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WISBECH RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

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

To: The Chairman, and Members of the
Wisbech Rural District Council.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour of submitting to you my report of the general health of the District for the past year, ending the 31st December, 1945.

General Statistics.

Area. 49,841 acres.
Estimated resident population, mid 1945. 11,840.
Rateable value. £28,549.
Sum realised by a penny rate. £126.15.0.
The number of inhabited houses about 3,494.

Live Births.	Total.	M.	F.	Birth rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident mid 1945 population 17.6.
(Legitimate.	174	85	89	
(Illegitimate.	35	19	16	

Stillbirths.				Rate per 1,000 (Live and Still) births 14.3.
(Legitimate.	5	2	3	
(Illegitimate.	0	0	0	

Deaths.	197	80	117	Death rate per 1,000 of the estimated average population - 16.6.
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Deaths from Puerperal causes	Deaths.	Rate per 1,000 (Live & Still) Births.
Puerperal sepsis.	Nil	Nil
Other puerperal causes.	Nil	Nil

Death rate of Infants under One year of age -

All infants per 1,000 live births.	23.9.
Legitimate Infants per 1,000 legitimate live Births.	28.7.
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births.	Nil.

Deaths from Cancer. (All ages).	34
Deaths from Measles. (All ages).	Nil
Deaths from Whooping Cough. (All ages).	Nil
Deaths from Diarrhoea. (Under two years of age).	2

For this area there is one School Clinic, a Tubercular Clinic, a General Hospital, an Infectious Diseases Hospital and an Orthopaedic Clinic held bi-monthly at the North Cambridgeshire Hospital.

Excellent Motor Ambulance facilities are provided free of cost, whilst in needy cases, Diphtheria Antitoxin and Pathological and Bacteriological examinations are provided when necessary.

During the year eight miles of piped water supply were laid by the Council to the villages of Tydd St. Giles, Newton and connections completed to 51 houses.

Notifiable Diseases during the Year -

	Total cases notified.	Deaths.
Small Pox.	0	0
Scarlet Fever.	26	0
Diphtheria.	1	0
Pneumonia.	10	7
Erysipelas.	1	0
Puerperal Pyrexia.	0	0
Enteric Fever.	0	0
Measles.	93	0
Whooping Cough.	3	0

Notifications of Tuberculosis -

Age Periods.	New Cases.				Deaths.			
	Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.		Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
25	1	3	2	0	3	1	0	0
35	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
45	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
65 & Over.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	3	3	2	2	6	2	0	2

I remain, Gentlemen,

Very faithfully yours,

H. LESLIE GROOM, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

Medical Officer of Health.