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ESSEX COUNTY HOSPITAL, COLCHESTER,

Report and Accounts, 1926

The ANNUAL BOARD OF GOVERNORS will be held in the <u>OUT-PATIENTS' HALL of the Hospital</u> on WEDNESDAY, the 4th MAY, 1927, at 3 o'clock, to receive the Accounts and to fill vacancies on the Committee.

 The following members of the Committee retire under Rule 17, but have been nominated for a further term of three years :—

> Messrs. G. W. DOE, J. LISTER GODLEE, J.P., A. J. LUCKING, J.P. and A. W. PIPER, J.P.

 The Chairman will move that the appointment by the Selection Committee of Dr. J. ORD PENDER-SMITH as Hon. Radiologist and Medical Officer in charge of the Electro-Therapeutic Department, be confirmed.

ALFRED G. BUCK,

Secretary.

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23rd April, 1927.

THE 107th ANNUAL

REPORT of the COMMITTEE

FOR THE YEAR 1926.

THE COMMITTEE are glad to be able to report again a year of good work carried out in all departments of the Hospital.

It will be noted that the Accounts this year are presented in the new form as requested by the Essex Voluntary Hospitals Committee.

For the first time for many years it is a pleasure to be able to report that the income has exceeded the expenditure by £895 9s. 9d.—a very satisfactory result from twelve months' strenuous endeavour to meet the largely increased expenditure which is entailed year by year. This is the more satisfactory in view of the fact that some of our investments have had to be sold during recent years and we shall be glad to replace these amounts as our income allows from year to year. Fortunately during the past year we have been able to show a slight increase in this direction.

We acknowledge with very deep gratitude the labours of the Workers' Committee, the result of which has been that a further large increase in their contributions has been made to the funds of the Hospital, this year's figure totalling £4,359, as against £3,933 in 1925—a very valuable help indeed to the finances of the institution, which goes a long way towards making it possible for the Hospital to give the benefits which the patients enjoy.

The new Contributory Fund for the country districts has made very satisfactory progress, and through the indefatigable efforts of our Organiser and all the collectors in the various districts who have so nobly co-operated with him, this fund has paid to the general fund £2,676, as against £1,836, which appeared in last year's report, this latter amount representing fifteen months' work. The Committee desire to give their warmest thanks to all the friends who have assisted in bringing about this splendid result.



The Committee are much indebted to the Mayor of the Borough (Cr. A. W. Piper), and to our Chairman (Col. J. C. Tabor) for the appeals which they have made to the Borough and County for new subscribers, which resulted in an addition to this very important source of permanent income of $\pounds 448$. To the Colchester Carnival Society, the Committee desire to tender their warmest thanks for the splendid and successful effort which was made on behalf of the funds and for the magnificent result which brought in no less a sum than $\pounds 1,103$.

Our thanks are due and are cordially given to our friends at Maldon for their efforts on behalf of our funds, which resulted in a generous gift of \pounds 130 7s. 6d., being the proceeds of their Hospital Saturday Fund and Bank Holiday Fund, 1926.

We are pleased to record that the Mayor (Cr. A. W. Piper) has inaugurated a "Sportsman's Million Penny Fund," which is, we understand, being taken up with enthusiasm, and will no doubt result in augmenting considerably the funds of the Hospital.

To Mrs. Reginald D. Hill and Mrs. H. B. Dickinson we are deeply grateful for the organisation of the Tally-ho teas, which brought in a sum of $\pounds 267$. Miss Louisa Jones again organised Egg Week, which was in every way successful and brought in 39,117 eggs. Miss Jones was also responsible for the organisation of Lenten teas. These latter provided mattresses, pillows, blankets, and linen for the equipment of the private wards. Our very hearty thanks and appreciation are accorded to Miss Jones.

The Tinfoil collection has been satisfactory up to the end of the year, and is being continued.

Mr. C. J. Wilkin, J.P., of Tiptree, has again given evidence of his generosity by increasing his gift of jam to a full year's supply, for which we sincerely thank him.

To the Headmaster and Staff of the Royal Grammar School we are grateful for their continued interest in and the upkeep of the Colchester Royal Grammar School cot, and to the Prudential Assurance Company we are indebted for increased subscription for the maintenance of the cots bearing their name.

We desire to place on record the gift from the trustees of the late Mr. M. Bayard Brown, of the sum of $\pounds_{1,000}$ for the permanent endowment of a bed. This is the first endowment of its kind in the history of the institution, and our thanks are warmly accorded to the trustees. The Footballers' beds continue to receive the support of the Pearson and Worthington-Evans cup competitions.

We desire to thank Mrs. H. G. Egerton-Green and the ladies who co-operate with her for the contributions of linen during the year. We note with regret that Mrs. Egerton-Green desires to tender her resignation To Mrs. Denton and the members of the Colchester Ladies' Association we give our cordial thanks for their kind efforts and valuable contribution.

The opening of the new block has been of very great benefit. We are indebted to our President, Mr. S. A. Courtauld, for the gift of a complete X-ray installation which is a very great acquisition to the equipment of the Hospital. Dr. E. J. H. Roth, who acted as the Honorary Radiologist for a short while, has resigned, and Dr. J. Ord Pender-Smith was appointed his successor in this department.

There has been a very large increase in the In and Out-Patients Departments during the year, and we have a long In-Patients waiting list which gives the Committee some concern, and they are endeavouring to do what is possible with the accommodation at their disposal to reduce its size. The total number of Out-Patient attendances during 1926 was 38,455, compared with 28,504 in 1925. The total number of In-patients admitted during the year was 1,472, as against 1,179 in 1925, and the number of available beds was 140 in 1926 and 120 in 1925.

The members of the Post Office Staff raised a fund during the year for an installation of wireless throughout the whole of the Hospital. This has been very much appreciated by the patients and the Committee would desire to record their warmest thanks for this generous and beneficent gift.

A Psychiatric Clinic has been inaugurated in charge of Dr R. C. Turnbull.

The private wards have been most satisfactory. They have supplied a long felt need in the Borough and are almost constantly in full use.

There have been several changes of staff throughout the year. Miss M. Halls, Assistant Matron, since 1923, left on her appointment as Matron of the Gravesend Hospital, and Miss G. Byford, Assistant Matron at Wigan Royal Infirmary, was appointed to fill the vacancy. During the year fourteen probationers sat for the Preliminary and eleven for the final Examination of the General Nursing Council, all of whom passed The Committee desire to acknowledge with deep gratitude the services of the Honorary Staff, who are willing to give of their best at all times, for the benefit of the patients who come under their care.

During the year we have lost by death one of our Honorary Treasurers, the late Mr. W. Coats Hutton, J.P. We are glad to welcome as his successor Mr. Percy Crossman, J.P. We have also lost Capt. P. K. Smythies, R.N., J.P., Mr. Thomas Hetherington, J.P., and Mr Reuben Hunt, J.P., all of whom showed a very deep and practical interest in the work of the Hospital, and served on its Committee as Vice-Presidents. The resignation of Col. J. C. Tabor from the Chairmanship of the Committee was a very real loss to us, and we wish to express our regret that he did not feel able to continue to fill this position beyond the end of the year. Col. Tabor's record of splendid service was all too short. We should have liked to have seen him as our Chairman for some years to come. We desire very cordially to recognise his deep interest in the work of the Hospital. The appointment of Mr. Charles J. Round, D.L., J.P., as his successor met with the unanimous approval of the Committee. We warmly welcome him and we shall give him our very fullest support.

The need for the Hospital was never greater than it is today, and it will become increasingly so in the future. The accommodation at the present time is not adequate and in order to cope with the present demand, it is essential to use temporary buildings such as the Army huts which were never intended for permanent use, and the matter of re-building is becoming one of urgency. The Nurses Home block is of first importance owing to the present unsatisfactory conditions of the housing of our staff. It has been made abundantly clear that the Government look to our voluntary Hospitals to continue to afford benefits to the communities in which they are placed, and in fact they urge that increase in accommodation wherever possible shall be made.

If in the future any help is forthcoming from Government sources, it will only be given to such institutions as are well equipped and are endeavouring to make suitable provision for the districts in which they are situated. We need to-day a continuance of the generous support that has been given in the past, and a still further increase of that important source of revenue—annual subscriptions.

> A. OWEN WARD, Acting Chairman.

13th April, 1927.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the Year ending December 31st, 1926.

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We have examined the above Accounts with the Books and Vouchers of the Hospital and certify that it is in accordance therewith.

14th March, 1927.

SMEDLEY, BENSUSAN-BUTT & CO., Chartered Accountants, Auditors.

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We have examined the Chaplains' Fund Account, the Samaritan Fund Account, the Contributory Fund Account, the Nurses' Home Account, and the Reconstruction Account, with the Books and Vouchers relating thereto, and certify that they are in accordance therewith.

14th March, 1927.

SMEDLEY, BENSUSAN BUTT & CO., Chartered Accountants, Auditors.

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14th March, 1927.

SMEDLEY, BENSUSAN-BUTT & CO., Chartered Accountants, Au tors.

STATEMENT OF INVESTED FUNDS.

Standing in the names of Trustees and Valued as at 31st Dec., 1926.

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1200	0	0	New South Wales 6 % Inscribed	per £	700	11	6			
			Stock 1930-40	991	1194	0	0			
300	0	0	5% War Stock 1929-47	100%	301	19	5			
750	0	-0	4% Funding Stock 1960-1990	85%	637	19	5			
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			solidated Stock 1947-57	100%	1205	19	7			
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Essex County Hospital, Colchester.

STATISTICAL TABLES.

Statistics for Year to 31st December 1926, compared with those of the previous Year.

I.-IN-PATIENTS.

(a) Number of Beds and In-Patients.

	Numbers in 1926.	Numbers in 1925.
1. Total number of available beds on 31st December	140	120
 Average number of available beds during the year Average number of Patients resident daily through- 	140	120
out the year	119	104
4. Number of In-Patients in the Hospital at be- ginning of year	129	104
5. Number of In-patients admitted during year	1472	1179
6. Number of In-Patients in the Hospital at the end of the year	114	129
7. Average number of days each Patient was resident 8. Number of Patients admitted and discharged	29	33
during the year who were resident for		
(i.) only 1 day	94	58
(ii.) 2 and 3 days	84	41

(b) Annual Expenditure on In-Patients apart from that on Out-Patients, Average Cost of each In-Patient per week and Average Cost of each In-Patient.

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	Expendi- ture In- Patients. £ only.	Average Cost of each In-Patient per week.	Average Total Cost of each In-Patient.	Average Cost of each In-Patient per week.	Average total cost of each In-Patient.		
1. Provisions (in- cluding Board		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
of Officials) 2. Surgery and		$14 2\frac{3}{4}$	$2 19 2 \frac{1}{4}$	$15 0\frac{1}{2}$	$3 \ 10 \ 6\frac{1}{2}$		
Dispensary	2182	7 01	1 9 4	8 01	1 17 84		
3. Domestic	10000	$\begin{array}{ccc} 7 & 0\frac{1}{2} \\ 15 & 8\frac{1}{2} \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		
4. Salaries and				and have	in the second second		
Wages (Maintenance)		$13 \ 3\frac{1}{4}$	2 15 3	$12 \ 10^{\frac{1}{2}}$	$3 \ 0 \ 3\frac{1}{2}$		
5. Miscellaneous		1 7		8			
6. Administration.		1 91	$7 4\frac{1}{2}$	1 9	8 2		
STATISTICAL COST 7. Establishment		2 13 71	11 3 1	$2 \ 13 \ 10^{\frac{1}{2}}$	$12 \ 12 \ 5\frac{3}{4}$		
Renewals and	020	1 01	4 31	1 73	7 71		
Repairs 8. Finance	3 4 6 4	4 10 ⁴	$\begin{array}{cccc} & 4 & 3\frac{1}{4} \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array}$	$1 7\frac{1}{7\frac{1}{4}}$	$ \begin{array}{cccc} 7 & 7 \\ 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 \\ \end{array} $		
TOTAL COST		$2 \ 19 \ 5\frac{1}{2}$	12 7 $5\frac{1}{4}$	$2 \ 16 \ 1\frac{3}{4}$	13 3 14		

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Statistics for Year to 31st December, 1926, compared with those of the previous year.

II.-OUT-PATIENTS.

(a) Numbers.

	Numbers in 1926.	Numbers in 1925.
1. Total number of new Out-Patients	7691	7126
2. Total number of Out-Patient Attendances (a.) Number of Patients on books at the be-	38455	28504
(h.) Number of Casualty Patients included in	887	884
No. 1 above	3827	2684
(c.) Number of Maternity Patients included in No. 1 above attended at home		
(d.) Number of Attendances on Maternity Patients included in No. 2 above		

(b) Annual Expenditure on Out-Patients and Average Cost of each Out-Patient Attendance and of each Out-Patient.

	1926			1925		
	Expendi- ture on Out- Patients £'s only.	Average Cost of each Out- Patient Atten- dance.	Average Total Cost of each Out- Patient.	Average Cost of each Out- Patient Atten- dance.	Average Total Cost of each Out- Patient.	
	£	d.	d.	d.	s. d.	
 Provisions (including board of Officials) Surgery and Dispensary Domestic	1374 347	1 8 21 33 a	$ \begin{array}{c} 6 \\ 3 \\ $	1 1 1 2 3 4	$\begin{array}{c} 5\frac{5}{4}\\ 3 \\ 8\frac{5}{4}\\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 11 \\ 11 \\ 11 \\ 11 \\ 11 \\$	
6. Administration	91		24	and4	112	
STATISTICAL COST 7. Establishment—Renewals		1 41	6 10 1/2	1 71	6 31	
and Repairs 8. Finance	$35 \\ 62$	1	$\frac{1}{2}$		11	
TOTAL COST		1 5	7 11	1 71	6 51	



