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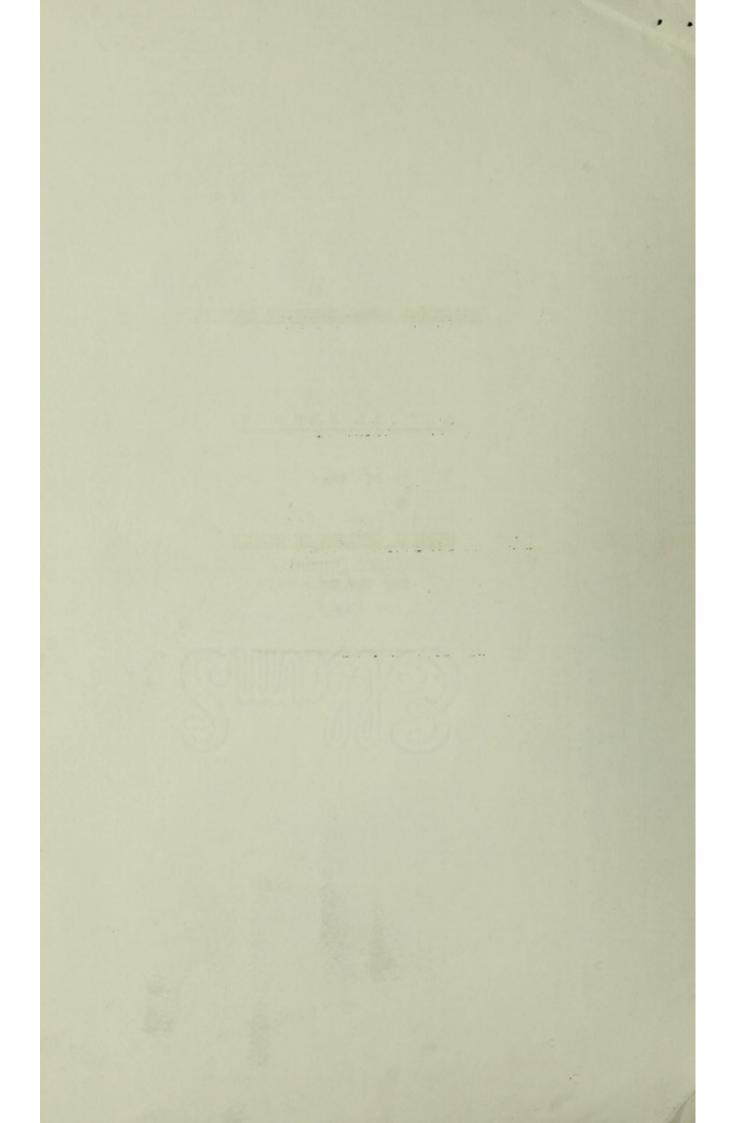
BILLESDON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the Year 1939



PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS

of

THE BILLESDON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

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ANNUAL REPORT

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I have the honour of presenting my First Annual Report respecting the health and sanitary conditions of your district for the year ending 31st. December, 1939.

In accordance with the suggestion of the Ministry of Health the Report has been made as brief and concise as possible.

Owing to the many additional and exceptional duties which have been imposed on the Staff as a result of the War, routine work has had to be somewhat curtailed, but essential and urgent matters which affect the public health are receiving careful attention.

I have the honour to be,
Your obedient Servant,
John Young, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Camb.,
Medical Officer of Health.

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STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA								
Area (in acres) 49,628								
Registrar General's estimate of:-								
(a) Resident population, mid-1939 6,295								
(b) Average population a propriate to the								
calculation of death rates 6,552								
Number of inhabited houses (end of 1939) according to Rate Book 2,046								
Rateable Value								
Sum represented by a penny rate £113								
SOCIAL CONDITIONS								
The District is essentially agricultura', most of the land								
being grazed.								
VITAL STATISTICS								
Time Diether Testinete W (7 7 70 met 2 404								
Live Births Legitimate M, 63 F.38 Total 101								
Illegitimate M. 3 F. 2 Rotal 5								
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Death Rate of infants under one year of age:-All infants per 1,000 live births 71.42 Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate 74.76 live births Illegitimate infanta per 1,000 illegitimate live births Infant Mortality Rate for England and Wales 50 CAUSES OF DEATH Males Females 36 All Causes Cancer ... cos coe 4 3 0.00 6.0 0 Measles 600 000 Whooping Cough 000 000 606 000 Diarrohea ... 200 1 2 Diphtheria 0 9 0 3 Respiratory Tuberculosis Other Tuberculosis 1 . . . 000 ... Diabetes 000 Cerebral Haemorrhage, etc. ... 1 3 000 Heart Disease 9 005 606 000 000 Other Circulatory Diseases ... 6 2 ... Bronchitis 1 200 ... Pneumonia (all forms) 2 ... Other Digestive Diseases ... 2 Acute and Chronic Mephritis .. 1 5 0 3 0 Congenital Causes Senility 800 000 ... Suici de 1 000 0 . . 9 . . 000 Other Violence 2 0 0 0 ... Other defined diseases 3 ...

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GENERAL PROVISION: OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

1. (1) Public Health Officers of the Authority

The Medical Officer of Health acts for the Leicestershire and Rutland combined Districts in which this District is included.

The Sanitary Inspector is also Surveyor and is a whole-time Officer.

(11) Laboratory Facilities

The following examinations from your area were carried out during the year in the County Laboratory, Leicester:-

Throat Swab for Diphtheria			511	
Sputa Swab for Tubercle Bacilli			22	
Blood for Wassermann			7	
Hair for Ringworn			1	
Urine, General and Bacteriological			6	
Milk examinations: Bacteriological			130	
Urine for T.B		• • •	4	
Differential Blood Counts			1	
Sewage and Water Analyses			17	
Milk for fat content	• • •		1	

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SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

1. (1) WATER

Number of samples taken for analysis:-

(a)	from wells	•••	•••	• • •	 •••	Nil
(b)	From pipe supply		•••		 	Nil
Number	of wells:-					
(a)	Closed				 	Nil
(b)	Cleansed, repaired,	etc.		• • •	 	Nil
	of cases in which p					

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	Number of Parishes without a piped w ter supply 19
	Number of Parishes with piped water supply:-
	(a) from public mains 8
	(b) From private Reservoirs 9
	Particulars of the quality of existing Supplies:-
	(a) Public Mains Good
	(b) Private piped supplies Fair
	In Billesdon all houses are not yet connected.
	Stand taps were provided for water to be drawn for use
	of evacuees. There was a shortage of water at Tilton,
	also at Owston, shortage being by reason of bad
	distribution.
	Extensions have been made for the completion of
	Leicester Corporation Mains to Billesdon and
	Houghton.
(i1)	DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE
	Number of Cesspools in District at end of 1939 399
	Number of cesspools abolished during 1939 Nil
	Number of cesspools constructed during
	Particulars of any extension during the year:-
	(a) Sewerage:-
	Private enterprise extension, Scraptoft Lane.
	(b) Sewage disposal - none.
	(c) Particulars of any scheme which is at present under consideration:-
	Stoughton Sewers and Sewage Disposal Works. Thurnby and Bushby, main drainage.
(i)	CLOSET ACCOMMODATION
	Total number in district at end of 1939:-
	(1) Privvies

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Mumber of Privvies a to the water carr		
year	 	Nil
. Number of Privvies during the year		Nil

(11) PUBLIC CLEANSING

House refuse is removed and disposed of as follows:-

Contract, Great Glen and Burton Overy. Disposal by Crude dumping.

Direct labour, Thurnby, Houghton, Stoughton, Scraptoft, Hungarton, Tilton. Disposal by controlled tipping.

Means adopted for the cleansing of earth closets
Privvies, Ashpits and cesspools:Contract, Great Glen and Burton Overy.

Direct labour, Thurnby, Houghton, Stoughton, Tilton, Scraptoft, Hungarton, Billesdon. Disposal by trenching into arable land for night soil and disposal on grass for cesspools.

(111) SMOKE ABATEMENT

No observations were taken.

(iv) SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

The particulars given under this Heading are for all purposes including particulars given elsewhere in this Report.

Total number of complaints received ... 179

Total number of defects or nuisances discovered ... 90

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Nature of inspections:-

	Inspections	Re-visits
Dwelling houses (all purposes) Tents, Vans, etc. Slaughterhouses Food premises Dairies and Cowsheds Offensive trades Animal keeping Workshops, etc. Shops Other premises	466 2 20 5 60 - 45 24	
	600	
	622	

NOT ICES

Proliminary	Housing	Other
Outstanding on 1st. Jan Issued during the year Complied with during year	1 5 0 125	1 = -
Outstanding 31st. December	1000	-
Statutory		
Outstanding 1st. January Issued during the year	6	-
Complied with during year	6	
Outstanding 31st. December	.,-	•
Summary Action		
Number of Summonses issued Number of convictions	-	
obtained	-	

(v) SHOPS

Action taken during the year under the provisions of the Shops Act, 1934.

Mainly rural shops. Nothing to report.

(vi) CAMPING SITES

Nothing to report.

(vii) REGULATED BUILDINGS

Common Lodging Houses There are no Lodging Houses in the District.

Tents, Vans, etc. Two inspections were made. General conditions were noted as being very unsatisfactory.

Canal Boats in the area.

There are no Canal Boats

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Offensive Trades Trades in the area.

(viii) ERADICATION OF BED BUGS

Nothing to report

(ix) SCHOOLS

The Sanitary conditions are mainly fair. The water supply to Burton Overy School is very unsatisfactory.

(x) SWDMING BATHS AND POOLS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Publicly owned. There are no publicly owned Baths and Pools in "ea.

Privately owned. There is one privately owned swimping pool in the area, which is spring fed.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

(a)	MILK SUPPLY		Dairymen or Purveyors of Milk other than
	<u>0</u>	owkeepers	Cowkeepers
	Number on the Register	120	45
1	Number of inspections of premises	60	
	Number of contraventions outstanding from previous year Number of contraventions	7	5-
	found during the	3	-
	Number of contraventions remedied during the year	10	-
	outstanding on 31st, December	-	-

Total Contraventions

from pr	Outstanding evious year	during Tear	Remedied during Year	Outstanding on 31st. December.
Cleansing Structural	2	-	-	-
alterations	2	-	-	-
Utensils	-		-	-
Other	-	-	-	-

MILK SAMPLING

No milk samples have been taken during the year.

THE MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS) ORDERS 1936 and 1938

No Licences were issued during the year.

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(b) MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

Number of Public Abattoirs in the District ... Nil Private Slaughter Houses:-

	In Jan, 1939	In Dec. 1939
Number registered Number Licensed	2 3	2 3
Number of visits to premises times of slaughter Number of inspections of meat		16
of slaughter		32
Number of Knacker yards in th		
Number of visits to Knacker Y	ards	

CARCASES __ _ CTED AND CONDEMNED

	luding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Total weight in lbs.	
Number killed (if known)							
Number inspected	6	-	- 10-11	30	-	-	
All Diseases except Tuberculosis							
Whole Carcases condemned	-	-	-	-	-		
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-		
Percentage of number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis	-	-		-	-	-	
Tuberculosis only Whole carcases condemned	-	_		-	_	_	
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-	_	
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	

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PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) during the year 1939

	Disease	Total Cases Notified	Cases admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths
x	Scarlet Fever Diphtheria Pneumonia Erysipelas	2 15 1 1	10	2 1
	Whooping Cough Measles	1	= =	000

* The outbreak of Diphtheria occurred soon after the reception of evacues from Islington.

Regulations for the notification of Measles and Whooping Cough came into operation on October 23rd, 1939.

TUBERCULOSIS

New Cases and Mortality during 1939

Age Groups	New Cases				Deaths			
	Pulmonary M F		Non-Pulmonary M F		Pulmonary M F		Non-Pulmonar,	
Under one		-	1	-	-	-	1	-
1 - 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 15	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 25	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	- '
25 - 35	2	-	-	-	-	4	- 11	-
35 - 45	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 - 55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	**
55 - 65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 and upwards	-	-	- 10	-	-	-	-	-
Totals .	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	-

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HOUSING

1.	INSP	ECTION	N OF DWELLING HOUSES DURING THE YEAR	
	(1)	(a)	Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defedts (under Public Health or Housing Acts	90
		(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	90
	(2)	(a)	Number of dwelling houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925 and 1932	90
		(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose 1	80
	(3)	so da	er of dwelling houses found to be in a state angerous or injurious to the health as to be t for human habitation	15
	(4)	refer	er of dwelling houses (exclusive of those rred to under the preceding sub-head) found to be in all respects reasonably fit for a habitation	7 5
2.			DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF	
		Number in co	er of defective dwelling houses rendered fit onsequence of anformal action by the Local ority of their Officers	70
3.	ACTI	ON UN	DER STATUTIRY POWERS DURING THE YEAR	
	(a)		eedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of vthe ing Act, 1936:-	
		(1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Notices were served requiring repairs	5
		(2)	Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:-	
			(a) By owners	8
			(b) By Local Authority in default of Owners	(11
	(b)	No pr	roceedings under Public Health Acts were taken	
	(c)	Proce	edings under Section 11 and 13 of the Housing	
		(1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were nade,	12
		(2)	Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders N	il
	(d)	No pr	roceedings under Section 12 of the H ousing 1936, were taken.	

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4. HOUSING ACT, 1936 - PART IV - OVERCROWDING

(a)	(1)	Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year	None
	(2)	Number of families dwelling therein.	None
	(3)	Number of persons dwelling therein	None
(b)		er of new cases of overcrowding rted during the year	2
(c)	(1)	Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	2
	(2)	Number of persons concerned in such cases	20

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