

# Standish Sanatorium 1922 - 1947

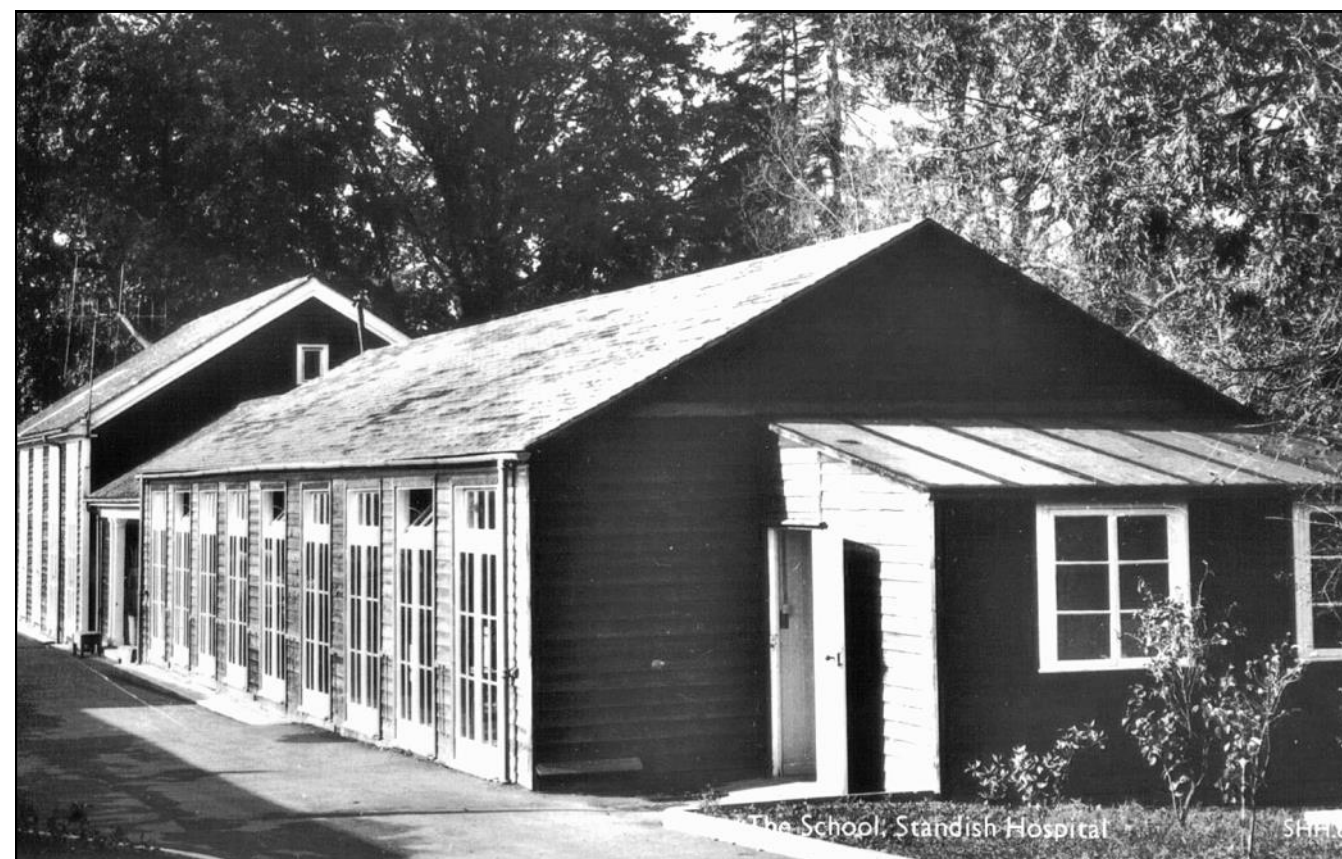


In 1922 Gloucestershire County Council bought Standish House and surrounding lands. The location made it an excellent place for a Tuberculosis Institution giving priority to ex-servicemen. With help from the Red Cross, who gave £10,000 and other contributions, the Hospital was refitted.

It was thought that fresh air was the best treatment for TB and all patients had plenty of fresh air - even in the snow! They were given hot water bottles and the veranda kept them dry. As they got better they were put in chalets and, if really infectious, there was an isolation room. It could take up to two years to be fully fit.

There were separate wards for women, men and children. There was a school room for the children to learn if they were there for a long time. The patients were not allowed to mix and the matron kept a keen eye on them all.

There was a Recreation Hall and a stage with a piano. Many concerts were given. There was even a resident jazz band. Fetes were held to raise funds for equipment.



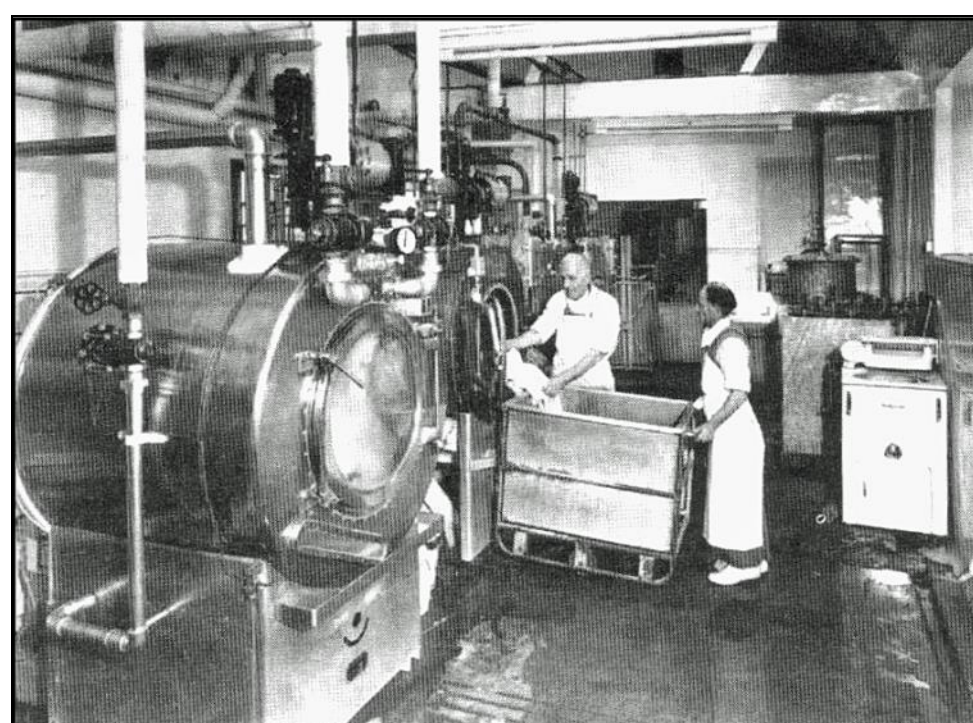
Men outside their chalets having their daily fresh air

School room where the children were taught

Standish House jazz band



E Block opened June 1939



Children's ward decorated for Christmas



Opening of E Block in 1939 by Sir Frederick Cripps



The Laundry Room.



Members of Berkeley Hunt visited every year