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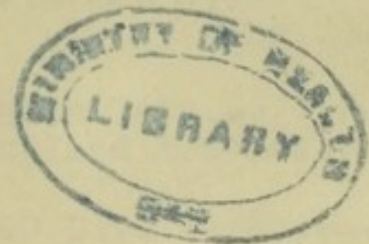


ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR

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BOROUGH OF BASINGSTOKE

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1947

August, 1948.

To:-

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

I beg to present my Annual Report for the year 1947.

Yours faithfully,

M. AVENT,

Medical Officer of Health.

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STATISTICS

1.

(a) POPULATION - Registrar General's Estimate.....16,070

(b) BIRTHS:-

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	
Live..	{			..Birth Rate.....21.7
{ Legitimate....328		165	163	
{ Illegitimate...22		12	10	..England & Wales...20.5
Still.....2		1	1	..Rate per 1,000
				Births.....5.6

(c) DEATHS:-

	212	104	108	..Death Rate.....13.19
				..England & Wales...12.0

Death Rate of Infants under 1 year, per 1,000 Live Births...23
England & Wales...41

Deaths from:-

Measles.....	0
Whooping Cough.....	0
Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)...	0
Cancer.....	32
Heart & Arterial Diseases.....	74
Pulmonary Tuberculosis.....	9
Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis.....	1
Suicide and Violence.....	6

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1917

August, 1918.

The Mayor, Aldermen and Councilors of the Borough of
Baltimore.

I beg to present my Annual Report for the year 1917.

Yours faithfully,

H. AVERTY,

Medical Officer of Health.

STATISTICS

POPULATION - Registrar General's Estimate.....16,050

BIRTHS:-

Total Males Females

Legitimate.....328 (Live..)

Illegitimate.....22 (Illegitimate..)

Stillborn.....2

Total.....352

DEATHS:-

Total.....108

Infantile Rate.....13.19

Infantile Deaths.....13

Death Rate of Infants under 1 year, per 1,000 live births.....27

Deaths & Burials.....27

Deaths from:-

Measles.....0

Diphtheria.....0

Scarlet Fever.....0

Whooping Cough.....0

Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age).....0

2.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE

Notifications Received:-

Diphtheria.....	1
Scarlet Fever.....	5
Whooping Cough.....	4
Measles.....	358
Puerperal Pyrexia.....	3
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.....	3
Pneumonia.....	1
Polio-myelitis.....	1
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis.....	1
Pulmonary Tuberculosis.....	18
Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis.....	6

The Town was again fortunate in having only a small amount of Infectious Disease, apart from the usual biennial epidemic of Measles.

3.

ISOLATION HOSPITAL

(a) Admissions:-

	<u>S.F.</u>	<u>Diph.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Borough.....	1	-	1)
Basingstoke Rural District.....	1	-	1) ...4
Kingsclere & Whitchurch R.D.....	1	1	2)

In addition, the under-mentioned Borough cases were admitted to other Hospitals as stated :-

- 2 Measles.....Aldershot Isolation Hospital
- 1 Diphtheria.....Alton Isolation Hospital
- 2 Scarlet Fever....." " "
- 1 Polio-myelitis.....Alton (Treloar's Hospital)
- 1 Cerebro-spinal Meningitis...Park Prewett Hospital, B'stoke.
- 1 Puerperal Pyrexia.....Winchester (St.Pauls Hill)
- 1 Ophthalmia Neonatorum.....Southampton Free Eye Hospital.

(b) General:-

At the time of writing the Hospital has passed out of the control of the Town Council and into the South-West Metropolitan Region. Its future use is rather uncertain in view of the present day tendency towards larger hospital units.

During the years that I have known it, since 1940 as your Medical Officer, and since 1925 as Medical Officer of the Rural District, the hospital has met the needs of the area it served, until the staffing difficulties became so acute during the last 2 years as practically to put it out of action.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

Notifications Received:-

Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis	.....
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	.....
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	.....
Folio-mycetis	.....
Influenza	.....
Ophthalmic Neostromia	.....
Paraperal Pyrexia	.....
Measles	.....
Whooping Cough	.....
Scarlet Fever	.....
Diphtheria	.....

The Town was again fortunate in having only a small amount of Infectious Diseases, apart from the usual biennial epidemics of Measles.

ISOLATION HOSPITAL

(a) Admissions:-

	<u>B.P.</u>	<u>Diph.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Borough	-	1
Paragonok Rural District	-	1
Kingcliffe & Whittonch A.D.	1	2

In addition, the under-mentioned Borough cases were admitted to other Hospitals as stated:-

2 Measles	.....
1 Diphtheria	.....
2 Scarlet Fever	.....
1 Folio-mycetis	.....
1 Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	.....
1 Paraperal Pyrexia	.....
1 Ophthalmic Neostromia	.....

(b) General:-

At the time of writing the Hospital was passed out of the control of the Town Council and into the South-West Metropolitan Region. The future was in rather uncertain view of the present day tendency towards larger hospital units.

During the years that I have known it, since 1910 as your Medical Officer, and since 1925 as Medical Officer of the Rural District, the hospital has met the needs of the area it served, until the existing difficulties became so acute during the last 2 years as practically to put it out of action.

4. DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION

Number of Children who completed treatment.....259

Under 5 years.....247

5 years and under 15 years...12

In addition, 22 children, previously immunised, were given "re-inforcing" injections.

5. WATER SUPPLY

The Water Supply of the Town has been analysed regularly and frequently and the Analyst's Reports shew 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.

6. HOUSING

During the year 1947 the following number of new dwelling-houses were completed :-

Council Owned { Traditional Type...52
 { "Orlit".....1

Privately Owned.....32

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Number of Children who completed vaccination.....253

Under 5 years.....312
5 years and under 15 years.....12

In addition, 28 children, previously vaccinated, were given "re-sterilizing" injections.

WATER SUPPLY

The water supply of the town has been analyzed 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.

HOUSING

During the year 1927 the following number of new dwellings were completed:-

Privately Owned.....72
Council Owned ("Old").....1
Traditional Type.....1

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOROUGH SANITARY INSPECTOR

(A) INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

1...MILK

Forty-three (43) Samples of "Pasteurised" Milk have been taken during the year. Of these, 41 Samples proved to be satisfactory; the remaining 2 Samples were found to be not efficiently pasteurised. 20 Samples of Ordinary Raw Milk were also taken; 15 Samples proved to be satisfactory, whilst the remaining 5 shewed evidence of B.Coli. Unsatisfactory Samples were followed up.

2...MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

672 visits have been made to the Slaughterhouse and other Food Premises during the year, and 6,119 carcasses have been inspected. In all, 5 tons. 13 cwts. & 14 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	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Total
Number Killed.....	44	72	1,989	3,890	124	6,119
Number Inspected.....	44	72	1,989	3,890	124	6,119
<u>All Diseases except Tuberculosis:-</u>						
Whole Carcasses condemned...	1	7	4	8	6	26
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.....	11	32	4	100	11	158
Percentage Diseased.....	27.2	54.16	0.40	2.77	13.70	3.00
<u>Tuberculosis:-</u>						
Whole Carcasses condemned...	4	3	1	-	1	9
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.....	2	24	-	-	4	30
Percentage affected with Tuberculosis....	13.63	37.5	0.05	-	4.03	0.63

TABLE III
MILK AND OTHER PRODUCTS

1917

Forty-three (43) samples of "pasteurized" milk have been taken during the year. Of these, 41 samples were found to be satisfactory; the remaining 2 samples were found to be not satisfactorily pasteurized. 30 samples of Ordinary Milk were also taken; 25 samples were found to be satisfactory, while the remaining 5 samples were found to be not satisfactory. Unsatisfactory samples were followed up.

MEAT AND OTHER PRODUCTS

572 visits have been made to the slaughterhouses and other food premises during the year. Of these, 567 visits were satisfactory. The remaining 5 visits were found to be not satisfactory. This report does not include canned and bottled foods not usually sold by retail.

Continued:

Year	Percentage diseased	Percentage diseased with Tuberculosis	Percentage diseased with Tuberculosis	Percentage diseased with Tuberculosis	Percentage diseased with Tuberculosis	Percentage diseased with Tuberculosis
1917	12.77	2.77	100	100	100	100
1916	13.30	2.77	100	100	100	100
1915	13.30	2.77	100	100	100	100
1914	13.30	2.77	100	100	100	100
1913	13.30	2.77	100	100	100	100
1912	13.30	2.77	100	100	100	100
1911	13.30	2.77	100	100	100	100
1910	13.30	2.77	100	100	100	100
1909	13.30	2.77	100	100	100	100
1908	13.30	2.77	100	100	100	100
1907	13.30	2.77	100	100	100	100
1906	13.30	2.77	100	100	100	100
1905	13.30	2.77	100	100	100	100
1904	13.30	2.77	100	100	100	100
1903	13.30	2.77	100	100	100	100
1902	13.30	2.77	100	100	100	100
1901	13.30	2.77	100	100	100	100
1900	13.30	2.77	100	100	100	100

3...NOTICES

272 Notices (Written and Verbal, & including 5 Statutory Notices) were served during the year.

4...COMPLAINTS

365 Complaints have been received and dealt with.

5...RODENT CONTROL

Since April 1st, the work of Rodent Control has been carried out by the Additional Sanitary Inspector (part-time) and One (1) Operative, under the supervision of the Senior Sanitary Inspector. 3,890 visits were made in connection with baiting and poisoning at rat-and mouse-infested premises, including treatment of sewers. The degree of infestation in the sewers was found to be very slight.

6...FACTORIES ACT, 1937

Part I

(i) Inspections, &c.

Number on Register.....114
Inspections.....43
Notices.....3

(ii) Defects found:-

Want of cleanliness.....6
Insufficient or defective
sanitary conveniences.5
Others.....11

All these were remedied.

Part VIII

Outwork:-

Wearing apparel.....24
(Making, etc.)

1870

1871

1872

1873

1874

1875

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1876

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1877

1878

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(B) SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

7... TABLE I

(a) CLASSIFIED STATEMENT OF PREMISES INSPECTED

Inspections under the Housing & Public Health Acts...	673
Works in Progress.....	163
Re-inspections.....	176
Visits to Slaughterhouse.....	311
Food Premises.....	361
Stable Premises.....	1
In connection with Infectious Diseases.....	14
Public Conveniences.....	16
Shops Acts.....	33
Rats and Mice Destruction Act.....	1,485
Overcrowding.....	55
Water-courses.....	146
Petroleum Act.....	14
Factories Act.....	43
Cowsheds and Dairies.....	38
Marine Stores.....	3
Knackers Yards.....	6
Common Lodging House.....	2
Tents, Vans and Sheds.....	46
Ice Cream Premises.....	102
Interviews.....	254
Miscellaneous Visits.....	139
Total.....	<u>4,081</u>
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(b) DRAINAGE

Water Tests Applied.....Nil
Smoke Tests Applied.....6
Systems Exposed.....8

(c) INFECTED ROOMS AND ARTICLES

Rooms Disinfected.....29
Books Disinfected.....31
Bedding Disinfected....4 Lots

(a) INFESTATION

Rooms Disinfested.....48
Bedding, &c.Disinfested..15 Lots
Bedding, &c.Destroyed....1 Lot

In addition, 8 rooms and 3 roof spaces were sprayed on account of flies.

TABLE I

CLASSIFIED STATEMENT OF WORKS INSPECTED

Inspection under the Housing & Public Health Act	633
Works in Progress	153
Re-inspections	176
Visits to Slaughterhouse	314
Food Premises	351
State Premises	1
In connection with Infectious Diseases	41
Public Conveniences	10
Shops Act	37
Hats and Mill Dressing Act	1,033
Overcrowding	52
Water courses	106
Telephone Act	113
Factories Act	113
Gasworks and Pulp Mills	30
Kitchen Stoves	3
Knockers Yards	8
Common Lodging Houses	2
Tents, Vans and Stalls	46
Ice Cream Premises	102
Interviews	224
Miscellaneous Matters	139
Total	4,081

DISINFECTANTS

Water Tests Applied	1,111
Smoke Tests Applied	6
Systems Exposed	6

INSPECTED ROOMS AND ARTICLES

Rooms Disinfected	29
Books Disinfected	31
Bedding Disinfected	4,106

INVESTIGATION

Rooms Disinfected	14
Bedding, etc. Disinfected	1,106
Bedding, etc. Destroyed	1,106

In addition, 8 rooms and 2 roof spaces were sprayed on account of flies.

8...TABLE II

DEFECTIVE CONDITIONS REMEDIED

<u>Water Supply</u>	Fittings repaired, &c.....	24
<u>Water Closets</u>	Reconstructed or new provided.....	4
	New pans fixed.....	31
	Defective flush pipes repaired.....	7
	Cisterns repaired or renewed.....	21
	Apartments lighted, ventilated, etc.....	1
	Walls, floors, roofs, etc.repaired.....	40
<u>Drains</u>	Reconstructed.....	3
	Repaired.....	7
	Cleansed.....	30
	New gullies provided.....	5
	Cesspools cleansed or repaired.....	2
<u>Manholes</u>	New provided.....	5
	Repaired or renewed.....	3
<u>Soil Pipes & Ventilation Shafts</u>	New provided.....	1
	F.A.I's.repaired or new provided.....	2
<u>Sinks, Baths, etc. and Waste Pipes</u>	New sinks provided (Inc.2 Lavatory Basins).	13
	Waste pipes repaired.....	2
	Waste pipes renewed.....	4
	Waste pipes trapped.....	7
<u>Dustbins</u>	New bins provided.....	65
<u>Yard Paving</u>	Newly paved.....	1
	Drained.....	1
<u>Dampness</u>	Roofs repaired.....	22
	Gutters and rain-water pipes repaired.....	18
	D.P.C.provided.....	1
	Window and door reveals repaired.....	4
	External walls pointed or repaired.....	8
<u>General</u>	Walls and ceilings repaired.....	55
	Rooms cleansed.....	54
	Verminous rooms cleansed.....	48
	Windows and doors repaired, etc.....	22
	Windows made to open.....	4
	Floors repaired.....	13
	Stoves repaired.....	13
	Coppers repaired.....	3
	Defective and smoky chimneys remedied.....	6
	Coal stores repaired.....	2
	Accumulations removed.....	15

EXHIBIT CONTINUED

Item	Description	Quantity	Unit	Value
1	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
2	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
3	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
4	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
5	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
6	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
7	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
8	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
9	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
10	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
11	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
12	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
13	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
14	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
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42	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
43	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
44	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
45	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
46	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
47	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
48	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
49	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00
50	Water supply	100	gallons	10.00

<u>Other Matters</u>	Shop premises cleansed.....	4
	Slaughterhouses cleansed.....	1
	Animals improperly kept (Remedied)....	2
	Water-courses cleansed.....	3
	Urinals repaired and cleansed.....	3
	Miscellaneous.....	27

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Wm.J. TILEY,

Borough Sanitary Inspector

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