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WHITSTABLE URBAN DISTRIC

1961

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

In Office 1962:

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Madam Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report covering the year 1961.

- 1. The result of the Census became available during the year and while the Registrar General credits us with a mid year population of 19,000 the Census declared us to have a population of 19,534 of whom 8,638 were male and 10,891 female. Unfortunately the balance of females is to be found in the older age groups. (Our correction factors of 1.13 for births and 0.72 for deaths show the bias to longevity in the population).
- 2. This population distribution explains the low birth rate of 14.16 per 1,000 and the high death rate of 18.36 per 1,000. Even by the application of the population correction factors we do not compare favourably with the figures for England and Wales, viz: Births (corrected) 16.0 to 17.4 England and Wales. Deaths (corrected) 13.2 to 12.0 England and Wales. With 7% of the live births illegitimate there is an underground determination to correct the situation, which one would prefer to see regularised. There are no local statistics on which to report that may give a guide to the moral health of a community other than the percentage of illegitimacy, but one is disturbed by statistics for England and Wales as a whole that indicate a loosening of moral standards.
- The rate of irregular conceptions in England and Wales per 1,000 unmarried women (the illegitimate births and first-born conceived outside wedlock) has doubled in two decades. This is a much more revealing finding than is given by an examination of the ratio of first-born children conceived outside wedlock and subsequently regularised by marriage, although that is startling enough.

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Irregular conceptions per 1,000 unmarried women by Age Groups England & Wales	1938	1950	1960
Under 20	11.6	14	23
20 - 24	36.	41	60
25 - 29	27	43	59
30 - 34	15.8	32	49
35 - 39	10.6	20	26
40 and over	4.3	6	11
Percentage regularised by marriage before birth occurs	%	%	%
Under 20	75	73	73
20 - 24	78	69	64
25 - 29	65	44	35
30 - 34	46	31	19
35 - 39	30	22	12
40 and over	22	19	9

4. The regularisation of irregular conceptions by marriage before the birth occurs has always been highest in the under 20's, described by the Registrar General in 1938 as a "sign of grace". The break down for the under 20's in 1960, by age of mother was:-

Percentage of legitimate firstborn conceived outside wedlock by age of mother 16 yrs. 17 yrs. 18 yrs. 19 yrs 20 yrs. 97% 86% 72% 53% 36%

- 5. This of course is a figure only related to those who have borne a child and not to the number of brides. Counting the total number of brides the overall figure for all brides under 20 years is 28% of brides who have conceived outside wedlock.
- 6. But the first shown statistics of the rate of irregular conceptions per 1,000 unmarried women, those at risk as you might say, is worrying, for such a conception is not the beginning of promiscuity but the end result.
- 7. The risk of maternity as such is good and it is pleasing to note the absence of any mortality from maternity, and to note the low rate of infant mortality. It is also pleasing to report that no infant death occurred from any infection in infancy.

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- 8. At the other end of the scale deaths from cancer of lung or bronchus showed a rate of 15 per 10,000 males and 3.7 per 10,000 females.
- 9. It was a particularly light year for infectious diseases except for measles which had its biennial romp amongst the pre-school and primary school children.
- 10. The rise in cases of pulmonary tuberculosis will be noted, and in a way may be the expression of earlier recognition and notification, rather than any dangerous development. The procedure of follow up of positive reactors amongst school children, the widening of the circle of enquiries around a recognised case all bring in the unrecognised case. As treatment is so advanced and cure within reach, a diagnosis of tuberculosis nowadays may mean only a short stay in hospital for full investigation and assessment, and for the realisation by the patient of a common interest with the Chest Physician, namely the eradication of the infection which can subsequently be carried out by home treatment with the help of family doctor and district nurse and out-patient specialist supervision.
- 11. We did not have a visit from the Mass Radiography Unit in 1961 but have open and free facilities for Chest Xray at the Canterbury Chest Clinic each Monday between 10.30.am. and 12 noon.
- 12. Routine Medical Examinations were carried out on 10 new employees during the year, and in a small number of other persons the examinations were carried out by the authority of the home district under mutual aid arrangements.
- 13. A number of general matters that arose during the year and observations on local conditions follow:-

## Sewage and Sewerage

Progress was made by the Council in examining the sewerage problems of the town, both in relation to developing or developed areas and in resolving the problems of disposal.

Float tests were carried out in connection with a Hydrographic survey by Messrs. Taylor Woodrow to determine the best and safest locations for sewage outfalls. This identified two points 2,000 yards off shore N.E. of the Street and N.E. of the Swalecliffe outfall which had advantages.

## Sewage and Sewerage contd/

Bacteriological observations were also made by research workers of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on the quality of the inshore sea, and the Public Health Inspectors assisted in this. Although a Medical Research Council report wrote down the dangers of sewage contamination of the coastal waters this is not the last word on the matter, for the sea has its harvest of fish and molluscs as well as its beach bathers, and the Council is anxious not to offend in any direction or jeopardise health through any action.

The Seasalter main drainage scheme was started in the latter part of the year.

### Harbour Facilities

As the Harbour trade includes the import or landing of food supplies and the carriage of hides and other commodities that soil the hands, a request was made for better washing facilities on the quay-side for those employed in the harbour, with hot and cold water supply.

### Flooding

Some minor flooding took place in March which was fortunately quite limited in its extent and caused no serious consequences in the town.

## Rabbits

A localised infestation of rabbits occurred in June, which reminded us of the damage that these creatures can cause. We have forgotten so quickly since their decimation by myxomatosis, the destructive nature of these little fellows.

## Fishboxes

Complaints and concern over aroma from stored fish boxes adjoining the eastern shopping area were investigated. Such storage in a built up area away from the shore is bound to give rise to an odour unnatural to the district and location of the storage is the problem yet to be overcome.

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### Mortuary

The Council reached a satisfactory conclusion in its public mortuary provision by arrangement to use the Herne Bay Mortuary which is modern, well equipped, and hygienic. The old town mortuary is now closed, and the new arrangement has proved very satisfactory.

### Old People

One case was dealt with of an old person who proved to be in need of care and protection. The difficulty was to decide whether her eccentricity was such that she was mentally disturbed, and the medical staff of the appropriate hospital for mental disorders admitted her informally for a time to get behind the extreme deafness to determine this. The County Council then took over the problem of her case as a sound minded person.

The Council has been studying the warning systems suitable for Old persons units and has made wide enquiries in this and other aspects of care for the elderly. The Rest Centre provided by the happy co-operation of voluntary services and the Council is a most helpful local service.

May I finally express my thanks to the Officers of the Council and to the Members for their help and understanding.

Your obedient servant

MALCOLM S. HARVEY.

The following gives the statistics to which the foregoing notes refer.

STATISTICS (Vital and Morbid) 1961 (Population census figure 19,534)	
Registrar General's population figure for mid-1961 = 19,000	
Approximately Male 8,400 Female 10,600	
Live Births = 269 Male = 131 Female = 138 Engl & Wa	
Live Births rate per 1,000 population	A STREET, SQUARE, SQUARE,
Stillbirths = 8 Infant deaths = 2 (legitimate)  Total Live and Stillbirths = 277  Stillbirths per 1,000 live and stillbirths = 29	
Infant Mortality rate per 1,000 live births-total · · 7.4 21.  Infant Mortality rate per 1,000 live births-legitimate · · 8.0  Infant Mortality rate per 1,000 live births-illegitimate nil	4
Infant deaths in first week 2 Perinatal Mortality rate (S.B. and above per 1,000 live and stillbirths) 36 Illegitimate live births 19	
Illegitimate live births	
Maternal deaths (including abortion) nil	
Deaths all causes = 349	
Male = 154 Female = 195	
Deaths under 1 week = 2	
Male = 1 Female = 1	
Death rate per 1,000 population	.0
Deaths from Cancer of Lung and Bronchus:-	
Total = 17 Male = 13 Female = 4	
Rate per 10,000 (Census distribution)	
Male = 15.0 Female = 3.7	
CAUSES OF INFANT DEATHS Cause	
1 male - 2 days Congenital defect	
1 female - 2 days Prematurity	

# CAUSES OF ALL DEATHS

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CAUSE	1960	1961
Tuberculosis, respiratory Other forms of Tuberculosis	1 -	1 -
Infective and Parasitic Diseases	-	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach " " Lung, Bronchus " " Breast " " Uterus Other Malignant Neoplasms Leukaemia and Aleukaemia	4 11 12 4 25 2	10 17 8 5 40 3
Diabetes	2	2
Vasc: Lesions of Nervous System Coronary Disease, Angina Hypertension with Heart Disease Other Heart Diseases Other Circulatory Disease	59 53 5 49 14	60 46 9 50 24
Influenza Pneumonia Bronchitis Other Respiratory Diseases	- 7 4 2	- 8 16 5
Ulcers of Stomach and Duodenum Gastritis, Enteritis, Diarrhoea Nephritis and Nephrosis Hyperplasis of Prostate	2 1 3 1	6 1 3 1
Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion Congenital Malformation	3	1
Other defined or ill defined diseases Motor Vehicle accidents Other Accidents Suicide	22 - 3 2	22 3 3 5

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# IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION

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Diphtheria Immunisation					
Primary Immunisation		241	28	-	
Re-inforcing Immunisati	on	20	250		
Whooping Cough Inoculation		225	14		
Smallpox Vaccination					
Process the second seco					
Primary		192	6	2	
Revaccination		2	-		
Poliomelitis			J. ·	th injection	n
	2nd injection	3rd inject	i c	hildren und 12 years	er
Under 5 years	216	190	0		
5 - 15 years	94	112	2		
Over 15 years	338	330	6		
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## INFECTIOUS DISEASES

DISEASE	Quar	ters	of ;	year	By Age Groups					Total	
DISEUSE	lst	2nd	3rd	4th	0-4	5-9	10-14	15+	65+	1961	1960
Scarlet Fever	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	14
Measles	95	193	11	2	120	166	9	6	-	301	6
Whooping Cough	-	1	2	-	1	2	-	-	-	3	9
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Acute Polio.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	2	3	4
Typhoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dysentery	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	Quar	rters	of y	rear		Totals				
TUBERCULOSIS	lst	2nd	3rd	4th	15-24	25-44	45-64	65+	1961	1960
Respiratory Female Male	1 2	1 -	-	2	2	<del>-</del> 2	<u>-</u> 2		2 4	2
Other Forms Female Male	-	-	1 -	-	-	-	-	1 -	1 -	-

Number on T.B. Register - 31st December 1961 (1960 figures in parenthesis)

Respiratory: Male 70 (70) Female 40 (43)

Other Forms : Male 10 (12) Female 23 (22)

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HEALTH DEPARTMENT,

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WHITSTABLE

September 1962

To: The Chairman and Members of the Whitstable Urban District Council.

Madam Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

My Annual Report on the work of the Department for the year 1961 is submitted herewith.

The total number of inspections was 6,078, made up as follows:-

Agric: Health & Welfare Prov:				28
Bakehouses				14
Milk Regulations				37
Ice Cream Premises and Sampling				53
Butchers' Shops				69
Other Food Shops				111
Cafes, Licensed Premises etc.				181
Food Preparing Rooms				103
Fish Shops	•••			55
Hawkers	••		::	37
Dwellinghouses (P.H.A.) 1st Visit	••	••		164
Dwellinghouses (Housing Act)	••	••		282
Overcrowding	••	••	••	5
Insect Pests	••	••	••	50
Camping Sites	••	••	••	287
Refuse Heaps and Accumulations	••	••	••	115
Re-visits	••	••	••	575
Drains Inspected	••	••	••	
Drains Tested	••	••	••	348
	••	••	••	50
Cesspools	••	••	••	112
Keeping of Animals	••	••	••	9
Air Pollution	••		••	48
Rodent Control (Council Premises	••	••	••	88
(Dwelling Houses	••	••	••	1,166
(Agricultural Premises	••	••		31
(Business	••		••	66

Civil Defence				17
Sea and Water Pollution				108
Waste Foods				51
Verminous Houses				11
Port Health				205
Petroleum				109
Infectious Diseases				45
Public Conveniences				28
Factories Act				144
Shops Act				81
Water Supplies				47
Unsound Food	••		••	79
Bedding and Disinfection	••	• •		29
Mortuary				13
Refuse Collection and Disposal	••	• •		839
Rent Act	••	••	••	18
Noise Abatement	••	••		15
Miscellaneous	• •	• •		155

# NUISANCES ABATED

During the year the following nuisances were abated: -

Roofs repaired				12
Eaves gutters and rainwater				10
pipes repaired or renewed				
Floors repaired or renewed	••	••		6
Doors and windows repaired				30
Sinks repaired or renewed				3
Brickwork repaired			••	18
Fireplaces repaired or renewed				7
Drains relaid or repaired				18
Drains cleared		••	••	12
W.C's repaired or renewed			• •	7
Ceiling and wall plaster repaired				39
Rising and/or penetrating damp				30
Water supplies				1
Miscellaneous repairs			••	18

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## HOUSING

The total number of dwellings inspected for defects under the Public Health and Housing Acts was 446.

The following tables give information on houses in clearance areas and unfit houses elsewhere:-

Houses demolished	Houses Demolished	Displace yes	
In Clearance Areas (Housing Act 1957)			
(1) Houses unfit for human habitation	4	13	5
(2) Houses included by reason of bad arrangement	-	-	-
(3) Houses in land acquired under Section 43(2) Housing Act, 1957	-	-	-
Not in Clearance Areas			
(4) As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 17(1) Housing Act, 1957	3	3	1
Unfit Houses Closed	Number		
(5) Under Sections 16(4),17(1) and 35(1) Housing Act 1957	8	28	8
(6) Under Sections 17(3) and 26 Housing Act, 1957	-	-	-
(7) Parts of buildings closed under Section 18, Housing Act, 1957	-	-	-

# Unfit Houses made fit and Houses in which defects were remedied

		By owner	By Local Authority
(8)	After informal action by local authority	60	-
(9)	After formal notice under - (a) Public Health Acts	4	_
	(b) Sections 9 and 16 Housing Act 1957	2	-
(10)	Under Section 24 Housing Act, 1957	-	-

# Unfit Houses in temporary use (Housing Act, 1957)

	Position at end of year	No. of Houses (1)	No. of separate dwellings contained in column (1) (2)
(11)	Retained for temporary accommodation	-	_
	(a) Under Section 48	-	_
	(b) Under Section 17(2)	-	_
	(c) Under Section 46	-	_
(12)	Licensed for temporary occupation under Section 34 or 53	-	-

# Purchase of Houses by agreement

		No. of Houses (1)	No. of occupants of houses in column (1)
(13)	Houses in Clearance Areas other than those included in confirmed Clearance Orders of Compulsory Purchase Orders purchases in the year	-	-

## Overcrowding

One case of statutory overcrowding was found during the year but the family concerned were eventually able to find more suitable accommodation.

## NEW HOUSES DURING 1961

(a)	Total	number	of	houses	erected	during	1961	252
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(b) Houses erected by Local Authority 50 (c) Houses erected by other persons 202

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#### FOOD HYGIENE

Food premises in the area comprise cafes, public houses, butchers and fish shops, bakehouses, food hawkers registered under the Council's Private Act and 128 premises registered under Section 15 of the Food and Drugs Act 1955. The total number is approximately 300.

Visits were made to these premises and during the year 615 inspections were made to ensure compliance with the Food Hygiene Regulations. Infringements were encountered which were dealt with upon request.

#### UNSCUND FOOD

Condemnation certificates were issued for the following unsound food voluntarily surrendered. Such condemned foods are eventually disposed of at the Council's Refuse Tip:-

	lbs.
Cheese	110
Meat	6
Tinned Meat	12
Fish	624
Tinned Fish	12
Tinned Milk	6
Tinned Fruit	99
Miscellaneous	126
	995
	STATISTICS.

## MILK SUPPLIES

All milk retailed in the area is either Pasterurised, Sterilised or Tuberculin Tested.

New Regulations came into force regarding the issue of Dealer's Licences and as from the 1st January the County Council became the authority for issuing such licences under the Food and Drugs Act. Details were given to the County and as new distributors are registered by this authority, notification is sent to them.

The number of registered distributors was 28.

9 samples of milk were sent to the Public Health Laboratory Service for examination, all of which were satisfactory.

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#### MEAT SUPPLIES

There have been no private slaughterhouses operating in the area since 1955 and all needs are adequately met by the use of the public slaughterhouse at Canterbury.

#### ICE CREAM

115 premises were on the Register for the Sale of Ice Cream whereas manufacture is only carried out at two premises.

The majority of shops sell pre-packed ice cream and during the year 19 samples were submitted for examination. These were all found to be free from disease producing organisms and were graded as follows:-

> Grade 1 .. 10 Grade 2 .. 7 Grade 3 .. 2 Grade 4 . Nil

### SHOPS ACT

In accordance with powers delegated by the County Council, the department is responsible for the administration of this Act; in connection with which a separate report was made out.

Visits and inspections are made to advise on the requirements and a Summary of some of the Principal Provisions of the Shops Act 1950 and the Regulations and Orders relating to shops within the Urban District was revised and distributed.

## PORT HEALTH

Visits were made to the Harbour to ensure compliance with the Public Health (Imported Food) Regulations and liaison was maintained with the Customs Officer. It is pleasing to note that the Regulations were well observed and at no time was any serious difficulty encountered.

A separate report was made on Port Health Administration.

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#### WATER SUPPLIES

Seven samples of water were taken for bacteriological and three for chemical examination, all of which were satisfactory. A typical report of a chemical and bacteriological examination is as follows:-

Chemical Examination	n.			expressed er million.	
Solids in solution	(Dried at 180° C)	•••	370		
Solids in solution	After Iginition		363		
Chlorides Calculate	d as Chlorine		24		
Bicarbonate Alkalin	ity		250		
Total Harness			296		
Free and Saline Amm	onia (As Witrogen)		0.	.02	
Albuminoid Ammonia	(As Nitrogen)		0.	.01	
Nitric Nitrogen (N	itrates)		. 6		
Nitrous Nitrogen (Nitrites)			··· nil		
Oxygen Absorbed in 4 hour at 26.7° C			0,10		
Oxygen Absorbed in 4 hours at 26.7° C			0.	16	
Toxic Metals			not detected		
Free and Combined Residual Chlorine on receipt			ot det	ected	
Bacteriological Exa	nination				
	CEL COLORS				
(a) In 24 hour	developing upon Agar s at 37° C		nil	per ml.	
(b) In three da	ays at 22° C		1	per ml.	
Presumptive Colifor	n Count		nil	per 100 ml.	
Including Faec	al Coli		nil	per 100 ml.	
Faecal Strepto	cocci		nil	per 100 ml.	

The statutory supply undertakings in the district are the Mid Kent Water Company and the Canterbury and District Water Company. The chalets in the Seasalter area are served by a private supply.

Mains were extended in several areas to meet the needs of increasing residential and industrial development and the quantity of water available was sufficient to meet all demands.

With the exception of approximately 20 properties all houses in the area have an individual piped supply direct to the houses.

	Solids in solution (Dated at 180° 0)

	Including Feenal Cold

#### SEA WATER

During the year a Bacteriologist of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food carried out observations of the sea water. Assistance was given to him by this department and 48 samples from varying parts along the beach were taken during the summer period for bacteriological examination.

#### PET ANIMALS ACT

Three annual licences were issued subject to conditions recommended by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

## DISEASES OF ANIMALS (WASTE FOODS) ORDER 1957

Nine licences are in force and 51 visits were carried out to check compliance.

A circular letter was sent to those concerned drawing attention to the need for care in the handling of waste foods in order to cut down the risk of spread of animal diseases.

#### PETROLEUM REGULATIONS

35 licences were issued and 109 inspections were made to check the licence conditions and carry out required tests. An annual inspection is made by the Fire Prevention Officer of the Kent Fire Brigade and any recommendations made by him are followed up by this department.

### CONTROL OF MOVABLE DWELLINGS

23 sites were licensed in 1961. This provides for the stationing of some 1,525 caravans and tents and 239 chalets, making an approximate acreage of 83.

New conditions incorporating most of the Minister's model standards came into force at the commencement of the season and a period of two years was given in which to carry out such structural works as were required. Two appeals to the Magistrate's Court were made but were subequently withdrawn.

275 inspections were made during the season and no major infringements were encountered. There was the usual difficulty in dealing with the sporadic stationing of caravans on unlicensed sites which in the main are occupied by gypsies and other dwellers of no fixed abode. There seems to be no answer to this problem until such time as proper sites with sanitary facilities are provided and it is hoped that the steps now being taken by the County Council will do just this.

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#### NOISE ABATEMENT ACT 1960

This presented no real problems and minor difficulties were dealt with informally.

### INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND DISINFECTION

Chemical disinfection is carried out at the Disinfecting Plant, Station Road.

25 rooms were disinfected during the year, together with the following articles:-

Mattresses 16
Pillows 20
Blankets & Sheets 18
Books 10

### RAG FLOCK AND OTHER FILLING MATERIALS ACT

One firm, carrying on the business of upholterers in which filling materials are used was registered under the above Act. Two samples, namely Coir Fibre and New Cotton Felt, were submitted for testing under the Regulations, both of which were found to be satisfactory.

## REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

Collection of domestic refuse is virtually a kerbside one and is carried out by means of three side loading vehicles. The collection staff consists of three drivers and six loaders.

Towards the end of the year the service was the subject of examination by the Council's Organisation and Methods Consultants and extensive work studies were carried out to provide information to assist in the implementation of a bonus scheme.

Waste paper was collected in trailers that are attached to the refuse freighters and business premises were visited separately each week. The amount of waste paper doubled during the year and a second baler was purchased and put into operation. Waste paper baled amounted to 170 tons and produced a revenue of £1,350, which compares with the previous year's figure of 82 tons with a revenue of £614.

Trade refuse was collected and the amount received was £63.15s. The amount of trade refuse continues to increase occasioned by the opening of new stores and factories. Picking rights of salvageable material, other than waste paper brought in the sum of £80.

A Bristol Angledozer consolidates the refuse at the tip at Yorkletts. During the year many fire were experienced and in the summer two Nissen Huts which housed the waste paper and balers were damaged causing a loss of paper.

# FACTORIES ACT 1937 TO 1959

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act,1937:-

Premises	No. on Register	No. of Inspec- tions	No. of written Notices	No. of Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	16	10	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority	90	122	5	
(iii)Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	_	12	1	
TOTALS	106	144	6	-

# Cases in which defects were found

	Nur		ases in wh were found		Number of cases in which
Particulars	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector		prosecu- tions were instituted
Want of cleanliness	1	1	-	-	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation	1	1	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	1	1	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences:					
(a) Insufficient	1 1	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	4	4	-	2	-
(c) Not separate for sexes Other offences against the Act (Not including offences relating to outwork)			-	-	-
TOTALS	8	7	-	2	-

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### OUTWORK

		Section 110		Section	n 111	
Nature of work	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 110(1) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	to supply	No. of instances of workin unwholesome premises	served	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Wearing) apparel) Making etc. Cleaning and Washing	5	-	-	-		_

## RODENT CONTROL AND PESTS

The General Assistant spends the majority of his time in dealing with the destruction of rats and mice.

There seemed to be an invasion of wasps during the summer and some 30 nests were destroyed.

The following tables give particulars of work carried out in connection with rodent control:-

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	Local Autho- rity	Dwelling Houses (including Council Houses)	All Other (including Business Premises)	Total of Columns 1, 2 & 3.	Agricul- tural
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
l. No. of properties in L.A's district	26	7,792	1,233	9,051	21
2. No. of properties inspected as a result of:- (a) Notification (b) Survey (c) Otherwise e.g. when visited primarily for	<b>-</b> 26	185 97	9 32	194 155	1 21
some other purpose	-	78	24.5	323	-
3. Total inspections carried out	45	251	477	773	102
4. No. of properties inspected (in Section (2) which were found to be infested by:- (a) Rats - Major Rats - Minor (b) Mice - Major Mice - Minor	2 5 - 5	1 155 2 24	- 2 2 2 3	3 162 4 32	- - 1
5. No. of infested properties (in Section 4) treated by L.A.	12	182	7	201	1
6. Total treatments carried out (includ- ing re-treatments).	25	200	7	232	1
7. Number of "Block" control schemes carried out		3		-	

		(b) Survey (c) Otherwise e.g. when visited prinserly for
		, No. of infested properties (in Sec- tion 4) treated by L.A.

# CIVIL DEFENCE

The department is responsible for the organisation and training of the Welfare Section and my thanks are extended to Mrs. J.G. Edmonds and her Members for their help and work in this field.

In December a course was attended at the Civil Defence Staff College at Sunningdale which covered the problems arising in the event of a nuclear attack.

### STAFF

The staff of the Health Department remains the same as last year:-

The Chief Public Health Inspector
Mr. G.W. Carr, Additional Public Health Inspector,
Miss G.M. Lemar, Clerk/Shorthand-typist,
Mr. P.J. Day, General Assistant.

## CONCLUSION

To the Chairman and Members of the Council I would say thank you for your support, also to Dr. Harvey for his help and advice, and to the Chief Officers and their staffs for their ready co-operation.

I would also like to thank my own staff for their help and loyal assistance during 1961,

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Your obedient Servant,

F.W.I. WHITEHOUSE, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

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