, wire
goods, kitchen-ware, skin rugs and gloves, scholastic equipment.
The Area of the Barouch is
The Area of the Borough is 4,214 Acres viz: Stourbridge 1,920 "
Lye and Wollescote 1,025 "
Pedmore 1,269 "
Number of Inhabited houses 1962/3 14,585
Rateable Value at 31st December, 1962 £543,058 Sum represented by a penny rate (revised estimate) 1962/3 £2,205
Statistical Memorandum
Population, estimated mid-year 1962 44,010 Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated resident population 17.88
Adjusted Birth Rate " " 17.16
Crude Death Rate per 1,000 " " 10.99
Adjusted Death Rate per 1,000 " " 19.67
Infantile Death Rate per 1,000 Live Births 22.8
Death Rates from respiratory tuberculosis, England and Wales per million population 59
Corresponding figure for Stourbridge, per million population 23
Cancer of the lung and bronchus per million, England and Wales 510
Corresponding figure for Stourbridge (22 deaths) 499
Other cancer per million, England and Wales 1,667
Corresponding figure for Stourbridge (74 deaths) 1,681
Extracts from Vital Statistics for the year
BIRTHS Live Births M. F. Total
Legitimate 402 362 764
Illegitimate <u>14</u> 9 <u>23</u>
Totals 416 371 787
Crude Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated resident population 17.88
Adjusted Birth Rate per 1,000 " " " 17.16 Percentage of illegitimate live births " " 2.9
Birth Rate for England and Wales 18.0
Still Births M. F. Total Legitinate 4 8 12
Illegitimate 4 0 12
Totals 4 9 13
Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) Births 16.25
Rate for England and Wales 18.1
DEATHS
Males 264
Females 220
Total 484
Crude Death Rate per 1,000 estimated resident population 10.99
Adjusted Death Rate " " " 19.67
Death Rate for England and Wales 11.9
Maternal Deaths
Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion 1 The Maternal Mortality Rates (per 1,000 live and still Births) 1.2
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for England and Wales were:-
Maternal causes, excluding abortion 0.28
Due to abortion 0.07 Total Maternal Mortality 0.35
Deaths of Infants under One Year of Age M. F. Total
Legitinate 10 6 16
Illegitinate $\dots \qquad \frac{2}{12} = \frac{2}{18}$
Totals 12 6 18
Death Rates of Infants under one year of age:-
All Infants per 1,000 live Births 22.8
Legitimate Infant Mortality Rate 20.9
Illegitimate Infant Mortality Rate 86.9

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Causes of Deaths in Infants

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Causes		Und	er 1 year	Under 4 weeks
1. Congenital defect of Central Nervous Sy	stem		1	2
2. Congenital Cardiac Defects			-	1
 Other Congenital Defects Prematurity 			1	2 3
5. Infection			5	2
6. Actelectasis			-	1
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was 20.7	per 1,0	00 Live	e Births.	
Causes of Death				
1. Respiratory Tuberculosis				M. F.
 Respiratory Tuberculosis Other Forms of Tuberculosis 				1 -
3. Syphilitic Diseases				
4. Diphtheria 5. Whooping Cough		••	••	
6. Meningococcal Infections				
7. Acute Poliomyelitis		•••		
 Measles Other infective and parasitic diseases 	••	••		1 -
10. Malignant neoplasm, stomach				11 1
11. Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus			:	20 2
12. Malignant neoplasm, breast 13. Malignant neoplasm, uterus				- 9
14. Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms				28 24
15. Leukaemia, aleukaemia		••		4 -
 Diabetes Vascular lesions of nervous system 				1 7 28 39
18. Coronary disease, angina				50 39
19. Hypertension with heart disease				5 2
20. Other heart disease 21. Other circulatory disease				26 32 4 9
22. Influenza				- 1
23. Pneunonia		••		8 6 31 12
24. Bronchitis 25. Other diseases of respiratory system				3 -
26. Ulcer of stomach and duedenum				3 -
27. Gastritis, enteritis, and diarrhoea 28. Nephritis and Nephrosis				2 1
 Nephritis and Nephrosis Hyperpasia of Prostate 				3 -
30. Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion			••	- 1
 Congenital malformations Other defined and ill-defined diseases 				5 6 17 21
32. Other defined and ill-defined diseases 33. Motor vehicle accidents				6 2
34. All other accidents				6 4
35. Suicide 36. Homicide and operations of war				- 1
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SECTION B

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

Public Health Officers

Particulars of the Public Health Officers, together with information as to their qualifications, are set out on page 2.

Laboratory Facilities

Examination of clinical material (sputum, swabs &c.) is carried out by the Public Health Laboratory Service, Royal Infirmary, Worcester. This applies also to consumer samples of milk, water and ice-cream. Producer samples of milk and water are examined bacteriologically by the County Laboratory, Worcester, in addition to all chemical samples of food, drugs and water.

Clinics and Treatment Centres

There are six Infant Welfare Centres in the Borough as follows: -40, New Road, Stourbridge; St. Michael's Church Hall, Westwood Avenue, Norton; Assembly Rooms, Meriden Avenue, Wollaston; Parish Rooms, Hagley Road, Pedmore; Community Centre, Wassell Road, Wollescote; and Orchard Lane, Lye.

Prevention of Diphtheria and Whooping Cough

Diphtheria/Whooping Cough and Tetanus sessions were held monthly during the year at the Infant Welfare Centres, as under: -

Stourbridge (New Road) .. Third Friday in the month (10 a.m. - 12 noon) Lye (Orchard Lane) .. Third Thursday in the month (2 p.m. - 4 p.m.) Wollescote (Wassell Road) .. First Thursday in the month (2 p.m. - 4 p.m.)

Welfare Foods

The Department undertakes, on behalf of the County Council, the distribution of Welfare Foods, and during the year the total issues were: -<u>Dried Milk</u> <u>Cod Liver Oil</u> <u>A & D Tablets</u> <u>Orange Juice</u> <u>Tins</u> <u>Bottles</u> <u>Packets</u> <u>Bottles</u> 9,353 (12,068) 1,385 (2,657) 1,931 (3,379) 14,243 (20,307) (Figures in parentheses denote previous year's issues)

SANITARY SECTION C SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA Water Supplies

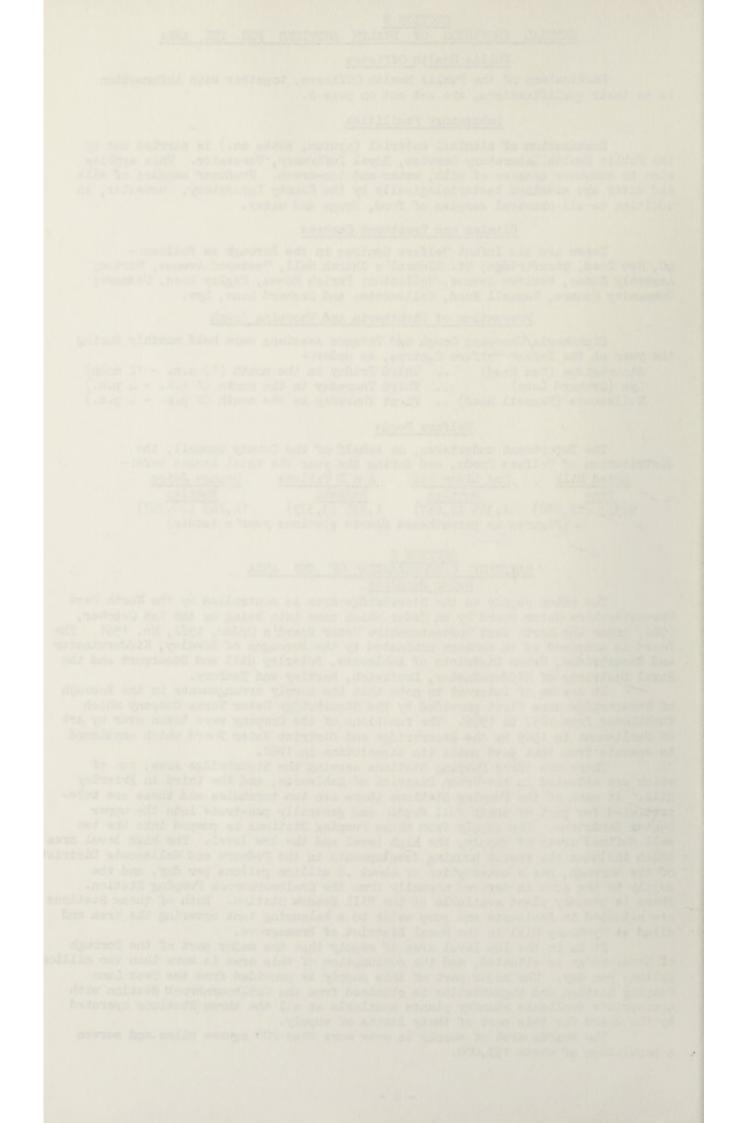
The water supply to the Stourbridge area is controlled by the North West Worcestershire Water Board by an Order which came into being on the 1st October, 1962, under the North West Worcestershire Water Board's Order, 1962, No. 1561. The Board is composed of 14 members nominated by the Boroughs of Bewdley, Kidderminster and Stourbridge, Urban Districts of Amblecote, Brierley Hill and Stourport and the Rural Districts of Kidderminster, Droitwich, Martley and Tenbury. It may be of interest to note that the supply arrangements in the Borough

It may be of interest to note that the supply arrangements in the Borough of Stourbridge were first provided by the Stourbridge Water Works Company which functioned from 1857 to 1909. The functions of the Company were taken over by Act of Parliament in 1909 by the Stourbridge and District Water Board which continued to operate from that date until its dissolution in 1962.

There are three Pumping Stations serving the Stourbridge area, two of which are situated in the Urban District of Amblecote, and the third in Brierley Hill. At each of the Pumping Stations there are two boreholes and these are tubeprotected for part of their full depth and generally penetrate into the upper Bunter Sandstone. The supply from these Pumping Stations is pumped into the two well defined areas of supply, the high level and the low level. The high level area which includes the recent housing developments in the Pedmore and Wollescote Districts of the Borough, has a consumption of about .6 million gallons per day, and the supply to the area is derived normally from the Coalbournbrock Pumping Station. There is standby plant available at the Mill Meadow Station. Both of these Stations are situated in Amblecote and pump water to a balancing tank covering the area and sited at Wychbury Hill in the Rural District of Bromsgrove.

It is in the low level area of supply that the major part of the Borough of Stourbridge is situated, and the consumption of this area is more than two million gallons per day. The major part of this supply is provided from the Tack Lane Pumping Station and augmentation is obtained from the Coalbournbrook Station with appropriate duplicate standby plants available at all the three Stations operated by the Board for this part of their limits of supply.

The Boards area of supply is over more than 200 square miles and serves a population of about 155,000.



Drainage and Sewerage

The main sewers in the Stourbridge area are under the control of Stourbridge Main Drainage Board. The sewers in Lye and Wollescote area are under the control of the Upper Stour Valley Main Sewerage Board.

The sewage is conveyed to the Whittington sewage farms belonging to these Boards and is treated on the Broad Irrigation principle.

SECTION D

Housing work is referred to in the Report of the Public Health Inspector.

Inspection and Supervision of Food

Details of the inspections carried out during the year will be found in the Public Health Inspector's Report.

Prevalence of, and Control over, Infectious and Other Diseases

Scarlet Fever

There was a reduced incidence from 48 cases to 20, 13 of which were admitted to hospital. The disease was again of a mild type and no death resulted.

Measles

After the heavy incidence in 1961 when there were 988 cases, only 6 cases were reported during the year.

Whooping Cough

Only 4 cases were notified, thus repeating the low incidence of the previous year when there were 3.

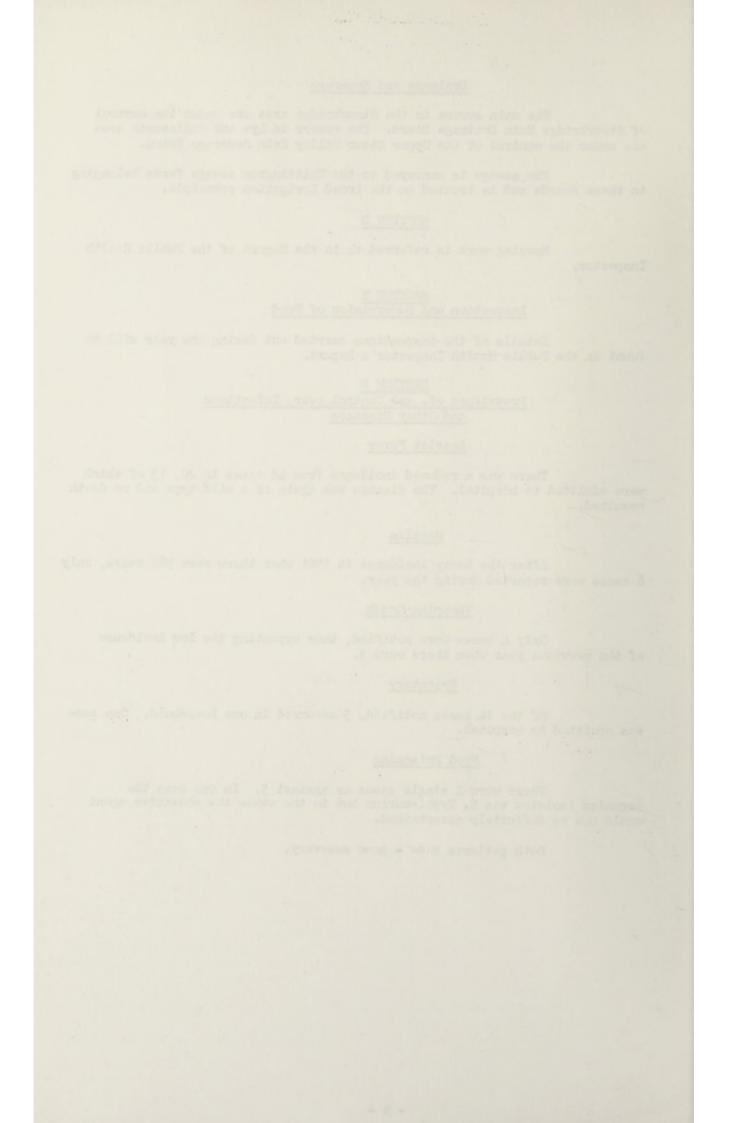
Dysentery

Of the 14 cases notified, 3 occurred in one household. One case was admitted to hospital.

Food Poisoning

There were 2 single cases as against 5. In one case the organism isolated was S. Typhi-murium but in the other the causative agent could not be definitely ascertained.

Both patients made a good recovery.



Diphtheria Immunisation

The level of immunisation was again well maintained, the year's record being as follows:-

						Born in Yea		
	1962	1961	1960	1959	1958	1953-1957	1948-1952	Total
No. of Full Course Primary Treatments	272	374	22	9	5	27	2	711 (669)
No. of Secondary (Re-inforcing) Injections subsequent to primary immunisation	-	1	27	19	23	594	9	673 (628)
No. of Second Re-inforcing Injections	-	-	-	-	1	284	-	285 (256)

(The figures in parentheses denote 1961 totals)

It is estimated that approximately 95% of school children and 70% of those of pre-school age have been completely immunised.

Whooping Cough Immunisation

The record of immunisation against Whooping Cough (injections given either singly or in combination) was as under:-

				Chi	ldren	Born in Yea	rs:-	
	1962	1961	1960	1959	1958	1953-1957	1948-1952	Total
No. of Full Course Primary Treatments	272	374	20	8	4	6	-	684 (640)

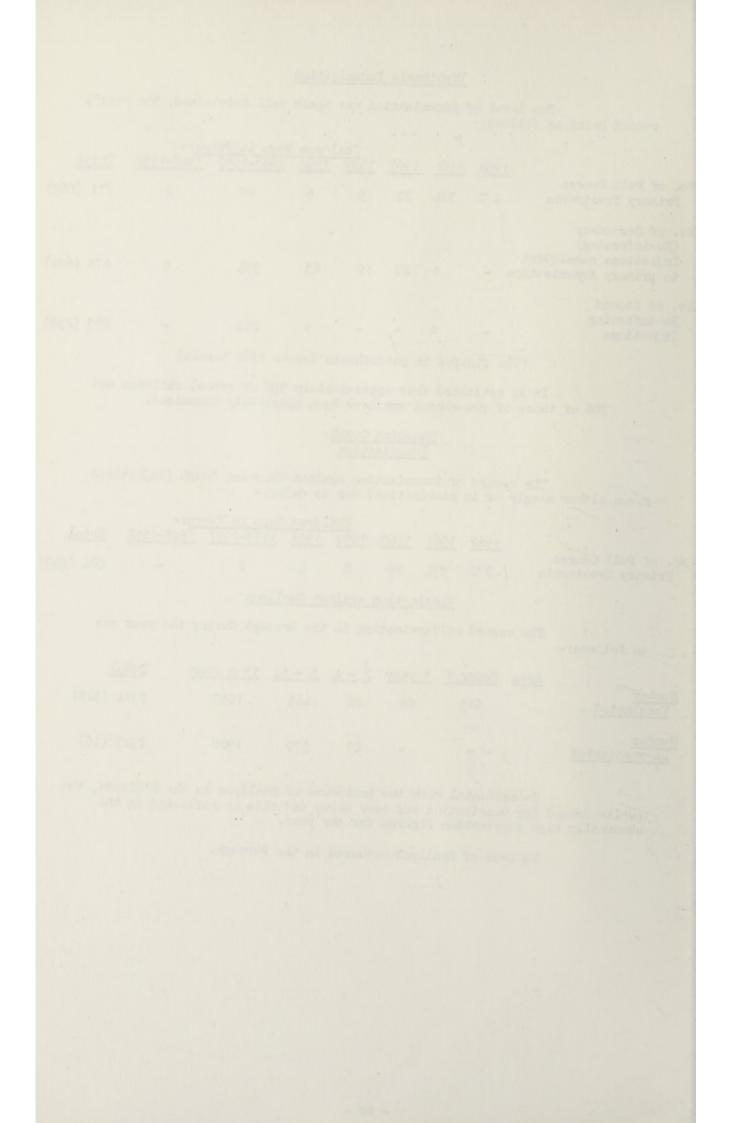
Vaccination against Smallpox

The record of Vaccination in the Borough during the year was as follows:-

	Ages	Under 1	1 year	2 - 4	5 - 14	<u>15 & over</u>	Total
Number Vaccinated		613	66	96	489	1050	2314 (529)
Number Re-vaccinated		-	-	28	579	1920	2527 (16)

Coincidental with the incidence of Smallpox in the Midlands, the public demand for vaccination was very heavy and this is reflected in the abnormally high vaccination figures for the year.

No case of Smallpox occurred in the Borough.



THE YEAR, 1962 CORRECTED' NOTIFICATIONS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) FOR

		T		-	T			-	-	Т	
DEATHS		1	,	1	1		1	14	1		14
Cases admitted to	Hospital	+	1	-	1	-	3	5	13	-	23
Total Ng.	Cases	14	1	2	9	-	6	2	20	4	64
1222	65 and upwards	+	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	٢
	45-64	1	4	1	1	1	ı	3	ı		4
	35-44	+	1	+	1	1	'	1	1	1	2
	25 - 34	1	•	1	1	1	5	1	1	1	9
	15-24	2	1	1	I	1	4	ı	1	1	7
AGES	10 - 14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	1	9
A	5 - 9	5	1	٢	3	1	1	+	6	2	21
	5 - 4	2	1	1	3	1	ī	1	3	+	6
	1 - 2	2	1	1	1	1	ı	-	+	+	5
	Under 1 year	1	1	1	1	۰	1	2	1	1	ĸ
	DISEASE	Dysentery	Erysipelas	Food Poisoning	Measles	Ophthalmia Neonstorum	Puerperal Pyrexia	Pneum mia	Scarlet Fever	Whooping Cough	TOTALS

All the Hospital cases except two were admitted to Hayley Green Isolation Hospital, Halesewen. NOTE:

The Pheumonia deaths refer to all cases of Pheumonia, including those not notifiable.

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Diseases	1952	1961	1950	1959	1958	1957	1956	1955	1954	1953	1952
Scarlet Fever	20	84	33	78	57	37	32	22	ż	104	73
Whooping Cough	4	3	40	33	24	130	96	85	132	72	124
Measles	9	988	2	659	110	778	16	444	4	964	183
Poliomyelitis (Paralytic) (New Cases)	1	+	•	,	1	1	1	1	2	Ŧ	F
Meningococcal	1	1	1	1		ł	2	4	1	1	4
Diphtheria	ı	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	•	•
Dysentery	14	,	6	17	30	2	37	17	53	9	2
Food Poisoning	63	5	18	•	9	4	4	12	9	+	F
Typhoid	1	1	1	•	•	r.		1	•	•	
Paratyphoid	1	1	ŀ	1	ı	n	1	1	•	1	+
Tuberoulosis Respiratory (New Cases)	19	14	24	53	18	11	23	29	25	25	18
Infant Mortality Rate	22.8	16.2	22.4	39*0	12.2	14.8	31.5	25.1	23.7	22,8	23.2
Neonatal Mortality Rate	12.7	10.8	22.4	29.2							
Perinatal	26.2	26.4	46.5	44.5							
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TUBERCULOSIS

New Cases and Mortality during 1962

				New C	ases			Deat	hs	
A	ge Periods	5	Respi	espiratory Respiratory			Resp	iratory	No Respir	n- atory
			М.	F.	м.	F.	М.	F.	М.	F.
0			-	-	-		-	-	-	-
1			-	-	1	-	-	-	11	-
5			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10			-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
15			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20			3	1	-	-	-		-	
25			3	2	-	1	1	-	-	
35			1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
45			4	-	1	-	-	-		-
55			2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 an	nd upwards		1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	S	14	5	2	1	1	1 -	1	-

Summary of Cases of Tuberculosis on the

Register at the end of 1962

	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory	
	Males	Females	Meles	Females
No. of cases on Register, 1st January, 1962 No. of cases notified for the first time during the year under the	123	88	8	9
Regulations No. of cases first heard of otherwise	14	5	2	1
than by primary notification No. of cases removed from Register in a previous Quarter which have been restored to Register during	3	2	-	1
the Quartor	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	140	95	10	11
No. of cases removed from Register during the year	14	10	2	1
No. of cases remaining on Register at the end of the year	126	85	8	10

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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

for

1962

To The Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Stourbridge.

Mr. Mayor and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting the Report on the work carried out by the Public Health Inspectors for the year ended 31st December, 1962.

The main details are in tabular form but I would like to draw attention to some items of particular interest.

This is our first complete year as a Food and Drugs Authority and 475 samples were submitted for examination by the Public Analyst. This represents a little over one sample per hundred of the population.

The Housing Act of 1961 which came into force in November, 1961 gave us greater control over houses in multiple occupation. A close watch will be kept on this type of accommodation but the initial survey showed that the properties concerned were well managed.

I am grateful to the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee for their active interest and support, and to Mr. A.P. Drury for his helpful guidance. I also wish to express my appreciation of the conscientious service rendered by the Departmental Staff and to other Council Officers for their co-operation throughout the year.

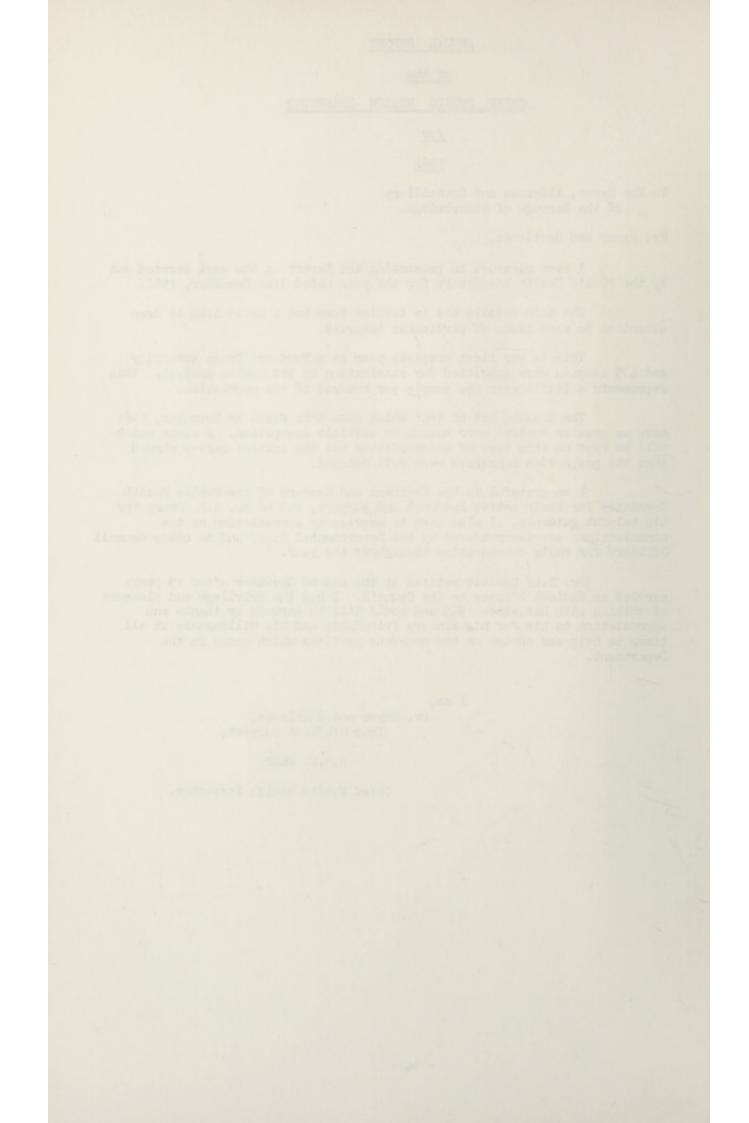
Dr. R.L. Corlett retired at the end of December after 19 years service as Medical Officer to the Council. I had the privilege and pleasure of working with him since 1945 and would like to express my thanks and appreciation to him for his sincere friendship and his willingness at all times to help and advise on the numerous problems which arose in the Department.

I am,

Mr. Mayor and Gentlemen, Your Obedient Servant,

A.E.K. KENT

Chief Public Health Inspector.



COMPLAINTS

446 complaints, relating principally to housing defects, were received during the year.

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTION OF THE AREA

The following data is given in accordance with Article 25(20) of the Public Health Officers' Regulations, 1959:-

Inspection of Houses under Public Heal		•••	125
Re-inspection " " "	"	••	198
Inspection under Housing Regulations		••	103
Re-inspection " .			79
Houses let-in-lodgings (visits and rev	risits)	••	57
			6
Drainage .			219
			282
Bakehouses .			30
Food Preparation Premises .			110
Factories .			25
Factories (Clean Air Act) (visits and	re-visits)		208
Inspections Clean Air Act - domestic r			70
Licensed Premises and Clubs			19
Mortuary .			3
Missellenseus			82
Meat Inspection:			
Cattle			2,217
Pigs .			5,734
Sheep .			13,584
Public Conveniences .			2
Petroleum .			32
Piggeries .			1
Rats and Mice			199
Dofuso Mine			36
Chang Lat 1050			4
Shops re unfit food .			32
Scrap Metal Dealers			3
Tonta Vana and Chada			94
The base of the complete the co			2
Vermin Infestation (excluding Rats and			17
Visits re notifiable diseases	i miloo)		
	•	•••	30
Water Supplies .	•	••	25

PRELIMINARY NOTICES

A total of 124 Preliminary Intimation Notices were served during the year affecting 170 premises. These, in general, took the form of letters giving particulars of defects and suggestions as to repairs etc. necessary to remedy the defects.

	No. of Notices	No. of Houses or Premises affected
General defects of houses	55	78
Defective water closets	5	5
Defective drainage & obstruction	21	26
Factories Act - sanitary accommodation & ventilation		
contraventions	2	2
Food Hygiene Regs contraventions	11	11
Undemolished houses	7	17
Miscellaneous	21	29
Clean Air Act - contraventions	2	2
Totals	124	170

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STATUTORY NOTICES, 1962

The following Statutory 1	Notices		during the year:- <u>No. of Premises</u> Affected
Public Health Act, 1936		1001008	ALLOUVER
Abatement of Nuisances (S.93) Drainage (S.39) Defective water closets (S.45)	.: .:	29 8 4	29 8 4
Housing Act, 1957			
Notices to Appear before Counc: (S.16 & 18) Demolition Orders (S.17) Revocation of Demolition Orders Closing Orders (S.17 & 18) Requisition for Information (S Notices to Quit (S.22) Power of Entry (S.159)	s (S.24)	18 9 2 8 9 1	22 8 2 8 15 1 1
Housing Act, 1961			
Overcrowding - Multiple Occupation (S.19)		1	1

RENT ACT, 1957

The following particulars are given for the year relating to the operation of the Rent Act, 1957.

Part 1 - Applications for Certificates of Disrepair

(1)	No. of applications for certificates	2
(2)	No. of decisions not to issue certificates	NIL
$\binom{2}{3}$	No. of decisions to issue certificates	2
	(a) in respect of some but not in all defec	ts 2
	(b) in respect of all defects	NIL
(4)	No. of undertakings given by landlord under	
	paragraph 5 of First Schedule	1
(5)	No. of undertakings refused by Local Authority	
	under proviso to paragraph 5 of First Schedule	NIL
(6)	No. of certificates issued	NIL
	Part 11 - Applications for Cancellation of Cert	ificates
(7)	Applications by landlords to Local Authority for	
(1)	cancellation of certificates	NIL
(0)		TATT.

(8)	Objections by tenants to cancellation of	
(-)	certificates	NIL
(9)	Decisions by Local Authority to cancel in	
1.27	spite of tenants' objection	NIL
(10)	Certificates cancelled by Local Authority	NIL

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Housing Act - Improvement Grant

Applications for Improvement Grants were received as follows: -

	No. of Applications	No. Approved
Standard Grants	40	40
Discretionary Grants	23	17

DEMOLITION ORDERS

Eight Demolition Orders were made during the year in respect of the following houses:-

> Nos. 92, 94, 96, 98 and 100, Enville Street, Stourbridge. Nos. 20 and 21, Bott Lane, Lye. No. 3, Talbot Street, Lye.

CLOSING ORDERS

Under the provisions of the Housing Act, Closing Orders were made on the following properties:-

> Nos. 13 and 21, Chawn Hill, Stourbridge. Flat (first floor) 88, High Street, Stourbridge. Nos. 99 and 101, Worcester Street, Stourbridge. No. 100, Brook Street, Lye. No. 13, Talbot Street, Lye. No. 47, Yardley Street, Stambermill.

CLEARANCE AREAS

During the year one Clearance Area was declared in respect of the following properties:-

Dwelling houses Nos. 157, 159, 161, 163, 165, 167, 169, 171, 173, 175, 177, 179, 181, 183 and 185, Enville Street, No. 1, Mamble Road, Coal Yard, Garage, Disused Stable and Shedding at rear of No. 1, Mamble Road and Nos. 3, 5 and 13, 15, 17, 19 and 21, Mamble Road together with yards and outbuildings.

A Clearance Order was not made as it was agreed to acquire the properties by negotiation.

RATS AND MICE DESTRUCTION

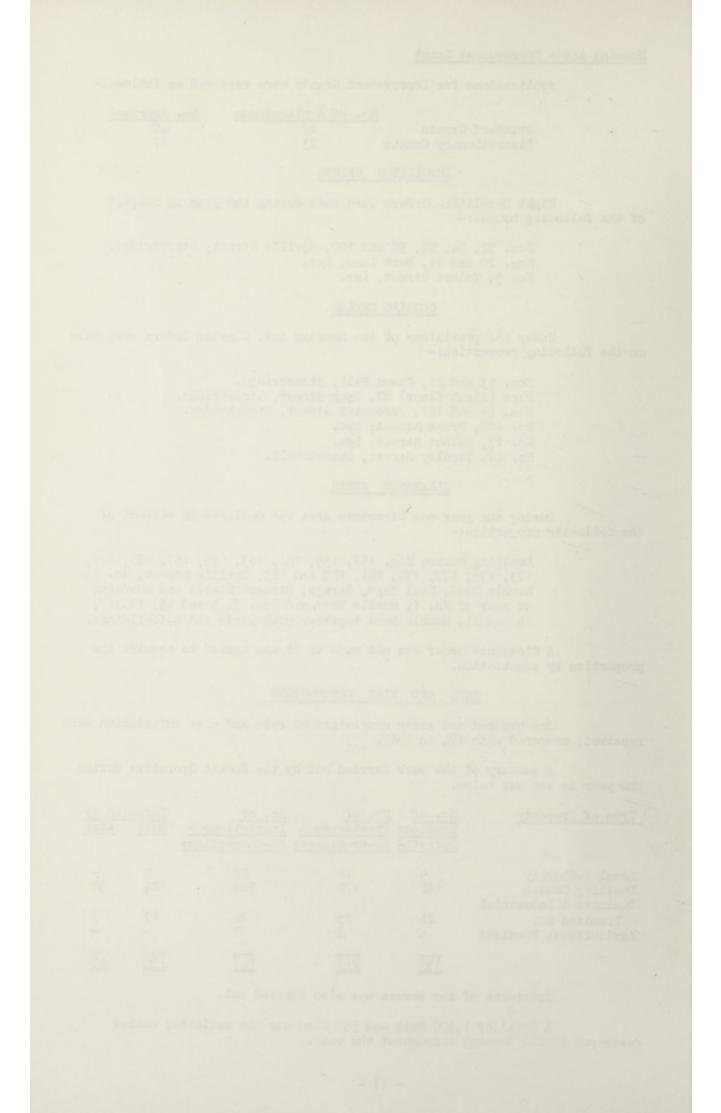
One hundred and sixty complaints of rats and mice infestation were received, compared with 174 in 1961.

A summary of the work carried out by the Rodent Operative during the year is set out below.

Type of Froperty	Inclusion of the local division of the local	Training of the second s	No. of Inspections & Re-inspections	Infes Rats	Mice
Local Authority	9	11	22	9	-
Dwelling Houses Business & Industrial	162	170	546	124	38
Premises &c.	24	25	72	17	7
Agricultural Premises	4	4	7	-	-
	199	210	647	150	45

Treatment of the sewers was also carried out.

A total of 1,500 Rats and 550 Mice was the estimated number destroyed in the Borough throughout the year.



BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION

Some 158 samples were submitted for bacteriological examination as follows:-

		Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Cream		14	4
Cream pasteurised		18	-
Cream pasteurised dou	ble	6	-
Cream whipped		3	-
Denture fixative		1	-
Flavoured milk drink		1	-
Ice cream		28	-
Ice lollipop		5	-
Milk		74	-
Pork pie		1	-
Potato puffs		1	-
Sweets		2	-
		154	4

The unsatisfactory results were as follows: -

- Bun split. Coliforms (faecal) present in 0.1 grammes. Enriched culture - coli and coagulative positive - staphylococci. Manufactured outside the Borough. Letters sent to Producer and Local Authority.
- Bun split. Coliform (faecal) present 0.1. Manufactured outside the Borough. Letters sent to Producer and Local Authority.
- Cream Coliform (Non-faecal) 0.01.
 Sandwich. Manufactured outside the Borough. Letters sent to Producer and Local Authority.
- Crean Coliform (faecal) .1. Sandwich.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

This year represents a first full year of sampling since the Borough took over this very important duty. Of the 475 samples taken 32 were found to be adulterated, below standard or otherwise not complying with prescribed requirements and 443 genuine.

Of the 98 samples of milk one showed a deficiency, and as this was only 2.5% a warning letter was sent. It is interesting to note that a flavoured milk drink was reported by the Analyst as not genuine as it bore a label stating that it contained skinmed milk but it did in fact contain full cream milk.

Of the remaining 30 samples 19 of these related to meat products which were below the standard recommended by the Food Standards Committee. These Standards have not yet been approved by the Government but the Producers were written to and in most cases have promised either to amend their labels or bring the commodities more in keeping with the recommendations.

	Satis	factory	Unsatisfactory		
	Formal	Informal	Formal	Informal	
Almonds - ground	-	2	-	-	
Antipasto	-	-	-	1	
Apples - flake	-	-	-	1	
Apple pie	-	1	-	-	
Arrowroot	-	1	-	-	
Aspirin	-	3	-	-	
Baby food canned	-	2	-	-	
Back and kidney pills	-	1	-	-	
Baking powder	-	1	-	-	
Beef gulash canned	-	1	-	-	
Beef broth canned	-	2	-	-	
Beef suct	-	1		-	
Beef in gravy frozen	-	-	+	1	
Beef steak with					
gravy (canned)		2	-	-	
	- 18	-	continued	over	

	Sati	sfactory	Unsatis	factory
	Formal	Informal	Formal	Informal
Beef steak pudding				
(canned) Bicarbonate of soda	-	1	-	-
Biscuits	-	2	-	-
Beverages	_	1		-
Brandy butter	-	1	-	-
Brandy snap	-	-	-	1
Bread	-	3	-	-
Breakfast grill				
(canned) Braised beef frozen	-	1	-	-
Borax	-	2	-	-
Butter	-	14	_	_
Casserole steak				
(canned)	-	-	-	2
Cake decorations	-	1	-	-
Cereals	-	6	-	-
Cheese spread	-	3	-	-
Cheese cream Cheese food	-	-	-	1
Chicken and Mushroom	-	'	-	-
in white sauce	-	1	-	-
Chicken fillets in				
jelly (canned)	-	1	-	-
Chicken fritters	-	-	-	1
Citric acid	-	1	-	-
Cocoa	-	1	-	-
Coffee viennese Coffee	-	1	-	-
Coffee and chicory	-	'	-	-
essence	-	1	-	-
Cough mixture and				
pastilles	-	5	-	-
Cod liver oil	-	1	-	-
Corned beef loaf				
(canned)	-	1	-	-
Cornflour Cornich mostics	-	1	-	-
Cornish pasties Condiments	-	3	-	-
Colouring and		,		
flavouring	-	4	-	-
Cooking oil	-	1	-	-
Crean double	-	3	-	-
Cream sterilised	-	3 5 1	-	-
Cream of tarter Cream clotted	-	1	-	-
Creamed rice pudding	-	2		
Cream whipped	_	1	_	_
Creamed milk pudding	-	1	-	-
Custard powder	-	4	-	-
Curry powder	-	1	-	-
Curried chicken	-	1	-	1
and mushrooms (c	anned)	4		
Epsom salts Essence of anchovies	-	1	-	1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Faggots	_	1	-	-
Felice de Forno				
(Tomato Puree)	-	-	-	1
Fish cakes	-	1	-	-
Fish (canned)	-	6	-	-
Fish (bottled)	-	1	-	-
Fish spread	-	2		-
Fish paste Flan fillings	_	1	_	-
Flavourings	-	2	-	-
Flour confectionery	-	3	-	-
Flour self-raising	-	2 3 2	-	-
Flour wholemeal	-		-	-
Flour plain		19 - 2	-	-

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	Satis	sfactory Informal	Unsatisfa Formal	Informal
Foan crystals	-	1		
Food colours	-	2		-
Flavoured milk drink	-	-	-	1
Friars balsam	-	1	-	-
Fruit Juice (canned)	-	2	-	-
Fruit (canned)	-	5	-	-
Fruit (fresh)	-	1	-	-
Fruit (dried) Ginger (ground)	_	2	_	-
Glaubers salts	-	1	-	-
Glycerine	_	1	-	-
Golden syrup	-	1	-	-
Gravy browning	-	1	-	-
Gregory's powder	-	1	-	-
Herbs mixed	-	1	-	-
Hamburgers steaks				
with gravy (canned)	-	-	-	1
Honey Horseradish relish	-	1		_
Horseradish sauce	-	1	-	-
Ice crean nix	-	4	-	-
Ice lolly	-	1	-	-
Ice crean syrup	-	1	-	-
Iodised throat tablet	s -	1	-	-
Irish stew (canned)	-	-	-	2
Jan	-	8	-	-
Junket crystals	-	1	-	-
Lamb tongues (canned) Lard	-	2	-	-
Lenon curd	-	1	-	-
Luncheon meat	-	1	-	2
Macaroni	_	2	-	-
Malt loaf	-	1	-	-
Malt vinegar	-	3	-	-
Margarine	-	8	-	-
Meat paste	-	3	-	-
Meat-burgers (frozen)	-	1	-	-
Meat with cereal (can	ned)-	1	-	2
Meat with gravy (cann Meat with vegetables	lea)-	1	-	1
(canned)	-	1	-	1
Meringue powder	-	1		-
Milk	-	98	-	1
Milk evaporated full				
cream unsweetened	-	4	-	-
Milk loaf	-	2	-	-
Mixed peel	-	1	-	-
Mint jelly Mussels bottled	-	1	-	-
Ox tongue and beef	-	1		-
Parrishes Food	_	1	-	-
Pepper white	-	2	-	-
Pickles mixed	-	3	-	1
Pickling spice	-	1	-	-
Pork with beef and has	n			
(canned)	-	-	-	1
Pork luncheon neat				
(canned)	-	2		
Pork pie		-		1
Pork chopped (canned) Potato puffs		1		-
Potted shrinps	-	1	-	-
Rice	-	1	-	-
Rose hip syrup	-	1	-	-
Rusks	-	1	-	-
Salt table	-	1	-	-
Sandwich spread	-	1	-	-
	-	20 -		

	Satisfactory		Unsatisfactory		
	Fornal	Informal	Formal	Informa.	
Salmon sandwiches	-	1	-	-	
Sauce	-	2	-	-	
Savoury pie	-	1	-	-	
Sardines	-	1	-	-	
Sausages beef	-	5	-	-	
Sausages cocktail	-	1	-	-	
Sausages pork	-	30	-	3	
Spices and herbs	-	2	-	-	
Soft drinks	-	14	-	1	
Soup mix	-	2	-	-	
Soup (canned)	-	2	-	-	
Steak and kidney pudd:	ing				
(canned)	-	3	-	1	
Steak stewed (canned)	-	-	-	1	
Steak stewed with gra	vv				
(canned)	-	-	-	1	
Steak stewed	-	1	-	-	
Steak minced	-	1	-	-	
Steak and kidney pie	-	2	-	-	
Stuffed pork and meat		-			
rolls (canned)	-	1	-	-	
Sultana pudding	-	1	-	-	
Sugar	_	2	_	-	
Sugar confectionery	_	14	-	-	
Tablets - chilblain	-	1	-	-	
Tablets - cold	_	1	_	-	
Tablets - saccharin		1		-	
Tablets - indigestion		4	_	_	
Tablets - laxative		4	_	_	
Table jelly		4			
	-	10	-		
Tea	-		-	_	
Tomatoes (canned)	-	32			
Tonato puree	-	2	-		
Tomato ketchup	-		-	-	
Treacle	-	1	-	-	
Vegetables (dried)	-	2	-	-	
Vegetables (canned)	-	2	-	-	
Virol	-	1	-	-	
Yorkshire pudding	-	1	-	-	
Tota		443		-32	

List of samples regarded as adulterated, below standard or otherwise not complying with prescribed requirements:-

Article	Whether Formal or Informal	Nature of Adulteration or irregularity	Observations
Casserole Steak	Informal	Misleading label. Jords "in rich gravy" in comparatively small type and not associated with the words "Casserole Steak".	Producers promised to amend labelling.
Stewed Steak with gravy	Informal	Deficient of meat 10 per cent.	Producers written to.
Milk Loaf	Informal	Non-fatty solids 3 per cent instead of minimum of 3.6 per cent.	Producers written to.
Steak and Kidney Pudding	Informal	Meat in pudding 33 per cent. Should be not less than 35 per cent.	No action.
Sliced Braised Beef (frozen) Sliced Braised Beef (frozen)	Informal	(Low meat content of 73 and 56 (per cent respectively. Further, (the former figure is probably (high as some loss of liquid (gravy had occurred in transit (to the laboratory. - 21 -	No action. Further samples satisfactory.



Article	Whether Formal cr Informal	Nature of Adulteration or irregularity	Observations
Stowed Steak	Informal	Helle concerts it her earre	Producers written to.
Casserole Steak	Informal	Meat content 70 per cent. Would be more properly described as "Casserole Steak with Gravy".	Producers written to.
Milk (Channel Islands)	Informal	2.5 per cent deficient of fat.	Fat % S.N.F.% 3.9 9.3 F.P.D. S.N.F. OC. Hortvet. Deficiency Warning letter.
Soft Drink	Informal	Incorrectly labelled as "King Jaffa Whole Orange". Should have been described as a Sparkling Whole Orange "Drink."	Warning letter.
Sausages, Pork	Informal	Excess 302 preservative 520 parts per million.	Warning letter. Follow-up sample satisfactory.
Sausages, Pork	Informal	Meat content only 56 per cent.	Warning letter. Follow-up sample satisfactory.
Cheese, Crean	Informal	Contaminated with mould.	All stocks destroyed.
Sausages, Pork	Informal	Meat content only 60 per cent.	No action.
Luncheon Meat	Informal	Meat content only 71 per cent.	No action. Danish origin.
Luncheon Meat	Informal	Meat content only 73 per cent.	No action. Danish origin.
Chopped Pork	Informal	Low meat content of 70 per cent.	Letter to Manufacturers.
Brandy Snaps	Informal	Incorrectly labelled: ingredients stated in wrong order.	Manufacturer agreed to amend labels.
Pork Luncheon Meat	Informal	Low meat content of 75 per cent.	No action.
Luncheon Meat	Informal	Low meat content of 76 per cent.	No action.
Pork Luncheon Meat	Informal	Low meat content of 77 per cent.	No action.
Apple Flakes, dried	Informal	Fresh apple equivalent declared at 1 lb: whereas actual weight was 10 - 11 ounces.	Action being taken Worcs. County Council as Weights and Measures Authority.
Hamburger Steal with Gravy.	k Informal	Hamburger content only 58 per cent.	Letter to Manufacturers.
Chicken and Mushrooms cur	Informal ried	Low neat content of 23 per cent. - 22 -	Letter to Manufacturers.

Article	Whether Formal or Informal	Nature of Adulteration or irregularity	Observations
Flavoured Milk Drink	Informal	Incorrectly labelled; separated milk stated as an ingredient whereas full crean milk was used.	No action.
Chicken Fritters	Informal	Low meat content of 30 per cent.	No action. Producers agreed to raise meat content to 35 per cent.
Hamburger Steaks with gravy, canne	Informal d	Low meat content of 51 per cent.	Manufacturers notified.
Irish Stew canned	Informal	Low meat content of 25 per cent.	Produce of Australia - no action.
Pork with Beef and Ham, cann		Low meat content of 77 per cent.	Manufacturers notified.
Felice del Forno (Tomato Puree	Informal)	Incorrectly labelled. English title should also have been included in the label.	Foreign Produce - no action.
Antipasto	Informal	Incorrectly labelled. English title should also have been included in the label.	Foreign Produce - no action.
Sugar Confectioner	Informal y	Incorrectly Labelled. No list of ingredients.	Letter to Manufacturers.
Pickles	Informal	Incorrectly labelled; the statement "12 fluid ounces" should be preceded by "contem or the words "minimum content;	
Stuffed Pork and Meat Rol canned		Low meat content of 44 per cent.	Letter to Manufacturers.
Irish Stew, canned	Informal	Low meat content of 25 per cent.	Letter to Manufacturers.
Soft Drink	Informal	Incorrectly labelled "Lemon" should be described as "Lemon Squash" or "Lemon Crush".	

OTHER FOOD COMPLAINTS

Pork Pie

A portion of pork pie was reported as causing symptoms of food poisoning. On examination the pie was found to be affected with mould growth but nothing to suggest food poisoning.

Tinned Ham (Foreign)

A 1 lb. tin of cooked han was brought to the Department and there was found to be embedded in the jelly an adhesive type dressing which had been used to cover a wound, but tests for staphylococci and colliform proved negative.

The firm from Holland were notified and they expressed their profound apologies. They were found to be a firm of very high repute with an absolutely modern factory. No action could be taken against the firm.

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OTHER FOOD COMPLAINTS (Continued)

Wild Strawberry Sweets

A complaint was received of a bitter taste particularly from the outer coating of the sweets. A sample submitted for bacteriological and chemical examination showed that there was no bacterial contamination and that they were free from metal contamination and the colouring matter was on the permitted list.

Salmon Sandwiches

A complaint was received of crystals, which the complainant thought was glass in the salmon part of the sandwich. On examination the cystals were found to be magnesium ammonium phosphate which are occasionally found in tinned fish. The crystals dissolve in the stomach and are perfectly harmless.

Potato Puffs

A complaint of children being sick after eating these puffs bought from the school canteen was investigated but after chemical and bacteriological examination nothing was found to cause the symptoms described.

Sterilised Milk

An opened bottle of sterilised milk containing what appeared to be a piece of dark coloured milk skin was brought to the office. The producers from outside the Borough were notified and they agreed it was milk skin which had not been properly rinsed from the bottle before refilling. As the bottle had been opened it was decided to give a warning.

Beef and Four Vegetables

An opened tin of beef and four vegetables was brought into the Department and on examination was found to contain a 3 square of beef hide with hair attached. The product was produced outside the Borough.

The Manufacturers and Retailers were notified and the Managing Director came to the Department to examine the tin.

The Public Health Committee decided to give a warning.

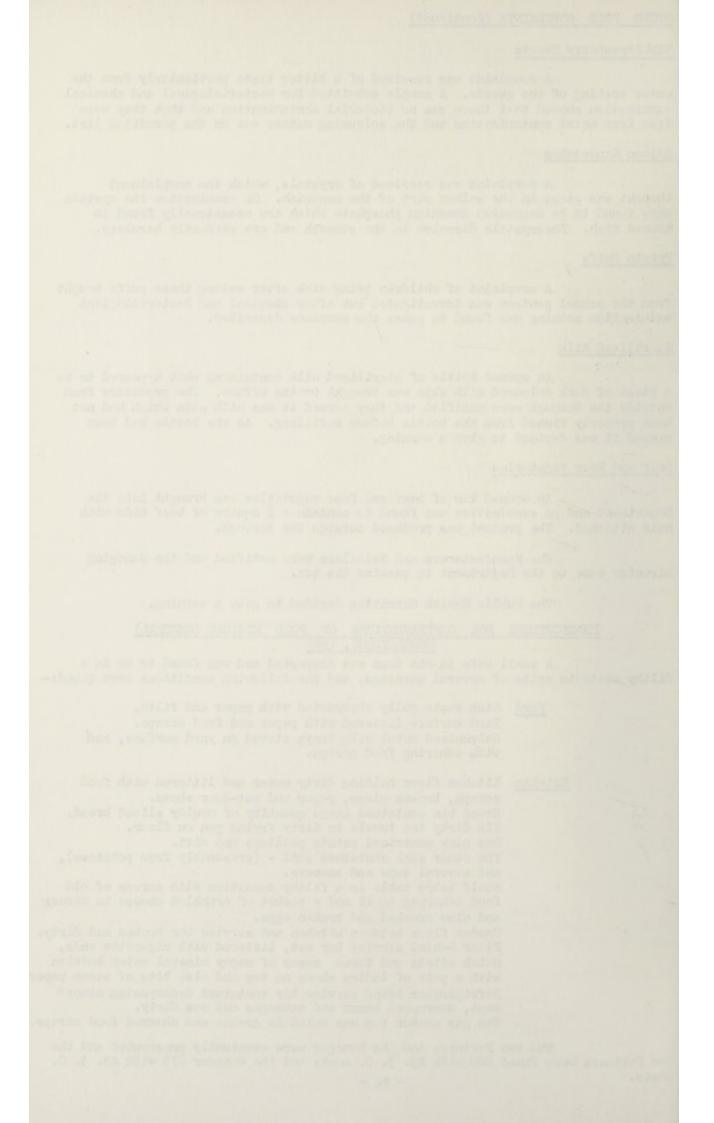
PROSECUTIONS FOR CONTRAVENTIONS OF FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1960

A small cafe in the town was inspected and was found to be in a filthy state in spite of several warnings, and the following conditions were found: -

> Yard Sink waste gully obstructed with paper and filth. Yard surface littered with paper and food scraps. Galvanised metal cake trays stored on yard surface, and with adhering food scraps.

Kitchen Kitchen floor holding dirty water and littered with food scraps, broken glass, paper and out-door shoes. Bread bin contained large quantity of mouldy sliced bread. Six dirty tea towels in dirty frying pan on floor. One sink contained potato peelings and dirt. The other sink contained soil - (presumably from potatoes), and several cups and saucers. Shelf below table in a filthy condition with scraps of old food adhering to it and a packet of crumbled cheese in corner and also cracked and broken eggs. Wooden floor between kitchen and service bar broken and dirty. Floor behind service bar wet, littered with cigarette ends, match sticks and three cases of empty mineral water bottles with a pair of ladies shoes on top and also bits of scrap paper. Refrigerator behind service bar contained decomposing minced meat, unwrapped bacon and sausages and was dirty. The gas cooker top was caked in grease and charred food scraps.

The two Partners and the Manager were eventually prosecuted and the two Partners were fined £60 with £3. 3. 0. costs and the Manager £75 with £3. 3. 0. costs. - 24 -



FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1960

The Manager of a general grocery shop was prosecuted for smoking in a room in which open food was exposed for sale and was fined £5.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Premises used for: -

Sale and/or Manufacture of Ice Cream

There were 4 new registrations for the sale of Ice Cream in sealed cartons, making a total of 196 premises registered at the end of the year for the sale of Ice Cream and 3 for its manufacture and sale.

Preparation of Preserved Foods

There was one new registration making a total of 27 registered at the end of the year for the preparation or manufacture of preserved food. Periodic visits revealed no cause for criticism of hygiene standards and a satisfactory state of cleanliness was maintained in all the premises.

Fish Frying

In all the 16 premises on the Register, a satisfactory state of cleanliness and hygiene was maintained.

Cooking of Poultry and 'Hot Dogs'

There are two premises registered for the cooking of poultry and one for the sale of 'Hot Dogs'.



MEAT INSPECTION

100% meat inspection was again maintained at three small private slaughterhouses and the one large private slaughterhouse which caters for the meat requirements of 26 shops, 21 of these are in the Borough and 5 outside. Slaughtering for 5 businesses situated in neighbouring authorities is also carried out at these premises.

There are 13 shops in the Borough obtaining their meat from outside the Borough and where, I understand, 100% meat inspection is carried out. These shops are periodically inspected under the Hygiene Regulations and at the same time meat is checked.

> Classified summary of inspections carried out by Meat Inspectors. Ante and post-mortem examinations of animals slaughtered - 21,535. Post-mortem examinations of animals dead in lairs - 3. Reinspections made after detentions ... - 109. Inspections of imported meats ... - 17. Inspections of meat killed outside the Borough - 59. No. of cases notified by me under Diseases of Animals Act 2.

Unsound Meat

The total weight of meat and offals condemned during the year was 5 tons 13 lb.



TABLE 1

Appendix

Year 1962

Cattle Excluding Sheep Cows and Cows Calves and Pigs Horses Calves Lambs Number killed (if known) 1,966 27 224 13,584 5,734 Nil 1,966 Number inspected 224 27 13,584 5,734 Nil All diseases except Tuberculosis & Cysticerci Whole carcases condemned 1 3 7 Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned 358 119 1,005 1,432 -Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis 18.3% 53.1% 25.1% and cysticerci 7.4% -Tuberculosis only: Whole carcases condemned _ --Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned 1 140 Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis 0.05% 2.4% _ -Cysticercosis Carcases of which some part or 23 3 organ was condemned -Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration 23 3 Generalised and totally condemned -

Carcases and Offal inspected and condemned in whole or in part

	Other Parts													3 Diaphragms		1 Dia phragm				35 lb.Beef		14 lb. Fat		4 Diaphrages			10uaata	
	Intestines									1																		1
	Kidneys									2				1			2	2								2		6
	Spleens							6		1			+	2														13
22	Stomachs									1				3						-						-		4
E AND CALVES	Livers							98	110	1	4	33		62			4		1					1	-			332
CATTLE	Hearts				3		9	2		1														16				28
	Lungs	+	2			37		118	3	1				9	1						1		34	1				205
	Heads	12 1	9	+						1				1										6				30
Table 2	Carcases									1 1																		-
MEAT CONDEMNED Year 1962	Diseases	<i>ic</i> tinobacillosis	Actinomycocis	Tuberculosis	Xanthosis	Pneumonia	Pericarditis	Hydatid Cysts	Fascicliasis	Fevered	Bacterial Necrosis	Telangiectasis	Peritonitis	Pyaenia	. Melanosis	Interstitial Myositis	Fatty Infiltration	Pyelo Nephritis	Adenoma	Bruising	Emphysena	Fat Necrosis	Contamination	Cysticercus Bovis	Carcinoma	Hydronephrosis	Mastitis	TOTALS

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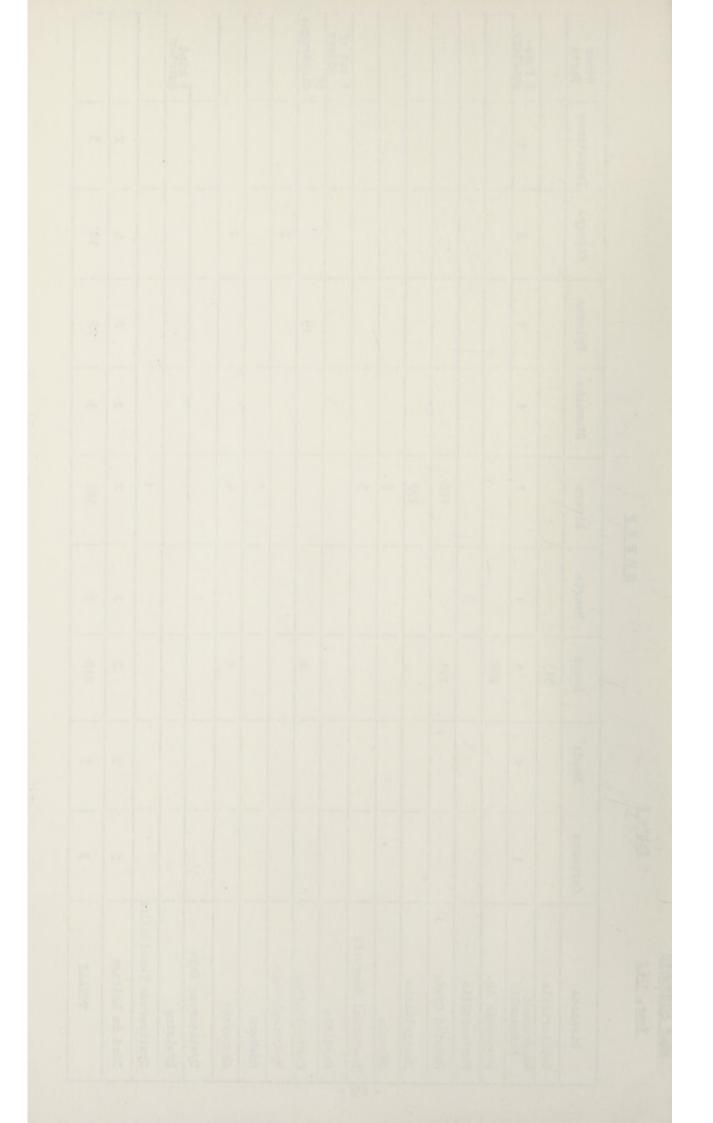
MEAT CONDEMNED Year, 1962

Table 2

SHEEP

Diseases	Carcases	Heads	Lungs	Hearts	Livers	Stomachs	Spleens	Kidneys	Intestines	Other Parts
Muelleriasis			513							
Gangrenous Pneumonia	-	1	+	1	-	F	1	2	4	2 fore- quarters
Pneumonia &c.			208							
Pericarditis				3						
Hydatid Cysts			111		110					
Fascioliasis					195					
Pyaenia					3					
b Bacterial Necrosis					3					
Mastitis										1 set of udders
Contamination			2				19			diaphragms.
Hydronephrosis								2		
Adenoma					1					
Abscesses			-		4			2		
Cysticercus Ovis				1						
Bruising										1 hind quarter
Cysticercus Tenuicollis					-					
Died in Lairage	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	4	2	
STITUOL	ž	5	838	7	320	3	22	10	3	

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NEAT CONDEMNED	Table 2	2		PIGS						
Disonsos	Carcases	Heads	Lungs	Hearts	Livers	Stomachs	Spleens	Kidneys	Intestines	Other Parts
Tuberculosis		133	11		5	+			24	2 Necks
Strongylosis			4							
Pneumonia &c.			1003							
Pericarditis				182						
Congestion			78							
Cirrhosis					209					
Fatty Infiltration					9					
Hydatid Cysts			24		87		+			
Ascarides					5					
Peritonitis	2	2	2	2	62	15	14	4	18	
Hydronephrosis								32		
Nephritis								9		
Pyaemia	2	9	6	3	9	3	3	4	2	1 Flank
Carcinoma					*	1	+		+	1 Flank
Arthritis										2 Hind
Swine Fever	+	+	-	+	4	+	+	2	1	
Bruising										1 Fore Leg
Fractures										2 Hipd
Dead in Lairage	4	1	1	1	4	1	1	2	-	
Degd in Transit	1	t	-	4	-	1	-	2	-	
TOTALS	7	144	1128	190	401	23	22	52	64	



Meat Inspection (Continued)

Diseases of Animals Acts

One case of suspected Anthrax in a 2 year old bullock was notified to the Diseases of Animals Inspector but was not confirmed. One case of Swine F_ever was also detected at a slaughterhouse. This was notified to the County Veterinary Officer who dealt with the remaining 300 pigs at a farm outside the Borough.

Two sheep were found dead in lairage. One pig died in lairage and one pig died in transit. Bacteriological examinations were carried out as necessary to ensure that none of these animals had died of any notifiable disease.

The Slaughterhouses Act, 1958 The Slaughterhouses (Hygiene) Regulations The Slaughterhouses (Cruelty to Animals) Regulations

The Act and the Regulations made thereunder have introduced a new standard for Slaughterhouses both as regards premises and higher standards of cleanliness. Lack of legislation has in the past always hindered the enforcement of higher bacteriological standards. I personally regret the discontinuance of the small individual slaughterhouse run by one man, who invariably took great personal pride in the display of his carcases, but with the modern trend towards bigger type slaughterhouses run on factory lines, this pride of the finished article has almost vanished. The modern tendancy to get more animals slaughtered in the smallest possible time is doing a great deal to lower the standards and only continual close surveillance and almost constant admonition keeps things reasonable.

Fascioliasis (Liver Fluke)

This parasitic infection continues to cause great loss and 110 bovino livers and 195 sheep livers were totally condemned. This does not take into consideration the very large numbers of livers that are only trimmed and of which no account is kept.

Echinococcus

The incidence of this dangerous parasitic infection continues to rise and a total of 118 (5.3%) cattle and 111 (0.8%) sheep were affected as compared with 86 cattle and 34 sheep in 1961. On the completion of the Tuberculosis Eradication Scheme I think that this one sphere of animal husbandry where the Veterinary Officers might well spend some time.

Pneumonia

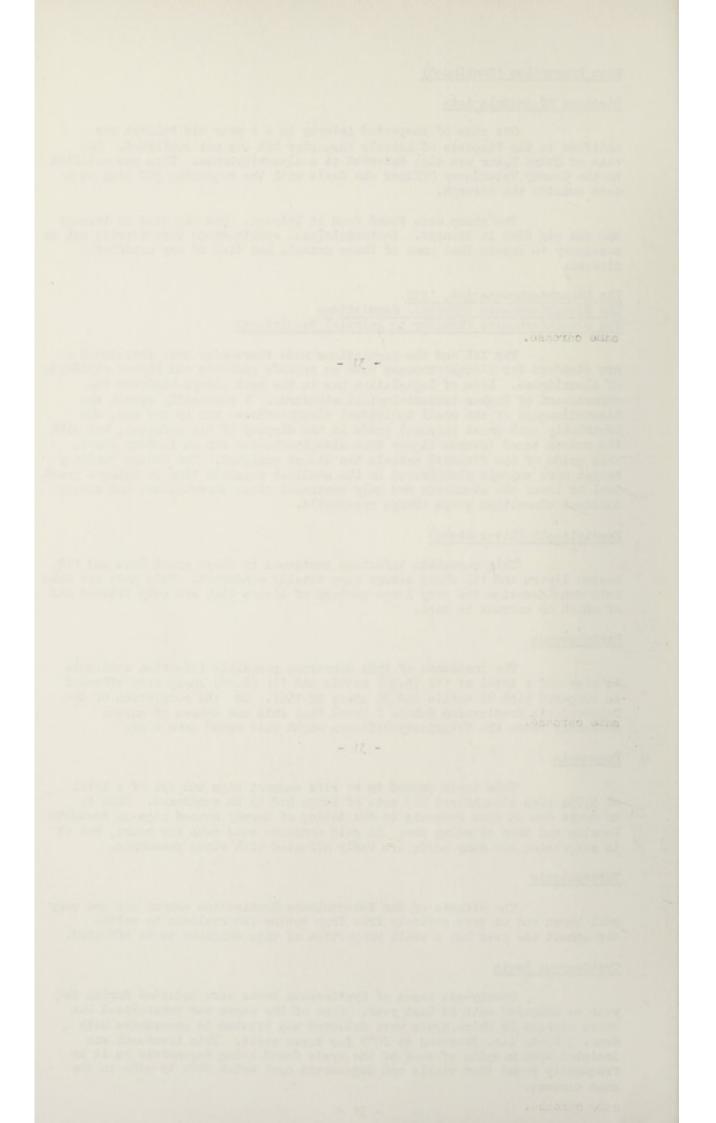
This again proved to be rife amongst pigs and out of a total of 5,734 pigs slaughtered 887 sets of lungs had to be condemned. This is no doubt due in some respects to the taking of warmly housed pigs on draughty lorries and then standing then in cold concrete sale pens for hours, but it is surprising how many herds are badly affected with virus pneumonia.

Tuberculosis

The effects of the Tuberculosis Eradication scheme are now very well known and we were entirely free from bovine tuberculosis in cattle throughout the year but a small proportion of pigs continue to be affected.

Cysticercus Bovis

Twenty-six cases of Cysticercus Bovis were detected during the year as compared with 29 last year. None of the cases was generalised but every carcase in which cysts were detected was treated in accordance with Memo. 3 Foods i.e. freezing at 20°F for three weeks. This treatment was insisted upon in spite of some of the cysts found being degenerate as it is frequently found that viable and degenerate cyst exist side by side in the same carcase.



Meat and Other Food Inspection (Continued)

32 visits to shops etc. were made in connection with the inspection of foodstuffs, and the following items were condemned as unfit for human consumption: -

Canned Foods		No. of Tins
Cream	 	2
Fish	 	26
Fruit	 	188
Grapefruit Juice	 	2
Meat (101 lb.)	 	36
Milk	 	10
Orange Juice	 	13
Rice	 	4
Creamed Rice	 	4 3
Marmalade	 	4
Spaghetti Bolognese	 	1
Vegetables	 	42
Tomatoes	 	108
Cooked Ham (21 1b.)	 	2
Infant Foods	 	4
Other Foods		
Beetroot	 	3 bottles
Jellics	 	2 pkts.

Method of Disposal

Meat: Collected daily by recognised processing firms and used for the manufacture of by-products.

Other Collected, as required, by Council vehicles and disposed of by Food: controlled tipping under supervision.

Slaughter of Animals Act, 1958

Under the Slaughter of Animals Act, 1958 21 licences were renewed during the year.

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WATER SAMPLING

Public Supplies

103 bacteriological samples of Town Water were submitted for examination, and without exception the results proved to be excellent.

2 chemical samples were also found to be satisfactory.

	LOW LEVEL	HIGH LEVEL No. 2
Physical Characters	Clear, odourless pH 7.7	
Chemical Examination (Results expressed in parts per million)	P. 1.1	
Solids in Suspension (dried at 100°C.)	-	-
Solids in Solution (dried at 180°C.)	420	665
Solids in Solution after ignition	230	465
Chlorine present as chloride	34	58
Hardness - Non-Carbonate	88	176
Hardness - Carbonate	156	208
Hardness - Total	244	384
Ammoniacal Nitrogen	0.03	0.02
Albuminoid Nitrogen	0.01	0.01
Nitrate Nitrogen	12.4	16.9
Nitrite Nitrogen	Nil	Nil
Oxygen absorbed in 4 hours at 27°C.		
(N/80 Permanganate)	0.05	0.20
Toxic Metals	None detecte	d None detected
Residual Chlorine Free		
Combined		
Total	Nil	0.07

The supplies were satisfactory as to quantity. They are not liable to plumbo solvency, but periodically are taken for lead contamination.

The approximate number of houses supplied from the MAIN direct to houses in the Borough was 14.582. Only three houses are supplied by means of standpipes. Two of the houses served are included in the Councils' demolition programme.

Swimming Baths

The Corporation swimming baths comprise one covered pool and one outdoor pool. They are inter-connected, so giving the users a choice of either.

The pools measurements are: -

The source of supply is from a private well, the water being chlorinated in the rising main to a storage tank, from which the baths are filled. The water is filtered and again chlorinated during use, thus ensuring double treatment. There is a complete change-over of water in the indoor pool every four hours, and every six hours in the outdoor pool.

The chlorination plants are of Wallace and Tierman manufacture, and the filtration plant is by Paterson.

During the year 160 (107 bacteriological and 53 chemical) samples of water from the swimming baths were submitted for examination, all of which proved to be satisfactory.

It is again pleasing to record that a high standard of cleanliness was in evidence at the Baths throughout the year.

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VERMIN INFESTATION

17 premises were effectively treated for vermin infestation. In 10 other instances insecticides were issued and advice given.

3 wasps' nests were destroyed.

COMMON LODGING HOUSES

There are no Common Lodging Houses registered in the Borough.

NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960

Investigations were made into seven complaints regarding noise during the year, six in respect of factory premises and one in respect of a barking dog.

Nuisance from noise is undoubtedly one of the most difficult problems ever to beset the Public Health Inspector. How to judge as to what depth of noise is a nuisance, should one judge on the standard of "unwanted noise" from the complainants view point, or should one judge on "unnecessary" noise from the Producers view point. How does one judge a problem when a drop forging works making what to me is a most infernal din, does not even cause the slightest concern to nearby houses but the sharp yapping of a small dog will cause a whole eruption of complaints (does the English love of animals raise some sympathy for the dog, or is it really the noise they object to).

"Noise may thus be tolerated because it is expected, such as on a factory site, or unexpected and thus not tolerated, such as that produced by animals or motor vehicles etc. in residential areas.

Until such time as standards are laid down for measuring noise in decibels using an audiometer, and until acceptable limits of intensity covering a wide variety of noise in relation to time of day, and to site, become statutory, the work of noise abatement will remain a difficult tagk".

One thing does appear clear and straightforward and that is any noise after 6 p.m. or before 8 a.m. is sure to raise a storm of protest; and even a runcur that a works is to work over or go onto shift work raises a storm in anticipation.

With a legacy of industrial development which took place side by side with housing, complaints are bound to arise from time to time, but Planning and Redevelopment will no doubt eventually prove a great succour but there is no doubt that much will have to be done to procure proper planning inside the factories where very little is done at the moment. More concern must be given by Managements to the elimination of unnecessary noise in the factory.

It would appear that much greater care will have to be taken in planning and "prior approval" must be the thing of the future, then the Public Health Inspector will not be faced with a "fait accompli" industrial noise source which could have been solved in the planning stage.

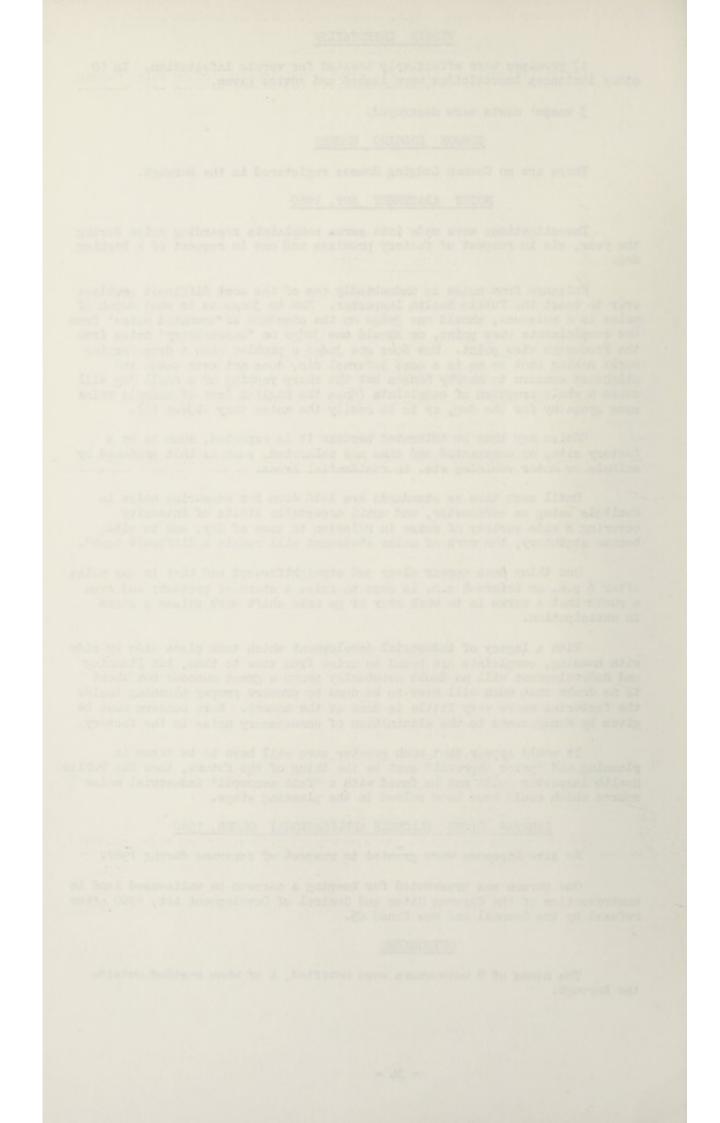
CARAVAN SITES (LICENCE APPLICATIONS) ORDER, 1960

No site Licences were granted in respect of caravans during 1962.

One person was prosecuted for keeping a caravan on unlicensed land in contravention of the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960 after refusal by the Council and was fined £5.

OUTWORKERS

The names of 8 outworkers were notified, 4 of whom resided outside the Borough.



CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956

Industry

Much progress has been and is being made with regard to the elimination of industrial smoke in the Borough.

Since 1956 40 new factories have started or reopened in the Borough and all of these are provided with modern equipment and are using smokeless fuel or oil.

In 1957 there were in the Borough 30 hand-fired industrial boilers burning bituminous coal, but the number has now been reduced to six and it is anticipated that this will be further reduced in the near future.

No prosecutions have had to be instigated in respect of emissions of dark smoke since the coming into force of the Clean Air Act.

Degree of Air Pollution

We have in the Borough one deposit gauge and one smoke recording apparatus, both situated in Lye and four sulphur dioxide recorders throughout the Borough.

The average yearly deposits since July 1956 are as follows: -

1956/7	-	355.43	tons per sq. mile
1957/8	-	560.80	-do
1958/9	-	137.86	-do
1959/60	-	188.85	-do
1960/61		184.85	-do
1961/62	-	177.83	-do

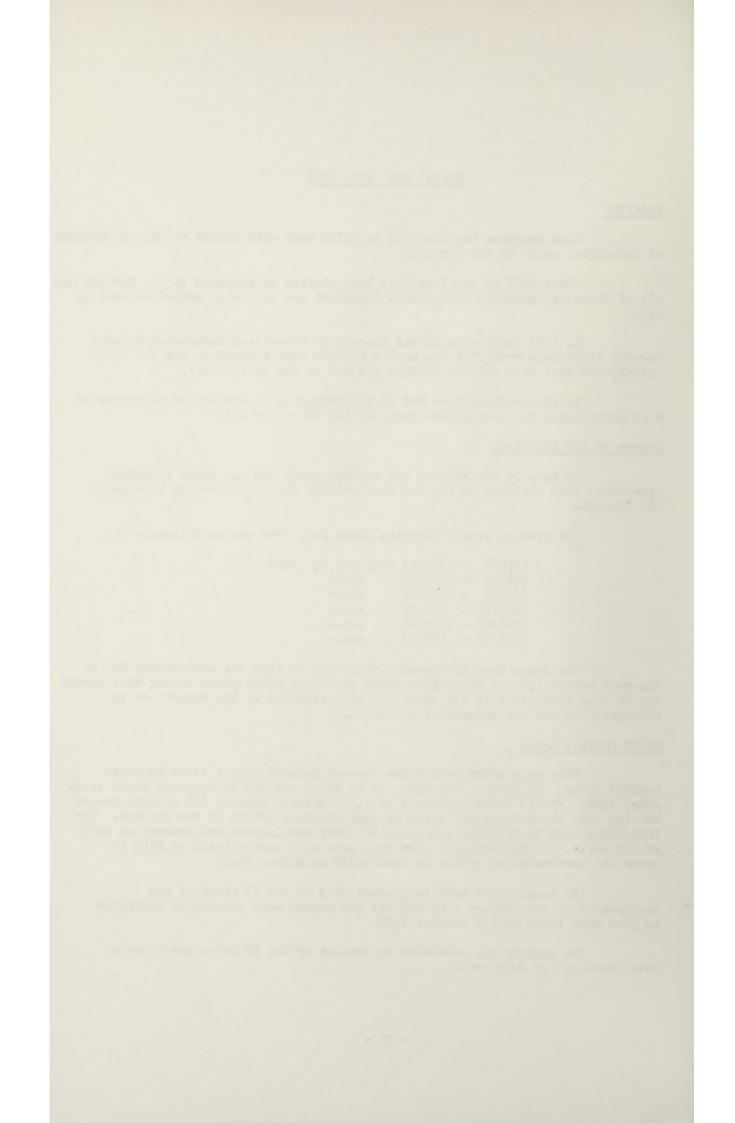
The large drop in deposits from 1956 to 1959 was undoubtedly due to the many conversions of industrial plant which has taken place during that period and is some indication of the amount of work expended by the Department in attempting to cut out industrial pollution.

Smoke Control Areas

This year under review the Borough Council made a start on Smoke Control Areas. 18 Orders were made, 17 of which related to property built since July, 1956. The 17 areas comprised of 1,366 private houses, 618 Council houses and the area covered was 427 acres or approximately 1/10th of the Borough. The 18th Order made in December consisted of older development and covered an area of 140 acres. It is estimated that this area will cost a total of £856 to cover the conversion of grates to burn solid smokeless fuel.

An inquiry was held in respect of 3 of the 17 areas of new development on 1st January 1963 and all the Orders were eventually confirmed to come into force on 1st October 1963.

No inquiry was necessary in respect of No. 18 Order which comes into force on 1st July 1964.



Clean Air Act, 1956 (Continued)

The Orders made during 1962 are as follows: -

		Private Houses	Council Houses	Acres
1.	Junction of Wollescote Road and			
	Ham Lane	34	-	50.0
2.	Bank Farm Estate	688	-	101.8
3.	Pedmore Court Road	13	-	2.4
4.	Priory Road	44	-	3.68
5.	Worcester Lane and Cobham Road	83	-	41.72
6.	Rufford Estate Part III	59	143	33.09
7.	Wollescote Road, North Side	80	-	10.70
8.	Brook Farm Estate	60	-	11.25
9.	Rectory Road	16	-	1.8
10.	Ferndale, The Paddock, Hagley Road, Pedmore	, 50	-	80.62
11.	Cemetery Road, Lye	20	-	2.3
12.	Wollaston Farm Estate Part II	-	475	22.9
13.	Osmaston Road	85	-	56.2
14.	Maypole Drive	31	-	2.15
15.	Fir Grove	66	-	2.75
16.	Hanbury Hill	11	-	1.40
17.	Wildacres, Wollaston	26	-	2.44
18.	Grange Area	27	8	140
	Totals 1	,393	626	567.20

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

Public Cleansing is under the control of the Borough Engineer and Surveyor.

The means of disposal of all refuse in the Borough is by controlled tipping, which is carried out under the general supervision of this Department.

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PETROLEUM ACTS

92 licences were issued as follows: -

80 to store Petroleum Spirit only

3 to store Petroleum Spirit and cellulose

1 to store Petroleum Spirit and carbide of calcium

1 to store Carbide of Calcium only

4 to store Cellulose only

3 to store mixture of Petroleum Spirit.

These licences authorised the storage of 150,250 gallons of Petroleum, 448 lb. of Carbide of Calcium, 1,435 gallons of Cellulose, and 72 gallons of Petroleum mixture.

Licence fees amounted to £71. 7. 6.

TUBERCULOSIS AFTER-CARE

The Members of this Committee comprise representatives from the Borough Council, the County Medical Officer's Department, the Regional Hospital Board (represented by Chest Physician), W.V.S., the Nursing Association, and your Health Department.

Grants of free milk were made to 12 patients.

After-Care work is now extended to cover chest complaints other than Tuberculosis but food allowances are still restricted to Tuberculosis patients.

The Committee's Welfare Fund is contributed to by various doners, and as Hon. Secretary I would like to express the Committee's grateful appreciation of this support which helps considerably in the provision of Christmas food parcels or fuel to patients in particular need.



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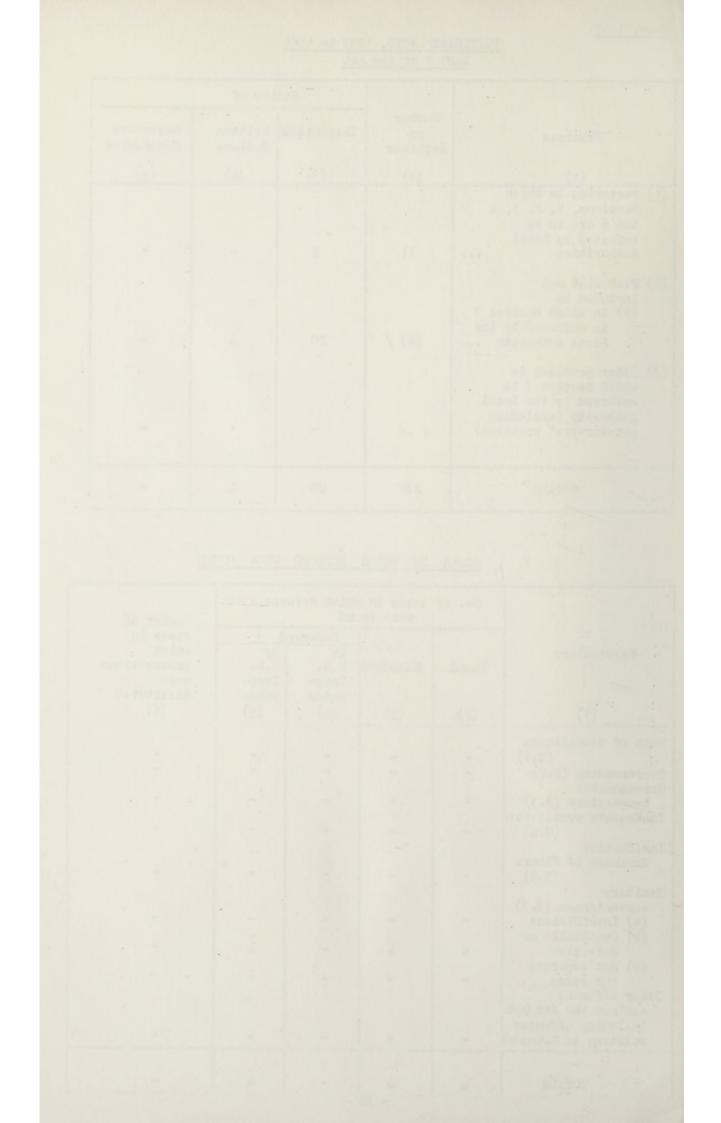
Year, 1962

FACTORIES	3	ACT	rs,	1937	to	1961
PART	1	of	the	Act		

		Number of				
Premises	Number on Register	Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)		
(1) Factories in which Sections, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	11	5	_	-		
 (2) Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority 	267	20	4	_		
 (3) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) 	-	-	-	-		
TOTALS	278	25	4	-		

CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND

	No. of	cases in v were fou	Number of cases in		
Particulars				Referred	
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Insp- ector	By H.M. Insp- ector	which prosecutions were instituted
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Want of cleanliness					
(S.1)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable					
temperature (S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation					
(S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective					
drainage of floors					
(S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary					
conveniences (S.7)					_
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	
(b) Unsuitable or defective	1	4		4	-
	4	4		4	
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences					
against the Act (not					
including offences					
relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
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TOTALS	4	4	-	4	_



FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 to 1961

Part V111 of the Act

OUTWORK

(Sections 110 and 111)

Nature	Sec	tion 110		Section 111			
of Work	No. of out- workers in August list required by Section 110(1)(c)	lists to the	No. of prosecu- tions for failure to supply lists	in	Notices served	Prosecu- tions	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	
Wearing)Making apparel) etc.	5	-	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS	5	-	-	-	-	-	

(Note: No other classes of work were involved).

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