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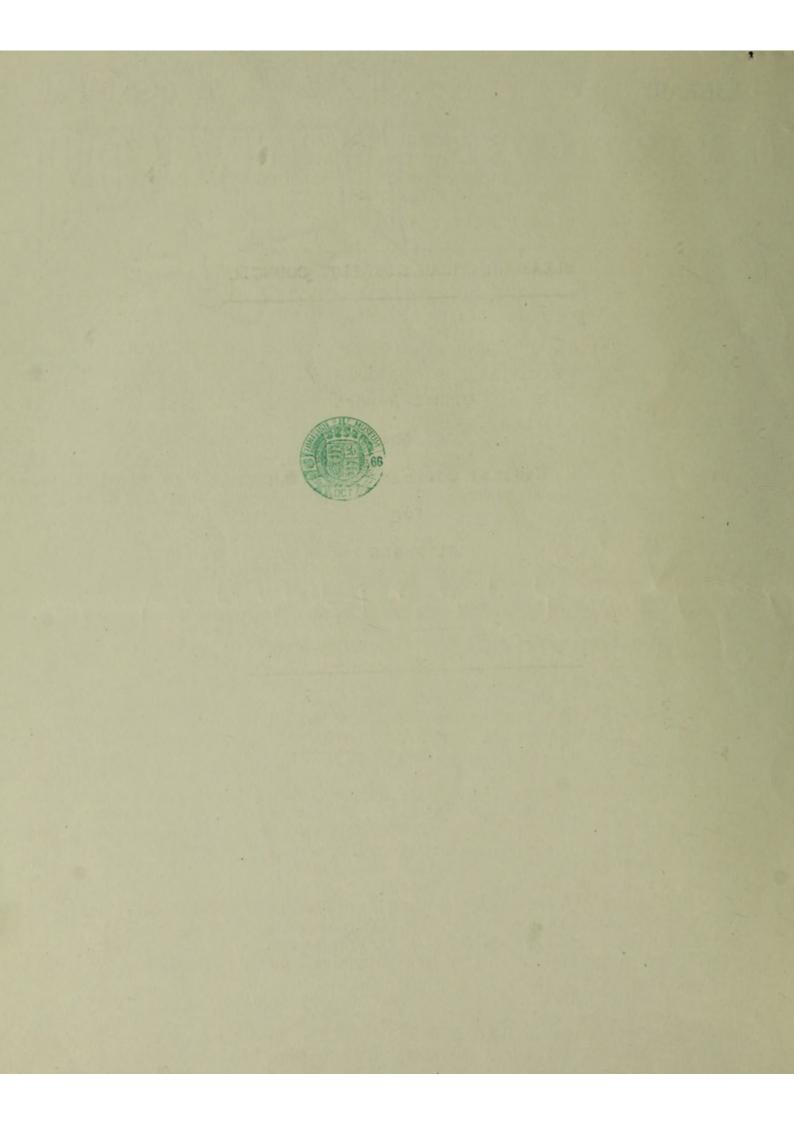
Annual Report

of the

Medical Officer of Health

for

1946



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#### SLEAFORD URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1946

To the Chairman and Members of the Sleaford Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen,

I have much pleasure in submitting my Report for the Year, 1946.

### A. Statistics and Social Conditions.

Area, in acres 4,5	49
Population	
Number of Inhabited Houses	
Rateable Value £48,8	
Sum represented by a 1d rate	ld

## Vital Statistics (not corrected by the Registrar General)

## BIRTHS

	Legitimate		Illegitimate			
	M	F	M	F	Total	
January	8	13	-	1	22	
February	5	7	-	1	13	
March	9	9	1	1	20	
April	14	12	1	1	28	
May	9	8	-	1	18	
June	15	15	-	-	30	
July	9	12	-	-	21	
August	11	12	2	2	27	
September	8	9	-	-	17	
October	14	8	1	1	24	
November	16	12	-	1	29	
December	9	14	_	-	23	
Total	127	131	5	9	272	

Accidental Death Congenital Defects Cerebral Thrombosis Pulmonary Tuberculosis.	Res	ident F 2 10	Non- Resi	dent F - 1	Non- Civi M 4 - 2	lian F - -
Other Tuberculosis  Bronchitis War Operations  Cancer  Pneumonia  Heart  Anaemia Other Causes	1 - 4 1 14 - 7	- - 5 3 11 - 7	- - - - 3 - 1	1	1 - 1 2 3 3 3	
Meningitis	31	42 Total	- 6 M	- 2 F	20	=
January February March April May June July August September. October November		9 14 10 8 4 7 8 5 4 12	8575424555372	64754233-154		

## B. Health Services of the Area.

Total.........101

Towards the close of the year I succeeded Dr. Austin C. Giles who retired and left the town.

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The newly created appointment of Sanitary and Housing Inspector was filled in April, 1946, the duties as Housing Inspector including the maintenance and supervision of the Council's Housing Estates.

Apart from these changes the health services remain unchanged.

# C. Sanitary Circumstances of the Area.

WATER SUPPLIES - There were two extensions of water mains during the year one to supply Woodside Housing Estate and one to Mareham Lane to afford a town water supply to sixteen houses. No analysis has been made during the year.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE - Sewer extensions have been provided for the Woodside Housing Estate. The town has a water carriage system. In times of heavy rain-fall flooding of houses in certain areas has taken place. Measures have been taken to reduce flooding.

SCAVENGING - A refuse destructor with spacious combustion chambers for the destruction of refuse, diseased meat, bedding etc., has been in operation during the year and has been found satisfactory. The time, however, is coming when the destructor will be unable to fulfil all requirements. Refuse is collected weekly in a covered mechanical vehicle. (A Karrier Bantam).

SALVAGE - Salvage is collected weekly and energetic supervision brings satisfactory results.

SWIMMING BATH - There is a Public Swimming Bath in the Urban District that is fed by the Town Supply and the witer is chlorinated before entering the bath.

## D. Inspection and Supervision of Food.

MILK SUPPLY - Cowsheds and Dairies have been inspected and preliminary consideration given to improvements as required by the Milk and Dairies Order.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS - All meat for the Urban District and for the neighbouring authority of the East Kesteven Rural District Council is inspected at the Government Slaughterhouses and Meat Depot. A summary of carcasses examined and meat condemned is not given as figures are not available for the complete year.

## E. Prevalence and Control of Infectious and Other Liseases.

Scarlet Fever	Civilian 28	Non-Civilian
Whooping Cough	5	-
Diptheria	2	
Pneumonia	4	1
Malaria	1	ī

## Diphtheria Prophyllaxis

A scheme was put into operation in April, 1946 since when a total number of 50 children under five years of age have been immunised.

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## HOUSING 1946

INSPECTION OF DWELLING HOUSES DURING THE YEAR: -  (a) Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects under Public Health or Housing Acts	14
(b) Number of dwelling houses (included under subhead (a) above which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925	2
(c) Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	2
(d) 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	2
REMEDY OF LEFECTS LURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES.  Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the local authority or their officers 4	:3
ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS LURING THE YEAR.  (a) Proceedings under Sections 9,10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936.  Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Notices were served requiring repairs.  Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:-	7
(i) By Owners	
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(d) Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act 1936:- (i) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made	1

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Gentlemen,
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