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Inhab. - - - 4,239

Rateable value - - - £101,072

Prod. rate - - - £405.0.0d.

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Under the Government Evacuation Scheme, the area is classed as a receiving area.

Many of the residents, owing to good transport services, are employed in the neighbouring towns and the main local industries are building and farming.

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VITAL STATISTICS OF CIVILIAN POPULATION FOR 1940 (Summary)

(Registrar General's Figures)

BIRTHS (for birth rates)	M. F. Total		Birth Rate per 1000 estimated civilian population.	Rate per 1000 estimated civilian population.	Wetherby R.D.	England and Wales.
Live births. Leg.	109	209				
Illeg.	4	1			11.80	14.6
Still births. Leg.	6	6				
Illeg.	-	1			0.72	0.55
MORTALITY.						
Deaths (all causes) amongst civilians.	113	126	239		13.18 0.93	- -
Crude death rate per 1000 civilian population. Areal comparability factor 1940 (Reg. General) Corrected Death Rate per 1000 civilian population (this is the rate which would apply if the age and sex distribution of the civilian population were the same as for England and Wales as a whole)						
					12.25	14.3

INFANTILE MORTALITY.

Births for I.M. etc.			
Leg.	113	105	218
Illeg.	11	12	23
	124	117	241

Deaths of infants under 1 year of age - 15. Rate per 1000 live births.
Deaths from diarrhoea and enteritis under 2 years - 1. -do-

SPECIAL MORTALITY.

Deaths from Puerperal & post-abortion sepsis - 0. Deaths from other maternal causes - 0.
Deaths from cancer (all ages) - 31. Deaths from measles (all ages) - 0.
Deaths from Whooping cough (all ages) - 0. Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2) - 0.

NOTES.

*Owing to evacuation and other war causes, it is necessary for comparative results that Live Births are shown in two forms, one for calculating Birth Rates and the other for calculating infant and maternal mortalities. The Estimated population of 18,130 is taken for calculation of death rates amongst civilians, but as the estimate of the numbers and distribution of the non-civilian population are not available, the birth rates can only be based on the civilian population of 18,130 which is used for calculation of death rates.

CAUSES OF CIVILIAN DEATHS.

This schedule is the list supplied by the Registrar-General and the deaths are classified under headings given in the new Abridged List of causes of Death. It is therefore impossible to provide the usual comparative figures of deaths in previous years.

	Male	Female	Total.
1. Typhoid & Parat. Fevers.	1	-	1
2. Cerebro-spinal Fever	1	1	2
3. Scarlet Fever.	-	-	-
4. Whooping Cough	-	-	-
5. Diphtheria	-	-	-
6. Tuberculosis of resp. system.	3	1	4
7. Other forms of tuberculosis.	-	-	-
8. Syphilitic Diseases	2	-	2
9. Influenza	1	-	1
10. Measles	-	-	-
11. Ac. polio-myel. & polio-enceph.	-	-	-
12. Ac. inf. encephalitis	-	-	-
13. Cancer of b.cav. & osoph. (M)	1	-	1
uterus (F)	-	2	2
14. Cancer of Stomach & duodenum	3	4	7
15. Cancer of the breast	-	3	3
16. Cancer of all other sites	8	10	18
17. Diabetes	2	1	3
18. Intra-cran. vasc. lesions	9	17	26
19. Heartdisease	29	38	57
20. Other diseases of circulatory system	5	2	7
21. Bronchitis	9	14	23
22. Pneumonia	5	3	8
23. Other respiratory diseases	3	3	6
24. Ulcer of stomach or duodenum	-	-	-
25. Diarrhoea under two years	-	1	1
26. Appendicitis	-	-	-
27. Other Digestive Diseases	4	3	7
28. Nephritis	4	2	6
29. Puerperal & post-abortion sepsis	-	-	-
30. Other maternal causes	-	-	-
31. Premature birth	3	-	3
32. Con. mal. birth inj. infantile diseases	2	3	5
33. Suicide	1	2	3
34. Road Traffic Accidents	4	1	5
35. Other violent causes	5	3	8
36. All other causes	9	12	21
Total	113	126	239

VITAL STATISTICS OF WETHERBY RURAL DISTRICT FOR YEAR 1940 AND PREVIOUS YEARS.

Year.	Population estimated at mid-year.	BIRTHS.		DEATHS.		RATES OF DEATH.			POPULATION.	
		No.	Rate per 1,000 population.	Registered in the area.	Transfers out In	Total deaths.	No. of deaths under 1 year.	Crude. Corrected.	Infantile Mortality.	Inc. Dec.
1931	16448	247	15.02	167	10	35	192	11.6	40.4	55
1932	16640	271	15.93	178	3	37	212	12.74	25.8	59
1933	16650	235	13.69	189	8	28	209	12.48	52.61	26
1934.	16740	226	13.50	179	8	43	214	12.78	42.05	12
1935	16830	215	12.77	169	10	45	204	12.77	37.2	11
1936	16990	225	13.24	179	9	52	222	13.06	57.77	3
1937	16900	228	13.49	179	8	64	235	13.91	52.64	-
1938	16840	240	14.25	161	8	55	208	12.33	33.34	32
1939	16920	236	13.93	181	13	61	229	13.15	38.0	7
1940	18130	214	11.80	168	6	77	239	13.18	65.0	-
								11.5		25
								12.24		7
								10.85		-
								11.5		-
								12.25		-

NOTE:- These figures are based upon the Registrar General's calculations.

AREA, POPULATION AND DWELLINGS OF INDIVIDUAL PARISHES AT END OF 1940.

WETHERBY RURAL DISTRICT.

Township.	Estimated Extent. Acres.	Population in 1931.	No. of Dwellings	* Services
Angram	521	51	10	- - -
Bardsey-cum-Rigton	2752	796	406	S.W.C
Bickerton with Bilton	2299	357	88	- W.-
Boston Spa	880	1433	539	S.W.C
Bramham-cum-Oglethorpe	4112	1042	305	S.W.C
Clifford	742	1110	280	S.W.C
Collingham (incl. part Linton)	2842	884	364	S.W.C
Deighton North	1475	106	25	- W.-
Harewood (incl. Dunkeswick, Weardley, Wigton & Wike)	8154	1161	341	** S.W.C
Hutton Wandesley	1233	88	22	- W.-
Keswick East	1290	503	189	S.W.-
Kearby-with-Netherby	1422	146	45	- W.-
Kirkby Overblow	2224	255	92	- W.-
Kirk Deighton	2276	349	1371	S.W.C
Long Marston	2850	254	72	- W.-
Ribston Little	858	158	45	- W.-
Rigton North	3058	318	112	- - -
Scarcroft	1073	358	142	S.W.-
Sicklinghall	1495	235	64	- W.-
Spofforth with Stockeld	5468	793	234	S.W.C
Thorner	2461	113	344	S.W.C
Thorparch	1529	428	71	S.W.C
Tockwith (incl. Cowthorpe)	3188	496	160	+ S.W.-
Walton	1590	192	55	- W.-
Weeton	1373	617	216	S.W.C
Wetherby (incl. Micklethwaite and part of Linton)	2460	2805	889	S.W.C
Wighill	2247	180	53	S.W.-
Wilstrop	1080	49	13	- - -
Wothersome	772	40	14	- - -
TOTALS -	64424	16317	5321	

* Services represented as follows:-

S. Public Sewers.
W. Public Water Supply.
C. Public Cleansing.

** Sewers only in Harewood & Wigton.

+ Sewers only in Tockwith.

SECTION B.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.

Public Health Officers:- The names and qualifications of the staff will be found at the commencement of this report.

Miss Seddon, Shorthand-Typist in the Public Health Department, terminated her appointment in March, 1940, and Miss E.M. Hardisty was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Laboratory facilities:- Chemical analysis of water and other substances are carried out by Messrs. Richardson & Jaffe, County Analysts, Bradford.

All bacteriological examinations are carried out by the W.R.C.C. Public Health Laboratory, County Hall, Wakefield.

Ambulance facilities:- As outlined in my last report, the ambulance facilities of the Council are very satisfactory, and remain unaltered.

Mortuaries:- I must once again stress the need for an up-to-date mortuary and post mortem room in Wetherby. Nineteen emergency mortuaries for wartime purposes have been established throughout the district.

Nursing in the home:- District nursing schemes now serve the whole district, and a County Council Health Visitor renders beneficial service in and around Wetherby.

Clinics and treatment centres:- There is no change from the arrangements outlined in my report for 1939.

Hospital accommodation and treatment:- There is no change in the detailed particulars given in my report for 1938.

SECTION C.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

Water, drainage and other matters of interest under this heading are dealt with by Mr. Gray, the Senior Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector in his report which follows, and I take this opportunity of thanking him for his co-operation.

For purposes of continuity of record, I herewith append the usual table of public supplies of water in the district.

SECTION D.

HOUSING.

General Housing Statistics.

1. Inspection of Dwelling houses during the year:-

- | | |
|---|---------------------------|
| (1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) - - - | 327. |
| (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose - - - | 1096. |
| (2) (a) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-heading (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 - - - | 44. |
| (B) Number of inspections made for the purpose - - - | 140. |
| (3) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation - - - | 0. |
| (4) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceeding sub-heading) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation - - - | (18 H.A.)
(283 P.H.A.) |

2. Remedy of Defects during the year without service of formal Notices:-

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers (18 H.A.)
(277 P.H.A.)

WATER SUPPLIES.

Number of houses in Parish.

Number of Houses Supplied.

Undertakers.

Parish

1901 1911 1921 1931 1940

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WETHERBY DISTRICT WATER COMPANY.

Bardsey
Boston Spa
Bramham
Clifford
Collingham (enlarged 1937)
Deighton North
Harewood (Brandon)
Kewick East
Kirk Deighton
Linton
Micklethwaite } abolished 1937.
Ribston Little
Scarcroft
Thorner
Thorparch
Walton
Wetherby (enlarged 1937)

63
339
165
225
83
25
10
101
75
17
56
215
61
39
463

69
347
233
187
125
23
10
122
79
16
65
229
70
40
538

70
346
237
189
144
21
10
126
73
17
67
254
62
42
515

235
398
270
227
175
21
11
154
88
16
109
298
65
45
632

406
539
305
280
364
25
11
189
131
-
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142
344
71
55
889

4
116
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64
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237

35
297
106
74
97
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29
339

2
308
139
140
111
-
-
93
54
33
12
37
147
51
32
397

196
374
184
199
156
4
-
124
62
97
14
60
230
51
42
603

357
534
250
271
351
14
11
177
107
-
-
4
119
299
59
54
872

Total for area of supply

1972 2188 2217 2850 3796

437 1266 1956 2411 3467

WETHERBY DISTRICT RURAL COUNCIL.

Bilston-with-Bickerton
Hutton Wandesley
Harewood (Wike)
Kearby-with-Netherby
Kirkby Overblow
Long Marston
Sicklinghall
Spofforth (inc. Hagg's Supply)
Tockwith
Wighill

71
19
29
36
66
61
52
172
152
40

72
22
29
40
75
61
49
186
147
40

76
21
29
37
72
58
54
180
138
40

61
21
29
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96
66
59
203
138
43

88
22
27
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92
72
64
234
160
53

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-

61
11
23
31
74
39
39
167
80
44

Total for area of supply

688 721 705 781 857

88 36 569

WATER SUPPLIES (Continued).

	1901	1911	1921	1931	1940	1901	1911	1921	1931	1940.
LEEDS CORPORATION.										
North Ripton (part)										
Harewood (Wigton)										
Weeton										
Total for area of supply										
LASCELLES ESTATE										
Harewood (excl. Wigton & Wike)										
COMPANY										
Total of all Undertakings.										

* Parish of Kirkby Overblow. Part transferred to Harrogate 1st April, 1938 - 27 houses still supplied.

Excluding 1 house supplied in Cattal Parish - Nidderdale R.D.C.

* Parish of Harewood. Supplied by four undertakers - Complete figures for Parish:†

341 - 101 135 145 268

3. Action under Statutory Powers during the year:-

(a) Proceedings under Sections 9,10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936:-

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	-	-	-	-	0
(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:	-	-	-	-	0
(a) By owners	-	-	-	-	0
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners	-	-	-	-	0

(b) Proceedings under Public Health Acts:-

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	-	-	-	-	4
(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:-	-	-	-	-	
(a) By owners	-	-	-	-	4
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners	-	-	-	-	0

(c) Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936:-

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	-	-	-	-	0
(2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	-	-	-	-	16

(d) Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936:-

(1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made	-	-	-	-	0
(2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit	-	-	-	-	0

4. HOUSING ACT, 1936 - Part IV - OVERCROWDING:-

(a) (i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year	-	8
(ii) Number of families dwelling therein	-	8
(iii) Number of persons dwelling therein	-	64
(b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year	3	3
(c) (i) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	3	3
(ii) Number of persons concerned in such cases	-	23

The main Housing Developments during 1940 are given in the Surveyor and Sanitary Inspectors Report.

SECTION E.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

This subject is fully dealt with in Mr. Gray's report, which follows.

SECTION F.

PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

ZYMOTIC DISEASES.

Details of these cases are given in the following table:-

ZYMOTIC DISEASES, 1940.

Disease	Total cases notified.	Cases admitted to Hosp.	Total Deaths.
Smallpox	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	33	27	-
Diphtheria	9	8	4
Enteric Fever (incl. Paratyphoid)	2	2	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	-	-
Pneumonia	16	-	1
Other diseases generally notifiable			
Erysipelas	7	-	-
Cerebro-Spinal Fever	8	7	-
Polyomilitis	1	1	-
Other diseases notifiable locally,			
Measles	191	-	-
Whooping Cough	10	-	-
Total	270	45	1

ANALYSIS OF NOTIFIED ZYMOTIC CASES INTO AGE GROUPS.

Age Group.	Scarlet Fever.	Diphtheria.	Whooping Cough.	Measles.	Enteric Fever.	Erysipelas.	Puerperal Pyrexia.	Pneumonia.	Polyomilitis	Cerebro-Spinal Fever
Under 1 year	-	-	1	3	-	-	-	1	-	1
1 - 2 years	1	-	3	7	-	-	-	1	-	1
2 - 3 "	-	-	1	13	-	-	-	1	-	-
3 - 4 "	1	1	-	15	-	-	-	-	-	-
4 - 5 "	1	1	-	18	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 10 "	5	4	3	88	1	-	-	1	1	-
10 - 15 "	11	3	1	24	1	1	-	1	-	1
15 - 20 "	3	-	-	7	-	1	1	-	-	1
20 - 35 "	8	-	1	12	-	1	-	3	-	3
35 - 45 "	3	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	-
45 - 65 "	-	-	-	2	-	3	-	4	-	2
65 and over.	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	5	-	-
Totals	33	9	10	191	2	7	1	16	1	8

TUBERCULOSIS.

Fourteen cases of Tuberculosis were notified during the year.

New cases and Mortality during 1940.

Particulars of new cases of Tuberculosis and of deaths from the disease in the area during 1940 are given in the following table:-

New cases.Deaths.

	Respiratory.		Non-Respiratory.		Respiratory		Non-Respiratory.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 -	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
5 -	-	-	2	3	-	-	-	-
15 -	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
25 -	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
35 -	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
45 -	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
55 -	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
65 & upw'asl	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	3	2	5	4	3	1	-	-

- (a) Ratio of non-notified tuberculosis deaths to total notified deaths:- 1 in 1.
- (b) Efficiency of Notification of tuberculosis:- On the whole satisfactory.
- (c) Action taken for failure to notify:- None.
- (d) Wilful neglect or refusal to notify:- None.
- (e) Excessive incidence of, or mortality from tuberculosis in any particular occupation in the area:- None.

CIVIL DEFENCE.

As outlined in Mr. Gray's report, considerable time has been devoted to Civil Defence duties under various headings, in addition to which I have had a considerable amount of work in connection with evacuation and casualty services.

Dr. E. Lodge has been appointed as Medical Officer for A.R.P. Casualty Services in the Wetherby District, and there has been established one fixed First Aid Post in Wetherby, 1 mobile post at Boston Spa, and a Casualty Hospital at Scarcroft. In addition to these, almost every village has its First Aid Point and the District is adequately served with Emergency Ambulances.

CONCLUSION.

I have to thank the Chairman and Members of the Council for their generous support, and also I desire to express appreciation for the assistance and co-operation given by Colleagues and by the Officers and Staff of the District Council. Without this support it would have been impossible to have carried out the large amount of work outlined herein.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

E.R. HARGREAVES.

Medical Officer of Health.

Council Offices,
Wetherby.

July, 1941.

ANNUAL REPORT
 of the
 SURVEYOR & SANITARY INSPECTOR
 for the year, 1940.

Public Health Department,
 Council Offices,
 Wetherby.

February, 1941.

To the Wetherby Rural District Council:

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that I submit for your information and consideration, my 34th Annual Report as your Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector, giving details of the work carried out in my Department during the twelve months ended 31st December, 1940.

The work of the year has been influenced by war conditions, and the outstanding details have been in connection with Civil Defence, and salvage of waste and dormant materials.

It has been possible to maintain reasonable progress notwithstanding the conditions in most sections of the work of the Department, with the exception of Housing and Building Development which, owing to shortage of materials and labour has been reduced to a minimum.

The amount of work completed will, I am sure, be of great interest and in view of the large influx of population into the District the fore-sight of your Council in regard to Health Service in past years is now showing its worth. The population of the District on the 31st December, 1940 was 18,620, as compared with 16,840 at the outbreak of war.

TOWN PLANNING.

The Wetherby Rural District No. 2 Town Planning Scheme had its draft scheme deposited on the 19th July, 1940. This scheme covers an area of 20,538 acres, and together with the No. 1 Scheme which is still awaiting the decision of the Ministry of Health, there are now 50,306 acres protected by Town Planning Schemes.

HOUSING.

1. New Houses. The erection of new houses has shown a decline during the year and the following table gives details of building development.

Table of Plans approved during 1940.

<u>Type of Building.</u>	<u>No. of plans.</u>	<u>No. of Buildings.</u>
New houses	7	13
Additions & alterations to houses	10	14
Conversions to houses	2	4

Type of Building.	No. of plans.	No. of Buildings.
Farm Buildings	4	4
Garages	13	15
Temporary buildings.	14	14
Petrol pumps	1	1
Electrical Sub-stations	2	2
Drainage and Sewerage plans	2	2
Miscellaneous	10	10
Totals -	<u>65</u>	<u>79</u>

DETAILS OF NEW HOUSES COMPLETED.

Parish	No.	Rooms. House. Total.	No. of W.C.s
Bardsey.	1	5	1
"	1	6	1
Bilton	1	3	1
Boston Spa	2	4	2
Collingham	1	3	1
"	1	9	3
"	2	5	2
"	2	7	3
Clifford	1	6	2
Harewood	1	7	2
"	1	9	4
"	1	10	2
Spofforth	2	5	2
Scarcroft	2	4	2
"	1	7	1
Walton	2	4	2 E.C.
Wetherby	2	7	3
Wighill	2	3	2
26	-	-	34 W.C. 2 E.C.

HOUSES IN COURSE OF ERECTION.

Collingham - 1. *Scarcroft - 1. Hutton Wandesley - 2.

* Erected under Sec. 3 Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1938.

2. Slum Clearance.

The details as given in my last report still apply, as, in view of the wishes of the Ministry of Health, no steps have been taken to demolish the condemned houses which were vacant or have become vacant since the outbreak of War.

3. Overcrowding abatement.

Three new cases of overcrowding have been found during the year, and there are now only 8 outstanding cases. I would point out that in view of the influx of population to the District due to Official Evacuation from the bombed areas, and to Government Developments in the district, it is becoming increasingly difficult to control overcrowding. In 5 Parishes almost every small house has its share, or more than its share, of lodgers, and with such a floating population, and also shortage of accommodation, it is extremely difficult to take effective action under this heading.

Gross cases of overcrowding, however, will be drastically dealt with.

4. Reconditioning.

18 houses have been reconditioned under the Housing Act, 1936, and 277 repaired under the Public Health Acts. Nine of the foregoing 18 houses have been reconditioned under the Housing (Rural Workers) Act, and it is gratifying to record that during the last 5 years, 48 houses have been dealt with under this Act.

5. Housing defects remedied.

	<u>Housing Act.</u>	<u>Public Health Act.</u>
No. of houses dealt with	18	277
" " made into through houses	4	-
" " obstructive buildings demolished	3	4
" " land lowered to below floor level	3	2
" " yards concreted	10	2
" " yards repaired	4	6
" " S.C. converted, repaired & insufficient	18	74
" " Drainage works carried out	18	54
" " new sinks provided	17	35
" " improved water supplies	5	31
" " roofs repaired	17	109
" " walls pointed and repaired	17	10
" " floors renewed or repaired	17	11
" " internal plastering repaired	10	1
" " dampness remedied	16	13
" " increased lighting provided	10	3
" " improved ventilation	11	4
" " new food stores	4	5
" " food stores repaired	13	3
" " miscellaneous defects	13	38

6. Council Houses.

Your Council now own 674 houses, the rent of which ranges from 3/- per week to 13/1 per week, exclusive of Rates. The Annual Rent Roll has risen from £11,031 to £11,447 and the total arrears at the last Accounting Period was £337.3.8d., inclusive of Rates. The Repairs and Maintenance Fund at the last Accounting Period was while at the same date the Housing Equalisation Fund stood at

Towards the close of the year your Council carried out a review of Council House rents and in many cases, due to improved incomes of tenants, the rents have been substantially raised, in certain cases up to the Economic Rent.

During the earlier part of the year, due to the heavy snow storms, much work was carried out repairing roofs, and damaged eaves-spouting. The keeping of poultry on Housing Estates has required attention to prevent inconvenience and nuisance.

7. Summary of work under Housing Acts, 1938.

1. Inspections.

a. Total houses inspected (H.A. and P.H.A.)	-	-	327.
b. " no. of inspections on housing work	-	-	1096.
c. " no. of houses recorded under Consolidated Regulations	-	-	44.
d. " no. of houses found unfit for habitation	-	-	-.
e. " no. of houses found defective but repairable	-	-	-.
	(1) H.A.	18.	
	(2) P.H.A.	283.	
f. " no. of houses found unsatisfactory	-	-	26.

11. Remedy of Defects.

a. Houses reconditioned under Housing Act.	-	-	18.
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b. Houses repaired under Public Health Act.	-	-	277
c. Notices served, but work not commenced	-	-	6
d. Houses with work in hand at year end	-	-	2
e. Inspected houses awaiting attention	-	-	108

iii. Slum Clearance.

As detailed in Annual Report, 1939.

iv. Over-crowding.

a. Houses measured for permitted numbers	-	-	30
b. Houses measured for amended permitted numbers	-	-	10
c. Total number of houses measured to date	-	-	4,636
d. Permitted numbers issued to owners	-	-	6
e. Rent books inspected	-	-	6
f. Buildings overcrowded at year end	-	-	8
No. of families therein	-	-	8
No. of inhabitants therein	-	-	64
g. Cases of overcrowding abated during 1940	-	-	3
h. New cases of overcrowding during 1940	-	-	3
No. of persons concerned in such cases	-	-	23

v. Demolished houses.

North Rington (Bredleys Cottages)	-	-	1
Scarcroft (New Inn Cottage)	-	-	1
Weston (Dr. Pope)	-	-	3
" (Jackson)	-	-	1

ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE.

The table appended to this Report gives the outline of the numbers of the various types of nuisances dealt with:-

Nuisances outstanding at end of 1939	-	146.
Nuisances found during 1940	-	1,225.
	Total	1,371.
Nuisances abated during 1940	-	1,214.
Outstanding nuisances 31.12.40	-	157.

On the 2nd May, the Local Court imposed a penalty against the owner of two houses at Boston Spa, of £1 on each of two nuisances and ordered their abatement within 28 days, and also imposed a continuing penalty of 5/- per day.

House drainage and closet accommodation.

1. Sewer connections. The following list shows the number of connections in each Parish served by the Joint Scheme.

<u>Parish.</u>	<u>No. of houses.</u>
Bardsey.	341.
Collingham	332.
East Keswick	166.
Kirk Deighton	108.
Scarcroft	81.
Wetherby	846.
Total	1,874.

With a census average of 3.69 persons, this gives a permitted total of 6,874 persons served by this scheme, but actually, this number is much greater, and the Wetherby Disposal Works have about reached their maximum capacity.

To other schemes in various Parishes, 5 additional houses were connected during the year, and these connections have enabled 4 cess-pools to be abolished and the drainage of three houses removed from streams.

2. Drainage.

There have been 307 new drains constructed during the year apart from those in connection with new buildings, and 93 new inspection chambers have already been completed. 23 defective drains have been reconstructed, and 70 drainage systems have been tested with the smoke machine.

3. Conversion of closet accommodation.

P.M. to W.C.	-	-	32.
P.C. to W.C.	-	-	11.
Trough closet to W.C.	-	-	6.
Additional W.C.s	-	-	24.
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			73.

This work is one of the outstanding features of the year, for although normal building work and reconditioning work has been reduced to a much marked extent, it has been possible to achieve the above number of satisfactory improvements without the Council incurring any expense.

SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

246 inspections have been made of sewerage disposal works during the year, and a large amount of attention has been required owing to the increased sewage which is being received at all the Disposal Works.

The difficulty of maintaining the Disposal Works and Sewers and the disposal of the ever-increasing amount of sludge has been greatly accentuated by the shortage of labour. At the close of the year I have only one full-time sewage works attendant, and one able-bodied workman left on my Staff, and it is almost impossible to obtain additional labour.

Sewer extensions during 1940.

Only 100 yards of 6" sewer has been laid during the year, and this has been in connection with the Council Houses at Boston Spa. During the year 22 houses have been connected to the Sewers. Three defective sewers and 7 blocked sewers have been unstopped and cleansed.

WATER SUPPLIES.

A great deal of work has been carried out in connection with water supplies during the year.

1. Public Water Supplies.

299 inspections have been made of public water supplies during 1940.

a. Wetherby R.D.C. The Kearby High Level Automatic Sewage Gear is still in need of attention, and its unsatisfactory performance has caused constant and daily attention to the pumps.

The No. 1 Bore Hole pump at Sicklinghall has been withdrawn for inspection and over-haul, and it was found that a certain amount of wear had taken place in the vanes and impeller casings. This wear has

caused a marked reduction in the efficiency of the pump. Your Council very wisely decided to order a further pump, to have on hand in case of break-down. This pump is to be constructed of phosphorbronze, in order to prevent any erosion.

At Long Marston, in view of certain developments, the Ministry of Health have sanctioned, under the Defence Regulations, 1939, the construction of a further bore hole, pump house and provision of bore hole pump. It is hoped that this work will be proceeded with in the early part of 1941.

Much work has been incurred in connection with Kirkby Overblow, Walton Head Water Scheme. Negotiations with Harrogate Corporation have been concluded, whereby this Scheme has to be transferred to the Harrogate Corporation, but the Provisional Order enabling this to be legally carried out has not yet been issued by the Ministry of Health. The transfer of this Scheme to Harrogate has been brought about owing to the great cost to the Ratepayers which would be incurred if your Council carried out the necessary alterations to modernise the works.

Much work has been done in connection with the supervision and maintenance of our Water Schemes, details of which are as follows:-

Parish.	Houses	Connections 1940.		Total Connections.	
	in Parish	Houses.	Meters.	Houses.	Meters.
Bilton-with					
Bickerton.	88	7	-	61	10
Hutton Wandesley	22	-	-	11	1
Kearby	45	-	-	31	9
Kirkby Overblow	92	-	-	74	9
- (Harrogate)	27	2	-	27	5
Long Marston	72	-	1	39	6
Sicklinghall	64	-	1	39	10
Spofforth	234	1	-	167	13
Tockwith	160	4	5	80	14
Cattal (Nidderdale					
R.D.)	1	-	-	1	1
Wighill	53	1	-	44	7
Wike (part Harewood)	27	-	-	23	4
Totals	885	15	7	597	89

b. Wetherby District Water Co.

The water supply of this undertaking has been maintained in a reasonably satisfactory manner during the year, although difficulties have been experienced in the higher part of this district, particularly at East Keswick and Wetherby, owing to the fact that the greatly increased draw on the mains at peak hours reduces the supply to the high points of the District. XXX The Water Company have this matter under consideration.

c. Lascelles Estate Co.

d. Leeds Corporation.

e. Harrogate Corporation.

The supplies of these undertakers have been found to be satisfactory throughout the year.

f. General. The following table shows the extent of public Water supplies within the District:-

	No. of Houses in supply area.	Houses Supplied. Number.	Per cent of houses in dist.
Wetherby Dist. Water Co.	3796	3536	66.48.
Wetherby R.D.C.	857	569	10.69
Leeds Corporation	311	283	5.32
Lascelles Estate Co. Ltd.	216	175	3.29
Total houses in supply area.	5180	4563	85.78%

Total Houses) 5321. Houses in District) 14.22%
in district.) without piped supply)

2. Private Water Supplies.

It has not been possible to take any further action with regard to the Public Water Supply for the Parish of North Rington, although this Scheme is very urgently required.

The total number of samples of water collected during the year is 13, and the results of analysis are as follows:-

	Good.	Suspicious.	Polluted	Total.
Chemical	5	3	-	8
Bacteriological	1	-	4	5
	6	3	4	13

17 houses were provided during the year with a pure supply of water, in lieu of 27 polluted supplies. In addition, 13 houses with an inadequate water supply were provided with a satisfactory supply. 7 defective pumps were repaired, and 10 private wells were abolished.

CAMPING AND MOVEABLE DWELLINGS.

Owing to the restriction on camping under the Defence Regulations, and to the cancellation of all Bank Holidays, there has been very little holiday camping during the year, and only 42 inspections of camping sites and 164 of moveable dwellings have been made during the year.

There are now 26 licensed sites in the District. In one Parish owing to Government Building Developments, we have certain trouble with gipsy encampments, but with the co-operation of the land owners, it has been possible to remove these camps.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

1. Meat Inspection.

The following table gives details of work under this heading during the year:-

	No.	Inspections.
Slaughter-houses	16	127
Butchers' shops and meat rooms	29	141
Meat vans	No record	15
Knacker's yards	2	15
Farms for emergency slaughter	-	45
Slaughter houses for emergency slaughter	-	60

Three dirty premises were dealt with, and two other contraventions of Slaughter House byelaws were abated during 1940.

The attached table gives details of Meat Inspections:-

Meat Inspections.

Animal.	No. inspt.	Entirely condemned.		Parts of carcase condemned.		Total cond.
		T.B.	Other disease.	T.B.	Other disease.	
Cows.	3	1	-	-	-	1.
Cattle (excl.cows)	70	-	-	-	2	2.
Calves	19	-	3	-	-	3.
Sheep and Lambs	166	-	10	-	4	14.
Pigs.	74	3	1	1	2	7.
	332	4	14	1	8	27.

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Total weight of meat condemned = 1,750 lbs.

From the 15th January, 1940, the Live Stock (Restriction of Slaughtering) Order, 1940, became effective and provided that no slaughtering of animals for human consumption should take place except in Government controlled Slaughter Houses, and from that date all meat for this District has been slaughtered or obtained from Leeds. Nevertheless, much work has been carried out in controlling emergency slaughter on farms and in slaughter houses in the District, this type of slaughter being exempt from the general restriction on slaughtering.

2. Milk Supply.

996 inspections have been made of registered cowsheds, during the year and 57 visits to dairies and milk shops have been made.

Two cowsheds have been repaired during the year, 13 reconditioned, 4 new ones erected and 4 closed. In connection with this work, we have had a certain amount of difficulty, owing to permanent black-out causing inadequate lighting of cowsheds, and also shortage of labour causing a marked reduction in the standard of cleanliness throughout the District.

76 dirty cowsheds have been found during the year, and 30 cases of dirty milk stools. It is hoped that more regular inspections of cowsheds will be possible during the ensuing 12 months, in order that there may be no further deterioration of the standards of production.

There are now 305 farms producing milk or butter in the District, having a total of 485 cowsheds, with standings for 4,291 cows.

Registrations are as follows:-

Wholesale producers of milk	-	-	143.
Retail producers of milk	-	-	102.
Butter makers and small retailers	-	-	60.
Retail purveyors of milk	-	-	180.

3. Designated Milks. Milk (Special Designations) Order, 1936.

Licences in the District are as follows:-

W.R.C.C.

Accredited milk producers	-	-	33
T.T. producers	-	-	4
Total	-	-	37

Wetherby R.D.C.

T.T. Dealers' Licences	-	-	2
T.T. Supplementary Licences	-	-	2
Pasturised Licences	-	-	1
Total	-	-	5

4. Food and Drugs. (Food and Drugs Act, 1938).

Dr. T.M.V. Potts, County Medical Officer of Health to the West Riding County Council, has kindly supplied the following details of foods collected and analysed for adulteration under the Food and Drugs Act, 1938.

	<u>Genuine.</u>	<u>Adulterated.</u>
Milk	36	2
Drugs	4	-
Other foods	20	-
	<hr/> 60	<hr/> 2

General.

The various food preparing buildings in the District are inspected at regular intervals and the Market at Wetherby is subject to careful supervision. Owing to pressure of other work, it has not been possible to devote any time to the administration of Section 13-14 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1938.

CONTROL OF WORK PLACES.

1. Factories. (Factory Act, 1937)

There were on the Register, at the end of the year, 6 factories with mechanical power, 196 factories without mechanical power, and 5 other controlled premises. During the year 147, 332 and 103 inspections respectively have been made of the above factories.

The following matters were dealt with as a result of these inspections:-

Lack of Sanitary conveniences	-	-	2
Dirty premises and/or San. conveniences	-	-	8
Other contraventions	-	-	1

2. Shops (Shops Act 1934)

45 inspections have been made and 4 contraventions of the Act have been dealt with.

3. Offices. (Public Health Act, 1936).

8 visits have been made during the year.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES.

1. Zymotic diseases.

57 visits have been made during 1940 to infected premises, and 54 premises have been disinfected.

The following tables give details of notified cases:-

ZYMOTIC DISEASES, 1940.

	Scarlet F. Diptheria.	Enteric F. P. Pyrexia.	C.S. Fever.	Praysipelas.	Polyomilitis	Measles.	M. Dough.
	Not. Rem.	Rem. Not.	Rem. Not.	Rem. Not.	Not. Rem.		
Bardsey with Rington.	2	1	-	-	-	2	5
Bilton with Bickerton.	1	-	-	-	-	2	2
Boston Spa.	-	-	-	-	-	13	-
Bramham with Oglethorpe.	1	1	1	-	-	4	-
Clifford	1	5	-	-	-	24	-
Collingham	1	2	-	-	-	15	-
Deighton North.	1	-	-	-	-	2	-
Harewood	3	-	-	-	-	3	-
Hutton Wandesley	1	-	-	-	-	3	-
Kearby	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
Keswick East	-	-	-	-	-	9	-
Mirk Deighton	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
Kirkby Overblow	2	-	-	-	-	1	-
Long Marston	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
Sicklinghall	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
Spofforth	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
Scarcroft	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Rington North	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Thornor	2	-	-	-	-	1	-
Ribston Little	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
Thorparch	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Pockwith	3	2	-	-	-	1	-
Salton	1	1	-	-	-	1	-
Seaton	1	1	-	-	-	2	-
Setherby	11	-	-	-	-	91	-
Wilstrop	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
Wothersome	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	33	27	8	8	2	191	10

Total cases of Zymotic Disease - 261.

Total cases of Zymotic Disease removed to Hospital - 45.

2. Tuberculosis.

14 cases of this disease have been notified during 1940, 5 of the notifications were in respect of Pulmonary Tuberculosis, and 9 of other cases. 21 cases have been removed from the Register, leaving 62 cases on the Register at the end of the year.

3. Pneumonia.

15 cases of Pneumonia have been notified during the year.

PUBLIC LAVATORIES.

The income of these lavatories during 1940 has been £52.14.3d, and the expenditure £46.9.6d, leaving a surplus of £5.4.9d., towards the relief of the Special rate of Wetherby Parish.

CIVIL DEFENCE.

768 inspections have been made of various items of work under this heading, which has occupied a very large amount of time.

1. Rescue and Decontamination Parties.

The training and equipment of three squads has been carried out, and I am indebted to Mr. H.R. Greeves for the help he has given in this direction. The new cleansing depot was completed during the year, and is now ready to function should the eventuality arise.

2. Water Works and Sewers Repair Party.

The completion in the organisation of this party, and the provision of material for it has been completed.

3. Repair of War Damage to Property Scheme.

A comprehensive and workable scheme has been formulated, and should the eventuality arise, I am confident that it will work very smoothly. A certain amount of material has been obtained for the repair of damaged windows and roofs.

4. War-time Mortuaries.

19 buildings have been inspected and ear-marked for use as emergency mortuaries and mortuary attendants have been appointed and details of their duties compiled.

5. Gas decontamination of Food.

Mr. Marriott and myself have been appointed as Food Gas Contamination Officers, and have attended courses of instruction in this work. We have compiled a skeleton organisation for dealing with this problem and I hope in the early part of 1941 to obtain the necessary volunteers and vehicles to form a food Decontamination Party. It is very unsatisfactory that more definite instructions and fuller equipment have not been issued by the responsible Government Departments.

6. Military.

In two Parishes the scavenging of Military Billets has been undertaken, and this has caused a certain amount of increased supervision. In addition, co-operation with the Garrison Engineer has been sought by the Military in regard to purity of water supplies, and to drainage of various billets.

7. Public Air Raid Shelters.

During the year 10 public Air Raid Shelters were authorised to be erected in the District by the County Council, 6 at Wetherby, 3 at Boston Spa, 1 at Thorparch, and these were in course of erection at the end of the year.

8. Communal and domestic Air Raid Shelters.

After much representation to the Ministry of Home Security, permission was given in October for certain parts of the District to be regarded as specified areas, for the provision of Communal and Domestic Air Raid Shelters, and since that date my Staff has been employed almost full time on the provision of shelters.

At the year end 2 shelters had been completed, with accommodation for 84 persons, 4 shelters for 96 persons were nearing completion, 8 shelters were just commenced, with accommodation for 164 persons, and a contract for a further three shelters, accommodating 19 persons had just been let. It is hoped that a Contract will be let for a further 51 shelters early in January.

9. Fire Services.

Early in the year my Staff prepared plans, specifications and Quantities for the alteration of a disused chapel into a fire station. The Home Office, however, would not approve of this scheme. Mr. Marriott has, during the summer months, visited every parish in the District and given public lectures on the control of Incendiary Bombs and the precautions to take against High Explosive Bombs. These lectures were greatly appreciated.

Towards the end of the year the Fire Watchers Act was passed, and this will undoubtedly impose more work in the early part of 1941.

The provision of additional fire hydrants on Water Mains and the marking of Static Water supplies has also been carried out during the year. The latter was largely carried out by members of the Fire Brigade.

10. Evacuation.

Three claims for compensation for damage to household belongings have been investigated during the year, 11 premises have been inspected, for use as hostels and large billets, and repairs and alterations carried out to 3 of these premises.

11. Emergency petrol supplies.

6,776 gallons of petrol have been issued to A.R.P. and Emergency Services from the 5 emergency petrol tanks during the year. The whole of the clerical and recording work in connection with these issues has been carried out by my Staff.

12. General.

Several other Civil Defence matters have been carried out or considered during the year i.e. Salvage of property, deterrents to landings of air-craft, etc.

PETROLEUM AND CARBIDE.

At the end of 1940, 58 public filling stations and private stores were licenced by your Council with a total capacity of 50,170 gallons, this being a reduction of 1,500 over a year ago. The decrease would have been much greater had it not been for certain building developments taking place in the area and the consequent issue of new licences, as several private storage licences have been relinquished. During the year legal proceedings were taken in a case of storage of petrol without licence. A fine of £40/- with £3.10.0d. costs and the confiscation of 20 galls. of petrol was imposed by the Court.

There are now 7 Calcium of Carbide licences covering a total storage of 1,248 lbs. This again is a substantial decrease.

PUBLIC CLEANSING, AND SALVAGE OF WASTE MATERIALS.

Full details of public cleansing work are given in the Public Cleansing table appended hereto. This important branch of the duties of the Public Health Department is taking up an increasing amount of time, particularly under present conditions, due to the increased amount of refuse which has to be removed owing ~~xxxxx~~ to the larger population

During the year under review, 573 inspections and visits have been made to tips, salvage depots, etc.

All the tips are now fully controlled, but the shortage of labour is rendering this work increasingly difficult.

In two parishes the cleansing of pail closets attached to Military Bilets has been undertaken, and the cost is reimbursed by the Military Authorities.

In connection with the National Salvage Campaign of the Ministry of Supply, much work, time and effort has been devoted to this section of the War Effort. The attached table gives full details of the salvage collected in the District during the year.

SALVAGE.

Material.	R.R.D.C.			Other sources.			Total		
	Amount	Value.	Tons.cwts.qrs.	Amount	Value.	Tons.cwts.qrs.	Amount	Value.	
Waste paper	119 13 0	512.19.10	32 3 0	3 3 0	115.17.3	151. 16. 0	16. 0	628.17.1	
Ferrous metal	6 11 2	19.17.3	147 9 3	9 3 3	411. 4. 0	154. 1 1	1 1	431. 1. 3	
Non-ferrous "	4 2 2	4.10.7	1 15 0	15 0 2	103.17.6	1. 19 2	2	108. 8. 1	
Rags	1 4 2	6. 7. 3	2 2 2	2 2 2	14. 0	1. 7 0	0	7. 1. 3	
Manure - stable	15 0 0	2. 5. 0	- - -	- - -	-	15 0 0	0	2. 5. 0	
Bones	15 0 0	1. 1. 1	- - -	- - -	-	15 0 0	0	1. 1. 9	
Bottles	217 doz.	3.19.7	43 doz.	43 doz.	2. 0. 0	250 doz.	250 doz.	5.19.7	
Jars	122 doz.	1. 6. 3	23 doz.	23 doz.	5. 0	145 doz.	145 doz.	1.11. 3	
Condemned meat			16 cwt.	16 cwt.	4.10. 0	16 cwt.	16 cwt.	4.10. 0	
		552. 7. 6			898. 5. 5			1455. 2.11	

* 64 tons collected onto Red Cross Village Dumps.

1 ton Aluminium collected R.V.S.

- = £75.7.0 per 1,000 population.
- = 1/6d. per head.
- = 5/5½ per house.

In addition to the amount recorded, there has been a quantity of salvage collected by various organisations in village schemes of which I have no record.

In order to prepare waste paper for dispatch to the paper mills, it has been necessary to engage two Old Age Pensioners on paper baling work, as no other labour was available. The storage of waste paper has been facilitated by the loan of a suitable building in the centre of Wetherby.

PUBLIC CLEANSING, 1940.

Parish.	Number of Houses.	Acres.	Contractor.	Vehicles		Refuse removed 1940		(to 31.12.40)		Details of Service.	
				Type	Cap. yds.	Cub. yds.	Loads.	Cess-pools.	per house.	Total	Rate charge. pence.
								s. d	£ s. d	movable receptacles.	Period.
Bardsey.	406	2751	J. Varley	Motor	4	1024	255	-	9. 2	187. 5. 8	14 days
Boston Spa.	539	880	Wetherby R.D.	Horse	3	2706	902	-	12. 5	334. 9. 0	28 days
Bramham.	305	4112	J. M. Skinner	Horse	1½	486	324	-	6. 8	101. 10. 7	28 days
Clifford	280	742	J. Dawson	Horse	3	1737	579	18	9. 4	131. 7. 11	28 days
Collingham	364	2842	P. Fletcher & Son	Horse	3	330	217	7	11. 11	217. 11. 8	28 days
Kirk Deighton	131	2276	J. R. Swales	Motor	4	360	90	-	7. 1	46. 3. 5	28 days
Harewood	341	8154	G. L. Bryant	Horse	2½	425	170	-	22. 5	382. 5. 11	28 days
Spofforth	234	5468	R. Spink	Motor	4	3500	875	-	10. 4	121. 2. 9	28 days
Thorner	344	2461	H. Warrington	Horse	2½	1073	429	6	8. 0	136. 19. 0	28 days
Thorparch	71	1529	W. H. Sampson	Horse	3½	476	136	-	26. 2	93. 15. 11	28 days
Seeton	216	1373	L. Hardisty	Motor	4	580	145	-	10. 3	111. 1. 8	28 days
Wetherby	889	2450	Wetherby R.D.	Horse	3	3285	1095	88	12. 4	548. 15. 1	28 days
					6	1062	177				

Totals or Averages.

4120 35049 - - - 19009 5943 119 11. 8½ 2412. 8. 7 9. 14

The cost of collection and disposal per cubic yard of refuse :- £0. 2. 6½
-ditto- load of refuse :- £0. 8. 1½

* During the blackout it is not desirable for this work to be done at night.

† The cost of cleansing in these particular parishes is shown after the deduction of £47 for Boston Spa and £48 for Wetherby, received from the Northern Command for the cleansing of pail closets attached to Military billets.

GENERAL.

During the year Dr. E.R.Hargreaves was appointed Acting Medical Officer of Health for your District until the end of the present emergency, when his appointment is to be reviewed by the Minister of Health.

Miss Seddon, my shorthand-typist, secured another appointment in the early part of the year, and Miss Hardisty was appointed and commenced duty on the 15th April, 1940.

In conclusion, I have to express my sincere thanks to the Chairman, Members, Officers and Staff of the Council and to the Officials of the West Riding County Council and other Public Authorities for their generous assistance at all times.

I am, Ladies & Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. V. GRAY.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

The tabular Statement of the Sanitary Inspectors under Article 27 of the Sanitary Officers (outside London) Regulations, 1935, is as follows:-

Summary of Nuisances, Notices, Inspections and Licences for
year ending 31st December, 1940.

HOUSE NUISANCES.NO. OF NUISANCES.

Found Abated.

Dirty and/or verminous	-	-	7	10
Damp and/or dilapidated	-	-	275	277
Badly drained	-	-	40	37
Insufficiently lighted and/or ventilated	-	-	29	27
Dilapidated sanitary conveniences	-	-	49	45
Dirty	-	-	8	7
Privy middens to W.C.s	-	-	32	32
Pail closets to W.C.s	-	-	11	11
Trough " " "	-	-	6	6
New additional W.C.s	-	-	24	24
New and/or repaired pail closets	-	-	10	8
New and/or repaired urinals	-	-	4	4
Untrapped and/or defective sinks	-	-	42	41
New sinks	-	-	36	39
Defective dustbins	-	-	101	106
Dry middens abolished	-	-	1	2
Temporarily stopped drains	-	-	415	410
Defective drains	-	-	150	151
Unsatisfactory sewage disposal	-	-	5	23
Drainage discharging to streams	-	-	12	14
Unsatisfactory purity of water supply	-	-	10	17
Inadequate water supply	-	-	15	13
Defective pumps, wells, water fittings, etc.	-	-	10	7
Wells abolished	-	-	-	10
Defective yard paving	-	-	23	22
Miscellaneous house nuisances	-	-	178	173

GENERAL NUISANCES.

Offensive accumulations	-	-	13	12
Defective farm buildings (cowsheds, etc.)	-	-	15	10
Factory nuisances	-	-	18	11
Dirty cowsheds, milking stools, etc.	-	-	107	106
Slaughter house nuisances	-	-	11	3
Rivers and stream pollution	-	-	15	14
New drains in connection alterations, etc.	-	-	-	307
Drains tested with smoke machine	-	-	-	70
New sewer connections	-	-	-	10
New I.C.'s and D.C.'s	-	-	-	93
Cesspools abolished	-	-	-	4
Miscellaneous general nuisances	-	-	-	8

NUISANCES AND NOTICES.

Total number of nuisances found during 1940	-	-	1225
No. of outstanding nuisances from 1939	-	-	146
No. of nuisances abated	-	-	1214
No. outstanding nuisances 31/12/40	-	-	157
No. of house nuisances abated	-	-	1035
Letter and notices issued	-	-	3982

INSPECTIONS.

Premises for Infectious Disease Inquiries	-	-	51
Houses disinfected	-	-	54
Schools disinfected	-	-	-
Nuisances, general	-	-	433
Schools	-	-	41
Nuisances, housing	-	-	956
Houses being erected	-	-	95
Housing Acts	-	-	140
Cowsheds	-	-	996
Milkshops	-	-	57
Slaughterhouses	-	-	127
Emergency slaughters	-	-	105
Knackers Yards	-	-	15
Shops Acts	-	-	45
Butchers' shops	-	-	141
Camping Grounds	-	-	42
Factories with Mechanical Power	-	-	147
Other factory premises	-	-	332 103
Factories without Mechanical Power	-	-	332
Bakehouses	-	-	29
Offices	-	-	8
Civil Defence (depots, air raid shelters, etc.)	-	-	764
Salvage and Public Cleansing	-	-	573
Waterworks	-	-	299
Sewage works	-	-	246

100	101	-	-	-	-
2	1	-	-	-	-
410	415	-	-	-	-
151	150	-	-	-	-
23	2	-	-	-	-
14	13	-	-	-	-
17	10	-	-	-	-
13	13	-	-	-	-
7	10	-	-	-	-
10	-	-	-	-	-
23	23	-	-	-	-
173	178	-	-	-	-

13	13	-	-	-	-
10	13	-	-	-	-
11	18	-	-	-	-
106	107	-	-	-	-
3	11	-	-	-	-
14	15	-	-	-	-
307	-	-	-	-	-
70	-	-	-	-	-
10	-	-	-	-	-
23	-	-	-	-	-
4	-	-	-	-	-
8	-	-	-	-	-

1935	-	-	-	-	-
196	-	-	-	-	-
1914	-	-	-	-	-
197	-	-	-	-	-
1035	-	-	-	-	-
3985	-	-	-	-	-