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NORTH WALAHAM SURBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1945

To The Chairman and Members of the North Walsham Urban District Council.

Gentleman,

I have pleasure in presenting to you my Annual Report for the year 1945. As in the previous six years the Minister of Health has decided that only an interim report should be made. Notifiable Disease returns show three cases of Lobar Pneumonia (two in soldiers- twenty one cases of Whooping Cough, fifteen cases of Bcarlet Fever (one on a soldier and one in a NAAFI worker) thirty two cases of Measles, one case of Cerebro Spihal Meningitis (in a Soldier) and one case of Puerperal Pyrexia. Two infants of under one year died of whooping cough.

The number of deaths totalled 57 as against 50 for the previous year - four deaths occurring in infants under one year of age. Two still maximum Births were recorded as against seven for 1944 There was no change in either personnel or equipment of the Health Services in the Area.

No new case of Tuberculosis was reported in the year, neither was there any death from this disease.

The number of live Births was 56 as against 76 in the previous year. 29 were males and 27 females; 6 males and 2 females were illegitimate as compared with 2 males and 2 females in the previous year.

The estimated population of North Walsham is 4094.

The percentage of bhildren inoculated against Diptheria still remains at a high figure. This is most gratifying and once more it is my great pleasure to appreciate the sensible reactions of parents to the remarks on this important matter in my Annual Report of the past four years. The mortality rate of Diptheria throughout the country still continues to drop; to increase this drop we must persist with immunisation.

The North Walsham Urban District Council have under consideration a plan whereby the water supply of the town will be doubled.

> I am Gentlemen, Your obedient servant HENRY MORFISON Medical Officer of Health

29th June 1946

