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WISBECH RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

The Chairman (Mr. C.W. Andrews), the Vice-Chairman
(Mr. F. Russell) and the Full Council.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY :

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH (Part-time) -

M. Doreen C. Martin, M.B., Ch.B., D.C.H.

SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR AND SURVEYOR -

Alan P. Grant, M.A.P.H.I.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR AND ASSISTANT SURVEYOR -

D. O'Connor, M.A.P.H.I.

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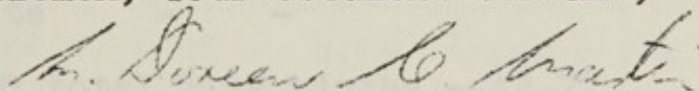
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GENERAL STATISTICS

Area of District	49,841 acres.
Estimate mid-year population for 1966	13,070
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Rateable Value 1st April, 1966	£245,758
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Product of a Penny Rate (at 31.3.66)	£960
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VITAL STATISTICS.

LIVE BIRTHS (area comparability factor 1.01) -

Number 235	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>
TOTAL	118	117
Legitimate	113	107
Illegitimate	5	10

Rate per 1,000 population (adjusted) - 18.16

Illegitimate Live Births (per cent of total live births) - 6.38%

STILL BIRTHS -

Number 5	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>
TOTAL	2	3
Legitimate	2	3
Illegitimate	-	-

Rate per 1,000 total live and still births - 20.83

Total Live and Stillbirths - 240.

DEATHS (area comparability factor 1.09) -

1. All causes	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>
TOTAL - 116	61	55

Rate per 1,000 population - 9.67

2. Pregnancy, Childbirth and Abortion - Nil.

3. Infants under 1 year.

Number 3	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>
TOTAL	3	0
Legitimate	3	-
Illegitimate	-	-

Total infant deaths per 1,000 total live births - 12.77

Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births - 13.64

Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births - 0

Deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 live births - 12.77

Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 live births - 12.77

Stillbirths and Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 live and still births
- 33.33.

VITAL STATISTICS (Cont'd).

CAUSES OF DEATH OF CHILDREN UNDER 1 YEAR -

Paroxysmal Tachycardia - 1

Anencepholy encephalocele - 1

Anti-partem Haemorrhage
and Prematurity - 1

DEATHS FROM CANCER (All ages) -- 31

Live Birth, Still Birth, Death and Infant Mortality Rates during Past Six Years.

LIVE BIRTH RATE :

	<u>1961</u>	<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1966</u>
Wisbech R.D.	16.2	17.4	16.71	18.9	16.28	18.16
Cambs. & Isle	16.94	16.49	16.58	18.06	16.3	15.7
England & Wales	17.4	18.0	18.2	18.4	18.1	17.7

STILL BIRTH RATE :

Wisbech R.D.	14.5	4.5	27.65	20.41	9.52	20.83
Cambs. & Isle	17.78	13.51	19.0	15.54	10.7	15.3
England & Wales	19.1	18.1	17.2	16.4	15.8	15.4

DEATH RATE :

Wisbech R.D.	8.7	10.4	11.8	10.88	8.88	9.67
Cambs. & Isle	10.89	11.39	11.68	10.99	9.8	10.4
England & Wales	12.0	11.9	12.2	11.3	11.5	11.7

INFANT MORTALITY RATE :

Wisbech R.D.	9.8	18.1	14.22	25	14.42	12.77
Cambs. & Isle	14.73	37.0	22.8	18.31	15.6	14.9
England & Wales	21.6	20.7	21.1	20	19	18.9

GENERAL MEDICAL SERVICES.

Cambridgeshire and Isle of Ely

Executive Council - 16, Station Road, Cambridge.

Clerk - F. G. Lloyd, Esq.

East Anglian Regional Hospital Board - Union Lane, Chesterton,
Cambridge.

Senior Administrative Medical Officer - Dr. J.B. Ewen.

(a) GENERAL -

- (1) North Cambridgeshire Hospital, Wisbech.
- (2) Clarkson Hospital, Wisbech.
- (3) Memorial Hospital, Peterborough.
- (4) Addenbrookes Hospital, Cambridge.
- (5) Doddington Hospital, Doddington.
- (6) Barton Road Hospital, Wisbech. (Aged sick).

(b) MATERNITY -

Bowthorpe Maternity Home, Wisbech.

All primiparous mothers may be confined in hospital and other mothers may be admitted for obstetric abnormality. A few mothers are admitted for very difficult social circumstances.

(c) INFECTIOUS DISEASES -

Isolation Hospital, Peterborough.
Hardwick Isolation Hospital, King's Lynn.

(d) TUBERCULOSIS -

The area chest physician holds a weekly clinic at North Cambridgeshire Hospital, Wisbech.

In-patient accommodation is provided through the East Anglian Regional Hospital Board.

(e) MENTAL ILLNESS -

Accommodation is provided (through the East Anglian Regional Hospital Board) usually in Fulbourne Hospital. This is arranged directly by the local General Practitioners.

(f) VENEREAL DISEASE -

- (1) Addenbrookes Hospital, Cambridge.
- (2) Peterborough Memorial Hospital, Peterborough.
- (3) West Norfolk and King's Lynn Hospital.

(G) MEDICAL EQUIPMENT SERVICE -

Medical equipment is provided on loan by the St. Johns Ambulance Division and the Red Cross Medical Loan Depot by arrangement with the County Council.

COUNTY MEDICAL SERVICES.

(A) Midwifery, General Sick and Public Health Nursing -

The Nursing Staff is employed by the Cambridgeshire and Isle of Ely County Council either directly or by arrangement with the County Nursing Association under the National Health Service Act, 1946.

In the parishes given, all those undertaking midwifery and general nursing are qualified to administer gas/air analgesia and pethadine, and the necessary number of gas/air machines are available for their use.

ELM, UPWELL AND OUTWELL :

Miss A. Heney, Halfpenny Lane, <u>ELM.</u> (Wisbech 4806).	Q.N. Midwife, General Nursing, S.R.N. Public Health Nursing, S.C.M. School Nurse, Health Visitor H.V. for Elm.
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Miss R. Ward, County Hall, <u>MARCH.</u>	S.R.N. Health Visitor for Upwell S.C.M. and Parson Drove. H.V.
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WISBECH ST. MARY AND PARSON DROVE :

Miss B.M. Robinson, Nurses House, Church Road, <u>WISBECH ST. MARY.</u> (Wisbech St. Mary 249)	Q.N. General Nursing and S.C.M. Midwife.
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Miss M.E. Joynt, Horsefair Clinics, <u>WISBECH.</u>	Q.N. Health Visitor for Wisbech S.R.N. St. Mary. S.C.M. H.V.
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LEVERINGTON, NEWTON AND TYDD ST. GILES :

Miss E.M. Burdett, High Road, <u>GOREFIELD.</u> (Newton 274).	Q.N. Midwife and general S.C.M. nursing.
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Mrs. Gray, Horsefair Clinics, <u>WISBECH.</u>	S.R.N. Health Visitor. S.C.M. H.V.
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Mr. R. Blackley, Sandringham Avenue, <u>WISBECH.</u>	S.R.N. It is very satisfying to note Q.N. that there is now a male Nurse in the Wisbech Borough and Rural Districts.
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(B) Ambulance and Hospital Car Service -

On 28th February, 1966 a new radio-controlled ambulance system came into being. There is now one ambulance control centre at March which directs ambulances and hospital cars with speed and economy to the points where they are required. As part of the overall scheme 3 ambulances are stationed at Wisbech and there are 11 other ambulances throughout the Northern area of the County.

(C) Infant Welfare Centres -

Christchurch (Parish Hall)	4th Monday.
Guyhirn (Village Hall)	3rd Thursday.
Parson Drove (Church Hall)	1st Wednesday.
Leverington (Church Hall)	2nd Tuesday.
Fridaybridge (Church Hall)	4th Wednesday.
Wisbech St. Mary (Women's Institute)	2nd Thursday.
Newton (Women's Institute).....	1st Thursday.

(D) School Minor Ailment Clinics -

County Clinics, Horsefair, Wisbech.
Beaupre School, Outwell.

(E) Home Help Service -

Available for confinements, cases of illness and for social reasons in the aged.

LABORATORY SERVICES.

Public Health Laboratory Service,
Peterborough and District Memorial Hospital,
Midland Road,
PETERBOROUGH.

(Director: Dr. J. Glencross).

Public Health Laboratory Service,
Tennis Court Road,
CAMBRIDGE.

(Director: Dr. Fry).

Public Analyst,
The Laboratory,
Tenison Road,
CAMBRIDGE.

(S. Greenburgh P.H.D., B.Sc., F.R.I.C.)

OTHER SERVICES.

Health Education -

All primiparous women are given the opportunity of attending relaxation and Mother and Baby Care Classes during their pregnancy. Recognised Women's Meetings e.g. Church groups and Women's Rural Institute Meetings, occasionally ask for a speaker on Health Education, and such requests are readily complied with by the Public Health Department.

Personal Cleanliness -

There is a bath-house available at the Borough Public Health Department. This year it was not necessary to make use of this service.

Disinfection and Disinfestation -

Premises - By the Senior Public Health Inspector's Staff.

Bedding and Clothing - Which cannot be dealt with by this department are sent to Clarkson Hospital, Wisbech.

NOTIFIABLE INFECTIOUS DISEASES - 1966.

Notifications:

Dysentery	3
Typhoid Fever	0
Paratyphoid Fever	0
Meningococcal Infections	0
Scarlet Fever	4
Whooping Cough	10
Diphtheria	0
Erysipelas	0
Smallpox	0
Measles	183
Pneumonia	1
Acute Poliomyelitis (including polioencephalitis)	
Paralytic	0
Non-Paralytic	0
Food Poisoning	0
Puerperal pyrexia	0
Tuberculosis (All forms)	0
Malaria	0
Infective jaundice	0
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	0

CAUSES OF DEATH - 1966.

	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>TOTAL.</u>
Tuberculosis, respiratory	0	0	0
Tuberculosis, other	0	0	0
Syphilitic Disease	0	0	0
Diphtheria	0	0	0
Whooping Cough	0	0	0
Meningococcal Infections	0	0	0
Acute Poliomyelitis	0	0	0
Other infective and parasitic diseases	0	0	0
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	5	0	5
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	3	1	4
Malignant neoplasm, breast	0	2	2
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	0	2	2
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms ...	10	8	18
Leukeamia, aleukeamia	0	0	0
Diabetes	1	1	2
Vascular lesions of nervous system	3	6	9
Coronary diseases, angina	11	8	19
Hypertension with heart disease	1	1	2
Other heart disease	6	7	13
Other circulatory disease	4	0	4
Influenza	0	0	0
Pneumonia	5	3	8
Bronchitis	1	2	3
Other diseases of the respiratory system ..	0	2	2
Ulcer of the stomach and duodenum	0	0	0
Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	0	1	1
Nephritis and nephrosis	0	0	0
Hyperplasia of prostate	2	0	2
Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	0	0	0
Congenital malformations	3	0	3
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	4	8	12
Motor Vehicle accidents	0	1	1
All other accidents	2	2	4
Suicide	0	0	0
Homicide and operations of war	0	0	0
TOTAL:	61	55	116

52 people died at home

64 people died in hospital or other institutions.

Deaths from selected causes during the years 1961 to 1966.

	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966
Lung Cancer	2	7	7	7	4	4
Motor Vehicle Accidents	1	2	3	3	0	1(1)*
All Other Accidents	1	1	7	2	2	4(2)*
Suicide	1	0	3	1	1	-
TOTALS	5	10	20	13	7	9

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Subtotal	4	10	17	12	9	15
TOTALS	5	10	20	15	7	2

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR.

HOUSING.

I am indebted to the Senior Public Health Inspector for the following reports.

Number of Dwellings completed during 1966 -

Council Bungalows	-	22	Private	-	84
Council Houses	-	10			
		<u>32</u>			

Number of Dwellings under construction at the end of 1966 -

Council Bungalows	-	2	Private	-	49
Council Houses	-	6			
		<u>8</u>			

UNFIT HOUSES -

There are approximately 117 sub-standard houses in the district, but it must be appreciated that this figure is based upon a survey made some considerable time ago and although many houses have been improved and modernised some have deteriorated in condition, especially those near the border line at the time of the survey. The following number of unfit houses were dealt with during the year as follows.

	<u>Demolition Orders</u>	<u>Closing Orders</u>	<u>Demolished in Anticipation</u>
Elm	4	3	1
Leverington	6	7	-
Newton	1	1	-
Outwell	5	-	-
Parson Drove	1	-	-
Tydd St. Giles	-	1	-
Upwell	2	-	3
Wisbech St. Mary	12	1	4
	<u>31</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>8</u>

RENT ACT, 1957 -

During the year there were no applications for Certificates of Disrepair, and no applications for the revocation of Certificates of Disrepair by owners of property.

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS -

Applications for grants for the improvement of private dwelling houses are dealt with jointly by the Public Health and Architect's departments as in previous years. During the year Discretionary Grants were approved for 3 houses to a total of £1,200. Standard Grants were approved for 30 houses to a total of £5,701.

The impact of information poured out by local and national government sources seems to be cushioned by a resistance on the part of the public, many of whom think it a very difficult business. This negative thinking could be dispelled by properly directed queries which could be channelled through the machinery set up for this purpose.

BUILDING BYELAWS -

The examination of all plans submitted under the Building Byelaws, the preparation of reports to the Planning Committee and subsequent inspection of work in progress, is carried out by the Public Health Department.

As from 1st February, 1966 the new Building Regulations came into force. These regulations replace the old Building Byelaws and are aimed at making uniform over the whole country certain standards. One point I would make here is that an improved standard of lighting for domestic kitchens is essential under these regulations.

As anticipated the result of these regulations has greatly increased this aspect of the department's work, and during the year the amount of time spent in advising the public and vetting plans has been very considerable indeed. In fact the pressure of work has made it obvious that an increase in staff to deal with part of this work must be seriously considered. Applications to develop several large estates have been submitted and others must be anticipated and the department must be in a strong position to meet this challenge.

During the year 195 plans were dealt with.

CESSPOOL EMPTYING AND COUNCIL'S SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANTS -

The Council now operate three cesspool emptiers a Ford Thames Trader vehicle with a capacity of 1,000 gallons, a Dennis vehicle with a 750 gallons capacity and a new Bedford vehicle of 1,000 gallons capacity. The Ford and Bedford vehicles are each crewed by two men and the Dennis vehicle is used by the Housing Department for the cesspool repair work and dealing with sewage plants, it also serves, if the need arises, as a relief vehicle. The work done by these vehicles consisted of the emptying of 2,279 domestic cesspools and privies producing 2,354 loads, 165 loads of sludge were removed from the Council's sewage disposal plants on seventeen housing estates. This department is deeply involved in work upon the plants referred to in conjunction with the Housing Department and the Pollution Officer of the Drainage Board and we work to maintain and improve the effluents of these various disposal plants. Generally speaking the orthodox type of disposal plant gives a consistently good effluent which satisfies the Drainage Board, difficulty is experienced with the extended aeration plants, however. These oxigest plants, one at Guyhirn and one at Wisbech St. Mary, are heavy on maintenance, and if not working properly or if there is an electricity cut, deteriorate rapidly and produce very bad effleunts. These plants command a high measure of supervision by the Housing department.

We have been exceptionally fortunate in obtaining from the Wisbech Borough Council permission to use their sewers for the reception of cesspool contents and this facility has been afforded us since the early part of the year. It is obvious that more and more use will be made of this outlet.

The other disposal methods, namely straw pans and stubble, are still in use and five shillings per load is paid to land owners. My thanks are due to Members of the Council and members of the farming community.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL -

A fortnightly collection of refuse is carried out over almost the whole of the district, together with a twice weekly collection for about six or seven months of the year from the Agricultural Camp at Fridaybridge.

The service is operated by one vehicle an Eagle Crushload of fifty cubic yard capacity and crewed by three men. The old Shelvoke and Drewry fore and aft. tipper vehicle has been retained as a spare vehicle and its use as such is essential for the efficiency of the service.

This Council shares its disposal facilities with the Marshland Rural District Council and the Borough Council of Wisbech. The method of disposal in the Wisbech Canal remains the same. Soil is dug out by an R.B. excavator, the excavation is back filled with refuse and consolidated and soil covered by an International Harvester B-85 tracked bulldozer. The volume of refuse has increased so the rate of filling has increased but not over much. The problem of abandoned motor vehicles is noticeably becoming greater and many of these we break up and dispose of in the canal. Moves are afoot to deal with this problem at County level.

Increases in the collection area were made and it was fortunate that a compression type vehicle was in use to cut down running time. A salvage system is in operation, the market for paper salvage however was very poor. All other types of materials are salvaged and sold through a local firm. The revenue for the year was £111 after deduction of the collectors' bonuses.

FOOD -

All food premises in the district were inspected and where necessary occupiers were requested to give attention to contraventions of the Food Hygiene Regulations. Particular attention was paid to the refrigeration units in food premises. A high degree of co-operation exists between food traders and the department, the attitude prevailing that sound hygiene practice is sound business. It is anticipated that in the near future legislation will be issued covering food hygiene on delivery vehicles.

Two new premises were registered for the sale of ice cream.

SLAUGHTERHOUSES ACT, 1958 - MEAT INSPECTION REGULATIONS, 1963 -

The district is served by one slaughterhouse owned and operated by Mr. N.V. Gagen of Gorefield. All animals slaughtered at the slaughterhouse at Wolf Lane, Gorefield are inspected and stamped in accordance with the Meat Inspection Regulations. There are fixed days for slaughtering and animals sent in for emergency slaughter are immediately notified to the office of the department for subsequent inspection. The department works in close co-operation with the local veterinary profession as well as the divisional veterinary officers of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. It has been found again to be impracticable for an inspector to be present at the dressing of all carcasses but inspections are carried out as quickly as possible. The department can always count on the maximum co-operation from the operator of the slaughterhouse. The income from inspection fees was £52. 6. 9d.

LICENCES TO SLAUGHTER AND STUN ANIMALS -

Seven persons were licenced to slaughter and stun animals.

CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1960 -

There were no site licences for the stationing of single caravans issued during the year. The permanent residential site in the area was satisfactorily maintained.

RODENT CONTROL -

A part-time operator, whose main job is that of site maintenance on the Council's Housing Staff, deals regularly with the Council's property including sewage plants. The same operator also deals with the length of the Wisbech Canal to be used for refuse disposal. This system has the advantage of attracting rats to a central point where they can be destroyed by poisoning and gassing. Although the rat population fluctuates seasonally, the normal level of infestation remained high especially during the autumn. Advice and instruction were given to the public by the department either because of direct complaints, which incidentally were very few or if found during routine inspections of properties.

PETROLEUM ACTS -

When underground petroleum tanks are installed in the district the necessary inspections are carried out prior to installation.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963 -

At the end of the year 39 premises, employing 90 persons were registered, as detailed below -

REGISTRATIONS AND GENERAL INSPECTIONS.

Class of Premises	Premises Registered During year	Total Premises Registered end of year	Registered Premises Inspected
Offices	2	12	9
Retail Shops	1	20	12
Wholesale shops, Warehouses	Nil	3	2
Catering Establishments open to public	1	2	2
Fuel Storage depots	1	2	2
Totals	5	39	27

ANALYSIS OF PERSONS EMPLOYED IN REGISTERED PREMISES BY WORKPLACE.

Class of Workplace	Number of Persons Employed.
Offices	30
Retail Shops	26
Wholesale departments, warehouses	3
Catering establishments open to public	19
Fuel Storage depots.	12
Total	90
Total Males	42
Total Females	48

It should be noted that in a family business, where only close relatives are employed, the premises are not registerable. The Act also does not apply to part-time assistants whose employment does not exceed 21 hours per week. In implementing the Act, the absence of standards regarding ventilation and lighting makes enforcement difficult. Shop premises fulfill an important function and because of the sale of a multitude of articles if space is restricted by high piled stock and advertising material, lighting can be a serious problem. In this case co-operative persuasion is the answer.

ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS ACT, 1963 -

There is one premises used for boarding in the district. Accommodation is provided for twelve animals. Satisfactory conditions were maintained.

SWIMMING POOLS -

There is no large private swimming pool in the area. There are small pools attached to most schools in the area. Samples taken from these pools proved to be bacteriologically satisfactory. Advice is given to head teachers if this is deemed necessary after inspection by this department.

LAY-BYES - SANITARY ACCOMMODATION -

During the year preparatory work was carried out to provide a sanitary convenience on the large lay@bye situated at Guyhirn near Wisbech on the A.47. This lay-bye lies on one of the main East Coast routes and is much used normally, holiday traffic greatly increases its use. Complaints have been received from near by occupiers of dwellings of the public health hazard due to fouling of the lay-by caused by the travelling public.

WATER SUPPLY -

This service is provided by the Wisbech and District Water Board. Monthly summaries of bacteriological and chemical examinations are sent through to this department by the Board's chemist, Mr. Collins, whom I wish to thank for his ready help with problems regarding water supply. Results have been of a very high standard and there was no contamination calling for special action by this department. A short table of examination results are set out below -

	<u>Samples submitted</u>	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory.</u>
Bacteriological	779	776	3
Chemical	114	114	Nil

The district as a whole is well supplied and there are very few houses now which do not have a mains water supply available.

Carcases and Offal inspected and condemned in whole or in part.

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1.1.66 to
31.12.66.

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horse
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Number Killed:	169	-	-	366	557	-
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Number inspected:	169	-	-	366	557	-
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All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci:

Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	1	-	-
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Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned:	17	-	-	36	24	-
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Percentage of the number inspected affected with diseases other than tuberculosis and cysticerci:	10.6	-	-	9.8	4.3	-
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Tuberculosis only:

Whole carcasses condemned:	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned:	-	-	-	-	3	-
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Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis:	-	-	-	-	0.5	-
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Cysticercosis:

Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned:	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration:	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Generalised and totally condemned:	-	-	-	-	-	-
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FACTORIES ACT, 1947 and 1948.

Part 1 of the Act.

1. INSPECTIONS for the purpose of provisions as to health
(including inspections made by the Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	M/c line No.	Number on Register	Inspect ions.	Number of Written Notices.	Occ. Prs.td.	M/c line No.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
(i) Factories in which Sects.1,2, 3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities:	1	26	31	-	-	1
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Sect.7 is enforced by the Local Authority:	2	23	33	-	-	2
(iii) Other premises in which Sect.7 is enforced by the Local Authority (Excluding Out- workers Premises):	3	-	-	-	-	3
Total	-	49	64	-	-	-

2. No defects were discovered during the year.

FACTORY ACT, 1947 and 1948.
Part I of the Act.

1. INSPECTIONS for the purpose of provisions as to health (including inspections made by the Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	W/o line No.	Number on Register	Inspector	Written No. of Occ.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
(i) Factories in which Sects 4, 5, 6 & 7 are to be enforced by Local Authorities:				
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Sect. 7 is enforced by the Local Authority:				
(iii) Other premises in which Sect. 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (Excluding Out-workers Premises):				
Total				

2. No defects were discovered during the year.

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