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URBAN DISTRICT OF BAKEWELL

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

Sydney S. Proctor, M.D., D.P.H.

for the year

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

Mr. Chairman, Miss Dickson and Gentlemen,

I present herewith my Annual Report as Medical Officer of Health on the sanitary circumstances and vital statistics affecting the Urban District of Bakewell for the year 1945.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Area	3061 acres.
Population - estimated for mid-year 1945	3235.
Population - census, 1931	3028.
Population - census, 1921	2964.
Rateable value (April, 1945)	£25,239.
Product of Penny Rate (ascertained) year ending March, 1945.	£101:5:4.

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1945.

Births:

Live Births:	<u>Total.</u>	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>
Legitimate.	33.	16.	17.
Illegitimate.	5.	0.	5.
	<u>38.</u>	<u>16.</u>	<u>22.</u>

Birth Rate per 1,000 of estimated population:- 11.7.

Stillbirths:	<u>Total.</u>	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>
Legitimate.	2.	1.	1.
Illegitimate.	0.	0.	0.
	<u>2.</u>	<u>1.</u>	<u>1.</u>

Stillbirth Rate per 1,000 births:- 50

Deaths:

Deaths per 1,000 estimated population:- 11.4.

INFANT MORTALITY.

Deaths of Infants under 1 year:

Legitimate	2.
Illegitimate	0.
	<u>2.</u>

Infant Mortality Rates.

All infants per 1,000 live births 52.6.

The Chairman and members of the
General Urban District Council.

At a meeting held on the 12th day of

I present herewith my Annual Report as required by the
Statute in that behalf empowering and vested authority relating to the Urban
District of ... for the year 1911.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE OF THE YEAR



Particulars	1910-11	1911-12
Revenue
Expenses
Balance

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Particulars	1910-11	1911-12
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Estimated Balance for 1911-12 ...

POPULATION

Particulars	1910-11	1911-12
...
...
...

The tables below give a summary of Birth, Death and infant mortality rates over a period of seven years. The figures call for little comment except to draw attention to the tendency for the birth rate to be below the death rate.

The table of comparison with the Country as a whole shows only too clearly that, while the death rate is comparable with other parts, the birth rate is very definitely lower.

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND INFANT MORTALITY FOR SEVEN YEARS.

	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.
Birth Rate.	12.76	12.93	11.44	9.75	13.4	11.1	11.7
Death Rate. (all causes)	10.63	13.79	12.32	7.24	15.03	14.36	11.4
Deaths under 1 year (all causes) per 1,000 live births.	97.56	21.75	71.19	32.25	0.0	58.8	52.6

	England & Wales:	126 County Boroughs & Great Towns including London.	128 Smaller Towns - Resident Population 25,000 - 50,000.	London Admin- istrat- ive County.	Bakewell Urban District.
Live Birth Rate (per 1,000 population).	16.1	19.1	19.2	15.7	11.74
Death Rate (per 1,000 population)	11.4	13.5	12.3	13.8	11.44
Infant Mortality (Deaths under One year per 1,000 population)	46.0	54.0	43.0	53.0	52.6

HOUSING:

The position in general has deteriorated and overcrowding was increased. Particularly bad are the conditions resulting from houses being shared by two or more families. Although the erection of ten temporary prefabricated houses was commenced in the autumn the hopes of real progress appear to be dwindling as a result of petty restrictions, shortage of materials and labour. The Council will have to maintain a really strong and persistent pressure if some of the really appalling conditions are to be remedied.

WATER.

Once again there was general shortage throughout the first nine months of the year. The position will only be slightly relieved by the closing of the Military Camps since the general tendency is for a greater domestic supply.

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The table of comparison with the County as a whole shows only too clearly that, while the death rate is comparable with other parts, the birth rate is very definitely lower.

TABLES SHOWING BIRTH, DEATH AND INFANT MORTALITY FOR SEVEN YEARS

Year	Birth Rate (per 1,000)	Death Rate (per 1,000)	Infant Mortality (per 1,000 live births)
1912	12.7	10.2	97.3
1913	11.4	12.3	71.9
1914	12.7	12.3	32.3
1915	11.1	10.7	0.0
1916	11.7	11.4	32.8

Area	Birth Rate (per 1,000)	Death Rate (per 1,000)	Infant Mortality (per 1,000 live births)
England & Wales	16.1	12.2	26.0
The County of London & Greater London	12.1	12.3	63.0
125 parishes in the County of London (Population 25,000 - 50,000)	12.2	12.3	63.0
London - Administrative District	12.7	12.8	31.0
London - District	11.7	11.4	32.8

REMARKS

The position in general has deteriorated and consequently was increased. Particularly bad are the conditions existing in houses being let by two or more families. Although the number of tenement houses in the County has decreased in the last few years, the number of tenement houses in the County has increased. The County will have to maintain a really strong and permanent provision if some of the really appalling conditions are to be remedied.

It is again to be noted that the general average throughout the County for the year. The position will only be slightly improved by the opening of the Ministry of Health's new general hospital at St. George's.

MEAT INSPECTION UNDER THE CONTROL SCHEME

CARCASSES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep & Lambs.	Pigs.
Number Inspected.	3,054	400	5,579	143
All diseases except Tuberculosis:-				
Whole carcasses condemned	44	20	23	3
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.	641	3	36	2
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than T.B.	22.45	17.41	1.05	
Tuberculosis only:-				
Whole carcasses condemned	80	-	-	3
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.	864	-	-	1
Percentage of the Number inspected affected with Tuberculosis.	30.9	Nil.	Nil.	

NUMBER OF CATTLE INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED DURING THE LAST SEVEN YEARS

	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945
Number of cattle inspected.	1,186	2,023	2,479	2,494	2,198	2,373	3,054
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than T.B.	3.7	20.46	12.54	11.46	15.5	22.9	22.45
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis.	9.1	14.53	13.95	19.68	28.8	28.2	30.9

MEAT INSPECTION

The tables show very clearly that the slaughterhouses have been used to their fullest extent. In spite of representation to the Ministry of Food no improvements have yet been carried out, nor does there appear to be any immediate hope of action. One realises that the present premises are temporary, and that this is a grave hindrance to extension and improvements, but a time limit should be set to such temporary expedients, and the Central Authority should give some indication of future policy in regard to the provision of public abattoirs.

Existing conditions are entirely unsatisfactory, and it is high time that the Ministry of Food give more support to the Meat Inspectors and more supervision by their own officials. Without such co-operation the task of the Meat Inspectors is indeed unenviable.

ANNUAL REPORT OF SANITARY INSPECTOR

BAKEWELL URBAN SANITARY DISTRICT, 1945.

Name of Inspector - T. W. Baker.

Area of District - 3061 acres. Estimated No. of houses - 890.
 New Houses erected - 19 - (a) By Local Authority - Nil.
 (b) By Private Enterprise - Nil.

		Number of Inspections made by Sanitary Inspector.	Number of Notices Served:- Informal.	Legal.	Number of Nuisances Abated with or without Notice.
<u>CLOSETS AND ASHPITS:</u>					
Defective Privies, Pail Closets & Ashpits (not for conversion) ..	32	.....	4	.....	..... 4
Conversion of Privies into W.C's. ..		.....		.....	.....
Conversion of Pail Closets into W.C's.		.....		.....	.....
Conversion of Privies into Pail Closets.		.....		.....	.....
Defective Water Closets. ..	12	.....	5	.....	..... 5
Provision of additional Water Closets.		.....		.....	.....
Provision of Portable Ashbins . ..	18	.....	9	.....	..... 9
Dirty Closets. ..	4	.....		.....	.....
<u>DRAINAGE:</u>					
No disconnection of waste pipe ..	2	.....		.....	.....
Defective Waste Pipe, Traps, Inlets and Drains. ..	32	.....	12	..... 1	..... 15
Drains obstructed. ..	37	.....		.....	..... 37
<u>OTHER DEFECTS:</u>					
Paving of Courts and yards ..	2	.....		.....	.....
Roofs, Eaves-spouts & Down-spouts ..	23	.....	7	.....	..... 7
Sinks. ..	6	.....	2	.....	..... 2
Insufficient Ventilation.		.....		.....	.....
Windows. ..	8	.....		.....	.....
Dampness. ..	7	.....		.....	.....
Water in Cellars. ..	6	.....		.....	..... 3
Water Supply ..	10	.....	6	.....	..... 10
Overcrowding ..		.....		.....	.....
Foul condition of Houses. ..	2	.....		.....	.....
Offensive Accumulations. ..	9	.....		.....	..... 9
Animals improperly kept. ..	6	.....		.....	..... 3
Pigsties. ..	3	.....		.....	.....
Smoke Nuisances. ..		.....		.....	.....
Urinals. ..	7	.....		.....	.....
Nuisances not specified above. ..		.....		.....	.....
Totals. ..	<u>226</u>		<u>45</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>104.</u>

	Number on Register.	Inspections made.	Notices Served.	Nuisances Abated with or without Notice.
Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops ..	27	..... 19	..... 1	..... 1.
Bakehouses ..	5	..... 11	.....	.....
Slaughter-Houses (3 only in use under Ministry of Food) ..	7	..... 129	.....	.....
Offensive Trades ..		.....	.....	.....

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS - 1920

Year of registration - 1920

Area of District - 1001 square miles
 New houses erected - 12 - (a) by local authority
 (b) by private enterprise - 11

Number of
 Inspectors
 Apaid with
 or without
 Notice

Number of
 Notices
 served

Number of
 Inspectors
 sent by
 sanitary
 Inspector

Number of
 Informal
 legal
 Notices

OTHER MATTERS

1	4	32	1	Defective water, full closets & drains (not for conversion)
1	1	1	1	Conversion of private into W.C.
1	1	1	1	Conversion of full closets into W.C.
2	2	2	2	Conversion of private into full closets
2	2	2	2	Defective water closets
2	2	2	2	Improvement of additional water closets
2	2	2	2	Provision of portable latrines
2	2	2	2	Dirty closets

DEFECTS

1	1	1	1	No disconnection of waste pipe
1	1	1	1	Defective waste pipe, traps, drains and fixtures
1	1	1	1	Drains obstructed

OTHER DEFECTS

1	1	1	1	Privy of County and yards
1	1	1	1	Roofs, doors, windows & down-pipes
1	1	1	1	Windows
1	1	1	1	Insufficient ventilation
1	1	1	1	Windows
1	1	1	1	Windows
1	1	1	1	Water in Cellars
1	1	1	1	Water supply
1	1	1	1	Overcrowding
1	1	1	1	Full condition of houses
1	1	1	1	Defective construction
1	1	1	1	Defective temporary work
1	1	1	1	Lighting
1	1	1	1	Drains obstructed
1	1	1	1	Drains
1	1	1	1	Defective not specified above

100	7	12	1	Totals
100	7	12	1	Number of Inspectors sent by sanitary Inspector
100	7	12	1	Number of Notices served
100	7	12	1	Number of Inspectors Apaid with or without Notice
100	7	12	1	Defective water, full closets & drains (not for conversion)
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100	7	12	1	Improvement of additional water closets
100	7	12	1	Provision of portable latrines
100	7	12	1	Dirty closets
100	7	12	1	No disconnection of waste pipe
100	7	12	1	Defective waste pipe, traps, drains and fixtures
100	7	12	1	Drains obstructed
100	7	12	1	Privy of County and yards
100	7	12	1	Roofs, doors, windows & down-pipes
100	7	12	1	Windows
100	7	12	1	Insufficient ventilation
100	7	12	1	Windows
100	7	12	1	Windows
100	7	12	1	Water in Cellars
100	7	12	1	Water supply
100	7	12	1	Overcrowding
100	7	12	1	Full condition of houses
100	7	12	1	Defective construction
100	7	12	1	Defective temporary work
100	7	12	1	Lighting
100	7	12	1	Drains obstructed
100	7	12	1	Drains
100	7	12	1	Defective not specified above

ANNUAL REPORT OF SANITARY INSPECTOR (Contd.)

	Number on Register.	Inspections Made.	Notices Served.	Nuisances Abated with or without Notice.
Common Lodging Houses ..	....	....	....	....
Totals.	<u>39</u>	<u>159</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

SignedT. W. Baker

Number of Registrations	Number of Deaths	Number of Deaths Attributable to Tuberculosis	Number of Deaths Attributable to Other Causes
1,234	567	345	222
<u>1,234</u>	<u>567</u>	<u>345</u>	<u>222</u>

Signed T. W. Baker

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

CASES NOTIFIED DURING 1945.

	<u>NUMBER</u> <u>Noti-</u> <u>fied.</u>	<u>OF CASES</u> <u>Removed to</u> <u>Hospital.</u>
Tuberculosis - Pulmonary.	1.	-
do. - Other Forms.	-	-
Smallpox:-		
No. vaccinated and re-vaccinated	-	-
No. vaccinated in infancy	-	-
No. unvaccinated.	-	-
Scarlet Fever	14.	6
Diphtheria.	-	-
Enteric (Typhoid Fever.	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-
Cerebro-spinal Fever.	1.	1.
Erysipelas.	3.	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.	1.	-
Encephalitis Lethargica.	-	-
Acute Polio-Myelitis.	-	-
Pneumonia.	2	-
Measles.	59.	-
Whooping Cough	6.	-
Other diseases:-		
Dysentery	1.	-
Is Diphtheria Antitoxin supplied free of charge by Local Authority when necessary?	Yes.	
Is artificial immunisation against Diphtheria carried out by the Local Authority?	Yes.	
If so, state prophylactics used.	A.P.T.	

TUBERCULOSIS - 1945.

Age Period.	NEW CASES.				MORTALITY.			
	Respiratory.		Non-Respiratory.		Respiratory.		Non-Respiratory.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0 -								
1 -								
5 -								
15 -								
25 -								
35 -								
45 -								
55 -	1							
65 upwards.								
	1.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

I have the honour to be, Miss Dickson &
Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

Director.

Medical Officer of Health.

Bath Street,
Bakewell.
31st January, 1947.

