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ANNUAL REPORT

TO THE

HUNTINGDON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

FOR

1941

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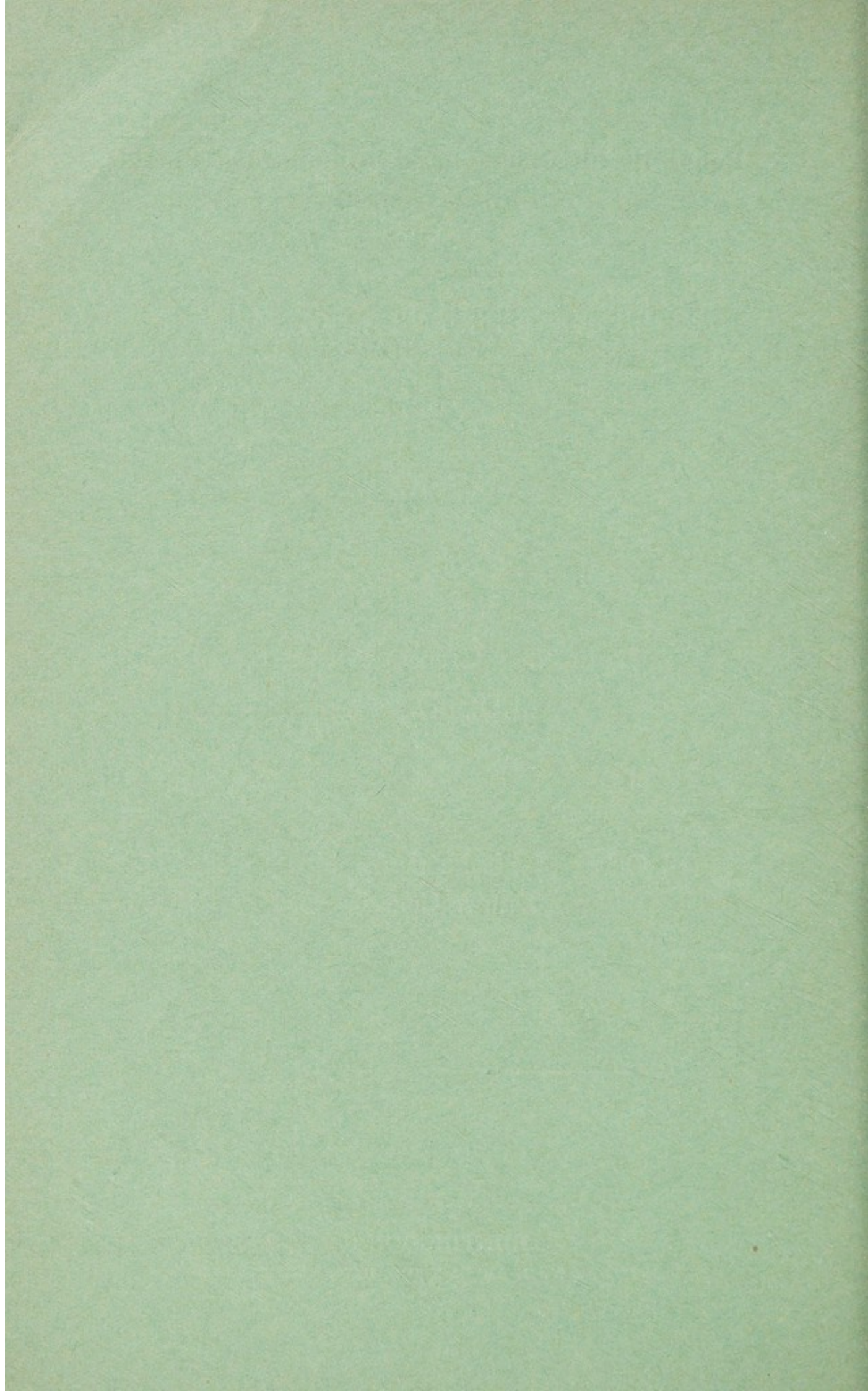
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Medical Officer of Health to the Huntingdon Rural
District Council.



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**Public Health Officers of the Huntingdon Rural
District Council.**

Part-time Medical Officer: J. R. GARROOD, M.D., D.P.H.

Sanitary Inspector: W. MIDWOOD, C.R.S.I.

*Part-time Analytical Chemist: SOLOMON GREENBURGH, ESQ., and
The Emergency Public Health Laboratory Service.*

*Pathologist: DR. HARVEY and Emergency Public Health Laboratory
Service.*

A.R.P. Divisional Director: LT.-COL. FOSTER.

**To the
Huntingdon Rural District Council.**

Alconbury Hill.

Gentlemen,

*I beg to submit my Annual Report for the
year 1941.*

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

J. R. GARROOD.

REPORT

ON THE

HUNTINGDON RURAL DISTRICT FOR 1941.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

Live Births.

Birth rate per 1,000 population, 13.2. England and Wales, 14.2.

Still Births.

Rate per 1,000 total births, 37.4.

Death Rate per 1,000 population, 13.7. England and Wales, 12.9.

Death Rate from Puerperal causes, 0. England and Wales, 2.23.

Death rate of Infants under one year of age—

All Infants per 1,000 live births	...	...	63.6
This compares with England and Wales	...	...	59
Legitimate Infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	...		56.5
Illegitimate Infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births	...		250

SANITARY INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

To J. R. GARROD, ESQ.

ALCONBURY HILL,
18/5/42.

Herewith is a summary of work caused to be done during 1941.

Total No. of Inspections made 238

Notices served 115

(Informal 115, Statutory 0).

Complaints received	...	...	Total No. of	...	15
Premises, houses, etc.	...	...	No. inspected	...	
			Nuisances abated	...	118
Pool, ditch, gutter, watercourse	...		No. inspected	...	All
			Nuisances abated	...	35
Animals improperly kept	...	...	No. inspected	...	1
			Nuisances abated	...	1
Privy, urinal, cesspool, ashpit	...		No. inspected	...	All
			Nuisances abated	...	25
Drain, Drain-traps, etc., etc.	...	...	No. inspected	...	All
			Nuisances abated	...	28
House, or part thereof, overcrowded			No. inspected	...	} See Housing Act, 1936
			Nuisances abated	...	
Smoke nuisances	...	...	No. of observations	...	Nil
			Nuisances abated	...	Nil

Offensive accumulations	...	...	No. inspected	...	3
			Nuisances abated	...	3
Other sanitary conditions	...	...	No. inspected	...	Nil
			Nuisances abated	...	Nil
Lodging houses	...	...	No. registered	...	Nil
			No. of inspections	...	Nil
Slaughter houses	...	...	No. licensed or registered	...	8
			No. of inspections	...	32
Offensive trades (sec. 112 P. Health Act, 1875)	...	...	No. established	...	Nil
			No. of inspections	...	Nil
Canal boats	...	...	No. registered	...	Nil
			No. of inspections	...	Nil
			No. with infectious diseases on board	...	Nil
Housing Act, 1936	...	...	No. houses condemned	...	1
			No. closed	...	Nil
			No. cleaned and limewashed	...	Nil
Food—seizures of unwholesome	...	...	No. of ...	...	Nil
Infectious Diseases (excluding measles and whooping cough)	...	...	Houses affected with	...	9
			Houses inspected	...	9
			No. of inspections	...	15
			Houses disinfected	...	7
			Schools disinfected	...	Nil
			Disinfectant used, Formalin and Cresol	...	12
			Lots of clothing disinfected	...	12
			Lots of clothing destroyed	...	Nil
Privy Middens	...	...	New provided	...	Nil
			No. repaired	...	Nil
			No converted to pails	...	4
			No. converted to W.C.'s	...	Nil
Pail or earth closets	...	...	New provided	...	18
			No. converted to W.C.'s	...	Nil
Water Closets	...	...	New provided	...	Nil
			No. supplied with water	...	Nil
Ashpits	...	...	New provided	...	Nil
			No. converted to ashbins	...	Nil
Ashbins	...	...	New provided	...	15
Water Supply	...	...	Samples taken for analysis	...	76
			Samples condemned	...	Nil
			Wells closed	...	Nil
			Public supply substituted for well or pond	...	34
			Wells cleansed, repaired, etc.	...	8
			Cisterns cleansed, repaired covered	...	6
			Waste pipes disconnected from drain	...	1
Housing, etc., Act, 1909	...	...	No. houses closed	...	—
			No. of houses made habitable	...	—
			No. of houses demolished	...	—
Building Bye Laws adopted	...	...	...	...	16/6/39
Total Legal Proceedings	...	...	...	...	Nil
<i>i.e.</i> , Summonses, &c.	...	...	...	...	Nil
Convictions	...	...	...	...	Nil

FACTORY AND WORKSHOP ACT, 1937.

Factories	...	...	...	...	Total number on register (including bakehouses)	27
					No. in which nuisances abated	Nil
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	No. on register	11
					No. in which nuisances abated	Nil
Home Work	...	...	...	...	No. of outworkers	Nil
					No. of houses	Nil
					No. of infected houses	Nil
Legal Proceedings						
<i>i.e.</i> , Summonses, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Convictions	...	...	...	...	...	Nil

W. MIDWOOD,

Sanitary Inspector

J. R. GARROOD,

*Medical Officer of Health.***HOUSING STATISTICS.**1. *Inspection of dwelling-houses in the year.*

(1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	...	...	...	...
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose					238
Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for habitation	...	...	...	...	1

Remedy of defects without Service of formal Notices.

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers		15
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Action under Statutory Powers.

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					0
(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notice :—					
(a) by owners	...	...	...	...	0
(b) by Local Authority in default of owners	...	...	.....	...	0

B.—Proceedings under Public Health Acts.

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	0
(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices :—	
(a) by owners	0
(b) by Local Authorities in default of owners	0

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 ...	1
(2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	1

D.—Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act 1936 0

Housing Act, 1936. Part IV. Overcrowding.

A.—(1) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year	10
(2) Number of families dwelling therein ...	10
(3) Number of person dwelling therein ...	78
B.—Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year	0
C.—(1) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	3
(2) Number of persons concerned in such ...	21
D.—Particulars of any cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority has taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding	0

There are very few empty houses in the district.

DAIRIES, COWSHEDS AND MILKSHOPS ORDER.

Dairymen, Cowkeepers and Purveyors of Milk (Milk Sellers)—

No. in District	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	135
No. Registered	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	135
No. of Inspections of Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	155
No. of Inspections during Milking Time	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33
No. of Premises requiring Whitewashing, Cleansing, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
No. in which requirements of Sanitary Authority were carried out	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
No. of Premises requiring Structural or Sanitary Improvements	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
No. in which requirements of Sanitary Authority were carried out	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Have Regulations been adopted?	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	—

Premises with Well Water Supply—

No. of	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	32
No. of, from which water analysed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil

Dairymen, Cowkeepers and Purveyors of Milk (Butter and Cheese Makers)—

No. of District	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	55
No. of inspections of Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	61

May 18th, 1942

W. MIDWOOD, *Sanitary Inspector.*

BAKEHOUSES.—All inspected and found generally to be clean and satisfactory.

PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

	Cases.	Death.	Cases admitted to Hospital.
Scarlet Fever	8	—	7
Diphtheria	6	1	6
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	—	—
Pneumonia	14	5	—
Erysipelas	3	—	—
Whooping Cough	54	3	—
Measles	236	—	—

Immunisation of School children and others under 5 years old has been continued.

There was a considerable epidemic of measles, but few serious cases.

Scabies was common chiefly amongst children.

Tuberculosis.—The following table gives the particulars of the new cases of Tuberculosis, and deaths from the disease in the area in 1941.

Age Periods	New Cases.				Deaths.			
	Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0—1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1—5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5—15	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
15—25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25—35	2	—	—	—	1	1	—	—
35—45	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
45—55	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
55—65	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
65 up	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	2	1	—	—	2	1	—	1



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