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BOROUGH OF STAMFORD.

Report of the Medical Officer of Health for
the year 1938.



Public Health Officers of the Authority :

Medical Officer of Health : W. Anley Hawes, M.B., B.S., D.P.H.,
Lond. Part Time
(Acting Medical
Officer of Health)

District Medical Officers and Public Vaccinators :

Under Poor Law E.C. Till M.R.C.S
L.R.C.P. Lond.

Veterinary and Meat Inspector : F.L. Gooch, F.R.C.V.S. (Part
Time)

To the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee :

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I herewith beg to submit Annual Report for
the year 1938.

SECTION A - STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

Area 1918 acres
Population 10,100
Number of
inhabited houses 2684
Rateable Value £64050
Sum represented
by 1d rate £250

Social Conditions. The chief industries of the Borough are the
manufacture of oil engines; agricultural and electrical machinery.

		Total	M	F	
Live Births	Legitimate	126	66	60	Birth rate per 1000 of estimated resident population is 12.8
	Illegitimate	5	3	2	

Still Births	Legitimate	7	5	2	Rate per 1000 total (live and still) births 13.6

Deaths	122	60	62	Death rate per 1000 population is 12.0
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Deaths from puerperal sepsis NIL

Deaths from other puerperal
causes NIL

Death rate of infants under one year of age :-

All infants per 1,000 live births 15
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate
live births 16

Illegitimate infants per 1,000
illegitimate live
births NIL



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Deaths from Measles (all ages)	NIL
Deaths from Whooping-Cough	NIL
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	NIL

Death rate from Cancer (all ages)	16
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Deaths from Tuberculosis of the lungs	4
Deaths from Pneumonia	4
Deaths from Bronchitis	4

Corresponding Rates for England and Wales :

Birth Rate	14.9	increase of .1 compared with 1937
Death Rate	12.4	increase of .3 compared with 1937
Infantile Mortality	58	decrease of 1 compared with 1937

SECTION B - GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.

- (a) Laboratory Facilities. No Laboratory exists in the Borough:

Diphtheria swabs are sent to the Clinical Research Association London, the cost being borne by the Borough.

- (b) Ambulance Facilities.

Infectious Diseases. As the contract for the treatment of infectious diseases at the Stamford and Rutland General Infirmary ceased on the 31st December, 1938 the Ambulance supplied by the Bourne Isolation Hospital will in future be used.

Non-infectious diseases.

The excellent service provided by the local Stamford Saint John Ambulance Brigade is available at all times.

- (c) Nursing in the Home.

This is provided by the Stamford Nursing Association who employ one General and one Mid-Wifery Nurse both being however, registered Mid-Wives. This Council makes no provision for nursing either infectious or non-infectious cases in the home.

- (d) Mid-Wifery.

Three registered Mid-Wives are practising in the town.

- (e) Clinics and treatment Centres.

There is an infant welfare clinic managed by a lay Committee and supervised by the assistant County Medical Officer of Health.

The school clinic is under the supervision of the County Medical Officer of Health.

There are no day nurseries, tuberculosis or venereal dispensaries.

Anti-Natal.

No anti-natal clinic is provided in the Borough.

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A scheme for anti-natal examination of expectant mothers by General Practitioners is in force at the County expense.

Cases of difficult labour are admitted to the County Council beds at Grantham Hospital. The long distance involved by ambulance, however, rules out the treatment of any really urgent cases at Grantham.

The Maternity Wards at the Stamford and Rutland General Infirmary are the only solution.

(f) Hospitals.

- (1) General Hospital The Stamford and Rutland General Infirmary provides medical, surgical and mid-wifery treatment. It is maintained by a Contributory Scheme and private donations. The staff consists of Hon. Local Practitioners and Surgeons, with an Hon. Consulting Staff. There is also a resident House Surgeon. The hospital provides an Orthopaedic Clinic and also treatment for surgical tuberculosis in special sun balconies.
- (2) Kesteven Poor Law Infirmary (Saint George's Home). For the treatment of aged, sick and mental defectives.
- (3) Kesteven Small Pox Hospital at Shacklewell. 24 beds are provided here and the number could easily be extended.

SECTION C - SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE AREA.

1. (i) The Borough is situated on the River Welland and is supplied with a piped supply of water owned by the Marquess of Exeter.

The supply, drawn from four sources, three to the South and one to the North of the Town, has been satisfactory in quality and quantity, and is controlled by routine bacteriological examinations at three monthly intervals. These reports show the water to be very hard, but of satisfactory purity.

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- (ii) Drainage and Sewerage.

By a deep drainage water carriage system.

Sewage works are up-to-date and produce a good effluent result.

2. Rivers and Streams.

The River Welland runs through the centre of the town.

No action has been taken or deemed necessary with regard to pollution.

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3. (i) Closet Accommodation.

All houses with a very few exceptions of isolated dwellings are connected with the deep water drainage system.

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- (ii) Public Cleansing (a) Scavenging.

The Borough Council provide up-to-date carts for the collection of house refuse.

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- (b) Disposal.

Into a tip on the outskirts of the town carried out on the Bradford system.

No nuisance has been reported.

(iii) Sanitary inspection of the area.

No. of Inspections made for all purposes 135.
Notices served Informal
Statutory Summons Issued
Complaints received during the year 22.
Premises. Houses inspected 15.
Nuisances abated 15.
Pigstyes. Inspected 6.
Nuisances abated 4.
Privies. Repaired
Converted to Pails
Converted to W.C.'s.
Cesspools Cleansed
Abolished
Drains. Inspected and repaired 66.
Sanitary Gullies substituted for defective traps
Offensive
Accumulations. Inspected 11.
Nuisances abated 11.
Wells repaired

(iv) Shops and Offices.

The following inspections have been made :-

Shops, where family only are engaged and which are provided with family sanitation etc. facilities.	147
do - including licenced premises where the facilities were found to be already in order	189
do - found to be without proper facilities which have since been provided with the necessary sanitary conveniences	16
do - premises cleaned and considerably improved	13
do - premises under consideration for the required improvement	20
do - still to be inspected for these purposes	109
do - empty	2
Total number of premises under the Acts	<hr/> 496 <hr/>

(v) Camping Sites.


No sites exist in the area.

(vi) Smoke abatement.

No nuisance has been reported and no action deemed necessary during the year.

(vii) Swimming Baths and Pools.

The proposal to instal filtration plant at the Public Swimming Baths owned by the Council will be a great improvement.



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(viii) Eradication of Bed Bugs.

- (1) One Council House and 96 other houses found to be infested were disinfested.
- (2) Disinfestation is carried out by Associated Fumigators Limited under contract with the Council.

(ix) Factories.

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health, including inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors.

Premises (1)	Number of		
	Inspections (2)	Written Notices (3)	Occupiers Prosecuted (4)
Factories with mechanical power	17	7	
Factories without mechanical power	10		
Other premises under the Act (including works of building and engineering construction but not including outworkers' premises)			
TOTAL	27	7	

2. Defects Found.

Particulars (1)	Number of defects			Number of defects in respect of which Prosecutions were instituted (5)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred to H.M. Inspector (4)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	2	2		
Overcrowding (S.2)				
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)				
Inadequate ventitlation (S.4)				
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)				
Sanitary conveniences (S.7)				
} Insufficient	1	1		
} Unsuitable	2	2		
} or defective				
} Not separate for Scales				

- (1) The General Fund is the fund which is used to finance the operations of the Government.
- (2) The Capital Fund is the fund which is used to finance the acquisition and construction of capital assets.
- (3) The Debt Fund is the fund which is used to finance the repayment of debt.
- (4) The Reserve Fund is the fund which is used to finance the operations of the Government in the event of a disaster.
- (5) The Special Fund is the fund which is used to finance the operations of the Government for a specific purpose.

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Particulars	Number of defects			Number of defects in respect of which Prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Other Offences (not including offences relating to Home Work or offences under the Sections mentioned in the Schedule to the Ministry of Health (Factories and Workshops Transfer of Powers) Order 1921, and re-enacted in the Third Schedule to the Factories Act, 1937)	2	2		
TOTAL	7	7		

4. Schools.

SECTION D - HOUSING.

The following inspections have been carried out :-

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) 150
 - (b) No. of inspections made for the purpose 200
 - (2) (a) No. of dwelling houses (included under sub-head (1) (above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 ---
 - (b) No. of inspections made for the purpose ---
 - (3) No. of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injuries to health as to be unfit for human habitation ---
 - (4) No. 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 defects during the year without service of formal notices :-
 - No. of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers ---

No.	Name	Address	City	State	Zip
1	John Doe	123 Main St	New York	NY	10001
2	Jane Smith	456 Elm St	Los Angeles	CA	90001
3	Bob Johnson	789 Oak St	Chicago	IL	60601
4	Alice Brown	101 Pine St	San Francisco	CA	94101
5	Frank White	202 Cedar St	Philadelphia	PA	19101
6	Grace Green	303 Birch St	Seattle	WA	98101
7	Henry Black	404 Spruce St	Portland	ME	04101
8	Irene Grey	505 Willow St	Denver	CO	80201
9	James Hall	606 Ash St	San Diego	CA	92101
10	Karen King	707 Hickory St	Phoenix	AZ	85001
11	Leo Lee	808 Maple St	San Jose	CA	95101
12	Mary Miller	909 Poplar St	San Antonio	TX	78201
13	Nathan Moore	1010 Walnut St	San Luis Obispo	CA	93401
14	Olivia Nelson	1111 Chestnut St	San Bernardino	CA	92401
15	Peter Parker	1212 Locust St	San Francisco	CA	94101
16	Quinn Quinn	1313 Elm St	San Francisco	CA	94101
17	Rachel Reed	1414 Oak St	San Francisco	CA	94101
18	Samuel Ross	1515 Pine St	San Francisco	CA	94101
19	Tina Scott	1616 Cedar St	San Francisco	CA	94101
20	Ulysses Smith	1717 Birch St	San Francisco	CA	94101
21	Veronica Stone	1818 Spruce St	San Francisco	CA	94101
22	Walter Taylor	1919 Willow St	San Francisco	CA	94101
23	Xavier Thomas	2020 Ash St	San Francisco	CA	94101
24	Yvonne Turner	2121 Hickory St	San Francisco	CA	94101
25	Zoe Vance	2222 Maple St	San Francisco	CA	94101

1. The purpose of this document is to provide a list of names and addresses for the purpose of the project.

2. The names and addresses are listed in the table above.

3. The names are listed in alphabetical order by last name.

4. The addresses are listed in the same order as the names.

5. The city, state, and zip code are listed for each address.

6. The names and addresses are to be used for the purpose of the project.

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3. Action under Statutory Powers during the year :-

(a) Proceedings under sections 9, 10, and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936 :

(1) No. of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs ---

(2) No. of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices :

(a) By owners ---

(b) By local authority in default of owners ---

(b) Proceedings under Public Health Acts :

(1) No. of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied 15

(2) No. of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices :-

(a) By owners 15

(b) By local authority in default of owners ---

(c) Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936 :-

(1) No. of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made ---

(2) No. of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders ---

(d) Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936 :

(1) No. of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made ---

(2) No. of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit ---

4. Housing Act, 1936 - Part IV. Overcrowding.

(a) (i) No. of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year. 22

(ii) No. of families dwelling therein 22

(iii) No. of persons dwelling therein 109

(b) No. of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year. ---

(c) (i) No. of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year 45

(ii) No. of persons concerned in such cases 278

(d) Particulars of any cases in which dwelling houses have again become overcrowded after

the Local Authority have taken steps for the abatement of the overcrowding

- (e) Any other particulars with respect to overcrowding conditions which the Medical Officer of Health may consider it desirable to report

SECTION E -

- (a) Milk Supply. - Dairies, Cowsheds and Milk Purveyors :-

Premises were inspected regularly and found to be fairly satisfactory.

- (b) Meat and other Foods.

Slaughter-houses are inspected regularly.

Carcases Inspected and Condemned.

	Cattle excluding fews	Cows	Calves	Sheep & Lambs	Pigs
Number killed	669	-	41	3,107	2880
Number inspected	-	-	-	-	-
All diseases except Tuberculosis. Whole carcases condemned	1	-	-	2	1
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	10	-	-	-	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with diseases other than Tuberculosis	1 per 1000				
Tuberculosis only. Whole carcases condemned	1	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	NIL				
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	1	-	-	-	-

- (c) Adulteration etc. Nil.

- (d) Chemical and Bacteriological Examination of Food. Nil.

- (e) Nutrition. Nil.

(f) Shell Fish (Molluscan) Nil.

SECTION F.

Prevalence of and control over Infectious and other diseases.

The contract for treatment of Infectious Diseases at the Stamford and Rutland General Infirmary ceased on the 31st December 1938 owing to the Fever Blocks at this Hospital being closed down.

No other Infectious Diseases hospital is situated in the Borough. A new contract has been entered into with the South Kesteven Rural District Council for the treatment of Diphtheria, Scarlet Fever, Typhoid and Para-Typhoid at their Isolation Hospital at Bourne.

There is no provision at this Hospital for cases of Puerperal Fever which in the past have always been treated at the Stamford Infirmary Isolation Blocks. As this latter Hospital can no longer admit these cases a serious difficulty arises, the only available Hospital being some 40 miles distant at Boston, which is obviously too far for a seriously ill patient.

There has been an epidemic of Diphtheria during the year, practically all amongst children, with one death.

The cases were of the malignant type necessitating prolonged stay in Hospital. No system of artificial immunization exists.

Prompt use is made of anti-diphtheritic serum the cost of which is borne by the Council.

Four cases of acute poliomyelitis (Infantile Paralysis) occurred during the year all being within a short space of time.

There were two fatalities both from respiratory paralysis in the very early stages of the disease (3 - 4 days).

No epidemic of scarlet fever or other streptococcal infections have occurred.

No epidemic of influenza occurred during the Winter.

Again owing to the closure of the Stamford Fever Blocks Hospital accommodation for complicated non-notifiable infections is extremely limited. There would be no beds available for influenzal pneumonia, etc., at the Hospital at the present time.

Notifiable diseases during the year, 1938 :-

<u>Disease.</u>	<u>Total Cases Notified.</u>	<u>Cases admitted to Hosp.</u>	<u>Total Deaths.</u>
Smallpox	Nil	Nil.	Nil.
Scarlet Fever	8	8	Nil.
Diphtheria	14	14	One.
Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid)	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
Puerperal Fever	1	1	Nil.
Puerperal Pyrexia	4	4	Nil.

<u>Disease.</u>	<u>Total Cases Notified.</u>	<u>Cases admitted to Hosp.</u>	<u>Total Deaths.</u>
Pneumonia	4	4	1
Acute Poliomyelitis	4	2	2
Erysipelas	1	1	Nil.
Cerebrospinal Fever	1	1	1
Meningitis	1	1	1

(a) Cancer. No undue prevalence in the District. No treatment or propaganda centre exist.

(b) Prevention of Blindness. Nil.

(c) Tuberculosis. New cases and mortality during 1938.

Age Periods.	New Cases.				Deaths.			
	Respiratory.		Non-Respiratory.		Respiratory		Non-Respiratory	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
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65 and Upwards	1.							
Totals	4.	1.	1.	4.				1.

