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BOROUGH OF BASINGSTOKE

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To :-

HEALTH

The Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Basingstoke.

I beg to present my report for the year 1944, the lateness of which is caused by the necessary statistics not being received earlier.

Yours faithfully,

M. Avent.

Medical Officer of Health.

STATISTICS

1.

Population - Registrar General's estimate ..... 15,990

BIRTHS

	Total	Male	Female	
Legitimate	267	138	1 29	Birth rate 18.4
Live births	1			England & Wales
Illegitimate	28	12	16	17.6
Still births	4	3	1	Rate per 1,000 births - 14.
DEATHS	172	90	82	Death rate - 10.7 England & Wales 11.6
Death rate of infants i	inder 1 year	per 1,00 Engl	0 live bi and and V	rths 27 ales 46

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# NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

	Notified	Admitted to Hospital
Diphtheria Scarlet Fever Whooping Cough Measles Cerebro Spinal Fever Ophthalmia Neonatorum Erysipelas Anterior Poliomyelitis Puerperal Pyrexia Pulmonary Tuberculosis Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis	4 56 17 3 1 1 2 1 2 5 2 3	3 20 1 1

## ISOLATION HOSPITAL

Admissions

	Scarlet Fever	Diphtheria	Total
Borough	20	3	238
Basingstoke Rural District	10	2	128-38
Kingsclere & Whitchurch R.D.	2	1	38

# DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION

No.	of	children	who	have completed t	reatment	• •	 	 .260
				Under 5 vears			 	 211
				5 years and unde	r 15 years.		 	 . 49

The Town was again fortunate in having a small amount of Infectious Disease, most of which was of a mild nature. During the current year a widespread epidemic of measles has covered most of the country, including Basingstoke.

Scabies continues to occur more than normally : 203 cases were treated at the Clinic during the year.

#### WATER SUPPLY

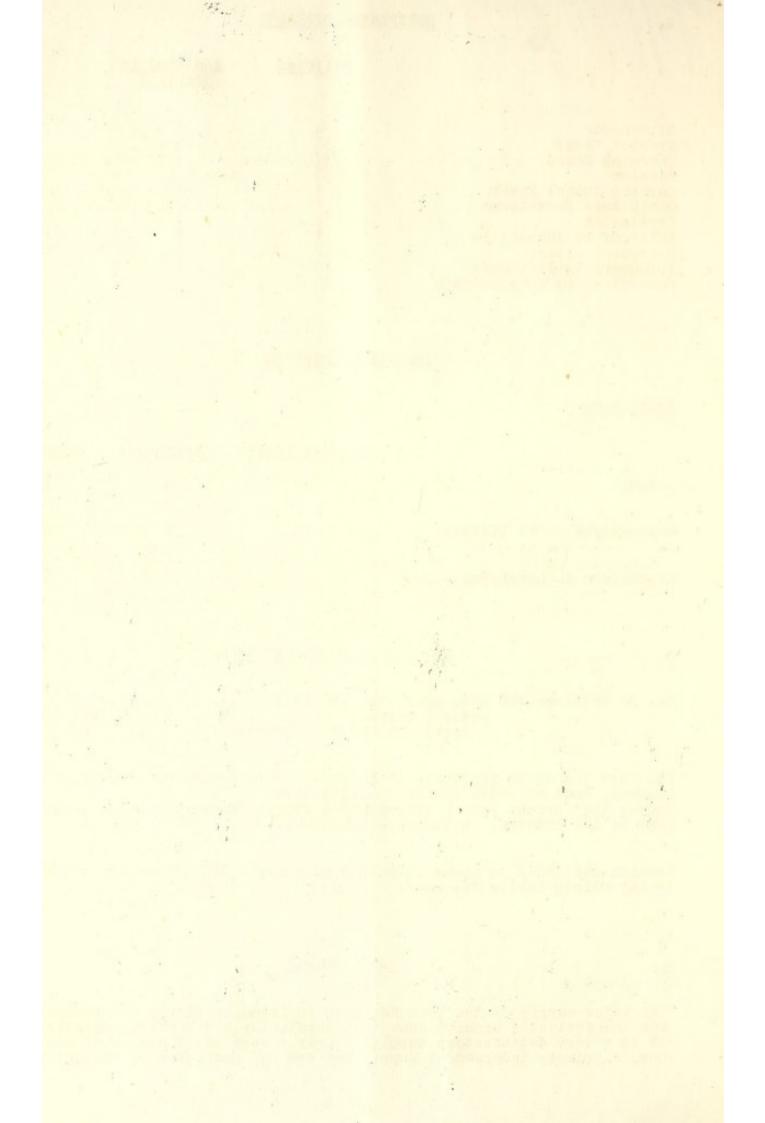
The water supply of the Town has been analysed regularly and frequently and the Analyst's reports show that chemically and bacteriologically it is a very satisfactory supply. Only a very small number of houses have a private independent supply and are not connected to the main.

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# INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

#### Meat and Other Foods

467 visits have been made to the slaughterhouse and other food premisee during the year, and 4,544 carcases have been inspected. In all 3 tons. 1 cwt. 2 qtrs.  $4\frac{3}{4}$  lbs. of food have been condemned as unfit for human consumption. This weight does not include canned and packeted foods not usually sold by weight.

#### Condemned

	Cattle excluding cows	Cotrs	Calves	Sheep and Lembs	Pigs	Total
Number killed	22	38	1,652	2,436	396	4,544
Number inspected	22	38	1,652	2,436	396	4,544
All diseases except Tuberculosis Whole carcases condemne Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned Percentage diseased.	12 68.1	4 10 35.8	2 1 0,18	4 18 0.90		13 52 1.43
Tuberculosis Whole carcases condemne Carcases of which some part or organ	d 2	3	1	-	1	7
was condemned Percentage affected with Tuberculosis	2 18.1	7 26.3	- 0.06	-	2 0.75	11 0.39

#### Notices

192 notices (written and verbal) were served during the year.

#### Complaints

196 complaints have been received.

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## SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

# Classified statement of Premises inspected.

Inspections under the Housing and Public Health Act	
Works in progress	
Reinspections	
Visite to alsughterhouse	
Knackers Yard 2	
Visits to food premises	
In connection with infectious diseases	
Public conveniences 17	
Shops Acts	
Rets and Mice Destruction Act	
Cvercrowding	
7etercouvee	
Petroleum Act	
Factories Act	
Cow sheds and Deivies 5	
Marine Stores 1	
Interviews	
Miscellaneous visits101	
Schools	

Total

# 750

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## DRAINAGE

Smoke tests applied .... 3

# INFECTED ROOMS AND ARTICLES

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# DEFECTIVE CONDITIONS REMEDTED

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Water supply	Fittings repaired
<u>Water Closets.</u>	Reconstructed or new provided

## Soil pipes

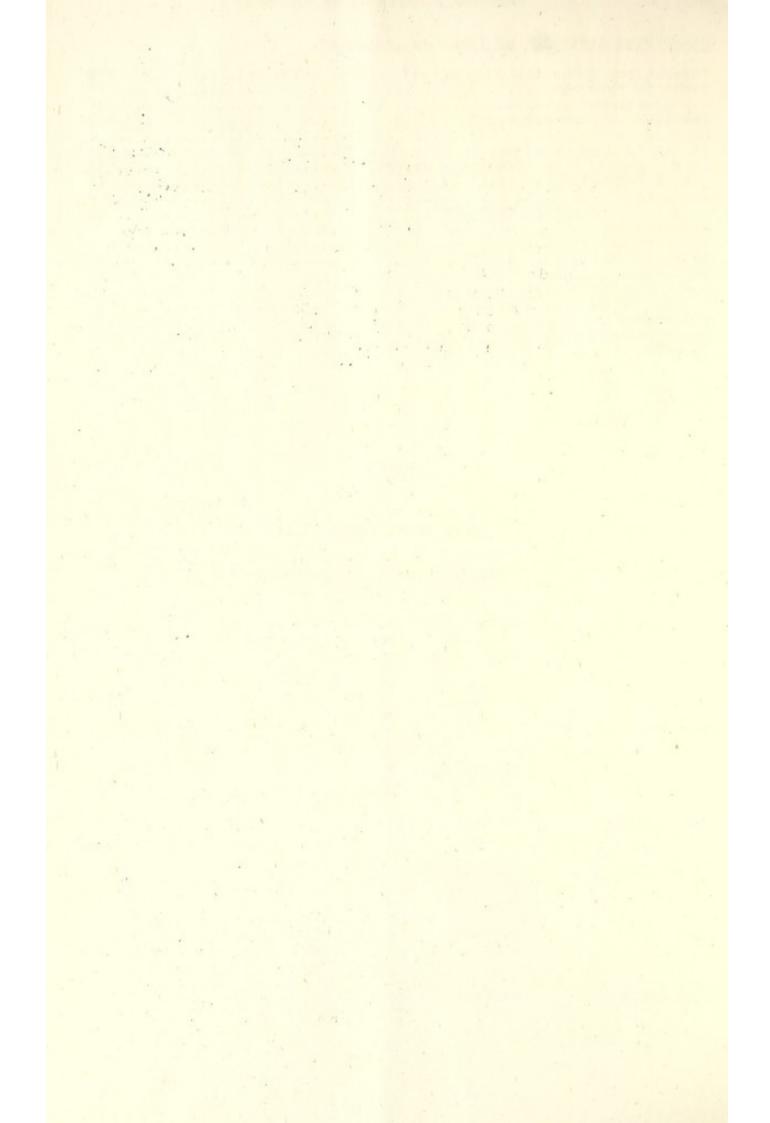


TABLE II (Cont.d.)

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Drains.	Reconstructed
Manholes	New provided 1 Repaired and covers renewed 1
Ventilation shafts	Fresh air inlets repaired 1
Sinks, Baths etc.	and Vaste pipes New sinks provided
<u>Aah bins</u>	New bins provided25
Yard paving	Newly paved 1
Dampness	Roofs repaired
General	Walls and ceilings repaired
Urinals	Repaired or cleansed 1
Other matters	Cowsheds cleansed etc

