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DRIFFIELD RURAL DISTRICT COUNCILANNUAL REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR 1939

Officers of the Sanitary Authority:-

The Clerk:

MR. R.B. TOLLETT.

Sanitary Inspector and Building Surveyor:

F.H. MARGERRISON, Cert. R. San.I.,  
M.S.I.A.

Additional Sanitary Inspector:

F.A. LODGE, Cert. R. San.I. and  
Meat and Other Foods.Cert. M.S.I.A.

Evacuation Officer (and A.R.P. Organiser):

MR. CHAS. C. MILLS.

Medical Officer of Health:

ALAN MILNER M.B. Ch.B.

To the Chairman and Members of the Driffield Rural District Council.

My report for the past year is a very much shortened one as advised in the Minister of Health's circular of 19th July, 1940.

The past year, from a Public Health point of view, has been remarkable in this area because of the reception and housing of a large number of evacuees from Hull and Sunderland. Despite the influx of children and mothers from these towns and the consequent visiting and contacts with various sources no epidemic or even increase in infectious disease has been apparent as was almost to be expected.

Other noteworthy points are that housing work has gone ahead and that the water supply has practically been completed.

GOVERNMENT EVACUATION SCHEME

This Rural District is a Reception Area under the above scheme and arrangements were made to accommodate large numbers of the civil population. All the houses were visited by specially appointed persons and information obtained as to available accommodation.

The evacuation of HULL took place on the 1st and 2nd September and the following numbers were received and billeted in this district.

Unaccompanied School Children		526
Other persons:-		
Helpers and Teachers	112	
Mothers & Young Children	332	444
	Total	970

The evacuation of SUNDERLAND took place on the 9th and 10th September, and the following numbers were received and billeted in this district.

Unaccompanied School Children		790
Other persons:-		
Helpers & Teachers	109	
Mothers & Young Children	244	353
	Total	1,143





The total numbers originally received and the numbers remaining in the district on the 31st December were as follows:-

	School Children	Pre School Children	Expectant Mothers	Non Expectant Mothers and others	Teachers	Helpers	Total
Numbers originally received	1316	350	11	215	120	101	2113
Numbers remaining on 31st Dec. 1940	808	27	2	26	52	36	949
Percent. of evacuees returned home during this period	38.60	98.28	81.81	83.35	40	64.35	55.08

#### Health and General Condition of School Children

A large majority of the children were weighed and measured soon after arrival. This was repeated prior to the closing of school for Christmas and in almost every case considerable increases were registered both in weight and stature.

Many cases of skin diseases have occurred amongst the children - impetigo and scabies being particularly prevalent.

The establishment of a Sick Bay to treat skin diseases and other ailments is being considered. This will prove to be of the greatest value and will remove an unreasonable burden from the householders.

#### SECTION A

#### VITAL STATISTICS

Area: 98,423 acres  
Rateable Value: £32,202  
Product of a Penny Rate: £126

#### BIRTHS

		Total	M.	F.
Live Births	1. Total Births	152	76	76
	2. Legitimate	142	70	72
	3. Illegitimate	10	6	4
Still Births	1. Total	5	3	2
	2. Legitimate	4	2	2
	3. Illegitimate	1	1	-

Birth Rate: 14.4 per 1,000 population  
Illegitimate Birth Rate: 9.4 " " "  
Still Birth Rate: 3.8 " " total births.

#### DEATHS

	Total	M.	F.
All Ages	152	58	67
Death Rate	9.7 per 1,000 population		
Infants under 1 year	12	"	"
Infantile mortality rate	84.5 per 1,000 live births		

The total number of children registered in the district in the year 1900 was as follows:-

Age	Male	Female	Total	Age	Male	Female	Total
Under 5	100	120	220	5 to 10	150	180	330
5 to 10	120	140	260	10 to 15	180	220	400
10 to 15	140	160	300	15 to 20	200	240	440
20 to 25	160	180	340	25 to 30	220	260	480
30 to 35	180	200	380	35 to 40	240	280	520
40 to 45	200	220	420	45 to 50	260	300	560
50 to 55	220	240	460	55 to 60	280	320	600
60 to 65	240	260	500	65 to 70	300	340	640
70 to 75	260	280	540	75 to 80	320	360	680
80 to 85	280	300	580	85 to 90	340	380	720
90 to 95	300	320	620	95 to 100	360	400	760
100 to 105	320	340	660	105 to 110	380	420	800
110 to 115	340	360	700	115 to 120	400	440	840
120 to 125	360	380	740	125 to 130	420	460	880
130 to 135	380	400	780	135 to 140	440	480	920
140 to 145	400	420	820	145 to 150	460	500	960
150 to 155	420	440	860	155 to 160	480	520	1000
160 to 165	440	460	900	165 to 170	500	540	1040
170 to 175	460	480	940	175 to 180	520	560	1080
180 to 185	480	500	980	185 to 190	540	580	1120
190 to 195	500	520	1020	195 to 200	560	600	1160
200 to 205	520	540	1060	205 to 210	580	620	1200
210 to 215	540	560	1100	215 to 220	600	640	1240
220 to 225	560	580	1140	225 to 230	620	660	1280
230 to 235	580	600	1180	235 to 240	640	680	1320
240 to 245	600	620	1220	245 to 250	660	700	1360
250 to 255	620	640	1260	255 to 260	680	720	1400
260 to 265	640	660	1300	265 to 270	700	740	1440
270 to 275	660	680	1340	275 to 280	720	760	1480
280 to 285	680	700	1380	285 to 290	740	780	1520
290 to 295	700	720	1420	295 to 300	760	800	1560
300 to 305	720	740	1460	305 to 310	780	820	1600
310 to 315	740	760	1500	315 to 320	800	840	1640
320 to 325	760	780	1540	325 to 330	820	860	1680
330 to 335	780	800	1580	335 to 340	840	880	1720
340 to 345	800	820	1620	345 to 350	860	900	1760
350 to 355	820	840	1660	355 to 360	880	920	1800
360 to 365	840	860	1700	365 to 370	900	940	1840
370 to 375	860	880	1740	375 to 380	920	960	1880
380 to 385	880	900	1780	385 to 390	940	980	1920
390 to 395	900	920	1820	395 to 400	960	1000	1960
400 to 405	920	940	1860	405 to 410	980	1020	2000
410 to 415	940	960	1900	415 to 420	1000	1040	2040
420 to 425	960	980	1940	425 to 430	1020	1060	2080
430 to 435	980	1000	1980	435 to 440	1040	1080	2120
440 to 445	1000	1020	2020	445 to 450	1060	1100	2160
450 to 455	1020	1040	2060	455 to 460	1080	1120	2200
460 to 465	1040	1060	2100	465 to 470	1100	1140	2240
470 to 475	1060	1080	2140	475 to 480	1120	1160	2280
480 to 485	1080	1100	2180	485 to 490	1140	1180	2320
490 to 495	1100	1120	2220	495 to 500	1160	1200	2360
500 to 505	1120	1140	2260	505 to 510	1180	1220	2400
510 to 515	1140	1160	2300	515 to 520	1200	1240	2440
520 to 525	1160	1180	2340	525 to 530	1220	1260	2480
530 to 535	1180	1200	2380	535 to 540	1240	1280	2520
540 to 545	1200	1220	2420	545 to 550	1260	1300	2560
550 to 555	1220	1240	2460	555 to 560	1280	1320	2600
560 to 565	1240	1260	2500	565 to 570	1300	1340	2640
570 to 575	1260	1280	2540	575 to 580	1320	1360	2680
580 to 585	1280	1300	2580	585 to 590	1340	1380	2720
590 to 595	1300	1320	2620	595 to 600	1360	1400	2760
600 to 605	1320	1340	2660	605 to 610	1380	1420	2800
610 to 615	1340	1360	2700	615 to 620	1400	1440	2840
620 to 625	1360	1380	2740	625 to 630	1420	1460	2880
630 to 635	1380	1400	2780	635 to 640	1440	1480	2920
640 to 645	1400	1420	2820	645 to 650	1460	1500	2960
650 to 655	1420	1440	2860	655 to 660	1480	1520	3000
660 to 665	1440	1460	2900	665 to 670	1500	1540	3040
670 to 675	1460	1480	2940	675 to 680	1520	1560	3080
680 to 685	1480	1500	2980	685 to 690	1540	1580	3120
690 to 695	1500	1520	3020	695 to 700	1560	1600	3160
700 to 705	1520	1540	3060	705 to 710	1580	1620	3200
710 to 715	1540	1560	3100	715 to 720	1600	1640	3240
720 to 725	1560	1580	3140	725 to 730	1620	1660	3280
730 to 735	1580	1600	3180	735 to 740	1640	1680	3320
740 to 745	1600	1620	3220	745 to 750	1660	1700	3360
750 to 755	1620	1640	3260	755 to 760	1680	1720	3400
760 to 765	1640	1660	3300	765 to 770	1700	1740	3440
770 to 775	1660	1680	3340	775 to 780	1720	1760	3480
780 to 785	1680	1700	3380	785 to 790	1740	1780	3520
790 to 795	1700	1720	3420	795 to 800	1760	1800	3560
800 to 805	1720	1740	3460	805 to 810	1780	1820	3600
810 to 815	1740	1760	3500	815 to 820	1800	1840	3640
820 to 825	1760	1780	3540	825 to 830	1820	1860	3680
830 to 835	1780	1800	3580	835 to 840	1840	1880	3720
840 to 845	1800	1820	3620	845 to 850	1860	1900	3760
850 to 855	1820	1840	3660	855 to 860	1880	1920	3800
860 to 865	1840	1860	3700	865 to 870	1900	1940	3840
870 to 875	1860	1880	3740	875 to 880	1920	1960	3880
880 to 885	1880	1900	3780	885 to 890	1940	1980	3920
890 to 895	1900	1920	3820	895 to 900	1960	2000	3960
900 to 905	1920	1940	3860	905 to 910	1980	2020	4000
910 to 915	1940	1960	3900	915 to 920	2000	2040	4040
920 to 925	1960	1980	3940	925 to 930	2020	2060	4080
930 to 935	1980	2000	3980	935 to 940	2040	2080	4120
940 to 945	2000	2020	4020	945 to 950	2060	2100	4160
950 to 955	2020	2040	4060	955 to 960	2080	2120	4200
960 to 965	2040	2060	4100	965 to 970	2100	2140	4240
970 to 975	2060	2080	4140	975 to 980	2120	2160	4280
980 to 985	2080	2100	4180	985 to 990	2140	2180	4320
990 to 995	2100	2120	4220	995 to 1000	2160	2200	4360
1000 to 1005	2120	2140	4260	1005 to 1010	2180	2220	4400
1010 to 1015	2140	2160	4300	1015 to 1020	2200	2240	4440
1020 to 1025	2160	2180	4340	1025 to 1030	2220	2260	4480
1030 to 1035	2180	2200	4380	1035 to 1040	2240	2280	4520
1040 to 1045	2200	2220	4420	1045 to 1050	2260	2300	4560
1050 to 1055	2220	2240	4460	1055 to 1060	2280	2320	4600
1060 to 1065	2240	2260	4500	1065 to 1070	2300	2340	4640
1070 to 1075	2260	2280	4540	1075 to 1080	2320	2360	4680
1080 to 1085	2280	2300	4580	1085 to 1090	2340	2380	4720
1090 to 1095	2300	2320	4620	1095 to 1100	2360	2400	4760
1100 to 1105	2320	2340	4660	1105 to 1110	2380	2420	4800
1110 to 1115	2340	2360	4700	1115 to 1120	2400	2440	4840
1120 to 1125	2360	2380	4740	1125 to 1130	2420	2460	4880
1130 to 1135	2380	2400	4780	1135 to 1140	2440	2480	4920
1140 to 1145	2400	2420	4820	1145 to 1150	2460	2500	4960
1150 to 1155	2420	2440	4860	1155 to 1160	2480	2520	5000
1160 to 1165	2440	2460	4900	1165 to 1170	2500	2540	5040
1170 to 1175	2460	2480	4940	1175 to 1180	2520	2560	5080
1180 to 1185	2480	2500	4980	1185 to 1190	2540	2580	5120
1190 to 1195	2500	2520	5020	1195 to 1200	2560	2600	5160
1200 to 1205	2520	2540	5060	1205 to 1210	2580	2620	5200
1210 to 1215	2540	2560	5100	1215 to 1220	2600	2640	5240
1220 to 1225	2560	2580	5140	1225 to 1230	2620	2660	5280
1230 to 1235	2580	2600	5180	1235 to 1240	2640	2680	5320
1240 to 1245	2600	2620	5220	1245 to 1250	2660	2700	5360
1250 to 1255	2620	2640	5260	1255 to 1260	2680	2720	5400
1260 to 1265	2640	2660	5300	1265 to 1270	2700	2740	5440
1270 to 1275	2660	2680	5340	1275 to 1280	2720	2760	5480
1280 to 1285	2680	2700	5380	1285 to 1290	2740	2780	5520
1290 to 1295	2700	2720	5420	1295 to 1300	2760	2800	5560
1300 to 1305	2720	2740	5460	1305 to 1310	2780	2820	5600
1310 to 1315	2740	2760	5500	1315 to 1320	2800	2840	5640
1320 to 1325	2760	2780	5540	1325 to 1330	2820	2860	5680
1330 to 1335	2780	2800	5580	1335 to 1340	2840	2880	5720
1340 to 1345	2800	2820	5620	1345 to 1350	2860	2900	5760
1350 to 1355	2820	2840	5660	1355 to 1360	2880	2920	5800
1360 to 1365	2840	2860	5700	1365 to 1370	2900	2940	5840
1370 to 1375	2860	2880	5740	1375 to 1380	2920	2960	5880
1380 to 1385	2880	2900	5780	1385 to 1390	2940	2980	5920
1390 to 1395	2900	2920	5820	1395 to 1400	2960	3000	5960
1400 to 1405	2920	2940	5860	1405 to 1410	2980	3020	6000
1410 to 1415	2940	2960	5900	1415 to 1420	3000	3040	6040
1420 to 1425	2960	2980					



Causes of Death were:-

Scarlet Fever	2	Influenza	1	Tuberculosis of	
Cancer	13	Diabetes	3	respiratory system	1
Cerebral Haemorrhage	7	Heart disease	24	Other tuberculosis	
Bronchitis	4	Other circulat-		diseases	1
Pneumonia	7	ory diseases	7	Diarrhoea (under 2	
Other respiratory dis-		Liver diseases	2	years)	3
eases	2	Digestive "	2	Acute and Chronic	
Congenital debility		Senility	17	Nephritis	5
(prematurity)	3	Violence	6	Other defined diseases	15

SECTION B

General Provision of Health Services of the Area.

In this Section little change of note has taken place in this area.

SECTION C

Sanitary Circumstances of the Area

WATER

Water Supply - Some. Work on the Council's Scheme for the whole area has been proceeded with, and was near completion at the end of the year. Stand-taps for general supply have been erected in the villages and private services are being connected up.

Bacteriological Examinations. Eight samples of water have been obtained and forwarded to the Clinical Research Association Ltd., London, for bacteriological examination.

All these samples have been taken from private wells, the reports on which show that five were fit for drinking and three unfit, the latter being discontinued and water for domestic purposes taken from the Council's main.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

The character and efficiency of the drainage and sewerage in the various parishes remain the same as set out in my Annual Report for 1937.

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION

No material change from the conditions as set out in my previous reports has been made.

For all the new houses that have been erected, water closets have been provided.

The village of MAFFERTON is the only one in which the collection of Night-soil is undertaken. The work is let out by contract, the night-soil becoming the property of the Contractor who disposes of it on land in his own occupation.

The scavenging of refuse from the R.A.F. Station, and of indestructible household refuse from the villages is carried out by Contract and disposed of by tipping.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

The work done in the Public Health Department during the year is shown in the following tabular statement compiled by the Senior Sanitary Inspector:-

(The numbers marked x appear also under Section D, "Housing" or include numbers which appear under that heading).

MEDICAL SOCIETY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA		JANUARY 1917	
1	Dr. J. H. H. H.	1	Dr. J. H. H. H.
2	Dr. J. H. H. H.	2	Dr. J. H. H. H.
3	Dr. J. H. H. H.	3	Dr. J. H. H. H.
4	Dr. J. H. H. H.	4	Dr. J. H. H. H.
5	Dr. J. H. H. H.	5	Dr. J. H. H. H.
6	Dr. J. H. H. H.	6	Dr. J. H. H. H.
7	Dr. J. H. H. H.	7	Dr. J. H. H. H.
8	Dr. J. H. H. H.	8	Dr. J. H. H. H.
9	Dr. J. H. H. H.	9	Dr. J. H. H. H.
10	Dr. J. H. H. H.	10	Dr. J. H. H. H.

### REPORT OF THE MEDICAL SOCIETY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

At a meeting of the Medical Society of the District of Columbia, held on January 1, 1917, at the Hotel Hamilton, Washington, D. C.

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## HOUSING

Dwelling houses inspected	112 x
Number of subsequent visits	16
Informal Notices served	19
" " complied with	19
Statutory Notices served	none
Dwelling-houses found overcrowded	7
Privies converted to W.C.'s	1
" " to Pail Closets	32
Pail Closets converted to W.C.'s	2
New houses built (Private enterprise)	6
" " (Council Houses)	68

## DISINFECTION & DISINFESTATION

Houses disinfected after cases of infectious diseases	52
Schools disinfected	2
Houses disinfested. Eradication of bugs, etc.	3

## NUISANCES

Total number of nuisances found	17
" " " " remedied	17

## WATER SUPPLIES

New houses supplied from water mains	6
Council houses " " " "	68
Wells closed owing to water being unsafe	3
Samples of water sent for bacteriological examination	8

## FACTORIES

Number of Inspections of Factories	41
" " " " other premises	2
" Defects found:-	
Want of cleanliness	5
Sanitary conveniences	3
" Defects remedied	8

## SHOPS

Defects found:-	
Defective sanitary conveniences	4
Defects remedied:-	
Defective sanitary conveniences	4

## CAMPING SITES

Number of sites used for camping purposes during the year 1939 (for short periods only)	3
Number of Licences issued under Section 269 of the Public Health Act, 1936	none
Number of campers (estimated) resident in the area at one time during the summer of 1939	17

## SECTION D

### HOUSING

(The numbers marked x appear also under Section C, "Sanitary Inspection of the Area", or include numbers which appear under that heading).

#### 1. Inspection of Dwelling-Houses during the Year:-

1. (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)





1. (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose 92
2. Number of dwelling houses (included in sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 Nil
2. Remedy of Defects during the year without service of formal Notices:-  
 Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Sanitary Inspector 11
3. Action under Statutory Powers during the Year:-  
 No Statutory action taken during the year.

#### GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

During the year, the Minister confirmed Clearance Orders in respect of 49 houses submitted to him in the previous year.

The Council's Housing Scheme, as regards building in hand, was completed during the year in the parishes of Kilham, Kirkburn, Middleton, Nafferton and North Frodingham.

#### SECTION E

##### Inspection and Supervision of Food

The following tables show what has been done by way of inspection:-

##### MILK SUPPLY

No. of Dairies and Cowsheds on the Register	502
" " Cows (approximately)	1400
" " Inspections made	141
" " Defects found and remedied	33

##### MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

No. of Slaughter-houses on the Register	18
" " Inspections of Slaughter-houses	491
" " Defects found and remedied	38
" " Ordinary visits for purpose of the Public Health (Meat) Regulations, 1924	368
" " Special visits on account of occasional slaughter and suspected diseased meat	23
" " Licensed Slaughtermen on Register	37

The following table shows the numbers of each class of animal killed and inspected, the approximate number of animals killed being arrived at after careful consideration:-

##### CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	<u>Cattle</u> <u>excluding</u> <u>Cows</u>	<u>Cows</u>	<u>Calves</u>	<u>Sheep</u> <u>and</u> <u>Lambs</u>	<u>Pigs</u>
Number killed (approx.)	850	55	32	600	8,000
Number inspected	420	31	19	220	6,200

(continued overleaf)

1. Number of inspections for the purpose of  
 2. Number of dwelling houses (included in sub-head (1) above)  
 which were inspected and reported under the Housing  
 Regulations, 1925

3. Number of persons during the year without services of formal housing  
 4. Number of persons dwelling in houses reported as in compliance of  
 5. Number of persons during the year  
 6. Number of persons during the year

GENERAL COMMENTS

During the year, the Minister continued to receive reports in respect of  
 houses reported to him in the previous year.  
 The Council's Housing Scheme, as regards building in land, was completed  
 during the year in the districts of ... ..

SECTION II

Inspection and Classification of Food

The following tables show what has been done by way of inspection:-

THIS TABLE

No. of houses and compounds on the register	102
" " " " " " " " " " " "	100
" " " " " " " " " " " "	101
" " " " " " " " " " " "	102

MEAT AND OTHER FOOD

No. of slaughterhouses on the register	18
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The following table shows the number of each class of animal killed and  
 inspected, the approximate number of animals killed being arrived at after making  
 calculations:-

ANIMALS INSPECTED AND REPORTED

Number killed (approx.)	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
Number inspected	100	10	100	100



	<u>Cattle excluding Cows</u>	<u>Cows</u>	<u>Calves</u>	<u>Sheep and Lambs</u>	<u>Pigs</u>
All diseases except Tuberculosis:-					
Whole Carcasses condemned	3	2	3	19	14
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	11	3	1	3	21
Tuberculosis only:-					
Whole Carcasses condemned	6	2	-	-	6
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	2	5	-	-	41

#### SECTION F

#### Prevalence and Control over Infectious and other Diseases

The following cases were notified:4

Whooping cough	2 cases
Scarlet Fever	45 "
Diphtheria	10 "
Enteric Fever	1 "
Erysipelas	3 "
Pneumonia	14 "

Deaths were:- Pneumonia 7: Scarlet Fever 2.

All the diphtheria, most of the Scarlet and the Enteric case were admitted to the Isolation Hospital.

#### Tuberculosis

<u>Age Periods</u>	<u>New Cases</u>				<u>Deaths</u>			
	<u>Respiratory</u>		<u>Non Respiratory</u>		<u>Respiratory</u>		<u>Non Respiratory</u>	
	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>
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1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
15	1	2	-	1	-	-	-	-
25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
65 upwards	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

No action has been found necessary under the Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1935.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

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