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ALDERSHOT BOROUGH COUNCIL.ANNUAL REPORT.OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR 1944.VITAL STATISTICS.

Estimated Population for mid-year 1944 23,740.
(excluding South Camp)

<u>LIVE BIRTHS.</u>	<u>MALE.</u>	<u>FEMALE.</u>	<u>TOTAL.</u>
Legitimate	251	221	472
Illegitimate	43	50	93
Total (excluding South Camp)	294	271	565

STILL BIRTHS. 16 (2 Illegitimate)
Birth Rate 23.8
Comparability Factor (Not available for 1944)

<u>DEATHS (Excluding South Camp)</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE.</u>	<u>TOTAL.</u>
	152	138	290

Death Rate. 12.2
Infantile Deaths 21.
Infantile Death Rate per 1,000 Live Births 37.2

PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH.

Heart Diseases	81	Nephritis	8
Cancer	65	Road Accidents &	
Cerebral Lesions	35	Other Violent Causes	7
Bronchitis	17	Suicide	3
Pneumonia	10	Syphilitic Disease	3
Tuberculosis of Lungs	10	Diabetes	1
Other Respiratory Diseases	3	Maternal Causes	1
Other Circulatory Diseases	8	Diphtheria	1
Premature Births	11	A. P. M.	1
		All other Causes	25

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED (Excluding South Camp)

Scarlet Fever	23	Dysentery	1
Whooping Cough	20	Puerperal Pyrexia	2
Diphtheria	7	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1
Measles	5	Pneumonia	1
Erysipelas	2	C.S.F.	1
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	24		
Non-Pulmonary "	5		

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNIZATION.

Number of Children who completed the Course of Injections
during the year:-

Under 5 years	265	<u>Total</u>	448.
Over 5 years	183		

Approximate estimated number of children in area at 31st December 1944	<u>Under 5</u> 2000	<u>Over 5</u> 4000
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Percentage of child population considered immunized at 31st December 1944	80%	80%
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ISOLATION HOSPITAL. - ADMISSIONS DURING 1944.

Aldershot	51	Hants C.C. (T.B.)	33.
Camberley-Frimley	15	Fleet.	7
Hartley Wintney	15	Others	3
Farnborough	19		

Total Admissions 143.
Deaths 16
General Anaesthetics 6

CLEANSING CLINIC FOR SCABIES & OTHER UNCLEANLY CONDITIONS.

No. of Individual Cases who attended during 1944 600
No. of Attendances during 1944 2453

Circular 2831 - Promotion of Cleanliness and good habits and the elimination of verminous conditions.

The Health Visitors are instructed to carry out the examination of children's heads in a tactful and judicious manner as suggested in the Circular.

Posters are displayed at the Welfare Clinic, and handbills are also utilised for distribution in particular cases where home treatment is unsatisfactory, and certain cases are from time to time dealt with at the Cleansing Clinic.

STATISTICS FOR 1944.

Number of Available Houses	...	5639
Number of Houses with Shops	...	360
Number of Licensed Premises	...	83
Rateable Value (1944)	...	£277064.
Sum represented by a penny rate	...	£1135. 11s. 1d.
Acreage - Civil	1,432.	S. Camp. 2,746.

LABORATORY FACILITIES.

Pathological and Bacteriological Examinations are carried out at the County Laboratory, The Castle, Winchester, and very urgent examinations are undertaken by courtesy of the Military Authorities at the Leishman Laboratory, Cambridge Hospital.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

For Accident and Sickness. - 1 Motor Ambulance was available at Aldershot Park Mansion House, in conjunction with the Civil Defence Service vehicles, which were also available for accident and sickness cases.

For Infectious Diseases. - Local resident patients are transported to the Isolation Hospital by Ambulance. Cases from outside the district are brought by Ambulance provided by the Farnborough U.D.C.

HOSPITALS PROVIDED OR SUBSIDIZED BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY OR OTHERWISE.

Tuberculosis	Provided by Hants County Council.
Maternity	Maternity Unit, Aldershot General Hospital, provided by the Aldershot Borough Council.
Children	Aldershot General Hospital.
Infectious Diseases	Isolation Hospital.
Smallpox	Provided by the Hants County Council.

TREATMENT CENTRES OR CLINICS.

<u>CHILD WELFARE</u>	Manor Park House	Mondays 2 p.m. Fridays 2 p.m.
<u>ANTE-NATAL.</u>	" " "	Thursdays 2p.m (Dr. Page) & 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month
<u>DIPHTHERIA IMMUNIZATION.</u>	" "	Every 4th Wednesday 2 - 3 p.m.
<u>MINOR AILMENTS</u>	School Clinic	Every Morning 9.30 a.m.
<u>DENTAL TREATMENT</u> (School Children)	" "	Every Morning 9.30 a.m. Gas Every Tuesday- 10 a.m.
(Expectant Mothers and Children under 5)	" "	Every Tuesday 2 p.m. Gas every fortnight.
<u>OPHTHALMIC.</u>	" "	1st Monday in Month 1.30 p.m.
<u>ORTHOPAEDIC</u>	" "	Remedial Exercises every Wednesday 2.30 p.m. Surgeons Day - once in 2 months (Wednesdays) 2.30 p.m.
<u>TUBERCULOSIS DISPENSARY</u>	Manor Park House	- Tuesdays & Saturday mornings 10 - 12.
<u>VENEREAL DISEASES.</u>	" " "	Males - Mondays - 5-7 p.m. Females - Wednesdays 9.30 a.m. & 1 p.m.
<u>SCABIES & CLEANSING CLINIC</u>	First Aid Post.	Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays. 10.- 12.

WATER SUPPLY. The following particulars give all information with regard to the Water Supply in Aldershot for the year 1944.

- (a) Quality of water as supplied was highly satisfactory as shown by tests reported in question 2 below.
(b) Supply was satisfactory in respect of quantity as no restrictions were necessary.
- About 26 bacteriological tests were made on the raw water, of which 21 showed "highly satisfactory" results and 5 "satisfactory".
All water is tested, and about 51 bacteriological tests made of District samples, all of which classed as "highly satisfactory".
Chemical analyses by the Counties Public Health Laboratories were made in August last year on (i) the normal chalk water source and (ii) the new lower greensand water, the former showed no material change from earlier analyses, and there is nothing abnormal to mention.
- Individually or as mixed, there is no reason to anticipate plumbo-solvent action, based on the opinion of an eminent chemist, nor is there any known evidence of such from experience.
- No incident of contamination.
- Number of civilian premises supplied within the Borough of Aldershot is:-

Domestic and other purposes	5,732
Trade Supplies and similar	488

It is believed that with about one exception all dwellings have a piped supply from water mains.

MATERNITY & CHILD WELFARE SERVICES.ANTE-NATAL CLINIC.

Number of individual women who attended Clinic	445
Total number of attendances	1,538
Average attendances per session	20

Number of Cases attended by Midwives during the year, including cases in the Maternity Unit.

As Midwives	528
As Maternity Nurses	81
Total Number of Births	610

(South Camp - 184)

MUNICIPAL MIDWIVES.

Nurse K. Jinks	58, St. Georges Road,
Nurse L. Kernick	48, Sandford Road,
Nurse S. Rogers	69, North Lane.

HEALTH VISITORS.

Mrs. R. Rowden	43, Grosvenor Road,
Miss J. Roberts	43, Grosvenor Road.

Home Visits to Expectant Mothers 148.

Home Visits to Children under 1 year :-

First Visits	476	Total Visits	1347.
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Home Visits to Children between the ages of 1 and 5 years. 1989.

CHILD LIFE PROTECTION.

Children supervised by Child Life Protection Visitors, who were on the Register at December 31st 1944.

No. of Children notified by intending foster mothers in accordance with statutory requirements:-

Under 5.	12.	Over 5 & Under 9.	3.
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The Child Welfare Clinic is held at the Manor Park House on Mondays and Fridays at 2 p.m under the management of the Aldershot Town Maternity & Child Welfare Committee, and Voluntary Helpers, whose assistance is greatly appreciated.

I am,

Ladies & Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

E. W. ROUTLEY,

Acting Medical Officer of Health.

BOROUGH OF ALDERSHOT

SANITARY INSPECTORS REPORT 1944

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

Number and Nature of Inspections:-

INSPECTION OF DWELLINGHOUSES

Housing Acts	6
Public Health Acts	416
District Inspections	781
Re-Inspections	711

NUMBER OF VISITS TO

Cowsheds and Dairies	27
Food Premises	348
Slaughterhouses	858
Infectious Disease Cases	54
Works in Progress	421
Factories	7
Verminous houses	71
Offensive Accumulations	8
Drains subjected Smoke Test, No. of Houses..	26
Drains subjected to Colours Test. No. of Houses	9
Drains subjected to Water Test. No. of Houses	31

NUISANCES AND OTHER MATTERS DEALT WITH

Foul Drains, W.C.s etc. opened and cleared	92
Defective water closets and drains	49
Accumulations of noxious matters	9
Verminous Houses	34
Dustbins renewed	213
Filthy and Unwholesome Premises	14

PRINCIPLE STRUCTURAL IMPROVEMENTS CARRIED OUT

Premises installed with new drainage systems	21
New drain inspection chambers provided ..	24
New W.C. Pedestal Pans fitted	13
Yards paved or repaired	9

Water closets put in order	2
New sinks fitted	2
Sink wastepipes repaired or renewed	14
New soil and ventilating shafts	2
Water supply re-installed	1

HOUSES IMPROVED

Roofs repaired	32
Eaves guttering repaired	12
Wall and ceiling plaster renewed.. . . .	35
Scullery floors reformed	5
Other floors reformed	33
Firegrates renewed	1
Hearths reformed	2
Windows repaired and made to open	29
Doors repaired	8
Skirting boards repaired	1
Stairs retreaded	1
Stair handrails fitted	1
Damp walls remedied	23
Walls and ceilings cleansed ..(Rooms).. . . .	38
Cooking ranges repaired	10
Washing coppers repaired	4

NUMBER OF NOTICES SERVED DURING THE YEAR.

Informal	346
Statutory Public Health Act, 1936, Section 24. . .	3
" " " " " " 39. . .	8
" " " " " " 45. . .	2
" " " " " " 75. . .	16
" " " " " " 79. . .	1
" " " " " " 93. . .	24
" Housing Act, 1936, Section 6.	2

ADMINISTRATION OF THE ACTS AND REGULATIONS RELATING TO

HOUSING

Unhealthy areas

(1) Clearance Areas	Nil
(2) Improvement Areas	Nil

Number of houses owned by the local authority

(1) Under the Housing Act, 1930.	110
(2) Other Powers	529

Number of Houses erected during the year

(1) By Local Authority	Nil
(2) By other bodies and persons	Nil

HOUSING STATISTICS

(1) Inspection of Dwellinghouses during the year

1. (a) Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	422
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	1492
2. (a) Number of dwellinghouses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925	Nil
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	Nil
3. Number of dwellinghouses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	Nil
4. Number of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	403

(2) Remedy of Defects during the year without service of Formal Notices

Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local authority or their officers	346
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(3) Action under Statutory Powers during the year

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

1. Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs ..	2
2. Number of dwellinghouses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:-	
(a) By owners	2
(b) By local authority in default of owners	-

(b) Proceedings under Public Health Acts -

1. Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	57
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2. Number of dwellinghouses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices :-
 - (a) By owners 398
 - (b) By local authority in default of owners .. 5
- (c) Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936:-
 1. Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which demolition orders were made Nil
 2. Number of dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance of demolition orders Nil
- (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 Nil
 2. Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit Nil

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

There is only one slaughterhouse within the Borough viz:-

Government Controlled Slaughterhouse Rear of
128 Ash Road.

SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS ACT 1933.

This enactment came into operation on the 1st January 1934, and provides for the humane and scientific slaughter of animals for human food, the licensing of slaughtermen and for purposes connected therewith. By resolution of the Council the requirements with regard to humane slaughter apply to all animals slaughtered for food.

Number of licences granted during the year to slaughter or stun animals 8

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS INSPECTION

Particulars of diseased and unsound food condemned and disposed of during the year.

TUBERCULOSIS

BOVINES

30 Carcases complete with offal
96 Heads and Tongues.
8 heads
180 Lungs
35 Livers
89 Mesenteries
6 Hearts
12 Spleens
11 Thick Skirts
1 Hindquarters
3 Forequarters
3 Udders
12 Tripes
2 Stomachs
34 Caul Fats
60 lb Brisket

PIGS.

3 Carcases complete with offal
6 Heads
1 Head and Offal
3 Livers
14 Mesenteries
4 Plucks
1 Viscera

CALVES

1 Liver

OTHER DISEASES

BOVINES

2 Carcases complete with offal
194 Livers
15 Lungs
3 Heads and Tongues
1 Tongue
41 Udders
4 Kidneys
3 Hearts
1 Tripe
Flank & Round
Beef Rump

PIGS.

4 Carcases complete with offal
29 Livers
1 Heart
7 Lungs
51 Mesenteries
7 Plucks
1 Udder
Leg of Pork

SHEEP

4 Carcases complete with offal
5 Lungs
34 Livers
1 Pluck
1 Head
2 Hearts
2 Legs

CALVES

2 Carcases complete with offal
1 Lungs
1 Pluck
1 Side

UN SOUND FOODSTUFFS

5895 Tins Foodstuffs (Miscellaneous)
2121 Tins Milk
66 Jars Mixed Pickles
538 Jars Foodstuffs (Miscellaneous)
33 Bottles Sauce
6 Bottles Coffee
340 Packets Foodstuffs (Miscellaneous)
114476 lbs Potatoes
11200 " Carrots
52 " Onions
2 " Prunes
14 " Macaroni
3018 " Mixed Cerials
11072 " Oranges

21 lbs Cheese
 106 " Chocolate
 202 " Sugar
 84 " Dates
 19 " Haricot Beans
 7 " Sausages
 44 " Fresh Fillet Fish
 700 " Pickers
 61 " Butter
 19 " Margarine
 131 " Bacon
 133 " Egg Substitute
 236 " Ham
 920 " Fruit
 14 " Mustard
 20 " Raisins
 282 " Fish Cakes
 198 " Flour
 500 " Biscuits
 422 " Sausage Meat
 12 " Cake
 507 " Apples
 1215 " Lemons
 91 " Tea
 13 " Suet
 6092 " Soup Powder
 135 Meat Lics
 1238 Eggs
 244 Beefin Cubes
 3730 Marmite Cubes
 50 Oxo Cubes
 3 Loaves Bread
 54 Swiss Rolls
 10 Ducks
 10 Chicken

NUMBER OF CARCASSES

CLASS	SLAUGHTERED	INSPECTED
Cattle	1633	1633
Calves	2199	2199
Sheep	1858	1858
Pigs	592	592

SUMMARY WEIGHT OF CONDEMNED FOOD

	Tuberculosis	25820	lbs
BEEF	Other Causes	5215	"
	Tuberculosis	1367	"
PIGS	Other Causes	2306	"
	Tuberculosis		"
SHEEP	Other Causes	136	"
	Tuberculosis	158	"
CALVES	Other Causes	407	"
	Tuberculosis	27345	"
TOTALS	Other Causes	2064	"

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD - MILK SUPPLY

Licensed Dealers "Pasteurised Milk"	2
Licensed Dealers "Tuberculin Tested" Milk	1
Registered Purveyors	47
Registered Cowkeepers	1

During the year, 55 samples of "Pasteurised" milk were obtained and submitted for examination. All the samples satisfied the prescribed test.

MAGISTERIAL PROCEEDINGS

Offence	Result
Public Health Act, 1936, Section 94.	Order made with costs and penalty of £5.

