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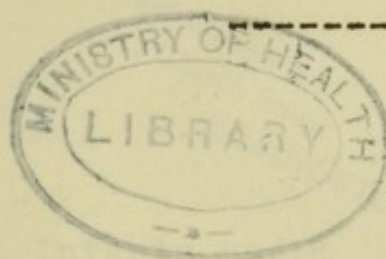
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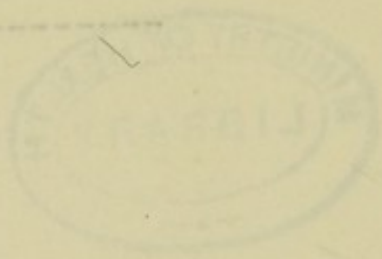
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BOROUGH OF BASINGSTOKE

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1950

August, 1951.

To:-

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

I beg to present my Report for the year 1950.

Yours faithfully,

M. AVENT

Medical Officer of Health.

STATISTICS

1.

(a) POPULATION - Registrar General's Estimate.....16,720
(Mid 1950)

(b) BIRTHS:-

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	
Live..(Legitimate....255	134	121)	..Birth Rate.....16.0	
(Illegitimate...14	10	4)	England & Wales...15.8	
Still.....4	1	3...	Rate per 1,000 Births....16	

(c) DEATHS:-

148	78	70)	..Death Rate.....8.7
)	England & Wales...11.6

Deaths of Infants under 1 year.....5

Deaths from:-

Cancer.....21
Heart & Arterial Diseases...59
Pulmonary Tuberculosis.....2
Pneumonia.....5

2.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE

Notifications Received:-

Scarlet Fever.....	19
Whooping Cough.....	1
Measles.....	33
Polio-myelitis.....	3
Polio-encephalitis.....	1
Pulmonary Tuberculosis.....	27
Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis.....	7
Puerperal Pyrexia.....	1
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.....	1

The Town was again fortunate in having only a small amount of Infectious Disease.
2 of the Polio-myelitis cases were severe, and both were admitted to Lord Mayor Treloar's Hospital, Alton.
The Polio-encephalitis case was also admitted to Lord Mayor Treloar's Hospital, Alton.
3 Scarlet Fever cases went to Aldershot Isolation Hospital.
The Ophthalmia Neonatorum case went to Victoria Isolation Hospital, Winchester.

3.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION

Number of Children who completed treatment.....	183
Under 5 years.....	170
5 years and under 15 years.....	13

In addition, 99 children, previously immunised, were given "re-inforcing" injections.

4.

MASS RADIOGRAPHY SURVEY

This Survey was carried out in March. 3,432 persons were examined, with the following results :-

Active Tuberculosis.....	5
Inactive Tuberculosis....	90
Other Abnormalities.....	68

5.

WATER SUPPLY

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

Only a very small number of houses have a private independent supply and are not connected to the main.

6.

HOUSING

(a) During the year 1950 the following new dwelling-houses were completed :-

	(Traditional Type Houses.....	41
	(" " Flats.....	28
Council Owned	(Prefabricated Houses - "ORLIT".....	2
	(" " - "REEMA".....	26
	(Aluminium Prefabricated Bungalows...	68
Privately Owned.....		11

(b) Since the War, to 31st. December, 1950, 500 Houses (including 118 Prefabricated Bungalows and 11 Bungalows for Aged Persons) have been completed for the Council, and 77 for Private Persons.

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(A) INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

1...MILK

Forty-two (42) Samples of Milk were taken during the year, and the results of the analyses were as follows :-

"Pasteurised" Milk:-

Samples taken.....	31
Satisfactory.....	30
Not efficiently Pasteurised....	1

"Tuberculin Tested Pasteurised" Milk:-

Samples taken.....	8
Satisfactory.....	7
Not efficiently Pasteurised....	1

"Tuberculin Tested" Milk:-

Samples taken.....	2
Satisfactory.....	2

Ordinary Raw Milk:-

Samples taken.....	1
Unsatisfactory.....	1

2...MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

1,232 visits have been made to the Slaughterhouse and other Food Premises during the year, and 10,100 carcasses have been inspected. In all, 6 tns. 13 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lbs. 11½ ozs. of food have been condemned as unfit for human consumption. This weight does not include canned and packeted foods. During the year continued visits were made to Food Premises and special attention was again directed to washing facilities, sanitary accommodation and general cleanliness. As a result many improvements were effected, and the standard of general cleanliness, &c. is steadily improving.

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Condemned:-

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Total
Number Killed.....	34	49	1,118	8,663	234	10,100
Number Inspected.....	34	49	1,118	8,663	234	10,100
<u>All Diseases except Tuberculosis:-</u>						
Whole Carcases condemned....	2	10	14	1	4	31
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.....	17	33	7	557	43	657
Percentage Diseased....	55.88	87.77	1.87	6.44	20.08	6.82
<u>Tuberculosis:-</u>						
Whole Carcases condemned....	1	7	-	-	2	10
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.....	2	6	-	-	3	11
Percentage affected with Tuberculosis.....	8.82	26.5	-	-	2.13	0.20

3...NOTICES

190 Notices (Written and Verbal) were served during the year.

4...COMPLAINTS

336 Complaints have been received and dealt with.

5...RODENT CONTROL

The duties in connection with Rodent Control are carried out by the Additional Sanitary Inspector (part-time) and 1 Rodent Operative, under the supervision of the Senior Sanitary Inspector. During the year 146 complaints were received and 2,251 visits made in connection with baiting and poisoning at Rat and Mouse infested premises; maintenance treatment of Sewers was also carried out during the year, with satisfactory results. 1,666 poisoned baits were laid (including 30 in Sewers), with 70 complete takes, and 746 partial takes; therefore it can be assumed that considerable numbers of Rats and Mice were destroyed. Whilst it is not possible to effect the complete eradication of Rats and Mice, it is by continued visits to infested premises, &c. with subsequent baiting and poisoning, that their increase can be checked. Treatment of business and commercial premises is chargeable, the inclusive charge locally being at the rate of 5/- per hour, with a minimum of 5/-, whilst private dwellings are treated free of cost.

6...FACTORIES ACT, 1937

Part I

(i) Inspections, &c.

Number on Register.....	110
Inspections.....	48
Notices.....	7

(ii) Defects found:-

Want of cleanliness.....7

Sanitary Conveniences:-

(a) Insufficient.....-

(b) Unsuitable or defective..3

(c) Not separate for sexes...-

Others.....6

Part VIII

Outwork:-

Wearing apparel.....	28
(Making, etc.)	

(B)

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

7...TABLE I

(a)

CLASSIFIED STATEMENT OF PREMISES INSPECTED

Inspections under the Housing & Public Health Acts...	576
Works in Progress.....	78
Re-inspections.....	355
Visits to Slaughterhouse.....	433
Food Premises.....	799
In connection with Infectious Diseases.....	43
Public Conveniences.....	51
Shops Acts.....	39
Rats and Mice Destruction Act.....	2,251
Overcrowding.....	39
Water-courses.....	62
Petroleum Act.....	15
Factories Act.....	48
Dairies and Milkshops.....	55
Knackers Yards.....	1
Common Lodging House.....	4
Tents, Vans and Sheds.....	86
Ice Cream Premises.....	144
Schools.....	5
Places of Amusement.....	4
Smoke Observations.....	1
Miscellaneous Visits.....	50
Interviews.....	204
<u>Total.....</u>	<u>5,343</u>

(b)

DRAINAGE

Water Tests Applied.....3
Smoke Tests Applied.....4
Systems Exposed.....2

(c)

INFECTED ROOMS AND ARTICLES

Rooms Disinfected.....22
Books Disinfected.....60
Bedding Disinfected.....22 Lots

(d)

INFESTATION

Rooms Disinfested.....27
Bedding, &c. Disinfested....8 Lots
Bedding Destroyed.....2 Lots

8...TABLE II

DEFECTIVE CONDITIONS RECORDED

<u>Water Supply</u>	Defective fittings, &c.....8
	Internal supply provided.....15
<u>Water Closets</u>	Defective buildings.....7
	Defective pans.....20
	Defective flush pipes.....2
	Defective flushing cisterns.....18
	Defective walls, floors, roofs, etc....22
<u>Drains</u>	Defective drainage systems.....5
	Choked drains.....29
	Defective gullies.....12
	Not provided with means of access.....5
<u>Manholes</u>	Defective brickwork, frames & covers....3
<u>Soil Pipes & Ventilation Shafts</u>	Defective ventilation shafts.....2
<u>Sinks, Baths, etc. and Waste Pipes</u>	
	Defective, insanitary, or absence of, sinks and lavatory basins...24
	Defective waste pipes.....5
	Untrapped waste pipes.....22
<u>Dustbins</u>	Defective.....19
<u>Yards</u>	Defective paving.....4
	Lack of drainage.....3

<u>Dampness</u>	Defective roofs.....	19
	Defective gutters & rain-water pipes.....	17
	Absence of sub-floor ventilation.....	1
	Defective window and door reveals.....	1
	Defective external walls.....	17
<u>General</u>	Defective walls and ceilings.....	65
	Dirty rooms (walls and ceilings).....	16
	Verminous rooms.....	27
	Defective windows and doors.....	28
	Defective floors.....	12
	Defective stoves.....	15
	Defective coppers.....	5
	Defective and smoky chimneys.....	4
	Defective coal stores.....	2
	Accumulations.....	4
<u>Other Matters</u>	Shop premises requiring cleansing.....	11
	Shop premises unventilated.....	1
	Defective or insanitary urinals.....	5
	Lack of provision for hot water to Food Premises (Water Heaters, &c.provided).....	11
	Miscellaneous.....	43

Wm. J. TILLEY

Senior Sanitary Inspector

