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To the Chairman and Members of the Public Health and of
the District Hospital Committees,

I submit herewith the Annual Report made to the Rural
District Council of Godstone. It is in an abridged form
in accordance with the requirements of the Ministry of Health.

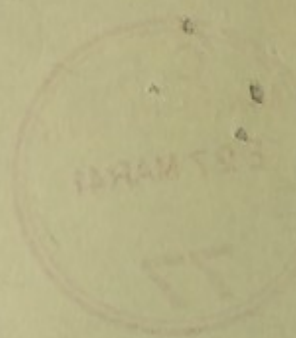
I am,

Your obedient servant,

J.R. BENTLEY,

Acting Medical Officer of Health.

March. 1941.



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Your obedient servant,
J. M. [illegible]
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Council Offices,
Oxted,
1939.

To the Rural District Council of Godstone.
the Local Sanitary Authority.

I beg to submit herewith the abridged Annual Report for Godstone compiled as instructed by the Ministry of Health circular 2067 for 1939.

The Report includes:-

- (1) The Annual Report of the health and sanitary conditions of the District.
- (2) The Report of the District Hospital (Infectious Diseases)

Section 1.

Statistics of the Area.

Area in acres 52,591.

Resident population as estimated by the Registrar General for the mid-year 1939. 26940.

Number of inhabited houses at the end of 1939 according to the rate books. 7700.

Rateable value. £297,915.

Sum represented by the 1d. rate. £1180.

General Office

1920

To the Annual Report of the

The Local Health Officer

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your report for the year 1919, which has been forwarded to the State Health Department for their consideration.

The Annual Report of the Health Officer is an important document and its contents are of great value to the State Health Department.

(2) The Report of the Local Health Officer is a valuable source of information regarding the health conditions of the community.

Section II

Statistics of the Year

There were 25,000

persons reported as having been vaccinated by the health department for the

year 1919.

There were 10,000 persons reported as having been vaccinated for the year 1919.

There were 5,000

persons reported as having been vaccinated for the year 1919.

There were 2,000 persons reported as having been vaccinated for the year 1919.

TABLE 1.

Parishes.	Area in Acres.	Rateable Value 31st. Dec. 1938.	Population at Census 1931 of Parishes as reconstituted.
Bletchingley.	5822	24659	2465
Burstow.	3377	17057	1905
Chelsham.	2707	11343	1143
Crowhurst.	2119	2169	303
Godstone.	5715	34260	3153
Horne.	3932.	9074.	842
Limpsfield.	4673.	47804	3167.
Lingfield.	9239	49726	5314
Nutfield.	4760	19698	2079
Oxted.	3659	63695	3799
Tandridge.	3295	7886	740
Tatsfield.	1304	8817	925
Titsey.	1989	1727	163
Totals.	52591	287,830	25908

Vital Statistics.

TABLE 2.

	Total.	M.	F.	
Live Births.	Legitimate.	354.	172.	182.
	Illegitimate	24.	9.	15.
Birth Rate per 1,000 of estimated resident population = 14.03				
Still Births	Total	M.	F.	
	Legitimate	8	1	7
	Illegitimate	2	1	1

Rate per 1,000 total births = 24.

Deaths : male, 148. female 151. Total 299.

Death rate per 1,000 of estimated resident population = 10.4.

Death rate corrected for comparison with that of the Country as a whole. 9.53.

Deaths from diseases and accidents of pregnancy and child birth: 0.
from other causes 1.

TABLE

Year	Population	Area	Population Density
1900	1,000,000	100,000	10
1910	1,500,000	100,000	15
1920	2,000,000	100,000	20
1930	2,500,000	100,000	25
1940	3,000,000	100,000	30
1950	3,500,000	100,000	35
1960	4,000,000	100,000	40
1970	4,500,000	100,000	45
1980	5,000,000	100,000	50
1990	5,500,000	100,000	55
2000	6,000,000	100,000	60

TABLE II

S. AREA

Year	Population	Area	Population Density
1900	1,000,000	100,000	10
1910	1,500,000	100,000	15
1920	2,000,000	100,000	20
1930	2,500,000	100,000	25
1940	3,000,000	100,000	30
1950	3,500,000	100,000	35
1960	4,000,000	100,000	40
1970	4,500,000	100,000	45
1980	5,000,000	100,000	50
1990	5,500,000	100,000	55
2000	6,000,000	100,000	60

Death rate of infants under one year of age:

Actual Number.	Legitimate	Total	M.	F.
	8	8	1	7
	Illegitimate	2	1	1
All infants per 1,000 live births.	= 42.08.			
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births.	= 36.8			
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births	= 125.			
Deaths from measles (all ages)	= 0.			
" " whooping cough (all ages)	= 1.			
" " diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	= 0.			

Causes of Death 1939.

TABLE 3.

		M.	F.
Scarlet Fever. ...	...	0	1
Cerebro Spinal Fever ...	...	0	1
Syphilis ...	...	0	1
G.P.I. ...	...	1	0
Influenza ...	...	3	0
Tuberculosis of respiratory system ..	..	2	1
Other Tuberculosis ...	...	3	3
Cancer, malignant disease. ...	...	16	28
Diabetes ...	...	3	2
Cerebro haemorrhage etc. ...	...	5	20
Heart Disease. ...	...	55	40
Aneurysm ...	...	1	0
Other circulatory diseases ...	...	13	4
Bronchitis ...	...	4	4
Pneumonia (all forma) ...	...	4	7
Other respiratory diseases ...	...	2	0
Peptic Ulcer. ...	...	3	0
Digestive Diseases. ...	...	2	2
Appendicitis. ...	...	1	1
Congenital debility premature birth malformations etc.		4	7
Senility ...	...	1	3
Suicide. ...	...	2	1
Other violence. ...	...	13	5
Puerpural Diseases(not puerpural sepsis)		0	1
Diarrhoea (2 years and over) ...	...	0	1
Whooping Cough ...	...	1	0
Acute chronic nephritis. ...	...	1	1
Liver diseases ...	...	1	3
Other defined diseases. ...	...	7	14
		<u>148</u>	<u>151</u>

TABLE 4.

Birth-rates, Death rates, Analysis of Mortality, Maternal Death Rates, and Case rates for certain infectious Diseases in the year 1939.

England and Wales, London
126 Great Towns and
148 Smaller Towns.

(Provisional Figures based on Weekly and Quarterly Returns)

	Godstone R.D.C.	England and Wales.	126 County Boro's and Great Towns incl. London.	148 smaller Towns, (resid- ent population 25000 to 50000 at 1931 Census)	London Administrative County.
Rates per 1,000 Population.					
Births:-					
Live.		15.1	15.0	15.4	13.4
Still		0.60	0.65	0.60	0.48
Deaths:-					
All causes.	9.53	11.6	11.7	11.0	11.4
Typhoid and Paratyphoid, fevers	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Smallpox.	-	0.00	-	0.00	-
Measles.	0.00	0.04	0.05	0.03	0.06
Scarlet Fever.	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Whooping Cough.	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.03
Diphtheria.	0.00	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.05
Influenza	0.10	0.11	0.10	0.11	0.06
Notifications:-					
Smallpox.	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	-
Scarlet Fever.	1.29	2.41	2.60	2.58	2.05.
Diphtheria	0.38	1.58	1.85	1.53	1.90
Enteric Fever.	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.05
Erysipelas	0.2	0.40	0.46	0.37	0.46
Pneumonia	1.39	0.10	1.28	1.98	0.98

Rates per 1,000 Live.

Deaths under 1 year of age .	42.	53	57	51	57
Deaths from Diarrhoea & Enteric under 2 years of age.	0.00	5.5	7.8	3.6	13.1

Table A

United States and other countries
and Great Britain and
the British Empire.

For the year 1932, the
of which, the total
and was used for other
purpose in the year 1932.

(The following figures are based on weekly and quarterly returns)

Country	Value of Exports	Value of Imports	Balance of Trade
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Country	Value of Exports	Value of Imports	Balance of Trade
United States	13.4	15.4	2.0
Great Britain	81.0	0.0	81.0
France	11.4	0.0	11.4
Germany	0.0	0.0	0.0
Italy	-	0.0	0.0
Japan	0.0	0.0	0.0
Canada	0.0	0.0	0.0
China	0.0	0.0	0.0
India	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other countries	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	104.4	15.4	89.0

Exports of goods and services
to the United States and other
countries and the British Empire
in the year 1932. The total
value of exports was \$104.4
billion. The value of imports
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balance of trade was \$89.0
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Japan	0.0	0.0	0.0
Canada	0.0	0.0	0.0
China	0.0	0.0	0.0
India	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other countries	0.0	0.0	0.0
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MATERNAL MORTALITY

Puerpural Sepsis	0.00	0.89)	Not available.
Others	2.6	2.19)	
Total	2.6	3.08)	

Rates per 1,000 Total Births (i.e. Live and Still)

MATERNAL MORTALITY

Puerpural Sepsis	0.00	0.86)	Not available.
Others	2.6	2.11)	
Total	2.6	2.97)	

NOTIFICATIONS.

Puerpural Fever	-	-	18.08	12.51.	3.53
Puerpural Pyrexia.	2.6	14.42)			15.46

County
Population
Person

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WATERBURY MORTALITY

Postwar Deaths	0.00	0.00
Other	2.00	2.00
Total	2.00	2.00

Not available

Total per 1,000 Total Births (i.e. live and still)

WATERBURY MORTALITY

Postwar Deaths	0.00	0.00
Other	2.00	2.00
Total	2.00	2.00

Not available

WATERBURY MORTALITY

Postwar Deaths	0.00	0.00
Other	2.00	2.00
Total	2.00	2.00

12.00
3.00

Section 2.

Sanitary Inspection.

TABLE 5.

General Inspections,	728.
Re-Inspections,	420.
Inspections under Housing Acts.	201.
Re-Inspections.	632.
Drainage Inspections.	237.
Inspections of Slaughter Houses.	382.
Inspections of Dairies and Cowsheds.	394.
Number of Samples of Milk and Ice Cream	83.
Inspections of Bakehouses.	38.
Inspections of Factories and Workshops.	9.
Inspection of tents, Vans, etc.	6.
Drains tested by water.	109
Notices Served:	
(a) Informal.	271.
(b) Statutory	56.
Complaints received.	54.
Samples of Drinking Water tested.	3.
Samples of Drinking Water submitted for Bacterial and/or Chemical Analysis.	39.

Section 2.

Sanitary Inspection.

TABLE 2.

750.	General Inspections.
420.	Re-inspections.
301.	Inspections under Housing Acts.
632.	Re-inspections.
237.	Private Inspections.
382.	Inspection of Slaughtering Houses.
391.	Inspection of Dairies and Creameries.
62.	Notes of Samples of Milk and Ice Cream.
38.	Inspection of Bakeries.
9.	Inspection of Factories and Workshops.
6.	Inspection of Tents, Vans, etc.
100.	Drains tested by water.
	Private Drains:
271.	(a) Internal.
26.	(b) External.
24.	Complaints received.
2.	Samples of Drinking Water tested.
20.	Samples of Drinking Water analysed for Bacterial and/or Chemical Analysis.

Summary of Repairs.

Carried out under the supervision of the Public Health Department during the year, as a result of Notices served.

TABLE 6.

Dirty Houses cleaned and limewashed	57.
Houses to which:-	
Internal repairs to plaster, etc. executed.	59.
Ventilation and lighting improved.	5.
Defective window repaired.	63.
Dampness in walls remedied.	75.
Dampness in floors remedied.	15.
Defective roofs repaired.	43.
Firegrates repaired or supplied.	6.
Cooking ranges repaired or supplied.	7.
Sinks repaired or supplied.	9.
Sink Waste pipes repaired.	2.
Rain water pipes repaired.	41.
Eaves gutters provided and repaired.	48.
Floors repaired or relaid.	21.
Yard paving provided or repaired.	22.
Drainage repaired.	13.
Drians laid.	109.
Choked drains opened and cleansed.	8.
Cesspools cleansed.	5.
Public Water supply laid on.	27.
New sanitary dustbins provided.	31.
Flushing cisterns to W.C's repaired or supplied.	47.
Miscellaneous nuisances abated.	82.
E C's converted to W.C's	77.
Defective coppers repaired.	6.
New pail closet.	Nil.
Additional W.C's provided.	12.
Food store provided or repaired.	4.
Cesspools abolished and drainage connected to sewer.	64.
Cesspools provided.	2.
Extension of water supply to houses.	20.
Overflow from cesspools cut off.	8.
Underfloor ventilation provided.	2.
Defective walls repaired.	9.
Staircase repaired	3.
Defective chimnies repaired.	6.
Weather boards to doors supplied.	5.
Pail closet structures repaired.	1.
W.C.Pans provided.	3.
Verminous premises disinfected.	2.
W.C.Structures repaired.	22.
Defective doors renewed and repaired.	13.
W.W.Pasterns provided and repaired.	4.

Dairies and Cowsheds.

New or improved drainage provided.	...	1.
Floors improved or repaired.	...	1.
Yards improved.	...	2.
Light and ventilation improved.	...	2.
Cooling dairies improved.	...	1.
Accumulations of manure removed.	...	2.

Section 3.

Housing.

TABLE 7.

1. Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the year.

1.	(a)	Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health Housing Acts.	472.
	(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose.	621.
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.	201.
		Number of inspections made for this purpose.	227.
3.		Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.	Nil.
4.		Number of dwelling houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation.	127.

Tables and Figures

1.	...	How on improved drainage provided.
1.	...	Windows improved or repaired.
1.	...	Yards improved.
1.	...	Light and ventilation improved.
1.	...	Cooling devices improved.
1.	...	Accumulations of refuse removed.

Table 1

TABLE 1

TABLE 1

1. Inspection of dwelling-houses during the year

1.	(a)	Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Table 1) during the year.	473.
	(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose.	681.
2.	(a)	Number of dwelling-houses (inspected under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and reported under the Housing Control Act, 1925 and 1926.	301.
		Number of inspections made for this purpose.	337.
3.		Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.	111.
4.		Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.	127.

2. Remedy of defects during the year without Service of formal Notices:-

Number of dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or its Officers. 85.

3. Action under Statutory Powers during the year:-

A.- Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936.

- (1) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs. 14.
- (2) Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices.
 - (a) By Owners. 10.
 - (b) By Local Authority in default of owners. Nil.

B.- Proceedings under Public Health Act:-

- (1) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied. 5.
- (2) Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:-
 - (a) By owners. 5.
 - (b) By Local Authority in default of owners. Nil.

C.- Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936:-

- (1) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made. Nil.
- (2) Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders. Nil.

D.- Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act 1936:-

- (1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made. Nil.
- (2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit. Nil.

Number of delinquencies during the year 1935

Number of dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of structural action by the local authority or the District Council.

Action under Statutory Powers during the year:-

Proceedings under Section 9, 10 and 11 of the Housing Act, 1935.

(1) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs.

(2) Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices.
(a) By owners.
(b) By local authority in default of owners.

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(1) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs to be remedied.

(2) Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:-

(a) By owners.
(b) By local authority in default of owners.

Proceedings under Section 11 and 12 of the Housing Act, 1935:-

(1) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which demolition orders were made.

(2) Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of demolition orders.

Proceedings under Section 13 of the Housing Act, 1935:-

(1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made.

(2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit.

Section 4.

Inspection and supervision of Food.

(a) Milk Supply.

There were 88 wholesale cowkeepers, 90 retail cowkeepers, and 14 milk purveyors on the Register on 31st. December, 1939.

Of these 11 were licensed by the County Council as producers of Tuberculin Tested Milk and 55 as producers of Accredited Milk.

Carcases Inspected and Condemned.

TABLE 11.

	Cattle exclud- ing. Cows.	Cows.	Calves.	Sheep and Lambs.	Pigs.
Number killed (if known)	Unknown.				
Number inspected	123.	8	13	130	493.
All diseases except Tuberculosis.					
Whole carcasses condemned.	-	-	1.	1.	1.
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.	-	-	-	6.	9.
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis.					
Tuberculosis only.					
Whole carcasses condemned.	2.	4.	-	-	1.
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.	7.	6.	-	-	15.
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis.					

Income of the Corporation

(a) 1910

The following is a statement of the income of the Corporation for the year 1910, as determined by the Board of Directors, and as shown by the books and records of the Corporation.

Income from Operations

Income

Particulars	1910	1909	1908	1907
Income from operations	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Income from investments	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Income from other sources	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Total income	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
Expenses	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
Net income	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

Section 8.

Report of the Local Authority's District Hospital (Infectious Diseases) to 30th. June 1939.

Up to the 30th June 114 patients were admitted. Of these 95 were from the Rural District of Godstone and 19 from the Urban District of Caterham and Warlingham. The following table gives a list of these diseases:-

1939.

TABLE 24.

Diphtheria	...	20.
Scarlet Fever.	...	50.
" contacts	...	6.
Pneumonia	...	4.
Measles and Pertussis		1.
C. S. Meningitis.	...	2.
Erysipelas.	...	2.
Varicella.	...	4.
Dysentery.	...	1.
Observation.	...	4.
Strept. Nephritis.	...	1.
		<hr/>
		95.

TABLE II

Report of the Local Authority's District Hospital (Infectious Diseases) for 1932, June 1932.

Up to the 30th June 1932 111 patients were admitted to the hospital from the District of Colchester and surrounding areas. The following table gives a list of these diseases:-

1932

TABLE II

50	...	Diphtheria
30	...	Bacterial dysentery
8	...	" " " "
6	...	Typhoid
1	...	Scarlet fever and erysipelas
2	...	Ch. St. Meningitis
2	...	Exanthema
4	...	Varicella
1	...	Dysentery
4	...	Operative
1	...	Straggl. Hospital
<u>100</u>		