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AYLESBURY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Public Health Department,
43, Buckingham Street,
AYLESBURY.

To the Chairman and Councillors of the Rural District Council of Aylesbury.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is my duty to present the Annual Report of the health and vital statistics for the year 1944.

Two factors lessen the value of the report - firstly the fact that I am not able to write from first hand knowledge of the state of affairs in 1944 as I was only appointed Temporary Medical Officer of Health in March 1945. Secondly - its belated arrival which is due to delay in receipt of Registrar General statistics and pressure of work in the Health office.

It will be noted that 1944 was exceptionally free from infectious diseases and other interesting features are the slight increase in the birth rate together with the fall of Infant Mortality, the latter in spite of phenomenal high death rate amongst those born out of wedlock.

Routine sanitary supervision of the area has been maintained in spite of shortage of Sanitary Inspectors, but owing to wartime conditions there has been little improvement in the amenities of the area.

On behalf of Dr. Sims-Roberts I wish to express his thanks to the Staff for their help and co-operation and the members of the Council for their interest and encouragement during 1944.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

Doris Critchley,
M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.,
Temporary Medical Officer of Health.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

Area	98,613 acres.
Number of inhabited houses (end of 1944 according to Rate Book)	6,740
Rateable Value	£142,146. 0. 0d.
Sum represented by a penny rate	£591. 9. 5d.

UNEMPLOYED.

At December 31st, 1943:-

- women
- men
- Total

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- women
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VITAL STATISTICS.

			Total	M.	F.
Live Births - Legitimate	...	...	421	226	195
Illegitimate..	...	...	35	14	21
Still Births- Legitimate	...	...	6	2	4
Illegitimate..	...	...	-	-	-

VITAL STATISTICS. (Continued).

Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated population mid-1944 18.31
 Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births 18.55

	Total	M.	F.
DEATHS	294	161	133

Death rate per 1,000 estimated average population 11.807

		Total
Deaths from puerperal causes:-	Puerperal sepsis	-
	Other puerperal causes	1

Deaths of infants under one year of age.	Total	M.	F.
Legitimate	8	5	3
Illegitimate	4	4	-
Totals	12	9	3

Death rate of Infants under one year of age:-

All infants per 1,000 live births 26.99
 Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births 19.02
 Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births 114

	Total.	M.	F.
Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	63	34	29
Deaths from Measles (all ages).	-	-	-
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages)	-	-	-
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	-	-	-

Analysis of Deaths:-

Tuberculosis Respiratory	11
" Non-Respiratory	6
Cancer	63
Intra-Cranial Vascular Lesions	28
Heart Disease... ..	72
Other diseases of the Circulatory System.	17
Bronchitis.	11
Other Respiratory Diseases..	4
Appendicitis	-
Nephritis.	6
Premature Birth.	3
Suicide... ..	1
Other Violent Causes..	4
Death from all other Causes.	33
Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum.	2
Syphilitic Diseases... ..	2
Influenza.	1
Pneumonia.	17
Diabetes..	1

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES.

Pathological Specimens.

Pathological Specimens are examined at:-

- (1) The Emergency Public Health Laboratory, Walton Street, Oxford.

Report on the results of the investigation of the
diseases of the cotton plant in the State of Texas

By J. H. HENNING, Chief of the Bureau of Plant Industry,
United States Department of Agriculture

Published by the Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., 1907

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GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES.

Pathological Specimens. (Continued).

(ii) The Stoke Mandeville Ministry of Pensions Hospital, Aylesbury.

Maternity and Child Welfare.

The Infant Welfare Centre, situate in Church Row, Aylesbury, under the control of the Bucks County Council is open three times a week.

These premises, which are also used as a School Dental Clinic are dark and depressing. However, in spite of the unsatisfactory state of affairs much valuable work is performed therein.

There is a grave shortage of maternity beds in the Area which is likely to become aggravated in the future with the expected increase in the birth-rate.

Diphtheria Immunisation.

Two Hundred and six children under five years and fifty-seven children of five years and over have been immunised in the Rural District during the year.

Government Sick Bay.

Sixty-six patients were admitted to the Rural District Sick Bay at Waddesdon Institute during the year for treatment of minor ailments.

Treatment of Venereal Diseases.

Generally carried out at the Venereal Disease Clinics, Royal Bucks Hospital, Aylesbury, but victims of these diseases can receive appropriate gratuitous treatment at any of the centres approved by the Government.

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES.

<u>Disease.</u>	<u>Total Cases Notified.</u>	<u>Total Deaths.</u>
Measles	9	-
Whooping Cough.....	29	-
Scarlet Fever.....	46	-
Pneumonia.....	19	17
Purpuræ Pyrexia.....	5	1
Erysipelas.....	28	-
Diphtheria.....	2	-
Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis.....	-	-
Acute Anterior Poliomyelitis....	-	-
Dysentery.....	7	-
Para-Typhoid.....	-	-
Typhoid.....	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.....	-	-

TUBERCULOSIS.

<u>Age Periods.</u>	<u>New Cases.</u>				<u>Deaths.</u>			
	<u>Respiratory.</u>		<u>Non-respiratory.</u>		<u>Respiratory.</u>		<u>Non-respiratory.</u>	
	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>
0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15.....	2	2	-	-	1	-	-	1
25.....	5	-	1	-	2	1	1	-
35.....	2	1	1	-	2	1	-	-
45.....	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
55.....	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	1
65.....	2	-	-	-	2	-	1	-
TOTALS	12	3	3	-	9	2	4	2

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR 1900

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Month	Male	Female	Total
January	12	10	22
February	15	13	28
March	18	16	34
April	22	20	42
May	25	23	48
June	30	28	58
July	35	33	68
August	40	38	78
September	38	36	74
October	32	30	62
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