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Basingstoke
R.D.C.

ROTHERWICK,

July 1945.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I beg to present my report for the year 1944; the lateness is caused by the necessary statistics not being available earlier.

Population 14,550.

		<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	
Live Births	Legitimate	244	129	115	Birth Rate 18.3
	Illegitimate	23	11	12	(Eng. & Wales 17.6)
Still Births		4	1	3	Rate per 1000
Deaths		165	86	79	total births - 15
					Death Rate - 9.9
					(Eng. & Wales 11.6)

Death Rate of infants under 1 year per 1,000 live births - 67

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES.


	<u>Notified</u>	<u>Admitted to Hospital</u>
Scarlet Fever	30	8
Pneumonia	5	-
Erysipelas	2	-
Diphtheria	1	1
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	8	-
Cerebro-Spinal Fever.....	2	1
Measles	1	-
Whooping Cough	26	-

Tuberculosis - Respiratory, Male 12. Female 3. Total 15.
Other Forms, Male 1. Female 2. Total 3.

Tuberculosis Deaths - Respiratory, 6.
Other Forms, 1.

Diphtheria Immunisation was continued: 144 children under five years, and 13 between five and fourteen years, received this treatment.

The amount of infectious disease was less than the average: during the current year a widespread Measles epidemic has occurred.



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Water. It is estimated that 30% of the dwelling houses in the District are connected to a water main: standpipes are not numerous.

The Council are at present engaged on schemes for extensions which will make piped supplies available generally over the District.

Samples of the private piped supplies have given satisfactory results on analysis. The water of the Mid-Wessex Company has not been sampled in this District.

Sewerage. The increased provision and use of water creates the problem of sewage disposal. Sewers are needed in the more closely built up villages, especially Old Basing and Sherfield.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Yours faithfully,

M. AVENT,

Medical Officer of Health.

