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## MELTON MOVBRAY URBAN DISTRICT

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BRIDGED ANNUAL REPORT OF MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH  
AND SANITARY INSPECTOR FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
31st. DECEMBER, 1941

VITAL STATISTICS

		Rate for England & Wales
Birth Rate ... ..	16.9	14.71
Death Rate ... ..	10.5	12.9
Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births..	68	59

Deaths from puerperal causes (Headings 29 and 30) ... ..	Nil
" " Cancer (all ages) ... ..	17
" " Measles (all ages) ... ..	Nil
" " Whooping Cough (all ages) ... ..	2
" " Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age) ... ..	1

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA1. (1) Public Health Officers of the Authority

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Medical Officer of Health for the Leicestershire  
& Rutland Combined Districts.

H. Buxton, A.R.San.I M.S.I.A.  
Sanitary Inspector and Meat and Food Inspector.

(ii) Laboratory Facilities

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

Swabs for Diphtheria ... ..	204
Sputa for T.B. ... ..	110
Tidal test for Typhoid Fever ... ..	70
Blood for Wassermann Test ... ..	40
Milk examinations (bacteriological) ... ..	37
Urine (general and bacteriological) ... ..	26
Urine for T.B. ... ..	25
Faeces for B. Typhosus ... ..	8
Films for gonococci ... ..	8
Urine for B. Typhosus ... ..	5
Differential blood counts ... ..	1
Miscellaneous ... ..	10

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SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA1. (1) WATER

Number of samples taken for analysis:-

(a) from wells ... ..	Nil
(b) from pipe supply ... ..	4
(all 4 samples were satisfactory)	

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5. REGULATED BUILDINGS

	<u>No. in District</u>	<u>No. of Inspections</u>
Common Lodging Houses ... ..	2	17
Tents, Vans, etc. ... ..	2	4

6. SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

- (a) Publicly owned. One children's Swimming Pool owned by the Town Estate, and one Paddling Pool owned by the Urban District Council.
- (b) Privately owned. One open-air swimming pool

H O U S I N G

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) ... ..	92
(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose..	206
(2)	Number of dwelling houses (included under Sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925 and 1932 ..	Nil
(3)	Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation ... ..	1
(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 ... ..	19

2. REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICE

Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action ... ..	18
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3. ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR ... .. Nil

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

(a) MILK SUPPLY

	<u>Cowkeepers</u>	<u>Dairymen or Purveyors of milk (other than Cowkeepers)</u>
Number on the Register ... ..	22	6
Number of inspections of premises...	19	10
Number of contraventions outstanding from 1940	1	Nil
Number of contraventions found during the year ... ..	11	2
Number of contraventions remedied during the year...	8	2
Number of contraventions outstanding on 31st. December ... ..	4	Nil

<u>Contraventions</u>	<u>Outstanding from previous year</u>	<u>Found during year</u>	<u>Remedied during year</u>	<u>Outstanding on 31st. Dec.</u>
Cleansing	-	5	5	-
Structural alterations	1	4	1	4
Utensils	-	3	3	-
Other	-	1	1	-

#### MILK SAMPLING

39 samples of milk were taken during the year as follows:-

<u>Class</u>	<u>No. of samples for bact. exam.</u>	<u>Number satisfactory</u>	<u>Number unsatisfactory</u>
Designated	3	3	nil
Ordinary	36	25	11

Of the 11 unsatisfactory samples 4 were from producers outside the Urban District.

6 repeat samples taken after visits to premises were satisfactory.

#### (b) MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

Number of Regional Slaughter-houses in area	...	...	...	1
Number of animals slaughtered	...	...	...	13,729
Number of animals examined	...	...	...	13,589
Number of inspections of meat at times of slaughter	...	...	...	422
Number of Knacker Yards in area	...	...	...	1
Number of visits to Knacker Yards	...	...	...	15

#### Carcasses inspected and Condemned

	<u>Cattle</u>	<u>Calves.</u>	<u>Sheep &amp; Lambs.</u>	<u>Pigs</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Number Killed	2,501	295	10,092	841	13,729
Number inspected	2,481	286	9,984	838	13,589
					<u>Weight in lbs</u>

#### 11 Diseases except Tuberculosis

Whole carcasses condemned	53	9	79	29	23,299
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	165	-	94	4	4,612
					<u>27,911</u>

Percentage of number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis

8.7%    3.1%    1.7%    3.9%

#### Tuberculosis only

Whole carcasses condemned	71	2	-	4	29,586
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	48	-	-	12	2,326
					<u>31,912</u>

Percentage of number inspected affected with Tuberculosis

4.7%    .7%    -    1.9%

Total weight in lbs

59,823

26 tons, 14 cwt. 15 lbs of meat condemned during the year compared with 18 tons 6 cwt 81 lbs last year.

	<u>Number of Inspections</u>
Meat Stalls ... ..	9
Meat Shops, Meat Stores, etc. ... ..	19
Places where food (other than meat) is kept or prepared for sale. ... ..	61

Foods Condemned and Surrendered

53 tins of Meat ... ..	207 lbs	Fish... ..	46 lbs
3 boxes of Bread... ..	156 lbs	Flour... ..	36 lbs
2 tins of sausages ... ..	24 lbs	Rice... ..	94 lbs
Bacon ... ..	14 lbs	23 tins of milk	
6 tins of Fish		2,392 Oranges	
1 tin of Apples		10 doz. imported eggs	

Food exposed for sale in the open Market is regularly inspected.

PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS  
AND OTHER DISEASES

Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) during 1941

<u>Disease</u>	<u>Total cases notified</u>	<u>Cases admitted to Hospital</u>	<u>Total Deaths</u>
Scarlet Fever	39	37	-
Diphtheria	60	57	2
Cerebro Spinal Meningitis	7	5	-
Erysipelas	5	1	-
Typhoid & Paratyphoid	2	2	-
Poliomyelitis	1	1	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	1	-
Whooping Cough	210	-	2
Measles	43	-	-
Pneumonia	51	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	2	-	-

AGE GROUPS

Disease	Under one	AGE GROUPS											
		1-2	2-3	3-4	4	5	5-10	10-15	15-20	20-35	35-45	45-65	65 and over
Scarlet Fever	-	-	4	5	6	15	6	2	1	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	1	-	1	4	4	25	13	7	5	-	-	-	-
Cerebro Spinal Meningitis	1	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	2	1	-	-	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	2	-	-
Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	5	28	20	34	31	81	5	7	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	5	4	5	4	4	15	2	4	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia	3	2	-	3	-	9	-	2	8	3	14	7	-

Immunisation against Diphtheria

Good progress has been made with the Immunisation Scheme. 28 sessions have been arranged and a total of 1,946 children immunised.

TUBERCULOSIS

New Cases and Mortality during 1941

<u>Age Group</u>	<u>New Cases</u>				<u>Deaths</u>			
	<u>Pulmonary</u>		<u>Non-pulmonary</u>		<u>Pulmonary</u>		<u>Non-pulmonary</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>
5 - 15	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
15 - 25	2	3	-	1	2	1	-	-
25 - 35	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
35 - 45	1	-	1	-	2	-	-	-
45 - 55	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
55 - 65	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>7</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>		