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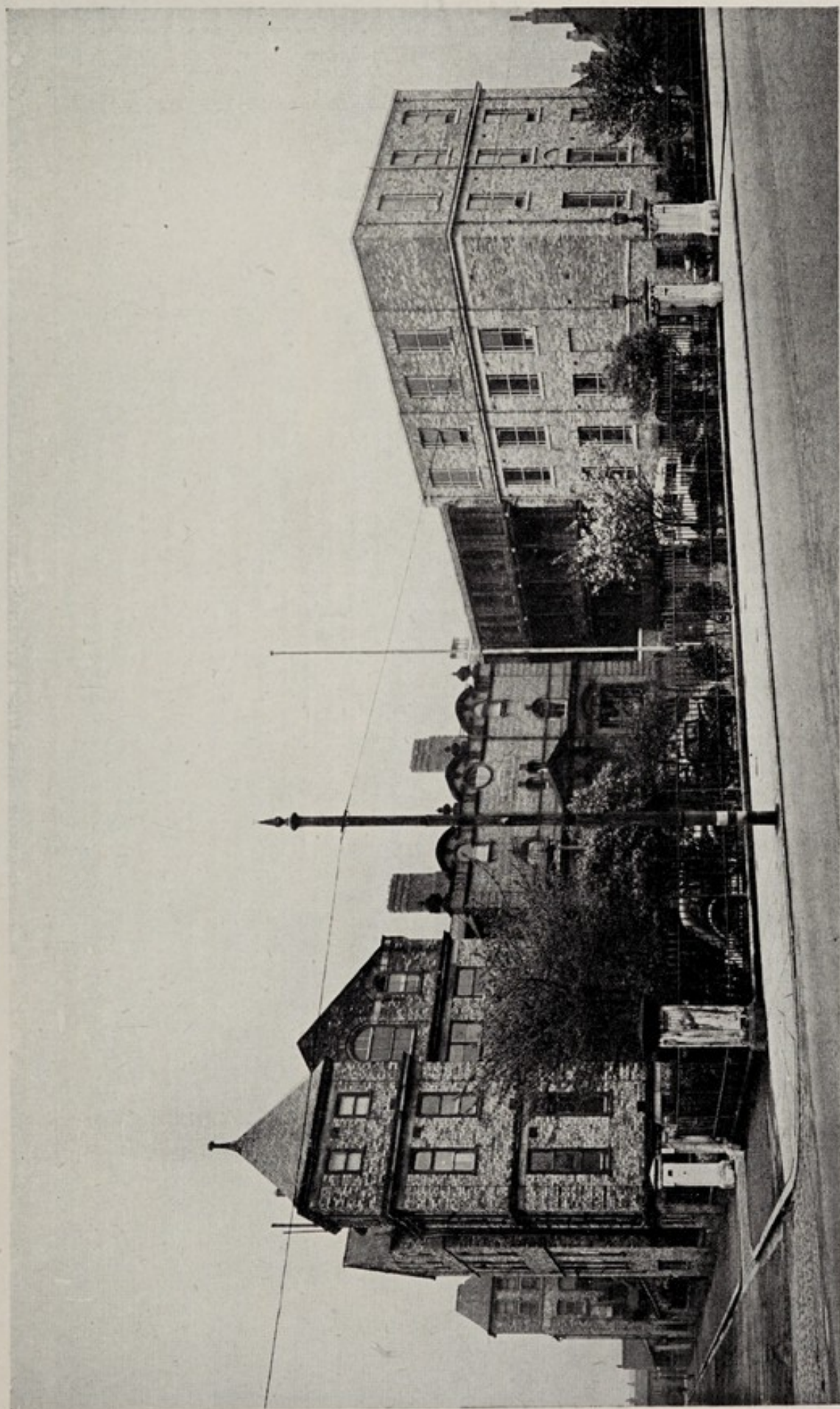
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BIRKENHEAD GENERAL HOSPITAL

120th REPORT

OF THE

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

For the year ending 31st December, 1947

The Committee have pleasure in presenting the 120th Annual Report of the Hospital.

The year 1947 has been a momentous one. It has seen the beginning of the end of the Voluntary Hospital System as we have known it for so many years. With but a few special exceptions all existing Hospitals, Voluntary and otherwise will be taken over by the State on 5th July, 1948. "The old order changeth, yielding place to new." Even the most ardent supporters of the Voluntary System will admit some shortcomings and perhaps the greatest has been that whereas all could avail themselves of its services, none were bound to contribute unless they so desired and, in consequence, Voluntary Hospitals were always short of money. Indeed, had it not been for the effective and timely help of the Contributory Schemes, Voluntary Hospitals would have been in a sorry plight long ago.

The accounts tell a tale of increase of almost every item of expenditure, and a comparison of the cost of maintaining the Hospital in 1939, with the cost in 1947 arrests attention by disclosing an alarming leap from £25,542 to £96,722.

On the Appointed Day the Hospital will become the property of the State which will assume responsibility for maintenance and day to day expenditure through the Liverpool Regional Hospital Board and the Birkenhead Committee of Management. In other words the Hospital will belong to the people of Britain and they will be called upon to foot the bill—a bill which is likely to increase rather than diminish.

Modernisation and improvements are still being carried out as detailed on page 18 and the re-decoration of the interior of our Hospital has called for favourable comment. Departmental reports show an ever increasing amount of work being undertaken. New equipment is being delivered slowly but surely and efficiency increased and maintained. Tables of statistics tell their own story, and we are safe in saying that the Hospital has never reached a higher standard during its 120 years of service to the community.

It is with feelings of sorrow that your Committee record the death on 26th January, 1948, of Dr. Arthur Winfield, Honorary Radiologist to the Hospital since 1928 and to whose untiring efforts our X-ray Department now occupies an honoured place in the Hospitals of Merseyside.

With deep regret your Committee record the loss sustained by the death of Mr. A. McDowell who passed away on 25th March, 1948. The late Mr. McDowell was appointed in 1927 to the General Committee and later to the Nursing Committee. His interest in the Hospital will be remembered with gratitude.

The Year's Work.

The following comparative figures reveal a year of great activity in the Wards and Departments and increased service to the Community :—

	1947	1946	1945	1944	1938
In-Patients admitted ..	3,735	3,753	3,344	2,905	2,871
Out-Patients and Casualties	37,256	35,198	31,465	30,258	25,166
Total Out-Patient Attendances	118,964	95,769	94,708	92,474	103,012
X-Ray Radiographs ..	34,632	24,679	19,759	18,793	15,906
Laboratory Examinations ..	11,052	10,718	9,648	8,946	5,585
Major Operations	3,359	2,777	2,158	2,324	1,919
Minor Operations	5,825	4,318	4,473	4,129	3,807

The demands on the Casualty Department have again been particularly heavy and the average of accident and emergency cases weekly has considerably increased beyond all previous figures.

Finance.

Income.—It is gratifying to be able to report that, excluding the item of State Grant (E.M.S. Nursing Salaries, etc.) there is only a decrease of £389 0s. 0d. in Ordinary Income as compared with 1946 which was a peak year.

Extraordinary Income includes legacies of £785 0s. 0d. as against £3,653 10s. 0d. for the previous year. This reduction occasions no surprise in view of the situation brought about by the impending implementation of the National Health Service Act, 1946.

Your Committee again desire to place on record its gratitude to the Merseyside Hospitals Council and its Contributors for the sum of £13,411 0s. 0d. received in recognition of services rendered. This sum includes £510 in respect of Hospital Sunday Collections, and the Committee's thanks are due to the Churches for this welcome gift, which is earmarked for the treatment of the necessitous sick.

Bequests.

The Committee gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the following legacies :—

Exors of the late Mr. W. H. Reinhardt ..	..	£650	0	0
(further on account)				
Exors of the late Miss Martha Jones ..	..	£135	0	0
(Balance)				

Expenditure.

Ordinary Expenditure has increased from £64,424 9s. 4d. in 1946 to £84,388 14s. 0d. last year, an increase of £19,964 4s. 8d.

Extraordinary Expenditure at £12,333 16s. 1d. for 1947 as against £5,041 12s. 10d. for 1946 shows an increase of £7,292 3s. 3d. mostly accounted for by the purchase of modern X-Ray Equipment and re-decorations.

As was the case last year, rising costs and increases in Salaries and Wages account largely for expenditure reaching the highest figure ever recorded. Our inability to meet expenses out of current income has been a matter of deep concern for the past two or three years, but it must be understood that this condition has been brought about by matters outside our control.

As has been indicated much has been done in the year under review in our scheme of modernisation—referred to more fully later on—and it is the intention of your Committee, not only to continue to do so, but to hand over the Hospital to the Ministry of Health on the 5th July next in a condition capable of providing a service of which all may be justly proud.

The following outstanding gifts and contributions have been received during the year, and are gratefully acknowledged :—

Merseyside Hospitals Council	£13,411
Christmas Appeal Committee (1946-47)	3,130
Cammell Laird & Co. Ltd.	2,500
Birkenhead & Wirral Lady Bowlers Flag Day Committee	385
London, Midland & Scottish Railway Hospital Fund	350
Birkenhead Corporation	300
North West Cheshire County Amateur Bowling Association ..	220
Birkenhead Public Assistance Committee	200
Panto Committee, Guild of Undergraduates, Liverpool University	194
Birkenhead Corporation (Sunday Cinemas)	184
" Scoria " Cup Competition (per H. Lothian Esq.)	120
Birkenhead Darts League	112
Grayson, Rollo & Clover Docks Ltd.	100
Littlewood Charitable Trusts	100
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Charles Brotherton Trust	100
Prudential Assurance Co. Ltd.	90
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Iron Trades Employers' Insurance Association	65
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Christmas Appeal.

Your Committee wish to place on record their appreciation of the help so generously given by the people of Birkenhead and Wirral in making the Christmas Appeal of 1947 such a success. The amount collected was £2,131. Having in mind the difficult times through which we are passing, and the advent of the National Health Service, this is indeed a tribute to the efficiency of the Appeals Organisation and the efforts of our 700 voluntary workers.

Whilst it is impossible to mention every helper by name, special tribute must be accorded to Mr. H. E. Fraser, who has raised over £1,400 in the last eleven years, and to Mr. John H. Taylor of Bebington and Mrs. Bunford of Upton, both of whom have given yeoman service each year since the inception of the Christmas Appeal in 1932.

The following figures will give some indication of the progress made since 1937 :—

1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947
£535	£652	£700	£825	£1514	£2877	£4049	£3910	£4084	£3135	£2131

Lady Collectors of Subscriptions.

It is gratifying to report that subscriptions from this source last year amounted to £260 0s. 0d. Although this sum is a slight decrease on the previous year due to circumstances beyond our control, sincere thanks are due to these ladies, who at considerable inconvenience to themselves, continue to give unstinted service and maintain good relations with our many friends.

Your Committee are particularly grateful to Mrs. E. M. Samuel for organising the collections in Upton District, and to Mrs. H. K. Winter for her outstanding collection of £51 9s. 0d.

A detailed list of the amounts collected is given on page 50.

Hospital Linen Guild.

The Hospital Linen Guild under its President, Lady Leverhulme, and its Honorary Treasurer and Secretary, Mrs. G. B. Wetherell, continues to raise money and provide linen of every description for the Hospital. A full report of the Guild's activities and a list of members of the Committee and Collectors will be found on page 26.

IT is with profound regret that the Committee record the death of Mr. William Tough McIvor.

AT his home he was surrounded by the devotion of his family and a host of friends—indeed friendship and the keeping of friends seemed to be the keynote of his life. His warm hand-shake and sincerity of spirit, a handful of roses or a cutting from his garden all combined to radiate his genial spirit. The Patients and Staff of the Hospital remember with gratitude the gifts of fruit and vegetables.

IN the wider sphere of commercial life his untiring zeal and strong sense of public duty singled him out as a leader. His wise counsel was always available to those in need of advice. He was sagacious and withal a model employer.

ON the night of Friday, 17th October, 1947, during his sleep, his life quietly ended at the age of 81 years.

YOUR Committee extend deep sympathy to the members of his family in the irreparable loss they have sustained.

Honorary Chaplain.

Your Committee extend to the Honorary Chaplain, the Rev. William Slater Sykes, M.A., their sincere appreciation of his untiring work on behalf of patients and staff. Morning Service is held in the Chapel each Sunday at 9-30 a.m. to which patients and staff are cordially invited. Mr. Sykes was appointed in September, 1920, and the Chapel furnishing and appointments were provided without any charge to the Hospital, out of a fund raised by Mr. Sykes and friends of the Hospital.

Mr. Sykes has intimated his desire to be relieved of his Ward Visiting duties after July next, but will continue to carry on his work of conducting the Sunday Services.

The thanks of your Committee are also due to the Rural Dean, the Rev. Canon Smith of St. Pauls, Rock Ferry, and the Clergy of Birkenhead for their generosity in rendering financial assistance towards the cost of maintaining this service to the Hospital.

Library.

It is pleasing to report that the Library continues to afford relief to our patients, particularly those whose lot it is to remain in Hospital for any lengthy period. Over two thousand nine hundred

books have been loaned during the year under the capable management of Mrs. M. S. Whitaker and her two able assistants, Mrs. L. R. Kyffin and Miss Mitchell. Your Committee extends to these ladies sincere thanks. Mrs. Kyffin continues to represent the Hospital on the Mayoress's Ladies Charities Committee.

Gifts of books will be gratefully received and acknowledged by the Secretary-Superintendent.

The efficiency of the Library has been maintained and increased by the gift of a large number of books from the members of the Birkenhead Rotary Club. To Mr. G. Raymond Hill, the President, and the members of the Rotary Club, the cordial thanks of the Committee are due.

Part-time Visiting Medical Staff.

It has been truly said "that the reputation of a Hospital is acquired and maintained more by the nature and quality of its Honorary Medical and Surgical Staff than by any other factor." In this regard and on this account our Hospital holds a high, honoured and enviable position.

Your Committee are again privileged to place on record their grateful thanks to Members of the Part-time Visiting Medical and Surgical Staff for their services during the year under review.

We welcome Dr. A. Dala on his appointment as Assistant Ophthalmologist, after having served for about two years as Clinical Assistant to the Eye Department.

Dr. G. Ronald Ellis is still in H.M. Forces, but it is anticipated that he will be released during the coming year.

Reference was made last year to the introduction of an Appointments System. It is regretted that, owing to our inability as yet to obtain sanction to carry out necessary alterations, the scheme has had to be postponed for a time.

To the Chairman of the Medical Board, Dr. D. L. Charters, and the Honorary Secretary, Mr. G. A. Moulden, our thanks are due for their co-operation.

Resident Medical Staff.

The year 1947 has seen many changes in the Resident Medical Staff. A new post of Junior House Physician was created in March, 1947. As well as providing help in the Medical Wards and attending to minor and emergency anaesthetics, this new appointment has been of considerable assistance to the Resident Medical Staff, and has allowed them to give more detailed attention to their own specific responsibilities.

The post of Casualty Officer has again proved an arduous one. During the year 14,500 new patients have received treatment in

the Department, this figure being 1,000 more than the peak year of 1946. Our Casualty Department is the only one of its kind on this side of the River, and consequently receives all types of injury, not only from Birkenhead, but from the surrounding districts as well.

The Government Rehabilitation Scheme for ex-servicemen has provided assistance. Your Committee tender thanks for the unstinted service rendered by the Resident Medical Staff.

Medical and Surgical Registrars.

The Government Rehabilitation Scheme has provided the Hospital with three full-time Registrars. On the recommendation of the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, University of Liverpool, certain approved Hospitals are given assistance where additional work and conditions call for increase in the Resident Staff.

On the 1st January, 1947, a post of Surgical Registrar was created and Dr. H. Richardson Gray was appointed for a period of 12 months. We were able to call upon his assistance in the surgical work in the Wards, Clinics and Operating Theatres. Dr. H. Richardson Gray resigned in December last, and is now in practice at Gravesend.

By July, 1947, the work had increased to such proportions that it was found necessary to appoint two additional Registrars, and Dr. John Littler was appointed Surgical Registrar and Dr. Donald R. Gunn, Orthopaedic Registrar.

The Visiting Surgeons with their ever-growing Clinics and Operating Lists have expressed satisfaction with this additional help. It has provided for a better supervision in detail of the hitherto rather neglected follow-up treatment of septic conditions of the hand, which forms such a large proportion of the Casualty Department's activities. Early and careful treatment is such an important factor in getting patients back on to full time work in the shortest possible period—so important a factor in the drive towards prosperity. Increasing attention is now being directed towards the systematic follow-up of treatment and consequent results, and in this direction these new appointments have proved of great value.

The Government Rehabilitation Scheme also provides facilities for Registrars to study for higher qualifications and your Committee feel that the introduction of Registrars has been to the mutual advantage of all concerned, and to them sincere thanks are accorded.

Nursing Staff.

Particulars of the Nursing Staff personnel are contained in the Matron's Report. The efficient and conscientious manner in which the Matron and her Staff have carried out their duties is worthy of the highest praise, and the Committee express great appreciation of their work.

Almoner's Department.

The Almoner's Department forms the link between the Hospital and the social and industrial background of the patients. It is appreciated that patients must be free from financial and economic worries if they are to co-operate fully in their treatment. The Department is called upon to smooth out all sorts of difficulties, to arrange for the care of children, to give advice on matters of compensation to which patients are entitled, and to work in close co-operation with welfare officers and, not the least, to give the patient confidence in the Hospital. It has been found increasingly difficult to maintain the voluntary income of the Hospital, but it is pleasing to note that no less a sum than £12,159 4s. 2d. has been received through the Department, as against £10,744 13s. 10d. during the previous year.

During the year, 164 patients have been sent to Convalescent Homes in comparison with 138 for the previous year, whilst the number of appliances supplied has increased from 324 in 1946 to 342 this year. 153 patients have been recommended and granted extra nourishment in addition to those who were helped to claim their extra allowances. It is interesting to note that we were able to arrange for 24 persons to be provided with Home Helps—so necessary for sick or infirm patients. Our experiment in the resettlement of certain disabled patients is still receiving the kindly and co-operative consideration of employers.

Altogether 11,259 interviews have been recorded for the year, which is a considerable increase over last year. 747 car journeys were arranged, reports given on 714 cases, and 1,071 enquiries made.

Our thanks are again due to the Invalid Children's Association, Centre of Social Service, Personal Service Society, the After-care Department of the Merseyside Hospitals Council, the National Society for Cancer Relief and the Hospital Car Service. We should like to make special mention of the assistance given by the Health Visitors attached to the Medical Officer of Health's Department for their reports, and to the part played by the District Nursing Association.

We feel that the Department continues to do its share in helping patients to derive the maximum benefit from treatment and advice given by the Medical Staff.

Pharmaceutical Department.

The alterations and extensions envisaged in the report for 1946 are now practically completed, and the Department has been modernised and re-decorated. Fluorescent lighting has been installed, and this has done much to enhance the amenities. The extensions have provided extra space to allow the installation of a

continuous All-Glass Water Still, an Aseptic Screen, and other equipment necessary for the ever-increasing demands of work with Penicillin. Intravenous Solutions and other sterile preparations are now produced under better conditions, and all the Penicillin work for the Hospital—in-patients and out-patients—is now undertaken in the Department. With the increase in number of Medical Officers, the general work both for in-patients and out-patients has increased enormously, and during an average week, almost one thousand individual items of work are undertaken, some necessitating lengthy and most skilful preparations.

Some indication of the demands for Penicillin can be realised when it is stated that 101,750,000 units of Penicillin were issued for out-patients alone during the year under review. The increase in expenditure on drugs and chemicals is due to the purchase of Penicillin and other newly introduced drugs, which are, of necessity, expensive, but must be purchased if the Hospital is to keep in the forefront of progress.

Two courses of lectures on *Materia Medica* have been given to the Final Year Nurses. The Department is approved for the practical training of Student Pharmacists, and in December a registered apprentice of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain joined the Staff for two years' training.

Your Committee feel that the Hospital has been placed under a debt of gratitude for the work carried out by Miss Dobie, the Chief Pharmacist, over a long period of years, and to her assistant Miss Dobson, for so ably contributing towards the orderly and efficient running of this important Department.

Electrocardiographic Department.

In 1947 the number of Electrocardiographs taken was 489. The Department is now equipped with the most modern appliances, and every endeavour is being made to keep pace with recent advances in this branch of Medical Science. New methods in diagnosing and confirming cardiac conditions have proved successful, and are of considerable assistance to the Medical Staff. The work of Mr. E. Caldwell and his department deserve our highest praise.

Physiotherapy Department.

This branch of the Hospital's service continues to be of great benefit to the patients. The Department is one of the best equipped on Merseyside, and although the need for additional accommodation is still desperate, many improvements have been introduced during the year. Re-decorations have been carried out, and with the introduction of fluorescent lighting and certain internal re-arrangements, a considerable improvement has been effected.

Treatments have been maintained at their accustomed high standard, and the numbers of attendances show a steady increase.

It is hoped that an additional short-wave Diathermy machine will be installed early in 1948, to relieve the present machine which is being sorely taxed. During 1947 the daily attendances averaged over 110 patients, and as 75 per cent of these cases receive two or more treatments, some idea can be formed of the demands upon this Department.

The final test of a man's fitness is of course made at his work-bench, but many stages must precede this final test. It is on the work of the Physiotherapy Department that so much depends, and great use of the facilities provided here is being made by the surgical staff.

Your Committee feel that tribute must be paid to Miss M. L. Cooper who has given eighteen years untiring and devoted service to the Hospital.

Records Department.

During the year the Records Department has been extensively overhauled and new and up-to-date methods introduced. The work of collating patients Medical and Surgical histories and notes into their respective dossiers for the convenience of Consultants, has been carried out efficiently under the direction of the Chief Records Officer, despite the 'growing pains' usually associated with new systems. These modern methods, it is hoped, will facilitate the follow-up and after-care of patients recently treated, and will be an effective means of ensuring that their progress is kept under observation by the Medical Staff.

Re-decorations and the introduction of fluorescent lighting have proved of benefit to the staff.

Credit is due to the Records Department Staff for carrying out their arduous duties so efficiently.

Domestic Staff.

As a result of negotiations to which the British Hospitals Association was a party, the National Joint Negotiating Committee published scales of wages and working conditions for domestic staffs and porters. Your Committee have adopted the scheme and the additional cost to the Hospital is reflected in the accounts.

The work of the domestic staff is so often overlooked and taken for granted that your Committee consider it fitting to pay tribute to the efficient manner in which their duties have been carried out. Special reference should be made to the long and faithful services of the Head Porter, Mr. E. C. Hancock, the oldest employee on the Hospital's Staff, who was appointed in 1911.

Christmas Festivities.

Following the established custom, the Mayor and Mayoress of Birkenhead (Councillor and Mrs. W. E. Power), and the Mayor and Mayoress of Bebington (Alderman and Mrs. Henry Smith), paid an official visit to the Hospital on Boxing Day. The Chairman of the Hospital, Secretary-Superintendent and Matron accompanied the official party and a large number of friends around the Wards. Seasonal fare of turkey and Christmas Pudding was a feature of the festivities, Carol parties on Christmas Eve and concerts given by members of the Nursing Staff—which included a well rehearsed Ballet—were appreciated by the patients. The decoration of the Wards was pleasing and artistic, the work entailed in preparation was skilfully undertaken by the Nursing Staff.

“ Beechwood ” Nurses’ Home.

Your Committee are happy to report considerable progress. Plans prepared by Mr. Leonard Barnish, F.R.I.B.A., have been approved by the Ministry, the necessary licence obtained, building has commenced and the contractors are making satisfactory progress. The furnishing has been put out to tender, and it is hoped that the home will be in commission by mid-summer. The plans provide for the accommodation of about 22 nurses.

Modernisations, Improvements and Extensions.

Every effort has been made towards modernisation, and considerable progress can be recorded. During the year under review interior decorations have proceeded apace, and are now nearing completion. The colour scheme has been greatly admired by all, and will, we feel sure, do much towards improving the amenities. Fluorescent lighting has been introduced into most of the departments and wards. Official sanction has been sought, but not yet obtained, to modernise Wards 2 and 5 and Ward 4. It is hoped to rewire and instal fluorescent lighting and re-decorate on similar lines to that already carried out in the other wards. Weightman Ward and Ward 3 have now been entirely re-decorated and modernised.

Electrically heated food trolleys have now been provided for all the wards. This will ensure that the food leaving the kitchen will remain hot until served to the patients in the Wards—a necessary provision to ensure maximum benefit to the patients. Your Committee are indebted to the University of Liverpool Panto Day Committee for two of these trolleys for the Wards, and the Rose and Crown Hotel, Bebington, for providing one for the Doctors’ Dining Room.

The Pharmaceutical Department has been considerably extended, relighted and decorated, and valuable additional equipment installed. The twin Operating Theatres have been redecorated and



ONE OF THE TWIN OPERATING THEATRES

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fluorescent lighting introduced, and here again much new equipment added. The Pathological and Bacteriological Laboratory has also been similarly treated, and its efficiency enhanced by much new equipment. The Physiotherapy Department has been supplied with an additional short-wave diathermy machine, and the new lighting and decorations have received favourable comment.

The change-over from D.C. to A.C. was successfully carried out in November and December by the Birkenhead Corporation, and re-wiring of the old Central Block is almost completed.

The X-Ray Department is in urgent need of extension, and, although every effort has been made to put into effect the scheme submitted by the Architect, official sanction to proceed with the work has yet to be obtained. Considerable new and costly equipment has recently been installed, but the staff are still working under difficulties brought about by lack of accommodation. By the generosity of Mr. W. Southan Morris and his co-directors of the S.M. Super Cinemas Ltd., a new Westinghouse X-Ray Diagnostic Set has been installed. A suitable tablet recording the gift is being placed in the Department.

Included in this scheme is provision for nurses and domestic staff lavatory and locker room accommodation—a need which has been long felt—and it is hoped official sanction to carry out the work will be forthcoming at an early date.

The Hospital Laundry and Kitchen are matters which will need to receive attention shortly. The Laundry has rendered yeoman service for many years, and when opened in 1908, was a most efficient unit, but now requires many replacements which for various reasons we are unable to obtain. The Kitchen is cramped through lack of accommodation, and will need modernising to bring it up to the standard required to meet present and future requirements.

Very little progress can be recorded in our endeavour to secure possession of the premises occupied by the Corporation's V.D. Department, and protracted negotiations between the Corporation and your Committee have produced little or no results. Great hopes are entertained that these premises will provide room for urgently needed extensions.

In last year's Annual Report, reference was made to the plans and scheme drawn up by the Architect for the possible future development of the Hospital. The scheme visualised a long term policy and, while we realise that such a large and comprehensive undertaking must be left over for the time being, it is hoped that when times are more propitious, the Regional Board will regard it as a basis of discussion for the future development of the Hospital.

Appointments System.

The problem of reducing to a minimum the time spent by patients waiting in the Out-Patient Department clinics has received

considerable attention by a Special Sub-Committee. Plans have been formulated and are ready to put into operation as soon as the necessary accommodation for staff and records are available. A scheme to cover part of the Main Hall in the Out-Patient Department to provide additional floor space, has been approved and now awaits the sanction of the Ministry of Health, and the necessary Licence. Until these are obtained nothing further can be done, but your Committee has reason to believe official sanction will be forthcoming at an early date.

Gifts in Kind.

To our many friends who, by their gifts of flowers, fruit and vegetables, remember the needs of the Hospital and patients, we pay warm tribute. These gifts have been many and varied, great and small, and all have been thankfully received.

It is with appreciation that reference is made to the gifts of foodstuffs which have been received from the Dominions and Colonies. The consignments have been of inestimable value in making the diet of both patients and staff more varied than would have otherwise been possible.

The following gifts are gratefully acknowledged :—

Anonymous Donor	Wireless Set
Temple Road School, Birkenhead	1 Gross of Eggs.
Miss B. Wilson, Marine Hotel, Ballycastle, County Antrim	1 Box of Gooseberries
S. McIvor Esq., "Balmae," Birch Road, Oxton, Birkenhead	Fruit and Vegetables
Chairman, Personal Service League, 41 Loundes Square, London	Raisins, Powdered Milk, etc.
British Legion, Birkenhead	4 Tins of Ice cream
Emanuel Bible College, Palm Grove, Birken- head	Lettuce and Cabbage
Rev. Andrew Prentice, 12 Kingsmead Road South, Birkenhead	Blackberries
Mrs. E. W. Willmer, 26 Brancote Road, Birkenhead	Magazines
Birkenhead Conservative Association	Fruit and Vegetables
Mrs. Davie, 14 Vaughan Road, Wallasey	Wheel Chair
Mr. Littler, 67 Temple Road, Birkenhead	Magazines
Mrs. Anderson, 58 Shrewsbury Road, Birken- head	Magazines

We have received Harvest Produce from the following Churches and Schools :—

Trinity Presbyterian Church, per Rev. Andrew Prentice.
 Upton Presbyterian Church, Upton, per Rev. V. W. Logan.
 Bidston Parish Church, per Rev. E. O. A. Thomas.
 Hind Street Methodist Church, per Mr. Beswick.
 Highfield Congregational Church, per Rev. E. D. Paterson.
 Infant School, Brassey Street, per Miss Fairclough.
 All Saints Church, per Mrs. W. M. Owen.
 Girls' High School, Devonshire Park.
 Brassey Street Institute, per Miss McClaude.
 Prenton Congregational Church, per Rev. E. H. Lewis.

Appreciation and Thanks.

The work that a Voluntary Hospital is able to accomplish depends upon the financial assistance it receives. Your Committee, therefore, desire to place on record its grateful thanks to the many Subscribers, Donors and Friends of the Hospital, who by their generous support and services, have made possible the increased work carried on last year.

The thanks of your Committee are due to the Proprietors and Editors of the local Press, who so often render ready and willing assistance by publishing reports of the Hospital's activities, and giving publicity to our needs.

The British Red Cross and St. John War Organisation, and Canadian Red Cross, have sent a large quantity of Hospital stores, etc. and the Committee expresses grateful thanks for these welcome and acceptable gifts. Our thanks are also due to Mrs. H. A. Greaves, organiser of the Hospital Car Service, for her untiring efforts and services rendered to the Hospital.

Your Committee would like to place on record our appreciation of Mr. A. D. Heygarth's services as Hospital Optician.

Committee.

There have been changes in the membership of the Committee during the year. Miss Isobel R. Temple has resigned on leaving the district. She was appointed a member of the Committee in 1940 and we record our appreciation of her services. References to the deaths of Mr. W. T. McIvor and Mr. A. McDowell have been recorded elsewhere.

Mr. T. W. Harley, Chairman of the General Committee of Management was accorded the honour of being appointed, by the Minister of Health, a member of the Liverpool Regional Hospital Board constituted on the 24th June, 1947, under the National Health Service Act, 1946.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Lockhart E. Holmes, O.B.E., who has so ably represented this Hospital on the Committee of the Merseyside Hospitals Council. Owing to increasing business demands Mr. Lockhart E. Holmes has found it necessary to relinquish these duties, and his place has been taken by the Secretary-Superintendent.

The following members are due to retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election :—

E. G. Gerrard, Esq.

W. Sinton, Esq.

Oscar Prentice, Esq.

J. B. Welson, Esq., LL.M.

E. Wrayford Willmer, Esq., J.P.

In his capacity as Secretary-Superintendent, Mr. H. Hewitt Cooke has shown himself as possessing a facile grasp of the complexities of Hospital administration. His modest assumption of responsibility engenders an atmosphere of confidence and quiet control which is reflected throughout the Hospital. His ability also to measure up to difficulties which in these changing times so frequently confront the management, has been a matter of favourable comment on all sides.

The Committee thank Mr. Cooke for his unfailing courtesy, the hard work he has put in, and for his loyalty.

Conclusion.

It is appreciated that with the coming into force in July next of State ownership of the Hospital, changes will take place inevitably affecting voluntary help and effort. That there will still be scope to assist both financially and otherwise is explained on page 69 of this Report. In this connection friends of the Hospital will be interested to know that the John Laird Memorial Convalescent Fund, which has existed since 1898 for the purpose of sending patients of this Hospital to Convalescent Homes, has been pronounced as being outside the scope of the National Health Service Act. Consequently this Fund will not pass to the Minister of Health, but will continue as a separate Trust Fund available at all times for augmentation by legacies, donations and subscriptions; in other words, this Convalescent Fund offers a live and very useful avenue for continued munificence to the Hospital in the way of voluntary support.

Your Committee cannot help but feel keenly, and with some regret, the passing of the voluntary system of management, a service which, through the years, has built up the close personal touch in the day-to-day management of the Hospital. In wishing the new service success, they appeal to all the friends and supporters of the Hospital to continue their interest in its future. The welfare of the patients is of paramount importance, and if local interest is not forthcoming, the patient will suffer in the long run. Parliament has already recognised this, and under the Act, financial support can still be given to provide comforts and gifts so essential to maintain and continue that personal touch, which for so many years has been the concern of charitably disposed persons.

Only if this spirit can be preserved will the Hospital system of the future achieve new standards of efficiency and service to the community.

E. B. ROYDEN,

PRESIDENT.

MATRON'S REPORT.

For the Year ending 31st December, 1947.

The number of Nursing Staff on 31st December, 1947, was as follows :—

Matron	1	Night Sister	1
Assistant Matron	1	Ward and Departmental Sisters	11
Home Sister	1	Student Nurses in Training ..	74
Housekeeping Sister	1	Physiotherapists	4
Sister Tutor	1	Part-time Nurses	5
Night Superintendent	1		

During the year under review 65 applications for training were received, 26 students entered for training and 19 left, having completed their training.

There have been a number of changes in the personnel during 1947. The Assistant Matron, Sister M. E. Edge, left in June to be married and is now resident in Glasgow. Sister Doris Davies, who will be remembered by many of our present and old staff, retired from the X-Ray Department for health reasons. Sister Davies' 21 years of service were suitably recognised by her colleagues and she was presented with a portable wireless set. Sister Bateman, who for the past seven years had been Tutor, resigned in April, 1947, to take up the appointment of Assistant Matron at the Dudley Guest Hospital, Wolverhampton.

In June, 1947, Sister Eglin was appointed Assistant Matron. Sister Eglin was from October, 1937, to April, 1941, a Ward Sister at this Hospital and her return—after gaining additional experience in other hospitals—is welcomed.

Sister Barnett was appointed Tutor in July, 1947, coming to us from the Dewsbury and District General Infirmary.

Sister Beryl Owen returned in April, 1947, from H.M. Forces, after serving three years in the Queen Alexandra Military Nursing Service, first in Europe and later in the Far East. Sister Cunningham another trainee of this Hospital, has returned as third Theatre Sister.

As in previous years, the Ward and Departmental Sisters have faced their duties with unflinching courage and devotion, and have succeeded in maintaining a high standard of nursing. The installation of modern sluice room equipment is well in hand and when completed will do much towards relieving the arduous duties of the Nurses.

I would like to thank the Visiting Medical Staff and Miss E. Glen Dobie for valuable and interesting lectures given to the Nursing Staff.

I would also like to thank the following :—

The Rev. W. S. Sykes, M.A., for the Sunday morning services to patients and Nursing Staff ; the kind friends of the Hospital who

have sent gifts of flowers to brighten the Wards ; the many ex-patients who have written letters of appreciation of Nursing Staff during their stay in Hospital ; Messrs. Walter and George Trace for their kindness in loaning six wireless sets during the Christmas and New Year Festivities ; and to the General Committee of Management for their kindness in permitting the Out-Patient Department to be used for Nursing Staff Dances.

The national, in fact the world-wide shortage of nurses is of most serious import. In an industrial area such as Birkenhead, it is difficult to recruit locally student nurses when the opportunities for lucrative employment in business houses is an ever-present counter attraction to prospective candidates for the Nursing profession. May I appeal to parents and school mistresses for their help in influencing suitable girls to give serious consideration to the profession of nursing.

The Birkenhead General Hospital became a Training School for Nurses in 1908 and is recognised as such by the General Nursing Council for England and Wales. Apart from a Children's Ward, the Hospital provides a complete training for Nurses. In order to provide "childrens" experience, arrangements have been made for candidates to attend at Alder Hey Children's Hospital, Liverpool, for a period of three months.

After application has been made by prospective candidates, those selected as being best fitted enter the Preliminary Training School for ten weeks. If this course is successfully concluded the Student Nurse is transferred to the Wards as one of the staff for a further two months' trial period. A four year contract is then signed, dating from her entry into the Preliminary Training School.

The Student Nurse may take Part 1 of the Preliminary Examinations at the end of six months, or Parts 1 and 2 together at the conclusion of 12 months. The Final State Examination takes place at the end of three years and the last year is served as a Staff Nurse. A qualified Sister Tutor is always present in the Class Room and a series of Lectures are provided by the Visiting Medical and Surgical Staff and the Pharmacist.

Uniform is provided and the hours of duty are approximately 48 per week. There is one whole day free weekly, and 28 days annual holiday with salary and allowance.

The Student Nurses have their own Social Club and their representative body is the Students Nurses' Association. They become members of the College of Nursing when attaining State Registration. Nurses are resident throughout their training and few rules exist in the Nurses' Homes. What rules and regulations there are have been introduced after careful thought to ensure the maximum freedom of the Nurse and the minimum restrictions to safeguard the ideals for which the profession stands.



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C. MENZIES, *Matron*.

SENIOR NURSING STAFF.

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Assistant Matron :

Miss E. EGLIN, S.R.N., S.C.M.

Sister Tutor :

Miss S. M. BARNETT, S.R.N., S.C.M.

Housekeeping Sister :

Miss E. E. BULGER, S.R.N., S.C.M.

Home Sister :

Miss G. MITCHELL, S.R.N.

Night Superintendent :

Miss M. M. BEATTIE, S.R.N.

Night Sister :

Miss T. NOLAN, S.R.N., S.R.F.N.

Senior Theatre Sister :

Miss K. L. HOUGHTON, S.R.N.

Junior Theatre Sisters :

Miss M. TANNER-EVANS, S.R.N., R.S.C.N. Miss M. E. CUNNINGHAM,
S.R.N., S.C.M.

Casualty Sister :

Miss M. THOMAS, S.R.N., S.C.M., S.R.F.N.

Senior Out-Patient Sister :

Miss M. E. JONES, S.R.N., S.C.M.

Junior Out-Patient Sister :

Miss E. E. CARTER, S.R.N.

Sister in Charge Private Block :

Miss H. ECCLESTON, S.R.N., S.C.M.

Sister in Charge Weightman Ward :

Miss D. M. V. JACK, S.R.N.

Sister in Charge Ward I :

Miss K. O'BYRNE, S.R.N., S.C.M.

Sister in Charge Wards 2 and 5 :

Miss E. CAINE, S.R.N., S.C.M.

Sister in Charge Ward 4 :

Miss B. OWEN, S.R.N.

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Miss F. Hignett	Mrs. Kyffin
Mrs. O'Neill	Mrs. M. Standring
Miss M. Pyke	Mrs. G. B. Wetherell
Mrs. West	Mrs. Graham White
Mrs. Fred Willmer.	

It is gratifying to record that notwithstanding the many difficulties which have been encountered, the activities of the Linen Guild have been well maintained. The work of the Collectors has been very difficult during the past year. Many subscribers are already anticipating the day when the State will assume responsibility for the maintenance of Voluntary Hospitals. As will be seen from the Memorandum on page 69 published by the British Hospitals Association, there will be ample scope for voluntary service in the work of the Ladies' Linen Guilds in the care and maintenance of linen, etc.

Although the actual numbers of subscribers dropped by 59, the total amount collected was £89 17s., this being an increase of £17 3s. 6d. on last year, due to the generosity of the few. Donations at £9 11s. show a decrease of £3 1s. 6d.

The annual "Bring and Buy" Sale, held in July, realised the highly satisfactory total of £169 11s. 10d., not up to the total reached last year, as we did not receive any large individual donations. Mention should be made of the outstanding efforts of Mrs. Hilton Moore and Mrs. Swift of Childer Thornton. The total received under "Special Efforts" during the year reached £204 17s. 4d. The Receipts and Payments Accounts will be found on page 66.

Since the last Annual Meeting, the Linen Guild has supplied the Hospital with:—176 blankets, 50 flannelette sheets, 516 pillow-cases, 18 down quilts, 8 dozen dusters, 100 pairs sheets, 104 yards tea towelling, 114 towels, to the value of £700. Most of these articles have been bought locally.

It is of more than passing interest to note that since Lady Leverhulme and the present Committee have been in office, the Linen Guild has raised no less a sum than £2,412 14s. 11d. This record is truly a credit to all concerned, and during this time the money has provided the Hospital with the following: 2,402 pillow-cases, 931 sheets, 622 blankets, 1,052 yards draw sheeting, 18 quilts, 112 counterpanes, 24 mattress covers, 24 tray cloths, 156 dusters, 75 locker cloths, 30 lbs. wool, 36 table napkins, 376 towels and 127 tea towels.

The devoted efforts of all concerned with the Linen Guild—(and I write with the personal knowledge of many individual efforts)—and their endeavours to ensure that, so far as lies within their power, the efficiency of the work of the Hospital will not be impaired by lack of funds, has lightened the work of our Committee, and to them is due the gratitude of all concerned with the welfare of the Hospital.

G. B. WETHERELL,

Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

An Invitation.

Would you like to see the “inner workings” of this important General Hospital? If so, a Member of the Staff will be delighted to show you round the various Departments. It is our wish to have your interest, and we feel sure that a closer acquaintance with our activities will help to strengthen the bonds between us. Our aim is to make a friend for life of every patient, but without your co-operation, our task is difficult.

PATHOLOGICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT.

Report of the Work during the year ended 31st Dec. 1947.

The work carried out in the Pathological Laboratory continues to show an annual increase of patients and specimens for investigation. The major increase in specialised work is shown by biochemical and hæmatological investigations. New and up-to-date tests are now included in general laboratory routine.

These account for an extra 300 biochemical tests carried out during the year under review in comparison with previous years. It is interesting to note that general blood examinations have increased from 405 tests made in 1939 to 1,669 tests made in 1947, the increase in each year being approximately 200 investigations over the previous year. All other specialised blood tests have gone up in a similar manner. A comparison of the work during the five years shown in the table of statistics, indicates that the investigations have been almost doubled and that the individual patient, whether residing in Hospital or attending as an out-patient, has had the advantage of full laboratory help.

The Department has been successful in keeping pace with modern requirements and continues to render valuable assistance to the Clinicians and members of the Visiting Medical Staff. The table of statistics on the next page gives some indication of the work being carried on.

Re-decoration and fluorescent lighting have made a considerable improvement in the working conditions of the staff, and have greatly increased the facilities for routine hospital pathology.

Your Committee would like to place on record its gratitude to Dr. Hugh Smith and his staff for their part in helping to keep the Hospital abreast of the times.

The Department was opened in April, 1928, and the following tables indicate how the work has increased :—

1929	1930	1932	1934	1936	1938	1940	1945	1946	1947
2,150	2,401	3,687	4,412	4,556	5,585	8,625	9,648	10,718	11,052

PATHOLOGICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL STATISTICS.

The examinations made were as follows :—

Number of specimens examined for In-Patients ..			7,540		
Number of specimens examined for Out-Patients..			3,552		
			Total	11,052	
	1939	1944	1945	1946	1947
Blood Chemical					
Urea and Non-protein Nitro-					
gen	350	423	621	704	683
Sugar	1080	1532	1320	1026	1245
Calcium	3	5	13	14	18
Alkali Reserve	—	—	—	12	9
Phosphatase	—	—	—	10	67
Van den Bergh (includes					
Takata, Cephalin, Chol-					
esterol, Thymol Turbid-					
ity)	—	25	30	360	62
Cholesterol	—	—	—	18	27
Protein, uric acid, phos-					
phorus, etc.	—	—	—	100	89
Blood Haematological					
Cell Counts	405	634	898	1196	1669
Differential Counts	300	314	208	826	1061
Blood Sedimentation Rate	7	5	20	278	226
Groups and Compatibilities	60	57	31	231	180
Prothrombin and Coagula-					
tion times	25	8	16	79	98
Agglutination and Cultures	80	40	69	108	63
Urine					
General and Microscopic ..	2177	3837	3974	1904	2640
Quantitative (urea, sugar,					
diastase, chlorides) ..	386	545	715	677	669
Faeces					
General and Microscopic ..	140	80	112	200	144
Occult Blood	200	152	138	240	199
Bacteriology					
Sputa	140	140	208	280	314
Cerebro-spinal Fluid	60	60	88	203	74
Cervical and Vaginal Swabs	46	85	48	137	169
Ear, Nose and Throat Swabs	81	101	156	296	166
Eye Swabs	28	5	11	54	47
Pus Swabs	110	193	198	408	186
Semen	5	8	20	38	28
Vaccine	18	15	16	59	18
Fractional Test Meals					
Sections	180	185	254	507	385
	425	497	484	578	515
	6,306	8,946	9,648	10,718	11,052

X-RAY DEPARTMENT.

The number of patients X-rayed in 1947 was 13,308 consisting of 11,302 out-patients and 2,006 in-patients. These figures show that the increasing trend of previous years is being continued, and with the advent of the new Health Service Scheme, it may be anticipated that still further demands will be made on the X-ray Department.

During 1947, the equipment of the Department was replaced by two modern X-ray machines capable of a wide range of work, and the result has been an all-round improvement in the efficiency of the Department.

Badly needed extensions to the present accommodation have been planned by Mr. Leonard Barnish, F.R.I.B.A., and subject to a licence being obtained, it is hoped alterations will begin early in 1948. When completed, this reconstruction will enable improvements to be effected in every aspect of the work of the Department.

In order to provide a continuous X-ray service, and to conform to the regulation affecting hours of work, it has been necessary to increase the staff. This now consists of three qualified radiographers and four student radiographers. In enrolling student radiographers the Hospital has made an innovation which performs two useful purposes. There is a country-wide shortage of qualified radiographers, and thus a contribution is being made to a solution of future staffing problems, while the presence of the students in the Department enables the trained staff to devote themselves to more important duties.

To Dr. Keating, Radiologist, has fallen a great deal of the work of maintaining the Department in its high state of efficiency, and the thanks of your Committee are accorded to him and his staff.

Case Return for the Year 1947.

Total Cases Radiographed	13,308
(Out-Patients and Casualties 11,302 ; In-Patients, 2,006.)	
Total Examinations (Actual	
Radiographs) .. *	34,632

Screenings.

Total Barium Meals	780
Total Barium Enemata	102
Total Chests	71
Total Chests (Bronchography)	8
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Total Screenings	961
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X-RAY DEPARTMENT—*continued.***Radiographic.**

Long Bones and Joints	..	9,046
Chests	1,631
(Bronchograms) .. .. .	..	8
Intravenous Pyelograms	..	208
Pregnancy .. .. .	..	143
Abdominal (General) .. .. .	..	882
Spines .. .. .	..	560
Skulls .. .. .	..	487
Sinuses and Mastoids, etc.	..	163
Cholecystography .. .. .	..	156
Dental .. .. .	..	24
Total Cases ..		<u>13,308</u>

**TO THOSE WHO FEEL THAT THIS
HOSPITAL DESERVES TO BE HELPED.**

The day-to-day generosity of the living is the mainstay of this Institution, but the burden so ungrudgingly borne would be greatly lightened if those benevolent persons who have money to leave would remember the Hospital when making their wills.

A form of bequest will be found on page 56.

A COPY OF THE ANNUAL REPORT

will be gladly sent to any friend of the Hospital upon request.

VENEREAL DISEASES DEPARTMENT.

Venereal Diseases should be regarded as a special group of the communicable diseases against which Health Services of the country are constantly fighting, a task not rendered any easier by the moral questions involved. The conspiracy of silence which in the past has hampered this work is rapidly being overcome, and the social implications of a disease spread by sexual intercourse can be lessened by a wise education.

Statistics show that the efforts of venereologists and workers in public health were very successful between the two wars; for instance the number of cases of early syphilis dealt with at treatment centres in 1939 was only 45 per cent. of those in 1931. With the war, however, came an inevitable rise in the incidence, showing slightly in 1940 and rising to a maximum in 1945/46 and now beginning to fall off again.

New remedies have undoubtedly caused a revolution in the treatment of venereal disease, although they have accompanying dangers and drawbacks. For instance, the rapid disappearance following the treatment of gonorrhoea with Sulphonamides has led to the discontinuance of attendances in many cases before a complete cure was effected, and under treatment has led to the emergence of Sulphonamide resistant strains. On the other hand, the remarkably reduced incidence of impaired vision following the introduction of Sulphonamides for the treatment of Ophthalmia-Neonatorum, must be regarded as a solid gain. The later discovered remedy—Penicillin—at last seems to be a remedy for gonorrhoea which when properly used can avoid to a great extent one of the drawbacks to the use of Sulphonamides—the creation of resistance strains—as a large proportion of the cases can be cured in a single day, although this again in some cases has led to discontinuance of attendance before being certified cured.

Control of venereal diseases has been assisted by certain general measures of which public education, contact tracing and follow-up of defaulters have played no little part. Further recommendations by the Joint Committee on Venereal Diseases are (1) Routine blood testing in the case of every pregnant woman. (2) The compulsion of parents or guardians of congenital syphilitic infants to secure for such children continued treatment until the risk of late effects are eliminated. (3) The Minister of Health should undertake a thorough investigation into the problem of prostitution with a view to putting the public in possession of all the facts and securing its support in measures designed to reduce the spread of venereal diseases by prostitution.

MUNICIPAL VENEREAL DISEASES CLINIC.

Details of attendances and new cases at the Clinic during the years 1946/47 are set out below.

(a) Total Attendances :—

<i>Year</i>			<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Total</i>
1940	..	..	3,688	1,745	5,433
1941	..	..	3,183	1,975	5,159
1942	..	..	4,052	3,603	7,655
1943	..	..	4,486	5,716	10,202
1944	..	..	4,161	5,045	9,206
1945	..	..	5,131	5,064	10,195
1946	..	..	8,012	7,260	15,272
1947	..	..	6,906	6,074	12,980

(b) New Cases :—

<i>Year</i>	<i>Syphilis</i>		<i>Soft Chancre</i>		<i>Gonor- rhoea</i>		<i>Non- Venereal</i>		<i>Totals</i>		<i>Total new Cases</i>
	<i>M</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>F</i>	
1940..	46	17	7	—	110	14	94	24	257	55	312
1941..	49	23	11	—	138	13	93	25	291	61	352
1942..	47	48	3	—	110	52	99	35	259	135	394
1943..	59	43	3	—	120	102	214	111	396	256	652
1944..	60	39	3	—	73	56	188	117	324	212	536
1945..	48	31	2	1	109	94	248	107	407	233	640
1946..	69	43	3	—	219	111	330	81	621	235	856
1947..	43	30	—	—	156	67	302	84	502	181	683

These figures do not include new patients seen during the year who have been previously treated elsewhere. These figures for the year 1947 are :—

<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Total</i>
59	9	68

making the total number of patients new to this clinic for the year 1947, 751.

OPERATIONS PERFORMED DURING 1946

GENERAL SURGICAL OPERATIONS.

Abdomino-perineal excision of rectum	11
Adenoma of breast	17
Amputation of malignant genital organs	4
Anastomosis	6
Appendectomy (acute, chronic, perforated)	122
Biopsy of glands	2
Cholecystgastroenterostomy	5
Cholecystectomy	24
Circumcisions	42
Cleaning up of burns and scalds	3
Cleaning up and suturing of lacerated wounds	20
Closure of colostomy	3
Colostomy and caecostomy	22
Cystoscopy, with or without diathermy	126
Diathermy to cervix, caruncle, papilloma, empyema, ectopic gestation	92
Diathermy to rodent ulcers	2
Dilatation urethral stricture	12
Excision of ear—partial	3
Excision head of radius	1
Excision of scar	5
Gastrectomy	29
Gastro-enterostomy	7
Gastrosocopy	22
Gastrostomy	3
Haemorrhoidectomy, fissure-in-ano, proctocaine injections, pilonidal sinus	82
Hemicolectomy	6
Herniotomy (simple and strangulated)	137
Hydrocele, varicocele, undescended testes	32
Ileostomy	1
Incision and/or scrape glands of neck and groin	41
Incision of abscesses and septic focus, ischiorectal abscess	81
Intrathecal and trigeminal nerve injections	4
Keloid scars	5
Laparotomy	16
Lumbar, renal and arterial sympathectomy	7
Mastectomy (simple and radical)	40
Nephrectomy	9
Nephrolithotomy	3
Pancreaticoduodenectomy	1
Partial gastrectomy	29
Perineal excision of rectum	1
Perforated gastric ulcer	3
Prostatectomy	7
Prostatectomy—Wilson Hey	19
Removal cysts, lipoma, papilloma, epulis, angioma, fibroma, warts, ganglion	207
Removal of foreign bodies from various parts of the body	30
Removal of impacted root of tooth	6
Rib resection	2
Secondary suture	8
Sigmoidoscopy	22
Simple and radical removal of toe-nail	22
Skin grafts and cosmetic surgery	17
Spermatoceles	3

OPERATIONS PERFORMED DURING 1947—continued

Splenectomy	3
Suprapubic cystotomy	6
Suprarenal tumour	1
Thyroidectomy, subtotal, total, adenoma	37
Trephine of skull	1
Varicose veins, ligature	90
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	1,562

ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY OPERATIONS

Albee operation	1
Amputation of finger	15
Amputation of leg	10
Amputation of toe	14
Arthrodesis and plaster hip	15
Aspiration of joints	3
Bone grafts	5
Excision of bursae	38
Excision exostosis	16
Excision of terpero mandibular disc	1
Hammer toes	9
Hibbs bone graft	1
Hip spicas	28
Kellar's	53
Lactic acid injections into joints	260
Manipulations of shoulders or elbows	42
Manipulation of spine	49
Meniscectomy	36
Open reduction of any joints	8
Osteotomy	10
Osteomyelitis	4
Plaster beds	3
Plaster hips	28
Plaster jackets	70
Reduction and/or redressing fractures, simple or compound and placing in plaster of Paris or metal splints	43
Removal of loose bodies	4
Removal of sequestra	7
Replaster legs and/or arms	51
Shoulder spicas	4
Smith Petersen pin and bone graft, insertion Capener nails	12
Steinman's pin	10
Suture of nerve	1
Suture of tendon	23
Tenotomy	4
Torticollis—correction of	1
Transplantation of nerves	1
Trigger fingers	3
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EAR, NOSE AND THROAT OPERATIONS

Adenoidectomy	20
Antrum and spheroidal punctures	18
Antrostomy—radical and nasal	15
Atticotomy	17
Biopsy	2
Bronchoscopy	17

EAR, NOSE AND THROAT OPERATIONS—continued

Elevation malar bone	1
Ethmoidectomy (radical)	9
Fenestration	3
Fistula—repair of	1
Frontal sinus (radical)	2
Incision of hard palate	1
Laryngoscopy	4
Ligature of tonsil bed	1
Mastoidectomy	23
Myringotomy	2
Nasal bones—manipulation of	1
Oesophagoscopy	34
Other nasal operations	3
Plastic to ear	1
Removal of nasal and aural polypi	21
Redressing of mastoids	38
Rhinotomy	2
Salivary duct—probing of	1
Submucous resection	34
Tonsil dissection	84
Tonsil enucleation	15
Tonsil dissection with adenoidectomy	75
Tracheotomy	2

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EYE OPERATIONS

Alcohol application to corneal ulcers	3
Correction of squints	38
Dacrocystectomy	1
Detached retina	1
Enucleations	7
Elliott's trephine	4
Evisceration	4
Incision of tarsal and other cysts	16
Incision of abscesses of lachrymal duct	3
Iridectomy	4
Lachrymal duct—probe of	16
Needling of cataract	2
Plastic operation to eye socket	4
Removal of cataracts	21

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GYNAECOLOGICAL OPERATIONS

Colpoperineorrhaphy	48
Dilatation and curettage, with or without inflation	108
Gilliam's operation	11
Hysterectomy or sling operation	21
Myomectomy	3
Oophorectomy or removal of ovarian cysts	15
Salpingo-oophorectomy	4
Therapeutic evacuation of uterus	2
Vaginal repair (colporrhaphy)	18
Vaginal plastic	2
Vulvectomy	1

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Total 3,359

COMPARATIVE TABLE OF PATIENTS

I. IN-PATIENTS

	1947	1946	1945	1944
Number of In-Patients resident on 1st January ..	72	107	103	97
Number of In-Patients resident on 31st December ..	94	103	107	99
Number of In-Patients admitted during the year ..	3,735	3,753	3,344	2,905

II. OUT-PATIENTS

	1947			1946			1945			1944		
	New Patients	Attendances	New Patients	New Patients	Attendances	New Patients	New Patients	Attendances	New Patients	Attendances	New Patients	Attendances
Cardiograph ..	299	299	216	216	216	253	253	253	238	238	238	238
Dental ..	38	103	34	56	56	24	24	40	49	77	49	77
Ear, Nose and Throat ..	1,003	2,304	1,005	2,111	2,111	826	826	1,486	674	1,017	674	1,017
Gynaecological ..	623	1,044	611	1,114	1,114	660	660	1,227	657	1,153	657	1,153
Massage & Electrical ..	2,035	24,498	1,826	28,360	28,360	1,809	1,809	26,136	1,853	29,143	1,853	29,143
Medical ..	1,511	3,215	1,370	3,590	3,590	1,250	1,250	4,081	1,305	3,718	1,305	3,718
Ophthalmic ..	863	2,725	865	1,920	1,920	155	155	228	—	—	—	—
Orthopaedic ..	2,663	9,445	2,595	9,981	9,981	2,426	2,426	9,286	2,354	8,903	2,354	8,903
Pathological ..	47	61	60	92	92	69	69	288	36	204	36	204
Skin ..	508	1,722	482	1,843	1,843	339	339	1,470	477	2,221	477	2,221
Surgical & Casualties ..	16,187	49,772	15,084	49,618	49,618	15,002	15,002	55,285	14,529	51,329	14,529	51,329
X-Ray and Treatment ..	10,796	10,796	10,186	10,240	10,240	7,918	7,918	8,278	6,913	7,431	6,913	7,431
V.D. ..	683	12,980	864	15,272	15,272	714	714	10,195	1,173	9,203	1,173	9,203
	37,256	118,964	35,198	124,413	124,413	31,465	31,465	118,523	30,258	114,640	30,258	114,640

Comparative Statement of Income

	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932
INCOME.										
ORDINARY.	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Annual Subscriptions	1446	1484	1953	1821	1866	1854	1466	1545	1455	1427
Donations & Boxes	2011	2276	2058	1849	1718	1879	1981	1168	1489	1525
Central Funds and Workmen's Contributions	3818	4320	4998	6422	7068	8107	9564	10069	8817	8967
Invested Property	1139	1068	1082	1081	1300	1668	1689	1748	1554	1515
Services to Patients	5100	3388	4308	4274	4246	4286	3796	4249	4602	4147
Other Receipts	999	588	638	626	732	228	420	128	183	219
	14513	13124	15037	16073	16930	18022	18916	18907	18100	17800
EXTRAORDINARY.										
Legacies	1500	850	886	400	1880	2072	8876	13013	2277	284
Sundry	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL INCOME	16013	13974	15923	16473	18810	20094	27792	31920	20377	18084
EXPENDITURE.										
Provisions	2911	2892	2912	2906	3109	3171	3601	3576	3487	3303
Surgery and Dispensary	1885	2252	2532	1891	2648	3610	3538	3569	3578	3920
Domestic	2917	3122	2912	3390	3023	3529	3901	3707	4259	4260
Salaries and Wages	4215	4286	4576	4614	5040	5075	5786	6460	6927	7072
Miscellaneous	120	135	145	150	159	439	443	536	532	557
Administration	675	743	790	769	811	987	1229	1313	1264	1341
Establishment	1580	1714	1018	911	1336	732	589	629	432	529
Finance	54	53	52	133	272	320	241	276	199	229
	4356	15197	14937	14764	16393	17863	19328	20066	20678	21211
Extraordinary	6	43	20	—	—	—	1176	216	271	296
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	4362	15240	14957	14764	16398	17863	20504	20282	20949	21507
Average Beds Occupied	105	105	105	96	102	115	131	123	130	125
No. of In-Patients	1696	1799	1768	1666	1707	1945	2196	2208	2163	2440
Average Stay (Days)	22.56	21.38	21.93	21.16	20.4	21.86	21.68	20.51	21.73	18.94
Cost per In-Patient Week	2/3/0½	2/5/9	2/5/1¼	2/7/10½	2/8/11½	2/10/0½	2/6/6	2/11/7½	2/12/1½	2/12/2½
Cost per In-Patient	6/19/0½	6/19/4¼	7/0/11	7/4/8½	7/10/11½	7/16/11½	7/4/0½	7/11/3½	8/1/9½	7/0/4½
No. of new Out-Patients	12943	14806	14746	14130	15672	17658	19304	17523	17661	18679
Cost per Out-Patient	3/10½	3/7½	3/5	3/9½	4/2½	3/2½	3/6½	4/0	3/5	4/4½

and Expenditure for the past 25 years

1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1399	1395	1660	1811	2082	2640	2619	3191	3816	3739	4072	4221	4255	4167	4689
2133	2043	2248	2621	2353	2939	2275	2621	3022	4133	6530	9158	7617	7872	7420
9310	9060	8510	8535	9276	9170	8750	9762	9811	12512	16642	14228	13755	14502	13411
1421	1370	1381	1379	1325	1201	1264	1216	1128	878	1129	1239	1364	1278	724
5235	5705	5550	5402	6100	6387	6795	9822	10759	10353	10855	14332	14014	15158	15129
195	619	159	420	142	140	176	170	140	154	551	384	584	2885	3287
19693	20192	19508	20168	21278	22477	21879	26782	28682	31769	39779	43502	41589	45862	44660
5030	3351	838	1070	1583	1600	600	2632	1295	1192	1859	1795	1336	3653	785
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3221	5487	4014	1471	25456
24723	23543	20346	21238	22861	24077	22479	29414	29977	32961	44859	50844	47939	50986	70901
3021	3387	3392	3419	3883	3714	3875	5584	4352	4580	4147	5016	5509	5755	6991
3773	3517	3588	3821	3951	4125	4192	4052	4115	5239	5510	6466	7503	10613	15267
3967	3910	3937	4086	4037	3852	4229	4406	5077	6425	5785	7638	8397	11228	12351
7174	7193	7456	7786	8121	8590	9222	10097	10075	12410	14381	18034	19735	26715	38431
614	686	727	744	761	680	907	937	1245	1316	875	977	926	1760	2190
1342	1431	1358	1264	1229	1252	1369	1283	1357	1857	1903	2401	2349	2811	3263
583	793	547	940	572	751	282	492	718	1686	1542	1653	1668	4934	5181
384	217	230	250	248	241	410	524	153	324	563	616	431	608	715
20858	21134	21235	22310	22802	23205	24486	27975	27092	33837	34706	42801	46518	64424	84389
—	930	76	94	317	1630	1056	615	1054	3316	3037	4	1556	1388	12334
20858	22064	21311	22404	23119	24835	25542	28590	28146	37153	37743	42805	48074	65812	96723
128	128	120	120	122	119	109	122	71	88	105	119	121	115	112
2481	2496	2617	3001	2733	2871	2816	2944	2176	2619	2874	2905	3344	3753	3735
18.90	18.78	16.69	14.54	16.20	15.18	14.1	15.0	11.8	12.3	13.47	13.14	13.23	11.13	11.06
2/10/7 $\frac{1}{2}$	2/11/8 $\frac{1}{2}$	2/15/3 $\frac{1}{2}$	2/16/0	2/16/8 $\frac{1}{2}$	2/18/11 $\frac{1}{2}$	3/7/7	3/9/10	5/16/3 $\frac{1}{2}$	5/16/10 $\frac{1}{2}$	5/0/0 $\frac{1}{2}$	5/7/5	5/15/11 $\frac{1}{2}$	8/8/10 $\frac{1}{2}$	11/4/0 $\frac{1}{2}$
6/16/9 $\frac{1}{2}$	6/18/10 $\frac{1}{2}$	6/11/10 $\frac{1}{2}$	5/16/9 $\frac{1}{2}$	6/10/10	6/7/5 $\frac{1}{2}$	6/17/0	7/9/3	9/16/10 $\frac{1}{2}$	10/4/8 $\frac{1}{2}$	9/12/3	11/12/6	10/18/9	13/8/6 $\frac{1}{2}$	17/13/2
19626	20690	20595	24701	25395	25166	24812	24901	24552	26106	29283	30258	31465	35198	37256
4/0 $\frac{1}{2}$	3/8 $\frac{1}{2}$	3/9 $\frac{1}{2}$	3/10	3/9 $\frac{1}{2}$	3/11 $\frac{1}{2}$	4/2 $\frac{1}{2}$	4/8 $\frac{1}{2}$	4/6	5/4 $\frac{1}{2}$	5/0 $\frac{1}{2}$	5/11 $\frac{1}{2}$	6/3 $\frac{1}{2}$	7/9 $\frac{1}{2}$	10/0

FINANCIAL STATISTICS

I. IN-PATIENTS.

(A) Number of Beds and In-patients.

	Numbers in 1947	Numbers in 1946
1.—Beds (a) Complement at 31st December	181	173
(b) Average Daily Complement during year	150	150
(c) Average Number closed during year owing to		
1. Rebuilding	Nil	Nil
2. Repairs and Re-decoration	20	23
3. Other Causes	11	Nil
(d) Average Daily Number open during year	150	150
(e) Average Daily Number occupied during year	112.28	115.19
2.—In-patients in Hospital at beginning of year	83	107
3.—In-patients admitted during year	3735	3753
4.—In-patients in Hospital at end of year	94	83
5.—Average Number of days each patient was resident	11.059	11.132

(B) Annual Expenditure on In-patients apart from Out-patients.

Average cost of each In-patient per week and average cost of each In-patient.

	Expenditure on In-patients 1947	Average cost of each In-patient per week 1947	Average cost of each In-patient 1947	Average cost of each In-patient per week 1946	Average cost of each In-patient 1946
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1.—Provisions	6292 1 9	1 1 5 $\frac{1}{4}$	1 13 9 $\frac{1}{2}$	17 3	1 7 5 $\frac{1}{4}$
2.—Surgery and Dispensary	8396 14 7	1 8 7 $\frac{1}{4}$	2 5 1 $\frac{1}{4}$	19 5 $\frac{1}{4}$	1 10 10 $\frac{3}{4}$
3.—Domestic	10745 2 2	1 16 7 $\frac{1}{4}$	2 17 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 12 6 $\frac{1}{4}$	2 11 8 $\frac{3}{4}$
4.—Salaries and Wages	30745 2 10	5 4 8 $\frac{3}{4}$	8 5 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 11 2	5 13 2
5.—Miscellaneous	1949 4 8	6 7 $\frac{3}{4}$	10 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 3 $\frac{1}{2}$
6.—Administration	2447 0 9	8 4	13 1 $\frac{3}{4}$	7 0 $\frac{1}{4}$	11 2
Statistical Cost ..	60575 6 9	10 6 4$\frac{1}{4}$	16 5 4	7 12 7$\frac{1}{4}$	12 2 8$\frac{1}{4}$
7.—Establishment	4610 14 5	15 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 4 9	14 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 3 3
8.—Finance	572 2 2	1 11 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 0 $\frac{3}{4}$	1 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 7
Total Cost	£ 65758 3 4	11 4 0$\frac{1}{4}$	17 13 2	8 8 10$\frac{1}{4}$	13 8 6$\frac{1}{4}$

FINANCIAL STATISTICS—Continued.

II. OUT-PATIENTS.

(A) Numbers.

	Numbers in 1947	Numbers in 1946
1.—Total Number of New Out-patients	37,256	35,198
2.—Total Number of Out-patient attendances	118,964	124,413
3.—Number of Casualty Patients included in (1) above	14,353	13,156

(B) Annual Expenditure on Out-patients and average cost of each Out-patient attendance and of each Out-patient.

	Expenditure on Out-Patients 1947	Average cost of each Out-patient attendance 1947	Average cost of each Out-patient 1947	Average cost of each Out-patient attendance 1946	Average cost of each Out-patient 1946.
	£ s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1.—Provisions	699 2 5	0 1.41	0 4.504	0 1.11	0 3.925
2.—Surgery and Dispensary	6870 1 0	1 1.86	3 8.256	0 9.21	2 8.565
3.—Domestic	1605 11 10	0 3.24	0 10.343	0 2.82	0 9.952
4.—Salaries and Wages	7686 5 8	1 3.51	4 1.514	0 10.31	3 0.432
5.—Miscellaneous	240 18 4	0 0.49	0 1.552	0 0.37	0 1.320
6.—Administration	815 13 7	0 1.64	0 5.254	0 1.36	0 4.792
Statistical Cost ..	17917 12 10	3 0.15	9 7.423	2 1.18	7 4.986
7.—Establishment	569 17 3	0 1.15	0 3.671	0 1.05	0 3.700
8.—Finance	143 0 7	0 0.29	0 0.921	0 0.23	0 0.829
Total Cost	18630 10 8	3 1.59	10 0.015	2 2.46	7 9.515

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Tax reclaimed 0 17 2				Bean, The Misses	0	5	0
	1	18	2	Beausire,			
Aldridge E. C.	1	1	0	C. F. J. £2 2 0			
Alexander, Mr. H. G. and				Tax reclaimed 1 14 4			
Miss	2	0	0		3	16	4
Alexander,				Beausire, Miss C. C.	1	1	0
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Tax reclaimed 0 17 2				Beazley, Mrs. E. A.	1	1	0
	1	18	2	Beazley, E. B.	1	1	0
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Tax reclaimed 0 17 2				Tax reclaimed 0 17 2			
	1	18	2		1	18	2
Allan, Mrs. E. F.	1	0	0	Bevan, Mrs. A. W.	0	5	0
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Anderson Mrs.				Bibby, C. Leslie	5	0	0
(Bebington)	0	5	0	Bibby, Mr. and Mrs.			
Anonymous	1	1	0	H. P.	5	0	0
Anonymous	0	5	0	Bickersteth, Herbert....	2	2	0
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Armstrong, Miss A. C. ...	0	10	0	Bickley, Mr. and Mrs.			
Arnold Mr. and Mrs.				and family	0	10	0
Hutchinson	0	5	6	Bingham, Miss	0	10	0
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B							
Baker, Alderman A. W. ...	1	1	0	Birkenhead			
Barber, Mr. and Mrs. J.				Resident, £25 0 0			
Lionel	1	5	0	Tax reclaimed 20 9 1			
Barclay, Mrs.	0	10	0		45	9	1
Barclay, Mrs. R. M.	0	10	0	Bishop, Mrs.	0	10	0
Barlow, E. L. £1 1 0				Bithell, Mrs. M. E.	1	0	0
Tax reclaimed 0 17 2				Bleasdale Mrs.	0	10	0
	1	18	2	Blenkarn, Mrs. G. E.	0	5	0
				Braggar, Mrs.	1	1	0

	£	s.	d.
Brammall,			
Lawrence ..	£3	3	0
Tax reclaimed	2	11	6
	5	14	6
Bransbury Mr. and Mrs.			
R. H.	0	10	0
Brewin Messrs. J. & Co.	0	10	6
Bridger, Mrs.	0	5	0
Bridgwater, Mrs.	0	10	0
Briggs, Mrs.	0	5	0
British Oxygen Co. Ltd.	25	0	0
Brittain, Mrs. C.	0	5	0
Brocklebank, T. and J.			
Ltd.	10	10	0
Brodbelt,			
T. W. B.	£1	0	0
Tax reclaimed	0	16	4
	1	16	4
Broderick, Leitch-			
Kendall Ltd.	1	1	0
Broster, Miss	0	10	0
Brown, Ian A. £1	0	0	
Tax reclaimed	0	16	4
	1	16	4
Brown, John	1	1	0
Brown Miss	0	5	0
Browne, Mrs. A. H.	0	5	0
Browne, Andrew and			
Sons, Ltd.	1	1	0
Browne, Mrs. Fountain,			
(Heswall)	0	5	0
Browne, Mrs. Fountain,			
(Upton)	0	5	0
Bryant, Messrs.	0	5	0
Buckley, W. Noel	1	1	0
Bunford, R. H.	1	1	0
Burgess, Mrs.	0	5	0
Burroughs, G. H.	2	2	0

C

Cafferata, Mrs.	0	10	6
Cammell, Laird & Co.			
Ltd.	2500	0	0
Cannell, A. R. £2	2	0	
Tax reclaimed	1	14	4
	3	16	4
Carruthers, Mrs. L. A. . .	4	4	0
Carrington, Mrs. M.	1	1	0
Carson, J. T.	0	5	0
Cartwright, Mr. and Mrs.			
H. B.	1	1	0
Casdan, Dr. I.	1	1	0
Chalmers, Mrs.	0	10	0
Chapman, Mrs. H.	0	5	0
Cheeseman Mrs.	0	10	0
Cheshire Lines			
Committee	5	5	0

	£	s.	d.
Chrimes, Lady	0	10	0
Chrimes, C.B.E. (J.P.)			
Sir Bertram	1	1	0
Christian Mrs.	0	5	0
Churton, Mrs. C. G.	1	0	0
Clarke, Mrs.	0	5	0
Clay & Abraham Ltd.	1	1	0
Claxton, Miss A. May ..	0	15	6
Clover, Guy S.	2	2	0
Cockeram, Mrs. J. W. ..	1	1	0
Cockram, T. C.	0	10	0
Cole, Henry A. and Co.	5	5	0
Collinson, J.			
Walter	£1	1	0
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2
	1	18	2
Commercial			
Lodge No. 3628	1	1	0
Cook, F.			
Lawson	£1	1	0
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2
	1	18	2
Cook, Mrs. G. Kenneth. .	0	10	6
Cook, G. Kenneth, J.P.	1	1	0
Cook, Miss M. E. B.	1	1	0
Cooke, Mrs.			
F. E.	£1	1	0
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2
	1	18	2
Corlett, Mrs. C.	2	2	0
Cottle, C. J. L.	3	3	0
Couche, E. V. £1	1	0	
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2
	1	18	2
Cowan, A. A.	1	0	0
Cox, Mr. and Mrs. A. M.			
(In memory of Arthur			
Earle Cox) £1	1	0	
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2
	1	18	2
Craig, Robert.	1	1	0
Craig Mrs.	0	5	0
Crane, T. Thornton	15	15	0
Craven,			
J. & W.	£1	1	0
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2
	1	18	2
Crichton, Mrs. A. M.	0	5	0
Crosbie-			
Oates, Mrs. £0	11	0	
Tax reclaimed	0	9	0
	1	0	0
Crosfield, Miss			
A. G.	£2	2	0
Tax reclaimed	1	14	4
	3	16	4
Crosthwaite, Mrs. Tinley	1	1	0
Crowther Mrs.	0	5	0
Cruttenden, Philip B. ..	1	1	0

	£	s.	d.
Cunard Steamship Co., Ltd.	2	2	0
Curtis, Edward	£5	5	0
Tax reclaimed	4	5	10
	9	10	10

D

Davidson, Miss A.	0	10	0
Davies, Mr. and Mrs. D. Griffith	1	1	0
Davis, Mrs.	0	5	0
Dean, Mrs.	0	5	0
Delf, Mrs. W. M.	0	5	0
Dempster, Mrs. W.	1	1	0
Dempster Mrs. J.	1	1	0
Denson, Mrs.	0	5	0
Dews, Mrs.	1	1	0
Dickie, H. D.	2	2	0
Dickins W. P. (the late)	£2	2	0
Tax reclaimed	1	14	4
	3	16	4
Dodd, Mrs.,	0	5	0
Dodds, Misses F. and E.	1	1	0
Dore, J. A.	1	1	0
Dudgeon, James	0	10	0
Duggan, Mrs.	0	5	0
Dutton, R. M.	£1	0	0
Tax reclaimed	0	16	4
	1	16	4
Duxbury, Mrs.	0	5	0

E

Eccles, Mrs. A. P.	1	0	0
Edgar, Chas. S.	£5	0	0
Tax reclaimed	4	1	8
	9	1	8
Edwards, Mrs. Russell ..	0	5	0
Edwards, Mrs. C.	0	5	0
Ellis, Miss	5	0	0
Evans, Sons Lescher & Webb	2	2	0
Evans Mr. and Mrs.	0	5	0
Evans, Mrs.	0	5	0

F

Fawcett, J. H.	1	1	0
Fawcett, Mrs. J. H.	0	5	0
Felstead Mrs.	0	5	0
Fernie, Miss C. J.	1	1	0
Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs.	0	5	0
Firth, T. B.	0	10	6
Fiscard, Mrs.	0	5	0
Fisher, Montagu	1	0	0
Fisher, Mrs.	0	5	0
Fisk, A. Alan	£1	1	0
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2
	1	18	2

	£	s.	d.
Fleming, Mrs.	0	5	0
Fothergill, Mrs.	0	5	0
Fowler, F. J.	5	5	0
Fox, A.	0	5	0
Fraser, Mrs. N.	2	2	0
Fraser, D. C.	1	1	0
Fraser, Mrs. H. E.	0	5	0
Frost, E. G.	0	5	0

G

Gait, A. J. & Co., Ltd.	1	1	0
Gaman, Mrs.	0	5	0
Gardner, Mrs.	0	5	0
Gardner, Willoughby ..	1	1	0
Garstang, F.	0	5	0
Gates, Mrs.	0	10	0
Gavin, Miss D. E.	£1	1	0
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2
	1	18	2
Gee, Mrs.	0	5	0
Gerrard, E. G.	2	2	0
Gladstone, Holt L.	1	1	0
Glass, Mrs.	0	5	0
Glazebrook, Mr. and Mrs. H.	1	0	0
Goalen, Mrs.	0	5	0
Godsell, Mrs.	0	5	0
Gough, Mr.	0	5	0
Gouldson, Miss Edith ..	0	5	0
Guthrie, Mrs.	0	5	0
Guthrie, Mrs. T. M.	0	5	0
Graham, Miss M. A.	1	1	0
Gray, Frank	£1	0	0
Tax reclaimed	0	16	4
	1	16	4
Gray, Robert A.	1	1	0
Grayson, Rollo & Clover Docks, Ltd.	100	0	0
Great Western Railway ..	10	10	0
Grierson, J. C.	5	0	0
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Griffin, Mrs. A. E.	0	10	0
Griffith, Mrs.	0	5	0
Grimes, T. A.	1	1	0
Grimshaw, Dr. John	1	1	0

H

Hall Line Ltd.	4	4	0
Hall, Mrs.	0	10	0
Hamilton, H.	£1	0	0
Tax reclaimed	0	16	4
	1	16	4
Hamilton, Miss G.	5	0	0
Hancox, C. E.	2	2	0
Hannay, Miss A. M.	1	1	0
Harding, Mrs. G.	1	1	0
Harding, Mrs. E. A.	1	1	0
Harley, T.W., M.B.E., M.C.	10	10	0

	£	s.	d.
H			
Harris, Mrs. A. E. (the late) £1 0 0			
Tax reclaimed 0 16 4			
	1	16	4
Harris, Mrs. C. A.	0	10	0
Harvey, Mr.	0	5	0
Harvey, Mrs. L. V.	0	6	6
Haughton, Mrs.	1	1	0
Haworth, Mrs.	0	5	0
Haywood, Mrs. A.	3	3	0
Haywood, T. S. £1 1 0			
Tax reclaimed 0 17 2			
	1	18	2
Hebblethwaite, Mrs. A. S. ... £1 1 0			
Tax reclaimed 0 17 2			
	1	18	2
Hebblethwaite, Mrs. A. S.	0	10	0
Helm, Mrs. W.	1	1	0
Henderson, W.	5	0	0
Herrin, Mrs. and Miss Dawson	1	0	0
Herschell, Miss Edith ..	0	7	6
Herschell, Miss B.	0	10	0
Hewson, P.	1	0	0
Higson, Mrs.	0	5	0
Hill, G. F.	0	5	0
Hinton, Mrs.	0	10	0
Hinton, T.	0	10	6
Hodson, Mrs.	0	10	0
Hodges, Mr. R. J.	1	0	0
Hodgson, Mr. and Mrs. T. B.	1	0	0
Hodgson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. and family	2	2	0
Hodgson, Mrs. A. J.	0	5	0
Holborow, Miss	1	0	0
Holgate, Mrs.	0	5	0
Holt, J. C. ... £1 1 0			
Tax reclaimed 0 17 2			
	1	18	2
Holtum, Mrs. G. E. £0 10 0			
Tax Reclaimed 0 8 2			
	0	18	2
Hooper, Miss A. C. £1 0 0			
Tax reclaimed 0 16 4			
	1	16	4
Hooper, A. S. £1 0 0			
Tax reclaimed 0 16 4			
	1	16	4
Hope, Philip H. (the late) "He being dead yet speaketh"	3	10	0
Howell, Mrs.	0	5	0
Hubbard, Mrs.	0	5	0
Hughes & Jones	1	1	0

	£	s.	d.
Hughes, J. B. Watson ..	10	0	0
Hughes, Mrs.	0	10	0
Hughes, W. M. £2 10 0			
Tax reclaimed 2 0 10			
	4	10	10
Hunt, Mrs. C.	0	10	6
Hunter, C. E.	2	2	0
I			
Ireland, Mr. and Mrs. Sydney	2	2	0
Irving, H.	1	1	0
Irwin, John, Sons & Co. Ltd.	1	1	0
Ison, Mrs.	0	5	0
Ivory, Mrs.	0	5	0
J			
Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. W.	2	2	0
Jackson, Mrs.	0	10	0
Jacob, W. & R. & Co. Ltd.	1	1	0
Jacobs, H.	2	0	0
Jaggar, Mrs.	0	10	0
Jeanes, Allan	10	0	0
Jeffs, Harold A.	1	1	0
Jevons, E. R.	0	10	0
Johnson, Mrs. A. G.	0	10	0
Johnston, Dr. David	1	1	0
Johnston, Mrs. David ..	1	1	0
Johnston, Miss Isla	2	2	0
Johnstone, Mrs. H. G., J.P.	2	2	0
Joinson, Mrs.	1	0	0
Jones, Miss	0	5	0
Jones, Mrs. (Bebington)	1	0	0
Jones, Mrs. E.	1	1	0
Jones, J. Ed.	2	2	0
Jones, Mrs. S. B.	0	5	0
Jones, Misses M. C. and J. B.	2	0	0
Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Norman £1 1 0			
Tax reclaimed 0 17 2			
	1	18	2
Jones, Mrs. Pierce, 7 Queen's Rd., Hoylake	0	10	6
Jones, Mrs. Glyn	0	5	0
K			
Kay, I. J.,	1	1	0
Keiller, James	2	2	0
Kendall, Mrs. W. H.	2	2	0
Kenion, Dr. T. Lloyd ..	2	2	0
Kewish, J. J. ... £1 1 0			
Tax reclaimed 0 17 2			
	1	18	2

	£	s.	d.
Killip, Mrs.	0	10	0
Kirby, E. & Sons	2	2	0
Kirkbride, Mrs.			
E. (the late) £1	1	0	
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2
	1	18	2
Kirton, C. M.	0	10	0
Kneen Misses	0	5	0

L

Laird, Peter ..£3	3	0	
Tax reclaimed	2	11	6
	5	14	6
Lamb, Miss M. E.	1	0	0
Langdon, Mrs.	0	5	0
Law, Mrs. H. J.	0	5	0
Law Mrs. (Prenton) ..	0	5	0
Lees, Mrs.	0	5	0
Lees, W. A.	2	2	0
Lees & Dobbing	1	0	0
Leete, Mrs. W.	1	0	0
Ledsom, R.	0	5	0
LeFeuvre, Mrs. M.	1	1	0
Legh-Smith, Mrs.	0	5	0
Leslie, Mrs.	0	5	0
Lever Brothers, Port			
Sunlight, Ltd.	21	0	0
Lewis H.	0	10	6
Leyland, Mrs.			
D. A. ....£10	0	0	
Tax reclaimed	8	3	6
	18	3	6
Lipsedge, Mrs.	0	5	0
Lissenden, Mrs.	0	10	0
Liverpool Clerks'			
Association	5	5	0
Liverpool Shipbrokers'			
Benevolent Society			
Inc.	21	0	0
L.M.S. Railway Co. ..	350	0	0
Lorimer, J. N. H.	0	10	0
Lorimer and Sutherland	0	5	0
Lowe, Dr. Caroline	1	1	0
Lowe, Mrs. M.	0	10	0
Lowe, R.	0	10	0
Lowry, Mrs. (Birkenhead)	0	10	0
Lowry, Mrs. (Upton)....	0	5	0
Lucas, E.	0	10	0
Lupton, Miss H.	0	10	0
Lyle, Mrs. W.	0	5	0
Lyle, W. ....£2	2	0	
Tax reclaimed	1	14	4
	3	16	4

M

MacBennet, Miss	0	5	0
MacBryde, W. H.	0	5	0
MacFarland, Miss	0	5	0
MacGregor, W. R.	1	1	0

	£	s.	d.
MacIver, H. Ian	2	2	0
Mack Harold B.	1	1	0
MacVicar, Rev. C. A. ..	1	1	0
Makin, L.	1	1	0
Mann, Mrs.	0	5	0
Marl, Mrs.	0	5	0
Marchand, Mrs.	0	5	0
Marsden, Col. Cecil W. ..	2	2	0
Marshall, Mrs.	0	5	0
Marquis Mrs. (the late) ..	0	10	0
Matchett, Mr. and Mrs.			
John	1	1	0
Mattingley, Mrs.	0	5	0
McAllester, Mrs. J. G. ..	0	10	0
McAllister, Mrs.	0	10	6
McCallum, Norman	2	2	0
McClelland, Mrs.	0	5	0
McDonald, Mrs.	0	5	0
McDowell, A. (the late) ..	1	1	0
McIver, Edward S.	1	0	0
McIvor, W. T.			
(J.P. (the late) £5	5	0	
Tax reclaimed	4	5	10
	9	10	10
McKay, Miss C. Dalzell			
(the late)	2	2	0
McKenzie, Mrs.	0	5	0
McKinnon, Mrs.	0	5	0
McMahon, Mrs.	0	5	0
McSweeney, Dr. J. L. ..	1	1	0
Mellor, F. S. ..£1	1	0	
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2
	1	18	2
Melling, The Misses E.			
& H.	0	10	0
Merseyside Dairies Ltd.	0	5	0
Mewton, Mrs.	0	5	0
Miller, Mrs. T. S. R.	0	10	0
Milligan, W.	20	0	0
Milligan, Miss Anne W. ...	0	5	0
Mills, Miss and Miss D. ...	0	15	0
Milnes, Edwin (Memorial			
Subscription of the			
late)	1	1	0
Milnes, Charlton	1	1	0
Moffatt, Mrs.	0	10	0
Moody's Wine			
& Spirit Stores	10	0	0
Tax reclaimed	8	3	4
	18	3	4
Moon, J. E.	2	2	0
Moore, T.	0	10	0
Moore,			
W. J. L. ....£1	1	0	
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2
	1	18	2
Moorhouse Brothers Ltd.	5	0	0
Morgan, Mrs.	0	5	0
Morgan, Mrs. A.	0	5	0

	£	s.	d.
Morgan, Fred	1	1	0
Morgan, Mrs.	0	5	0
Morris, T. T. ..£1	0	0	0
Tax reclaimed	0	16	4

	1	16	4
Morton, R. G.	2	2	0
Moss, Mrs.	0	5	0
Murch, Mr. & Mrs.	0	10	0
Mycock, Mr. and Mrs.			
J. H.	2	0	0

N

Nash, A. H.	1	1	0
Nelson, Mrs. T. B.	0	10	0
Newall, Mrs.	0	7	6
Newhouse, Mrs.	0	5	0
Newton, Dr. A.	1	1	0
Nicoll, Mrs.	0	10	6
Nicholas, Mr. and Mrs.			
Louis	5	0	0
Nicholson, W. R.	1	1	0
Nixon, Mrs. C.	0	10	6
Norbury, D. ..£1	1	0	0
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2
	1	18	2
Norris, Mrs. R.	0	5	0
Norris, Miss J. B.	0	10	6
Nugent, Miss	0	5	0

O

Oakes, Mrs.	0	5	0
Oakshott, Mrs.	1	1	0
Olsen, A. E. ..£1	1	0	0
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2
	1	18	2
Owen, T. R.	1	15	0
Owen, Mrs.			
W. M. ....£2	2	0	0
Tax reclaimed	1	14	4
	3	16	4
Owen, Miss			
A. W. ....£2	2	0	0
Tax reclaimed	1	14	4
	3	16	4

P

Park High School	2	2	0
Parkinson, The Misses			
L. and E.	0	10	0
Parrington, Miss E.	0	10	0
Paul, F. O.	2	2	0
Paul, Mrs.			
N. K. ....£5	5	0	0
Tax reclaimed	4	5	10
	9	10	10
Partin, Mrs.	0	5	0
Pavillard, Miss	0	5	0
Peake, Mrs.	0	5	0
Pearl Assurance Co. Ltd.	4	4	0
Pearson, Mrs.	0	5	0

	£	s.	d.
Pegram, Mrs. James	0	10	0
Perry, Mrs.	0	5	0
Philip, Thomas			
N. ....£1	1	0	0
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2

	1	18	2
Pilkington, Mrs.	0	5	0
Porteous, Mr. & Mrs. ..	0	5	0
Porter, Thomas & Sons	1	1	0
Powell, Mrs.	0	5	0
Pownall, Mrs.	0	5	0
Prentice, G. S., J.P.	0	10	0
Prentice, Mrs.	0	5	0
Prentice, Oscar £2	0	0	0
Tax reclaimed	1	12	8
	3	12	8

Preston, Mrs.			
F.	1	0	0
Tax reclaimed	0	16	4
	1	16	4
Price, Rev. Alan	0	10	0
Price, Mrs. J. M.	0	5	0
Pritchard, Mrs.	0	5	0
Prudential Assurance Co.			
Ltd.	90	0	0
Pugh, Miss H.	0	5	0
Pugh, A. J.	1	1	0

R

Ramsay, John £2	10	0	0
Tax reclaimed	2	0	10
	4	10	10
Reid, Mr. and Mrs. R.			
McF.	2	2	0
Reid, William £1	1	0	0
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2
	1	18	2
Reid, Mrs.	0	5	0
Reilly, Mr. and Mrs. W.	0	5	0
Reilly Arthur	0	10	0
Renison, W. J. H.	1	1	0
Revis, Mrs.	0	5	0
Reyner Trust Fund	2	2	0
Rendall, Mrs.	0	5	0
Rhodes, Mrs.	0	10	0
Ritchie, Miss	0	5	0
Richards, Mrs.	0	5	0
Rich, Mrs.	0	5	0
Roberts, W.	5	0	0
Roberts, Mrs.			
(Birkenhead)	0	5	0
Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. W.	1	1	0
Roberts, Mrs. M.	1	1	0
Roberts, Mrs. (Upton) ..	0	5	0
Roberts, Miss	0	5	0
Robinson, Mrs.			
M. Y. ....£2	2	0	0
Tax reclaimed	1	14	4
	3	16	4

	£	s.	d.
Robinson, C. B. A.....	1	0	0
Roche, Miss	3	0	0
Roebuck, Mrs.			
B. D. ....£1	1	0	
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2
	1	18	2
Rogers, Mrs. (Bebington)	0	5	0
Rogers, Mrs. (Upton) ..	0	5	0
Roxburgh, H. L.	5	0	0
Royden, E. B., J.P.	14	10	0
Royden, Miss M. C.	1	1	0
Rostance, Mrs.	0	5	0
S			
Samuel, Mr. and Mrs.			
A. N.	1	12	6
Sarginson R.	2	2	0
Sayers (Confectioners)			
Ltd.	3	3	0
Scotch Wool and Hosiery			
Stores	1	1	0
Scott, Mr. and Mrs. J. H.	2	2	0
Scullier, Mrs.	0	10	0
Sharp, Mrs. E.	1	1	0
Sharpe, Mrs. M. J.	0	5	0
Sharples, Mr. and Mrs.			
F. D.	20	0	0
Shepherd, Mrs. H.	0	5	0
Shipley, Mrs. J. A.	0	10	6
Shone, Miss.	0	10	0
Shrewsbury, The Rt.			
Rev. the Bishop of ..	1	0	0
Shuttleworth			
Mrs. L. M. ..£2	0	0	
Tax reclaimed	1	12	8
	3	12	8
Sigley, Mrs.	0	5	0
Sigley, D.	0	5	0
Simms, Mrs.	0	5	0
Sing, White & Co.	1	1	0
Sinton, W. ..£5	0	0	
Tax reclaimed	4	1	8
	9	1	8
Skelding, Mr. and Mrs.			
G. F.	1	1	0
Skilbeck, Mrs.	0	5	0
Smith, G. B.	3	3	0
Smith, Mrs. (Bebington)	0	5	0
Smith, Stanley	2	2	0
Smith, Harold D.	1	1	0
Smith, E. G.	0	5	0
Smith, Mrs. (Birkenhead)	0	10	0
Smith, R.	0	5	0
Smith, Joseph £1	1	0	
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2
	1	18	2
Smitton, Miss C.	1	1	0
Snowdon, Mrs.	0	5	0
Souter, Mr. and Mrs.			
M: W.	1	1	0

	£	s.	d.
Spencer, D.	1	1	0
Spry, Mrs.	0	5	0
Standring, G. H. M.	2	2	0
Stephens, Mrs.	0	5	0
Stern, M.	2	2	0
Stitt, H. H.	1	1	0
Strange, J.	1	1	0
Summerfield, A. B.	0	10	0
Summers, Mrs.	0	10	0
Summerscale, Mrs.	0	5	0
Sutton, Mrs.	0	5	0
Swift, Mrs.	0	5	0
Swindells, Mrs.	0	5	0
Sykes, Rev.			
W. S. ....£1	1	0	
Tax reclaimed	0	17	2
	1	18	2
Symons, Mrs. L.£5	5	0	
Tax reclaimed	4	5	10
	9	10	10
Synge, Mrs. R. M.	5	0	0
Synge, R. M.	5	0	0
T			
Tait, Mrs.	0	5	0
Tapscott, Mrs.	0	10	0
Tate, Miss M. M.	2	2	0
Taylor, Mrs. R.	0	10	0
Tearle, L.	1	1	0
Temple, Miss I. £3	3	0	
Tax reclaimed	2	11	6
	5	14	6
Temple, Tom	1	1	0
Thomas, Mrs. H. A.	1	1	0
Thomas, H. A. £1	0	0	
Tax reclaimed	0	16	4
	1	16	4
Thomas, Mrs.			
E. J. ....£2	2	0	
Tax reclaimed	1	14	4
	3	16	4
Thompson, Mrs. R. W. ..	1	0	0
Thomson, Miss A.	2	0	0
Thorburn, Mrs. J. A.	1	0	0
Threlfall's Brewery Co.			
Ltd.	3	3	0
Tillotson, Mr. and Mrs. G.	1	1	6
Timmis, W.	2	2	0
Tistill, Mrs.	0	5	0
Tomlinson, J. H.	0	10	6
Town Tailors Ltd.	5	5	0
Townley, Mrs.	0	5	0
Trace, Mrs.	0	5	0
Troughton, The Misses ..	0	10	0
Truman, Hanbury,			
Buxton & Co. Ltd. ..	2	2	0
Trustam, C. F. £1	0	0	
Tax reclaimed	0	16	4
	1	16	4

	£	s.	d.
Turner, Mrs.	0	5	0
Turner, Miss H. M. ..	0	5	0
Tyrer, Mrs.	0	5	0

U

Uhthoff, R. K.	5	0	0
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V

Venables, Mr. and Mrs. W. A.	2	2	0
Victory Kidder Printing Machine Co.	5	0	0
Vosper, G. L.	1	0	0
Vyner, Clare	5	0	0

W

Wallis, S. G. .. £1 1 0			
Tax reclaimed 0 17 2			

1 18 2

Walters, Mrs.	0	5	0
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Warner, Sir

Lionel, A. P.

C.B.E., J.P. £2 2 0

Tax reclaimed 1 14 4			
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3 16 4

Watkin, Miss

E. C. £1 1 0

Tax reclaimed 0 17 2			
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Waugh, Mrs.	0	10	0
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Waugh, Miss	0	10	0
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Welfare, S. P. £1 1 0			
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Tax reclaimed 0 17 2			
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1 18 2

Welson, J. B. £5 5 0			
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Tax reclaimed 4 5 10			
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9 10 10

Werner, Miss	0	5	0
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Westminster Bank Ltd.	3	3	0
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West Cheshire Brewery			
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Co. Ltd. 2 2 0

Wetherell, Mr.			
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and Mrs. A... £2 0 0

Tax reclaimed 1 12 8			
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3 12 8

Whale, Prof.	0	10	0
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White, A. S.	1	1	0
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White, Rt. Hon. H.			
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Graham, P.C. 2 2 0

White, the late Samuel			
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(Capitalised) 3 7 0

Whitehead, T. R.	1	1	0
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Wilkinson, Mrs.	0	10	0
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Willmer, Fred	0	10	6
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Willmer, E.			
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Wrayford .. £2 2 0

Tax reclaimed 1 14 4			
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3 16 4

Williams, G. H. £1 1 0			
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Tax reclaimed 0 17 2			
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1 18 2

	£	s.	d.
Williams, Horace M.	1	1	0
Williams, T.	2	2	0
Williams, Mrs.	1	1	0
Williams, Mrs. M. A.	0	10	0

Williams,

Mrs. D. £1 0 0

Tax reclaimed 0 16 4			
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1 16 4

Williamson, Mrs.	0	5	0
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Wilson, Mrs.	0	5	0
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Wilson, H. Kerr	1	1	0
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Wilson, Mrs. H. Kerr ..	0	10	0
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Wilson, W. D.	2	2	0
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Wilson, G. E.	2	2	0
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Wilson, R. C.

(the late) £2 2 0

Tax reclaimed 1 14 4			
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3 16 4

Winter, Mr. and Mrs.			
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H. K. 1 1 0

Withy, G.	1	1	0
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Wolstenholme, Mrs. C. M.	1	1	0
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Wolstenholme, C. M.			
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(the late) 10 0 0

Wood, Mrs. M.	0	5	0
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Wood, Mrs.	0	5	0
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Wood, Mrs. J. £1 1 0			
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Tax reclaimed 0 17 2			
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1 18 2

Woodcock,

G. A. £1 1 0

Tax reclaimed 0 17 2			
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1 18 2

Woods, Mrs.	0	5	0
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Woodward,			
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J. F. £2 2 0

Tax reclaimed 1 14 4			
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3 16 4

Woodward, Mrs. Sidney	1	1	0
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Woolcott, Mrs.			
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M. E. £1 1 0

Tax reclaimed 0 17 2			
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1 18 2

Worrall, W. G.	2	2	0
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Wright, A. E. and Miss			
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Leather 0 5 0

Y

Yates, Walter	1	1	0
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Yardley, Miss	0	5	0
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Yorke, Mrs. Courtenay ..	1	1	0
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Yorke, Mrs. Warrington	1	1	0
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Young, Mrs.	0	5	0
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Amounts under 5/-	120	3	8
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TOTAL £4693 9 11

"Those who bring sweetness into the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves."

LIST OF AMOUNTS COLLECTED BY LADY COLLECTORS, 1947.

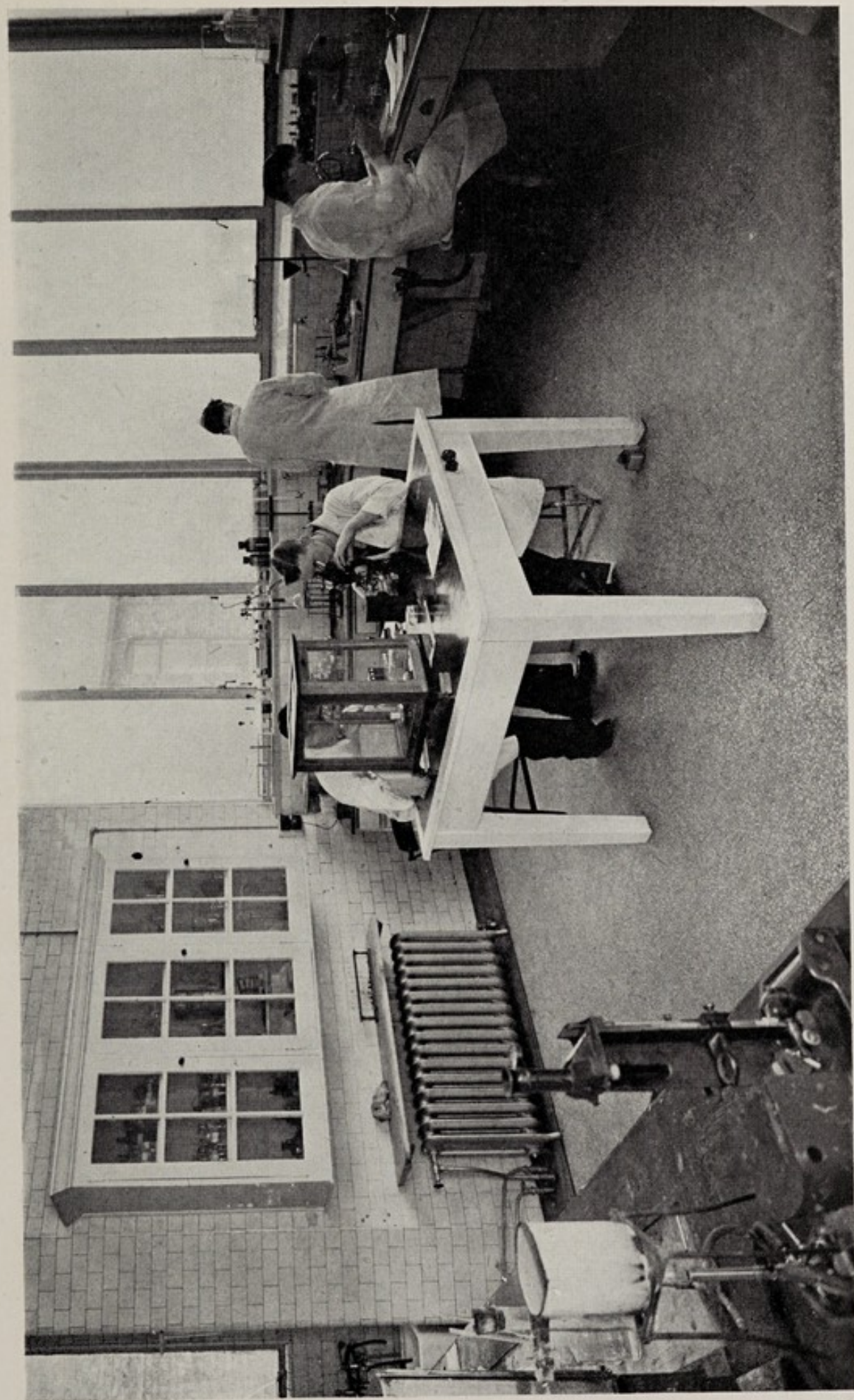
	1947			1946		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Mrs. Bunford, 1 Upland Road, Upton	5	14	0	5	19	6
Miss A. Burgess, 33 Manor Drive, Upton	6	17	6	6	16	6
Mrs. Clarke, 38 South Drive, Upton	1	18	6	2	16	0
Misses Davies, 59 Princes Boulevard, Bebington ..	4	16	6	—		
Miss D. Dix, 24 Devonshire Road, Upton	1	11	10	3	11	10
Mrs. Evans, 142, Bidston Avenue, Birkenhead	10	12	4	6	7	9
Miss N. Evans, 28 Primrose Road, Birkenhead ..	5	18	3	3	0	0
Mrs. Friend, 3 Woodland Road, Upton	—			2	2	0
Mrs. Gaman, 3 Waterford Road, Birkenhead	4	2	6	4	4	6
Mrs. Griffin, 75 Forest Road, Birkenhead	2	8	0	2	0	0
Mrs. L. V. Harvey, 17 Thornton Road, Rock Ferry	21	10	0	19	0	0
Mrs. Henshaw, 1 Kent Street, Birkenhead	—			5	7	6
Mrs. W. Y. Hodgson, Ravensheugh, Bromborough	11	9	0	12	7	6
Mrs. Louis Holt, The Chase, Noctorum	—			8	0	6
Miss B. Hulme, 65 Shrewsbury Road, Birkenhead	7	19	6	8	12	6
Mrs. S. Ireland, 94 Bidston Road, Birkenhead ..	10	10	0	11	9	6
Miss S. Jones, 17 Violet Road, Birkenhead	3	14	0	—		
Mrs. Jones, 3 Upland Road, Upton	1	6	1	—		
Misses Killip and Turner, 42 Princes Boulevard and 56 Bickerton Avenue, Bebington	—			2	9	6
Miss J. Lane, Tree Tops, Mudhouse Lane, Burton	3	12	6	6	9	0
Miss B. Latham, 27 Cecil Road, Birkenhead	3	12	6	3	16	6
Miss Major, 3 St. Aidans Terrace, Birkenhead	1	15	0	3	12	6
Mrs. Mann, 2 Mavis Drive, Upton	1	2	6	1	13	6
Mrs. Martin, 15 Warwick Drive, Upton	—			1	8	0
Mrs. L. A. Newbold, 2 Irvine Road, Birkenhead ..	—			20	1	0
Mrs. Nixon, 60 Woodsorrell Road, Birkenhead	—			13	6	0
Mrs. Peers, 12 Iris Avenue, Birkenhead	3	3	0	2	7	0
Mrs. Peters, Shrewsbury Drive, Upton	—			2	1	11
Mrs. E. A. Roberts, 33 Carlaw Road, Prenton	—			4	18	0
Mrs. Rowlands, 1 Ashburton Road, Birkenhead ..	—			6	12	6
Miss Rees, 73 Waterpark Road, Birkenhead	4	5	0	—		
Mrs. E. M. Samuel, 33 Upland Road, Upton	30	12	3	27	11	6
Mrs. Slocombe, 43 Upland Road, Upton	0	19	0	1	18	0
Mrs. Scarrett, 35 Withert Avenue, Bebington	1	0	9	—		
Mrs. Stallard, 4 Crocus Avenue, Birkenhead	9	10	6	4	12	0
Mrs. Stokes, 38 Withert Avenue, Bebington	4	10	6	—		
Mrs. B. I. Tomkinson, 132 Bidston Ave., Birkenhead	8	1	3	4	14	0
Miss H. M. Turner, 36 Princes Boulevard, Bebington	10	7	3	9	16	10
Mrs. Warner, 15a Upland Road, Upton	4	16	2	4	6	6
Mrs. C. Williams, 26 Bryanston Road, Birkenhead	3	13	0	6	9	6
Mrs. H. K. Winter, 14 Merton Place, Birkenhead	51	9	0	48	7	3
Miss Woolfall, 62 Grosvenor Road, Birkenhead	4	13	6	5	0	6
Amounts received after completion of above collections	12	6	0	—		
	<u>£259 17 8</u>			<u>£283 7 1</u>		

"Is life too short to give us something to live for here that shall outlive us?"

LIST OF DONATIONS, &c., FOR 1947.

	£	s.	d.
Ritz Hospital Premiere	1584	19	1
Christmas Appeal Committee (1946-47)	3130	0	0
Birkenhead and Wirral Lady Bowlers' Flag Day Committee	384	15	10
North West Cheshire County Amateur Bowling Association	220	0	0
Panto Committee, Guild of Undergraduates, Liverpool University	194	0	0
Birkenhead Corporation (Sunday Cinemas)	183	12	6
"Schorah" Cup Competition (per H. Lothian Esq., Saughall Massie)	120	0	0
Birkenhead Darts League	112	3	5
Littlewood Charitable Trusts	100	0	0
Rock Ferry Amateur Operatic and Dramatic Society (per N. Prior Esq.)	100	0	0
The Management Trustees, Charles Brotherton Trust	100	0	0
Liverpool Council of Social Service (Merseyside Charities Fund) ..	77	10	0
Iron Trades Employers, Insurance Association	65	0	0
Birkenhead and District Co-operative Society (goods)	60	0	0
Bernhard Baron Charitable Trust	50	0	0
Mayoress's Ladies Committee (per Mrs. Smardon)	50	0	0
C. F. J. Beausire Esq., Raby Vale, Thornton Hough	40	0	0
The Company of Thirteen (per H. G. Trace Esq.)	33	9	8
Birkenhead, Wallasey and Wirral Ladies Bowling Association ..	30	0	0
Birkenhead Special Constabulary (Mobile Section)	27	0	0
Oscar Prentice Esq., Oxton Hall, Talbot Road	26	7	0
Cammell Laird & Co., Ltd. (Sent by the owner of a ship as a token of his appreciation of the good work which has been done by the men of Birkenhead.)	25	0	0
Kings Hotel (Bowling Committee, per F. Dagnall Esq.)	25	0	0
Hospital Saving Association (G.W.R. Branch, Birkenhead Groups 39-99, 100).	25	0	0
Tranmere Rovers Football Club Ltd. (per E. Blackburn Esq.) ..	25	0	0
Trinity Presbyterian Church, Claughton (per Merseyside Hospitals Council)	25	0	0
Birkenhead St. Andrew Society (per Miss F. E. Emslie)	20	0	0
Staff of "Royal" and "Liverpool & London & Globe" Insurance Companies	16	0	0
Gladstone Liberal Club (per J. Roberts Esq.)	15	8	3
Liverpool Football Club Ltd. (per Mayor of Birkenhead)	15	0	0
St. Lawrence Church (per Merseyside Hospitals Council)	15	0	0
Parish of St. Saviours (per Reverend N. J. Blow)	12	12	0
Cammell Laird & Co. Ltd. Cricket Club (per J. Hosker Esq.) ..	11	14	0
Mrs. Jack, 38 Rock Park, Rock Ferry	10	10	0
Mrs. Allsopp, 37 The Woodlands, Birkenhead (proceeds of Whist Drive)	10	0	0
Crosville Motor Service, Rock Ferry (Strike Committee)	10	0	0
Bedford School of Dancing (per R. V. Birch Esq.)	10	0	0
Anonymous ("In Memory")	10	0	0
Welsh Calvinistic Methodists' Liverpool Hospitals Committee	10	0	0
Hooton Parish Church (per J. H. Anderson Esq.)	9	0	8
St. Barnabas and St. Peter's Church, Rock Ferry (per Merseyside Hospitals Council)	9	0	0
Mrs. E. N. Samuel, 33 Upland Road, Upton (Bridge Afternoon) ..	7	17	6
Bidston Co-op Guild Women's Bowling Club and the Hurrell Park Men's Bowling Club	10	10	0
Wirral Hotel (per H. Hamilton Esq. 19, Woodhead Road, New Ferry)	6	10	0
Boots the Chemists	6	6	0

	i	s.	d.
Oxton Badminton Club (per J. F. Briscoe Esq.).....	5	10	0
Mrs. A. M. Bryce Muir, Gorst Hills, Little Sutton	5	5	0
New Brighton Open Amateur Ladies' Bowling Tournament (per Mrs. N. Caygill)	5	5	0
Priory Lodge No. 3690 (per S. Dalton Esq.)	5	5	0
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The Right Honourable the Viscount Leverhulme	5	5	0
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Cammell Laird & Co., Ltd., Workmen's Canteen (per Mr. Brocklebank)	5	0	0
Co-operative Insurance Society Ltd. (per Merseyside Hospitals Council)	5	0	0
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Royal Liver Friendly Society, Liverpool	4	4	0
Battery Services (Birkenhead) Ltd. (per F. J. Harris Esq.)	4	0	0
W. E. Goulding Esq., 1 Thingwall Drive, Thingwall.....	4	0	0
Trinity Methodist Church (per E. L. Richards Esq.)	3	15	6
All Saints Church, Claughton (Members of)	3	13	3
Church of Christ, Grange Road West (Harvest Produce)	3	7	6
Birkenhead and Wirral Pharmacists Association (per Alex Dewar Esq.)	3	3	0
British Home Stores Ltd., London	3	3	0
Miss B. W. Hignett, Moor Lodge, Oldfield Road, Heswall	3	3	0
Mayor of Birkenhead (Councillor Guy Williams)	3	3	0
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John Pyke Esq., 39 Mount Road, Hr. Bebington	3	0	0
Fusion Welding Co., 81 Vittoria Street, Birkenhead	2	16	3
Greasby Methodist Church (per H. Dodd Esq.)	2	16	3
W. R. Walters Esq., 5 Rake Lane, Upton	2	11	9
G. W. Pick, 196 Bridle Road, Eastham	2	10	4
Associated Cannors Ltd. (per Merseyside Hospitals Council	2	10	0
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British American Tobacco Co. Ltd. (Branch Hospital Fund) Liverpool	2	2	0
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Brassey Street School (Lincoln House) Birkenhead	1	1	0
H. & M. B.	1	1	0
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Mrs. Collard, 440 Park Road North, Birkenhead	1	1	0
Cumberland and Westmorland Rugby Union (per T. Hadwin Esq.) ..	1	1	0
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Anonymous	1	0	0
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Birkenhead Rabbit Club, per H. Moynes, 68 Bentinck Street, Birkenhead	11	0	
Mrs. Bridgewater, 34 Old Chester Road, Bebington	10	6	
Miss Ida M. Nance, Chase View, Barlaston, Stoke-on-Trent	10	6	
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Mrs. J. H. Davies, "Ashcroft," Whaley Lane, Barnston	10	0	
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Mrs. J. W. Williams, 9 Waring Avenue, Birkenhead	5	0	
J. A. Williams Esq., 7 Curzon Avenue, Birkenhead	5	0	
Mr. and Mrs. R. Henshaw, 1 Kent Street, Birkenhead	5	0	
Amounts under 5/-	1	0	8
	<u>£7366</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>3</u>

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To any persons desirous of bequeathing a Legacy to the Hospital, the following is suggested :—

FORM OF BEQUEST

(By Will)

" I give and bequeath to the Management Committee of the Birkenhead General Hospital, the sum of £ free of duty, upon trust to apply the capital and income of the said sum for such purposes of a capital nature or other than for general maintenance connected with the said Hospital as the Committee shall in their discretion determine."

FORM OF GIFT

(Made during the lifetime of a donor)

" I give to the Management Committee of the Birkenhead General Hospital the sum of £ (or property)—as the case may be—in trust to apply the capital and income of the said sum (or property) for such purposes of a capital nature or other than for general maintenance connected with the said Hospital as the Committee shall in their discretion determine."

Note.—By a slight variation of wording of the above, the donor could, of course, name the specific capital purpose for which the gift shall be applied.

£1,000 WILL ENDOW A BED

£500 WILL ENDOW A COT

£100 WILL NAME A BED

Note.—Either real or personal Estate may be given to Charities.

"The memories of man's good deeds live after him."

ENDOWMENT OF BEDS AND COTS.

The Endowment of Beds and Cots affords a unique and valuable means of perpetuating in a useful manner the memory of relatives and friends.

A Legacy or Donation of £1,000 endows a Bed in perpetuity.

A Legacy or Donation of £500 endows a Cot in perpetuity.

A Legacy or Donation of £100 will name a Bed in perpetuity.

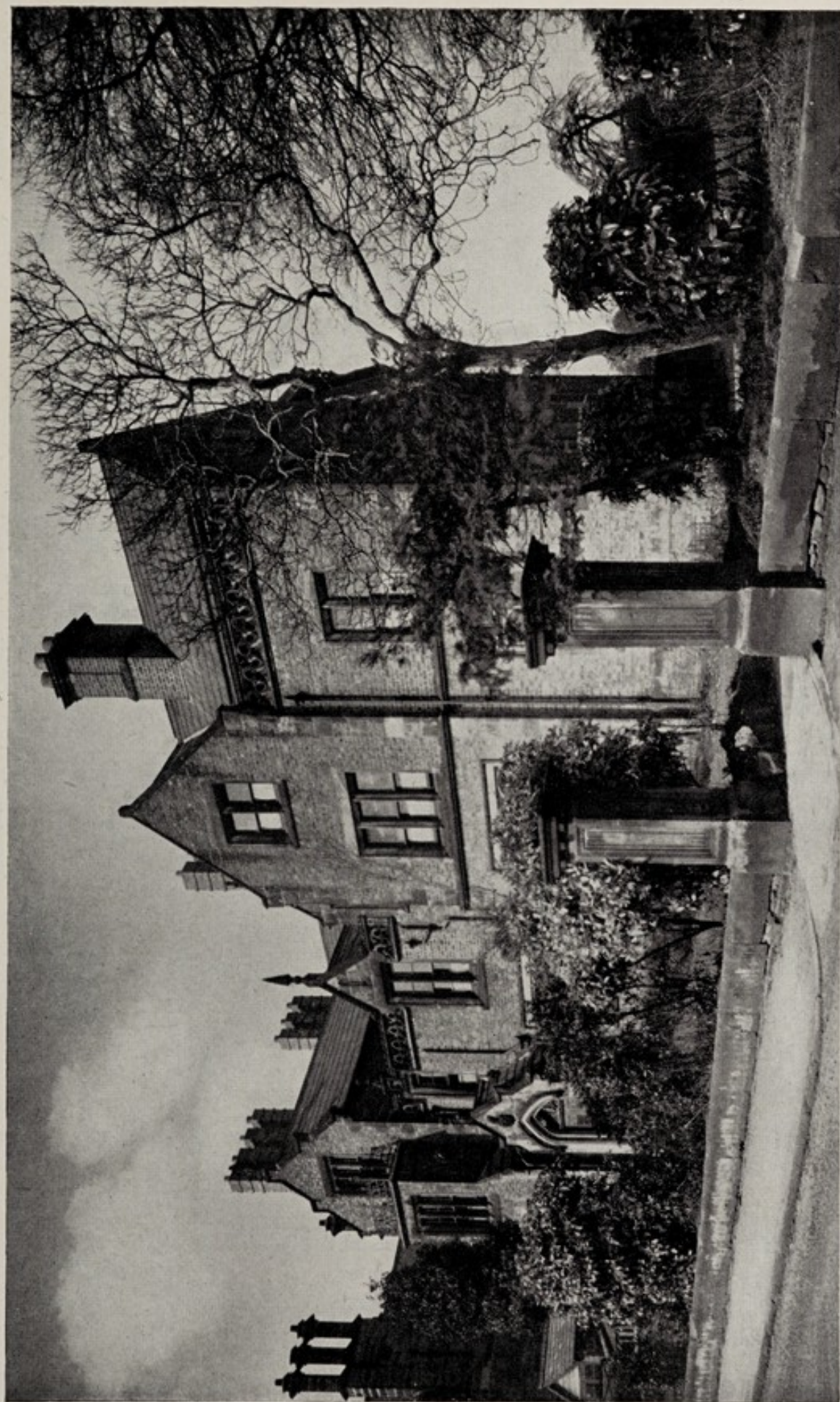
Beds and Cots thus endowed or named will be indicated by a brass plate bearing an inscription in accordance with the wishes of the donor or subscriber.

The following is a list of Endowments:—		Amount.
1918—Bed endowed by Mr. W. S. Johnston and Mrs. K. S. Kendall, in memory of the late William Johnston (Shipowner)		£2,000
1918—Ward endowed by the Woodside Master Butchers, Retailers in the borough and district, and Mr. R. J. Robinson (father), in memory of the late Lieut. Jas. Robinson, killed in action, 20/5/17		£1,000
1918—Partially endowed Ward by <i>Birkenhead News</i> "Nurse Edith Cavell Fund"		£659 8 4
1921—Two-Bed Ward endowed by Employees' Council and Friends to commemorate "Victory and Peace," 1914-18		£1,576 9 2
1927—Bed endowed by Exors. of John Lindon		£1,000
1927—Bed endowed by Exors. of Mrs. E. E. Corkhill—Initial payment, 1927 .. £700	}	£1,000
Final payment, 1936 .. £300		
1928—Bed endowed by A. J. Smith, Esq.		£1,000
1929—Bed endowed by Exors. of Walter Maddox Simpson		£1,000
1929—Bed endowed by Exors. of Edward Clouston Thin		£1,000
1935—Bed endowed by Exors. of Miss J. B. Hyslop, to be called "The John Johnstone Hyslop Bed"		£700
1935—Cot endowed (for life) by Mrs. T. H. Harper, "in memory of Frank Foster Harper"		£250
1936—Partially-endowed Bed by the late William Johnston in memory of E. Alan Johnston		£500
1938—Bed endowed by Mrs. J. E. Pemberton, "in memory of Thomas George Pemberton"		£1,000
1938—First instalment on endowment of Bed by Birkenhead and Wirral Servants' Ball Committee		£100
1941—Endowment of "Auntie Gladys" Cot— <i>Birkenhead News</i> Children's Corner		£500
1943—Endowment of "Chums" Cot— <i>Birkenhead News</i> Children's League		£500
1946—Bed endowed by Exors. of Mrs. C. F. Tetley		£1,000

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

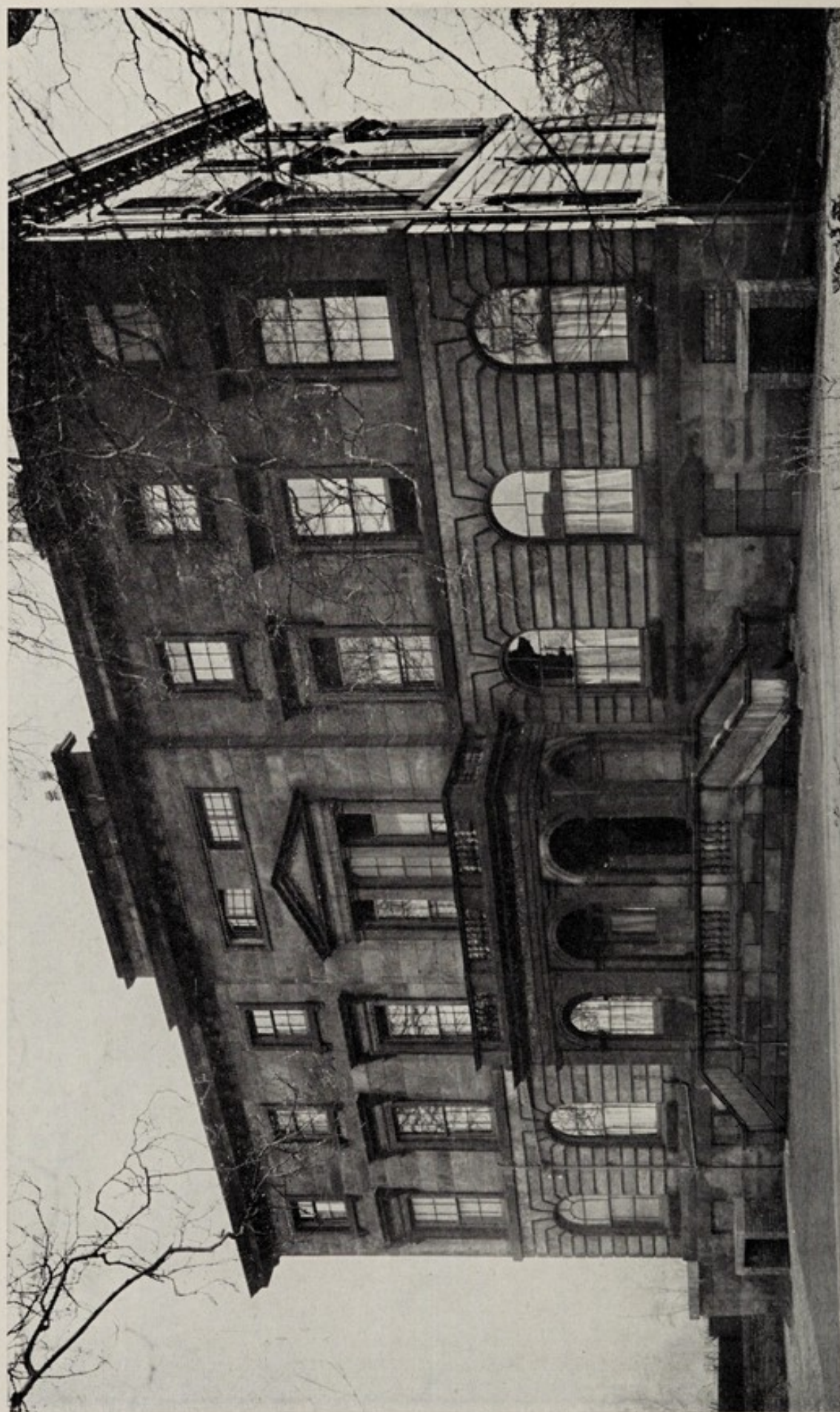
At 31st. December, 1947

Nominal				Cost.			
£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	
ENDOWMENT FUND							
4500	0	0	2½% National War Bonds, 1949-51 (a)	4500	0	0	
4200	0	0	3% Savings Bonds, 1955-65	4200	0	0	
3050	0	0	3% Savings Bonds 1960-70 (D)	3050	0	0	
2000	0	0	Post Office Savings Bank Deposit	2000	0	0	
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£	s.	d.	SUBSCRIPTION FUND	£	s.	d.	
100	0	0	3½% Conversion Loan	63	2	6	
134	7	9	2½% Consolidated Loan	100	0	0	
50	0	0	3% Savings Bonds, 1960-70 (D)	50	0	0	
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£	s.	d.	CONVALESCENT FUND	£	s.	d.	
2000	0	0	4% Consolidated Loan	£2168	8	6	



NURSES HOME, "ASHVILLE HOUSE"

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VISITING.

Visiting is allowed on THURSDAY and SUNDAY, from 2-30 p.m. to 4 p.m., entrance through the Out-Patient Department, Beckwith Street. TUESDAY and FRIDAY from 7-15 p.m. to 7-45 p.m., entrance by way of the door on the right of Main Entrance. In cases of "dangerous illness," special permission for visiting is, of course, given. Visiting to the Private Block is under the supervision of the Sister in charge. Not more than two visitors will be allowed at one time to visit a patient. Four visitors only are permitted on any Thursday and Sunday, and two on Tuesday and Friday. No children under 14 years of age will be admitted as visitors to the Wards or the Private Block.

Visitors must not give food or drink direct to any patient, but may deposit gifts of food or delicacies with the Sister in charge of the Ward, for a patient's consumption, subject to the Doctor's approval.

Visitors coming from a house in which there is infectious disease are strictly forbidden to visit the Hospital.

Clergymen and Ministers of all denominations may visit the Hospital at any time consistent with the condition and wishes of the Patients, and the proper and convenient state of the Wards.

Dr.

Income and Expenditure Account for

EXPENDITURE				1947			1947			1946			1946		
				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
I. Provisions				6991	4	2	6991	4	2	5755	5	11	5755	5	11
II. SURGERY AND DISPENSARY.															
1.	Drugs, Chemicals, Disinfectants, &c.	..	..	3390	1	3				2890	18	7			
2.	Dressings, Bandages, &c.	..	..	3479	13	10				2374	14	10			
3.	Instruments and Appliances	..	..	3188	5	4				1489	9	3			
4.	Wines and Spirits	..	..	62	0	2				26	13	1			
5.	Salaries, &c.	..	..	1190	4	8				957	15	3			
6.	X-Ray Dept.	..	..	3244	15	0				2576	3	8			
7.	Laboratory	..	..	515	17	2				295	6	2			
8.	Sundries	..	..	195	18	2				2	1	5			
							15266	15	7				10613	2	3
III. Domestic.															
1.	Renewal and Repair of Furniture, Bedding, Crockery, &c.	..	..	2172	9	5				1667	13	11			
2.	Laundry	..	..	3383	19	0				2639	19	1			
3.	Cleaning and Chandlery	..	..	701	0	3				650	12	2			
4.	Water	..	..	462	13	4				507	3	0			
5.	Gas	..	..	197	5	6				196	4	10			
6.	Electricity	..	..	703	19	9				1661	6	0			
7.	Fuel	..	..	3875	17	0				3444	11	11			
8.	Uniforms	..	..	823	7	3				449	10	0			
9.	Sundries	..	..	30	2	6				10	8	6			
							12350	14	0				11227	9	5
IV. Salaries, Wages, &c.															
1.	Medical	..	..	6005	10	0				1170	11	5			
2.	Nursing	..	..	11724	8	3				10546	10	9			
3.	Other Officers and Employees—														
	(1) Domestic	..	..	19755	18	9				14191	16	1			
	(2) Mechanics and Porters	..	..										
	(3) Other Officers	..	..										
4.	Superannuation	..	..	945	11	6				806	9	11			
							38431	8	6				26715	8	2
V. Miscellaneous.															
1.	Printing, Postages, Telephones, &c.	..	..	1103	10	1				901	17	1			
2.	Advertisements	..	..	164	16	3				149	16	7			
3.	Insurance of Buildings, Equipments, &c.	..	..	375	9	6				301	6	6			
4.	Garden	..	..	305	12	9				129	1	2			
5.	Sundries	..	..	240	14	5				278	5	8			
							2190	3	0				1760	7	0
VI. Administration.															
1.	Salaries	..	..	2078	1	0				1699	13	6			
2.	Printing, Postages, Telephones, &c.	..	..	654	6	1				733	18	9			
3.	Advertisements	..	..	19	1	9				15	10	0			
4.	Auditor's Fee and Accountancy	..	..	31	10	0				21	0	0			
5.	Sundries	..	..	252	17	0				150	17	10			
6.	Superannuation	..	..	226	18	6				190	6	8			
							3262	14	4				2811	6	9
VII. Establishment.															
1.	Renewals and Repairs to Building and Plant			5180	11	8				4933	12	9			
							5180	11	8				4933	12	9
VIII. Finance.															
1.	Interest	..	..	105	7	3				71	4	11			
2.	Appeals	..	..	438	6	6				380	6	2			
3.	Rates and Taxes	..	..	171	9	0				156	6	0			
							715	2	9				607	17	1
ORDINARY EXPENDITURE							84388	14	0				64424	9	4
EXTRAORDINARY EXPENDITURE.															
1.	X-Ray Equipment	..	..	5768	2	7									
2.	Re-decorating Hospital	..	..	1970	12	0									
3.	Restoration Beechwood (on account)	..	..	1900	0	0									
4.	Re-wiring Central Block (on account)	..	..	500	0	0									
5.	Fluorescent Lighting	..	..	202	15	0									
6.	Electrical Work Ward 3	..	..	420	10	0									
7.	Theatre Alterations	..	..	364	2	0									
8.	Out-Patient Alterations	..	..	270	17	0									
9.	X-Ray Alterations	..	..	151	17	6									
10.	Transfer of Legacies to Capital Account	..	..	785	0	0									
							12333	16	1				5041	12	10
TOTAL EXPENDITURE							96722	10	1				69466	2	2
Balance, being excess of Total Income over Total Expenditure															
							96722	10	1				£69466	2	2

GENERAL HOSPITAL

the Year ended 31st December, 1947

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INCOME				1947	1947	1946	1946
				£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
ORDINARY.							
I. Voluntary Gifts.							
1. Subscriptions, Donations, &c.							
Annual Subscriptions	..	..	..	4689	5 11	4166	16 10
Donations	..	..	..	7252	12 3	7696	12 8
Box Collections	..	..	..	166	13 7	175	2 6
Gifts in kind	..	..	..	441	12 3	353	13 8
				12550	4 0	12392	5 8
2. Central Funds.							
MERSEYSIDE HOSPITALS COUNCIL :—							
Hospital Sunday Fund	..	..	..	510	0 0	510	0 0
Final Grant for 1946 received in 1947	..	..	..	1805	0 0	5810	0 0
Grant received for 1947	..	..	..	11096	0 0	8182	0 0
				13411	0 0	14502	0 0
II. Receipts on account of Services Rendered.							
Contributions on account of services to Patients—							
(a) From Patients and their Societies:—							
Private Patients	..	..	..	5341	12 8	4584	9 2
Ward Patients	..	..	..	4155	4 11	3653	11 10
Out Patients	..	..	..	2662	6 7	2506	12 10
L.M.S. Fund	..	..	..	343	7 2	233	8 6
H.S.A. Fund	..	..	..	339	5 0	496	0 0
Port Sunlight H.S.A.	..	..	..	520	12 6	717	5 6
(b) From Public Authorities :—							
V.D. Account	..	..	..	390	0 0	390	0 0
(c) State Grant (E.M.S. Nursing Salaries, etc.)	..	..	..	28799	18 1	4613	14 0
(d) Cancer Control	..	..	..	421	14 7	494	3 4
				42974	1 6	17689	5 2
III. Invested Property.							
Interest, Dividends, &c.	..	..	..	724	5 1	1278	5 3
				724	5 1	1278	5 3
ORDINARY INCOME				69659	10 7	45861	16 1
EXTRAORDINARY INCOME							
Legacies :— Balance of Legacy—The late Miss Martha Jones £100 Daily Mail 5 per cent Cumulative Preference Stock £135; The late Mr. W. H. Reinhardt (part on account) £650							
Balance of War Damage Claim	..	..	..	456	11 4	1241	11 4
						5124	10 0
TOTAL INCOME				70901	1 11	50986	6 1
Balance, being excess of Total Expenditure over Total Income				25821	8 2	18479	16 1
				96722	10 1	£69466	2 2

BALANCE SHEET as**FUNDS AND LIABILITIES.**

Funds.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Endowment Fund							14785	17	6
Subscription Fund							213	2	6
Convalescent Fund				2161	12	8			
Sundry Creditors				47	2	10			
							2208	15	6
Coronation Appeal Fund				31254	1	5			
Less expended on Wing and Equipment ..				28076	16	9			
							3177	4	8
Chapel Fund							75	7	3
General Fund.									
Deficit at 31.12.46				16163	10	11			
Deficit for year ended 31.12.47				25821	8	2			
Total Deficit				41984	19	1			
<i>Less General Capital A/c. 1.1.47.</i>									
				£26479	5	2			
Free Legacies				785	0	0			
Net Profit on Sale of Investments				1928	18	3			
							29193	3	5
Excess of Deficit over General Fund per contra.				12791	15	8			
Liabilities.									
Due to Bankers' General Account ..				1101	8	8			
Sundry Creditors				12677	12	6			
							13779	1	2
							£34239	8	7

Note 1.—The Market Value of the Investments at the date of this Balance Sheet was £16,356 17s. 3d.

Note 2.—This Balance Sheet does not include the values of the sites, buildings or equipment of the Hospital.

Note 3.—Two Post-war Credits viz: 1943/44 £1-8-6 1944/45 £5-14-4, part of the legacy of the late Mr. W. H. Reinhardt are in the custody of the Bank.

ASSETS.

				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Endowment Fund.									
Investments .. .. .	..	..	..	13750	0	0			
Cash at Bank uninvested .. .. .	..	..	..	1035	17	6			
							14785	17	6
Subscription Fund.									
Investments at Cost .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..		213	2	6
Convalescent Fund.									
Investments at Cost .. .. .	..	..	..	2168	8	6			
Interest Outstanding .. .. .	..	..	..	40	0	0			
Cash at Bank .. .. .	..	..	..	0	7	0			
							2208	15	6
Coronation Appeal Fund.									
Cash at Bank .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..		3177	4	8
Chapel Fund.									
Cash at Bank .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..		75	7	3
General Fund.									
Cash in hand .. .. .	..	..	..	75	0	0			
Sundry Debtors .. .. .	..	..	..	912	5	6			
							987	5	6
Total Assets							£21447	12	11

Excess of Deficit over General Fund 12791 15 8

£34239 8 7

Auditor's Report to the Members of the Birkenhead General Hospital.

We have audited the above Balance Sheet dated 31st December, 1947 and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion such Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Hospital's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the Books of the Hospital.

Liverpool, 29th April, 1948.

HARMOOD BANNER, LEWIS & MOUNSEY.

Various Funds as at

Dr. GENERAL CAPITAL

					£	s.	d.
To Balance at 31st December, 1947	..	..	..	..	29193	3	5

£29193 3 5

Dr. JOHN LAIRD MEMORIAL

					£	s.	d.
To Maintenance of Patients in Convalescent Homes and provision of Surgical Appliances	..	..	..	..	394	14	2
„ Balance at 31st December, 1947	..	..	..	..	2161	12	8
					£2556	6	10

Dr. ENDOWMENT

					£	s.	d.
To Balance at 31st December, 1947	..	..	..	..	14785	17	6
					£14785	17	6

31st December, 1947

ACCOUNT

Cr.

					£	s.	d.
By Balance at 31st December, 1946	..	..	..	..	26479	5	2
„ Free Legacies :—							
Mr. W. H. Reinhardt	..	..	£650	0 0			
Miss M. Jones (Balance)	..	..	135	0 0			
					785	0	0
„ Profit on sale of investments	..	..	..	..	1928	18	3
					£29193	3	5

CONVALESCENT FUND

Cr.

					£	s.	d.
By Balance at 31st December, 1946	..	..	..	..	2232	1	6
„ Interest on Investments	..	..	..	..	80	0	0
„ Patients repayments..	..	..	..	..	244	5	4
					£2556	6	10

FUND

Cr.

					£	s.	d.
By Balance at 31st December, 1946	..	..	..	..	14785	17	6
					£14785	17	6

HOSPITAL

Dr.

Receipts and Payments Accounts

RECEIPTS.

								£	s.	d.
To Balance 31st December, 1946	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	326	13	3
,, Donations .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	11	0
,, Subscriptions .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	89	17	0
,, Special Efforts .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	204	17	4

£630 18 7

Dr.

SUBSCRIPTION

					£	s.	d.
To Balance at 31st December, 1947	..	..	..	..	213	2	6

Dr.

CHAPEL

					£	s.	d.
To Balance at 31st December, 1947	..	..	..	..	75	7	3

LINEN GUILD

for the year ended 31st December, 1947.

Cr.

PAYMENTS.

	£	s.	d.
By Printing Reports, Invitations, Stationery, etc.	9	4	7
„ Postages	2	8	8
„ Expenses of "Bring and Buy Sale"	6	6	9
„ Wreath for Mrs. Royden	1	10	0
„ Purchase of Sheets, Blankets, Quilts, Pillow Cases, Dusters, Towels, etc.	381	12	3
„ Balance, 31st December, 1947	229	16	4
	<u>£630</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>7</u>

FUND

Cr.

	£	s.	d.
By Balance at 31st December, 1946	213	2	6

FUND

Cr.

	£	s.	d.
By Balance at 31st December, 1946	75	7	3

A RECORD OF SERVICE.

The Birkenhead General Hospital was founded over 120 years ago with the ideal of service for the sick and injured. In the year 1828 big-hearted and far-seeing men took a small house at the corner of Oliver Street and Hampton Street—given by John Laird—and fitted it up as Birkenhead's first hospital, with four beds and a dispensary.

Birkenhead was then only a hamlet, closely nestling around the old Priory, but even in those far-off pioneer days hazardous work was being carried on by the river. Shipbuilding had commenced in the little yard rented by John Laird, and at Storeton and outlying districts stone-quarrying was carried on in addition to a number of other industries, and people became casualties and wanted urgent attention.

There were no streamlined motor ambulances gliding their swift and silent ways to the Birkenhead General Hospital, but over the green fields surrounding the hamlet, down the rough roads, leafy lanes and tracks from distant parts of Wirral, the sick, lame and injured could be seen making their way to the little hospital which one day was to become the largest voluntary hospital serving the Wirral peninsula. They came on foot, in carts and on rude litters or improvised stretchers. Farm labourers from Eastham and Greasby, fishermen from Hoylake and Parkgate, they were drawn by the magnet. Doctors gave their services free—as they have done for over a hundred years, and other friends gave their money to buy drugs and dressings and pay the nurses.

Although more than one hundred and twenty years have passed, the same spirit inspires the hospital, and in spite of bad times and financial depressions, unemployment and wars, the hospital has always paid its way, and has never refused help to a needy soul.

To come to more recent times, the years 1939-1945 found the Hospital working at full pressure, night and day, completely blacked-out at night. Boy scouts on the roof on the lookout for falling incendiary bombs (and finding them, too!), air-raid casualties—often in embarrassing numbers—soldiers, sailors and airmen of many nations within its walls being treated by loving hands and sympathetic hearts, doctors and nurses—oblivious of falling bombs—just carrying on the traditions of a hundred years. The story of these hectic days at the hospital would read like an epic in the history of the town, but we desire no limelight as we were only a unit with you in the front line of the homeland.

The work of the hospital cannot continue without the good-will and practical help of the community. You are part of the community. Our job is to combine the spirit and task of the Good Samaritan—even to providing the donkey if necessary in the form of a motor ambulance. We look to you to help us to find the where-withal.

The war is over, reconstruction and modernisation are in the minds of us all, and we know you, too, have many problems and worries. There is, we fear, every excuse for you to go into a brown study while crossing Hamilton Street! What happens? You will probably find your name starring in the local press, followed by the words, "he was conveyed to the Birkenhead General Hospital." Accident cases come here at an alarming rate.

Our idea is to treat every patient as a guest whatever his station in life, to give him hospitality, to restore him to his family as quickly as possible, to make him a happy and useful citizen, and a friend for life.

Today the Birkenhead General Hospital has 181 beds, nearly twenty special departments, four resident medical officers and over 90 nurses; beside Secretaries, X-Ray and Laboratory technicians, pharmacists, plus almoners, clerks, statisticians and typists, porters, boilermen and engineers.

In 1856 our food bill was £210 18s. 2d.; last year it was £6,991 4s. 2d. The salaries and wages of staff in 1856 amounted to £145 17s. 10d.—and this year £38,431 8s. 6d. Our total expenditure in 1856 was £1,031 3s., and last year it reached the enormous sum of £96,722 10s. 1d.

H. HEWITT COOKE.

PERSONAL SUPPORT FOR HOSPITALS IN THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE.

IS IT NEEDED ? WHAT FORM SHOULD IT TAKE ?

1.—Present supporters of hospitals are asking whether their help will be needed (and if so, in what form) after the 5th July next—the “appointed day” when the National Health Service comes into operation. Hospital Managements in their turn are seeking guidance of the British Hospitals Association.

It is generally known that in the National Health Service the hospitals will be transferred to the Crown, and the full maintenance costs of the hospitals will be met from the Exchequer. Does this mean that all those who in the past by gift of money or service have interested themselves in the work of hospitals and their patients should say to themselves next July : “The State has taken over : there is nothing more for us to do ? ”

2.—The National Health Service Acts lay on the Minister of Health and the Secretary of State for Scotland the duty of providing a hospital service which is comprehensive : that is, a service which is available to all, and whose purpose is to meet in full the needs of those who use it. It is therefore clear that hospitals, which in the past have relied so much on voluntary financial support for their day to day maintenance, will no longer be dependent on it in that way. It has however, been made equally clear that there will still be need in the hospital service for local interest, local initiative and local support ; and that those generous helpers who have in the past done so much to meet human needs, to foster interest and to stimulate progress in our hospitals will continue to find in them a field in which very valuable service can be rendered to the community.

3.—Until actual experience has been gained of the operation of the new service it is not possible to forecast precisely or exhaustively the kinds of voluntary help that will be most needed. But it is possible to give a general indication of ways in which interest and support will obviously be helpful and welcome. These may take the form of personal service or of financial help.

PERSONAL SERVICE

In Hospital Management

4.—The hospitals in the new service will be administered not from the centre but by local committees of management¹ composed of public-spirited men and women giving voluntary service. This is the first and most obviously necessary form of personal service—to take part in the running of the hospitals, whether as a member

of a committee of management¹ of a hospital or group, or of a House Committee of a hospital within a group. In this way local knowledge and experience can contribute to the management of the new service no less than in the past, and the channel is still provided through which local people generally can take a personal interest in the hospital's affairs. It will still be of the greatest advantage to the hospitals, and to those actually charged with their management, if there is a large body of persons taking an interest in the work of each hospital, thus providing a stimulus to greater efficiency and a source of help in promoting the welfare of patients and staff.

In Hospital Work

5.—Particularly at the present time when shortages of staff are acute, there will be ample scope for voluntary service in helping to carry out some of the work of the hospital itself. Examples may be found in the work of the Ladies' Linen Guilds in the care and maintenance of linen ; or in the running of hospital libraries, or hospital canteens. No form of voluntary support could be more beneficial than to give time and energy to practical tasks of this nature. As Mr. John Edwards, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Health, has recently said : " I can see no diminution in the multifarious activities which are now undertaken by voluntary workers. It is vital that the spirit of voluntary work should be kept alive and that thereby the hospitals, which are now your hospitals, should remain your hospitals in the future."

In Welfare of Patients

6.—The patient in hospital will need just the same personal interest and sympathetic care under the new service as at the present time ; and there will be many ways in which his physical and mental well-being can best be promoted by voluntary effort. The visiting of patients—particularly those who have no friends or relations in the immediate neighbourhood—and bringing them into touch with other contacts from the outside world, suggest themselves as fields in which there is considerable room for continued service. In other familiar ways the patient's stay in hospital can be cheered and progress encouraged by personal help.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

7.—Although the full maintenance costs of the hospitals will be a public charge, provision has been expressly made by the National Health Service Acts for the new committees of management of hospitals to enjoy the use of "free monies" to be spent as they think fit on hospital purposes. The hospitals will have at their

¹ The term "committee of management" is used throughout to include : in England and Wales, the Boards of Governors of teaching hospitals and Hospital Management Committees of other hospitals ; and in Scotland, the Boards of Management of either teaching or other hospitals.

disposal income² from past endowments and they will be able to receive and hold future voluntary gifts.

None of these gifts (including annual subscriptions and donations) will be transferable to the State, nor used to meet the cost of the hospital's maintenance³ On the contrary, committees of management will be free to apply them (subject to any express wish of the donor) in providing additional amenities for patients or staff, in undertaking experimental work of various kinds, or in supplementing in other appropriate ways the resources of the service.

It will be of the greatest benefit to committees of management, to patients and to staff alike if each hospital has at its disposal funds which can be used at discretion to meet the infinite variety of special circumstances and peculiar needs, which are bound to arise and which may not be easily or appropriately met through the expenditure of public funds.

Gifts to Individual Hospitals

8.—It may not be generally appreciated that, under the new administrative arrangements where hospitals may be grouped together for management purposes, **it will still be possible for those who cherish an intimate association with a particular hospital to ensure that their financial support goes to benefit that hospital and no other.**

Gifts or legacies *may* be accompanied by an express wish for their application for particular purposes or at individual hospitals, and in that case the committees of management receiving the gifts will hold them in trust and apply them accordingly. In this way there will be every encouragement to maintain close ties with the individual hospital and to continue to support it. Such gifts or legacies could conveniently be made in the form(s) suggested on page 56.

From the Viewpoint of the Patient

9.—The first and most obvious object to which funds can be devoted is the promotion of the welfare of the patient. Though in a hospital everything is ultimately directed to the welfare of the in-

² In the Act for England and Wales there is some differentiation between teaching and other hospitals ; the Scottish Act also differs to some extent from the English Act.

³ Where subscriptions or donations are made *after* the appointed day by Deed of Covenant for 7 years, with the Hospital Management Committee (or, in the case of a teaching hospital, with the Board of Governors ; or, in the case of a Scottish hospital, with the Board of Management), the provisions of the Income Tax Act, 1918, as adjusted by subsequent Finance Acts affecting covenanted subscriptions will continue to apply, i.e., the hospital Committee/Board will be able to claim refund of Income Tax. The reason is that although the hospitals as such will be State Institutions, the new Committees or Boards, by virtue of the N.H.S. Act, 1946, are constituted Trustees with legal corporate entity and are empowered to receive, hold and administer charitable gifts in accordance with Section 59 of the English Act (Section 58 of the Scottish Act).

dividual patient, there are some things which are intimate and personal to the patient in his daily life in the hospital, with particular reference to his physical and mental comfort. Many such amenities, at one time regarded as "extras" or luxuries which were not strictly essential to the well-being of the patient, are now looked upon as necessary factors in his effective treatment, and as such will be provided as an essential part of the hospital service. There will, however, be additional comforts and amenities which the hospital for one reason or another is not in a position to provide from its budget, and which can be provided for by gifts of money. By the use of their "free" funds committees of management will be able to experiment and to develop new welfare activities, and thus constantly to assist in raising the standards of hospital care.

From the Viewpoint of the Staff

10.—A great proportion of the staff of any hospital is necessarily resident. A corporate community life has many advantages; but it has also defects, many of which can be remedied.

In this respect the requirements of different hospitals will vary very considerably, and the scope for public support and interest is perhaps widest in the case of the isolated hospital. The encouragement of clubs and facilities for recreation in the hospitals is a common need, and there is much that can be done from outside the hospitals to ensure that nursing and other resident staffs are not cut off from the rest of the community, but maintain social and cultural contacts with the life of their district.

From the Viewpoint of Research

11.—To many, research means the laboratory and scientific study of the problems of specific diseases like cancer or rheumatism. Hospital committees of management will be able to use their "free" funds in promoting medical research of all kinds; but the field of experiment in hospitals is by no means exclusively medical, and there will be scope for new work also in every sphere of hospital administration. The existence of "free monies" is an essential element in ensuring the exercise of individual initiative in research projects, and in reaching out for progress along new lines. It will, for example, be possible to apply them in seeking new solutions to problems of departmental organisation such as catering services, testing new forms of records or new methods of filing and analysis, and in promoting in every way the continuous increase in knowledge of the most effective practice of the different branches of hospital management.

CONCLUSION

12.—These notes are issued after consultation with the Ministry of Health and the Department of Health for Scotland and will, it is hoped, prove sufficiently indicative to enable the governing bodies of teaching hospitals and all other hospitals to explain the position as it will be to their present supporters and so retain their interest and goodwill in the future when the National Health Service comes into operation.

FOR LIFE AND LIMB

BANKERS' ORDER

Date.....194

To..... (Banker)

..... (Branch)

2d.
Stamp

Please pay now to the account of the *BIRKENHEAD GENERAL HOSPITAL at the*
Midland Bank Limited, Hamilton Street, Birkenhead, my Subscription of.....
and continue to pay the amount yearly, without application, on.....
until further notice.

Signature.....

Address

£ : : Annually.

[P.T.O.]

Blessed is the man that provideth for the sick and needy ; the Lord shall deliver him in
time of trouble.—*Psalm xli., i.*

DONORS' AND SUBSCRIBERS' FORM

To the Hon. Treasurer,

BIRKENHEAD GENERAL HOSPITAL.

.....194.....

I have pleasure in enclosing.....value £.....

being Annual Subscription *for the year*.....
Donation.....

Name.....

Address.....

£ : :

YOUR GIFT MAY SAVE A LIFE.

(P.T.O.)



ONE OF THE PRIVATE WARDS

Stewart Bale



WEIGHTMAN WARD. OPENED 1938

PRESIDENTS OF THE HOSPITAL.

*CANON A. KNOX, B.A.	...	...	...	from 1856 to 1881
WILLIAM LAIRD	...	...	...	from 1882 to 1889
EGERTON K. LAIRD	...	...	...	from 1900 to 1912
W. R. HENDERSON	...	...	...	from 1915 to 1921
E. B. ROYDEN	...	...	...	from 1922

*Canon Andrew Knox was a member of the original
Committee, 1828.

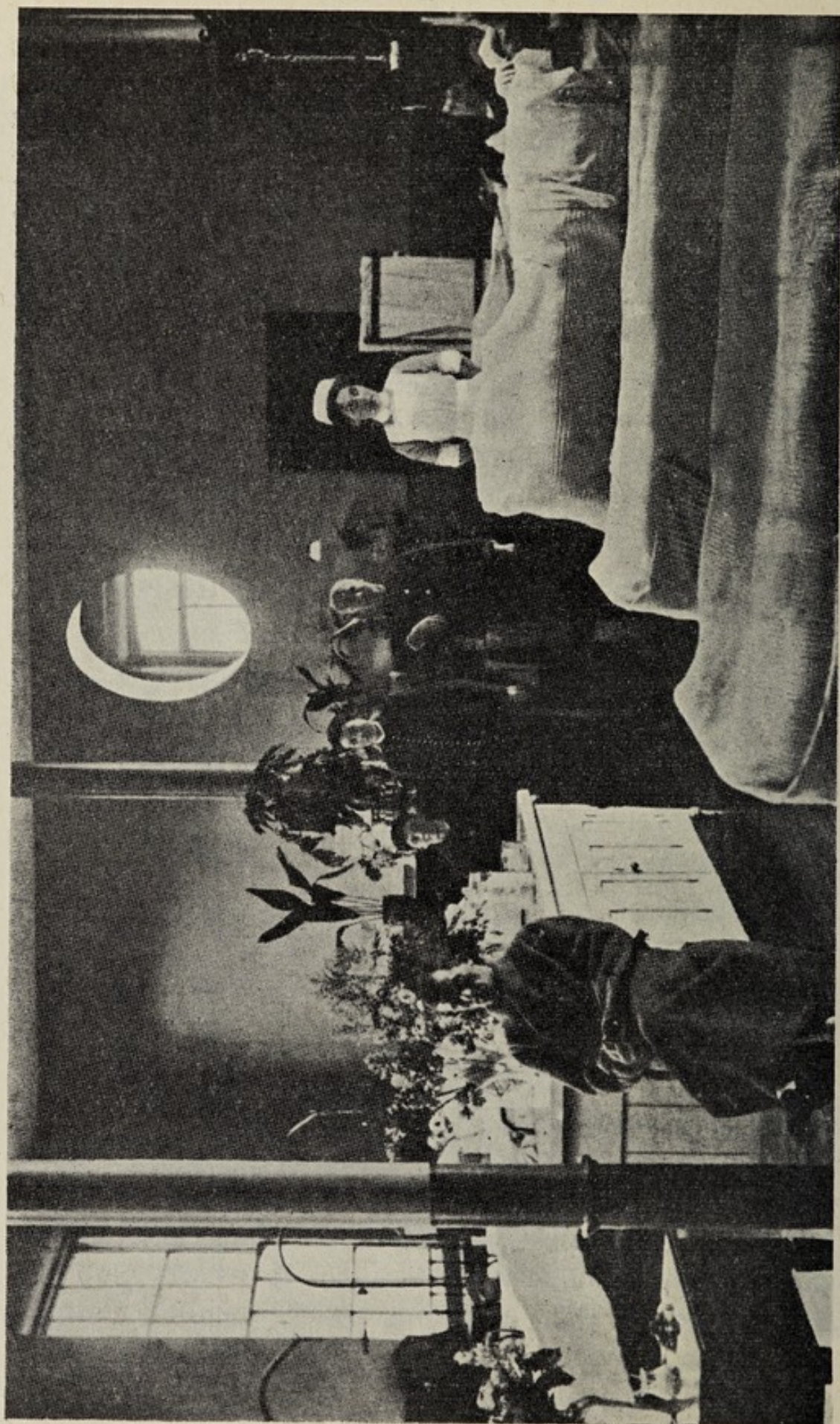
Without a President 1913 and 1914.

HONORARY TREASURERS OF THE HOSPITAL.

JOHN LAIRD, Jr.	...	...	...	from 1860 to 1897 (38 yrs.)
JOHN M. LAIRD	...	...	...	from 1898 to 1906 (9 yrs.)
ROY M. LAIRD	...	...	...	from 1907 to 1927 (21 yrs.)
E. PARRY	...	...	...	from 1927 to 1943 (17 yrs.)
F. J. FOWLER	...	...	...	from 1943

HONORARY SECRETARIES OF THE HOSPITAL.

W. WHITMORE ST. GEORGE	...	...	...	from 1856 to 1884
G. R. CLOVER	...	...	...	1885
HOWARD ST. GEORGE	...	...	...	from 1886 to 1887
HENRY BROOK	...	...	...	from 1888 to 1900
ARTHUR W. WEIGHTMAN	...	...	...	from 1901 to 1910
R. H. GOSSAGE	...	...	...	from 1911 to 1945



PHOTOGRAPH OF WARD 1 TAKEN IN 1911

BIRKENHEAD GENERAL HOSPITAL

(Phone : BIRKENHEAD 3790—3 lines).

OUT-PATIENT CLINICS.

Out-patients are seen at the undermentioned times:—

Ear, Nose and Throat...	Mr. Martin	...Tuesdays	*
	Mr. Moulden	...Fridays	*
Eye	Mr. Charters	...Wednesdays	9-0 a.m.
	Dr. Dala	...Wednesdays	9-0 a.m.
Dental	Mr. Stelfox	...Wednesdays	8-45 a.m.
	Mr. Pettitt	...Fridays	11-30 a.m.
Diseases of Women	Mr. Herd ...	...Thursdays	3-0 p.m.
	Mr. Lennon	...Thursdays	3-0 p.m.
Medical	Dr. Cunningham	...Fridays	1-30 p.m.
	Dr. Hotston	...Fridays	1-30 p.m.
	Dr. Thelwall Jones	Tuesdays	1-0 p.m.
	Dr. Murphy	...Thursdays	1-30 p.m.
Orthopaedic ...	Mr. Wardle...	...Mondays	9-0 a.m.
		Wednesdays	9-0 a.m.
	Mr. Trevor Evans	Thursdays	*
		Saturdays	9-0 a.m.
Pathological ...	Dr. Hugh Smith	...Fridays	9-45 a.m.
Skin	Dr. Canter	...Tuesdays	2-30 p.m.
Surgical	Mr. Oldham	...Fridays	1-30 p.m.
	Mr. Frank Evans	...Fridays	1-30 p.m.
	Mr. Silverstone	Tuesdays	8-30 a.m.
X-Ray	Dr. Keating	...Mondays	10-0 a.m.
		Tuesdays	10-0 a.m.
		Wednesdays	2-0 p.m.
		Thursdays	10-0 a.m.
		Fridays	10-0 a.m.
V.D.	Dr. Ball—(Men)	...Mondays	5-0 p.m.
		Wednesdays	5-0 p.m.
		Fridays	5-0 p.m.
	(Women)...	...Mondays	1-30 p.m.
		Tuesdays	5-0 p.m.
		Wednesdays	1-30 p.m.
		Fridays	1-30 p.m.

X-Ray, Massage, and Electrical treatment daily **by arrangement.**

N.B.—With the exception of Surgical Dressings and V.D. Cases, no patient will be seen at any of the above Clinics **without a letter of introduction from his or her doctor.**

* Patients wishing to attend these clinics, must make an appointment, by telephoning Birkenhead 3790.

WHAT IT COSTS TO MAINTAIN THE HOSPITAL

Per Month	..	..	£7,032	8	4
Per week	..	..	1,622	17	4
Per day	..	..	231	4	1
Per hour	..	..	9	12	8
Per minute	..	..	3	3	

SOURCES OF INCOME

Payment for Services Rendered	..	40%
Central Funds	.. ..	30%
Voluntary Gifts	.. ..	28%
Investments	.. ..	2%

SEVEN WAYS OF HELPING THE HOSPITAL

- 1.—Send a Gift—great or small—in money or in kind.
- 2.—Arrange a Whist or Bridge Drive, Concert or Dance, amongst your friends.
- 3.—Become a Weekly Contributor through the 1d. in the £ scheme.
- 4.—Become a Governor by subscribing £1 or more each year.
- 5.—Become a Life Governor by giving a Donation of £50.
- 6.—Endow a Bed in Perpetuity by giving a Donation of £1,000.
- 7.—Remember the Hospital in your Will. Our Endowments are very small compared with necessary expenditure, and every Legacy greatly helps to maintain the Hospital's services.