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**ANNIE M^CCALL
MATERNITY HOSPITAL**

formerly known as

CLAPHAM MATERNITY HOSPITAL

Jeffreys Road, S.W.4

**Fifty-Fourth
Annual Report, 1942**



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REPORT

For the Year ended December 31st, 1942.

For the second successive year this has to be perforce a skeleton report. The cessation of heavy air raids on London led to the return of large numbers of the evacuated population of the city to their homes, where these had not been destroyed. The Government policy of strongly discouraging all confinements taking place in London was modified by a new situation in which expectant mothers were unwilling to move out for their confinements.

About the middle of July hospitals were circularised asking whether they could provide additional maternity beds to meet the situation. The obstacle to the reopening of the Annie McCall was that the nurses' residence had been put out of action by the bombing. Any chance of obtaining assistance to restore this and so make available the 50 beds of the hospital was knocked on the head by the requisitioning of the greater part of the In-Patient block under Regulation 51 (Defence Regulations, 1939) which had taken place a month earlier, so that the Lambeth Borough Council could provide a wartime day nursery. The discovery of the national need for these day nurseries to help the war effort had been made just before that of the insufficiency of maternity accommodation. So the matter stands.

ANTENATAL CLINIC

Begun towards the close of 1941, under the care of Miss G. H. Dodds, F.R.C.S., F.R.C.O.G., this clinic has grown steadily. It has met a real need, and during the year dealt with over 100 expectant mothers. The total number of visits paid to the clinic was about 500, and it is expected to increase as it becomes known that the Annie McCall Hospital is functioning again.

DISTRICT MIDWIFERY

The damaged nurses' home was surveyed, and it was found possible to repair and renovate one of the houses to provide accommodation for two or three midwives. A licence to do this was obtained from the Ministry of Health, and toward the end of the year our own midwives were beginning to take cases on the district. Up to December 31st they had paid 108 home visits to a number of mothers.

POSTNATAL CLINIC AND INFANT WELFARE CLINIC

Three-quarters of the patients attending the Antenatal Clinic were evacuated to the country for their confinements under the Government scheme. A Postnatal Clinic was begun for all who wished to have additional help. Owing to the demand, arrangements have been made to resume the Infant Welfare Clinic in the New Year.

The Council wish to thank Miss G. H. Dodds for her devoted labours during the year, for professional help, and for the many ways in which her advice has been freely at their service. They are also grateful to the following ladies who have helped with the clinics:— Mrs. Moir Carnegie, whose ripe experience makes her an ideal Honorary Almoner; Miss Helen McCall, who has ably taken the Chair of the Committee appointed by the Council; and Miss Woodhouse, Matron

of the Mildmay Mission Hospital, for invaluable advice in many ways. They are indebted to members of the Committee and would like to thank Miss Margaret Basden, F.R.C.S., F.R.C.O.G., especially for finding time in her busy life to give the members the benefit of her wide experience.

FINANCE

The accounts for the year show a satisfactory excess of receipts over expenditure. The remaining debt on the New Building Fund has been extinguished and a beginning has been made with a fresh Fund with which it is hoped eventually to enable a new and worthy Nurses' Home and Private Ward block to be built after the war.

A legacy of £100 was received from the estate of the late Dr. Rosa Elizabeth Bale, and has been added to the Capital Account.

THE FUTURE

The future of the Voluntary Hospitals is at present a matter of nationwide discussion. It would have been in no doubt had voluntary gifts not flagged. As far back as 1908 Dr. Annie McCall was drawing attention to the falling off of donations. They had been equal to one-third of the cost in 1890, and in 1908 equalled one-fifth only.

Dr. McCall was a pioneer. During the first five years of her work 1,171 cases were delivered without a single death. The first death occurred in the sixth year, out of a total of 1,009 cases dealt with during the year. She was also a pioneer in the training of midwives; by the time of the working of the Midwives Act (1905) she had been the means of training 1,500 midwives.

Public attention has recently been directed to the need for certain maternity patients to have longer than the routine two weeks in hospital. Thirty-five years ago Dr. McCall carried out her "long desired project of opening a special waiting and convalescent home." The report of a year or two later states that it is "impossible to speak too strongly of the value" of this home.

Dr. McCall was certainly in the vanguard of progress, and her hospital must not now be allowed to fall behind. A large capital sum will be required to modernise the building when the time for reopening comes. A lift, a modern operating theatre and certain other improvements will be needed as well as the nurses' home and private ward block already mentioned. There can be no better way of marking the achievements of Dr. Annie McCall's work than of ensuring the continuance of the hospital which bears her name.

STATISTICAL TABLES—OUT-PATIENTS

	Numbers in 1942 (Year under review)	Numbers in previous year
1. Total number of new Out-Patients.....	123	--
2. Total number of Out-Patient attendances	611	--
(a) Number of Patients on books at the beginning of the year	—	-
(b) Number of Casualty Patients included in No. 1 above	—	-
(c) Number of Maternity Patients included in No. 1 above attended at home	15	—
(d) Number of attendances on Maternity Patients included in No. 2 above	108	—

Income and Expenditure Account for

ORDINARY.	INCOME	£	£	£
I. VOLUNTARY GIFTS.				
1. SUBSCRIPTIONS, DONATIONS, ETC. :—				
Annual Subscriptions		4		
Donations		323		
Box Collections		—		
Gifts in Kind		—		
Other Voluntary Gifts—		—		
		—	366	
2. CENTRAL FUNDS :—				
King Edward's Hospital Fund:				
The work of the Hospital is taken into account in the grant to the Mildmay Mission Hospital				
Hospital Sunday Fund		5		
Other Central Funds		—		
		—	5	
			—	371
II. RECEIPTS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES RENDERED.				
1. CONTRIBUTIONS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES TO PATIENTS :—				
<i>(a) From Patients and their Societies :—</i>				
Patients		13		
Contributory Schemes		—		
Approved Societies		—		
Other Sources—		—		
<i>(b) From Public Authorities—London County Council</i>		11		
		—	24	
2. FEES—				
Nurses' and Probationers' Fees		—		
Other Fees		—		
3. OTHER RECEIPTS—Surplus on Sale of Bedding				
		72		
		—	96	
III. INVESTED PROPERTY.				
Interest, Dividends, etc. (including £204 Accumulated Interest on National Savings Certificates)		578		
Rents		115		
		—	693	
		—	—	
ORDINARY INCOME				1,160
EXTRAORDINARY.				
EXTRAORDINARY INCOME				—
		—	—	
TOTAL INCOME				1,160
Balance, being excess of Total Expenditure over Total Income for the Year —				

£1,160

the Year ended 31st December, 1942.

EXPENDITURE.										£	£
ORDINARY.											
I. PROVISIONS	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		4
II. SURGERY AND DISPENSARY—											
1. Drugs, Chemicals, Disinfectants, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	
2. Dressings, Bandages, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	
3. Instruments and Appliances	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	
4. Wines and Spirits	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	—
5. Salaries and Wages of Dispensing Staff	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	—
6. Sundries	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	—
										—	9
III. DOMESTIC.											
1. Renewal and Repair of Furniture, Bedding, Crockery, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	
2. Laundry	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	
3. Cleaning and Chandlery	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	
4. Water	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	
5. Fuel and Lighting	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	53	
6. Uniforms	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	
7. Sundries	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	—
										—	80
IV. SALARIES AND WAGES (MAINTENANCE)—											
1. Medical	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	
2. Nursing	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	151	
3. Other Officers and Employees	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	166	
4. Pensions	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	—
										—	318
V. MISCELLANEOUS—											
1. Printing, Stationery, Postages, Telephones, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	
2. Advertisements	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	
3. Insurance of Buildings, Equipment, Stores, etc.—											
(1) General	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	
(2) War Damage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	
4. Garden	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	—
5. Sundries	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	
										—	52
VI. ADMINISTRATION—											
1. Salaries	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	36	
2. Pensions	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	—
3. Printing, Stationery, Postages, Telephones, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	
4. Advertisements	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	—
5. Law Charges	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	—
6. Auditor's Fee	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	
7. Sundries	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	
										—	69
VII. ESTABLISHMENT—											
Renewals and Repairs to Buildings and Plant	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		532
											120
VIII. FINANCE—											
1. Interest	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	
2. Appeals	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	
3. Rent	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	—
4. Rates and Taxes	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	51	
										—	71
											—
ORDINARY EXPENDITURE											723
EXTRAORDINARY.											
I. Contributions to other Institutions	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	—
										—	
EXTRAORDINARY EXPENDITURE											—
										—	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE											723
Balance, being excess of Total Income over Total Expenditure for the Year											437
											<u>£1,160</u>

Balance Sheet,

LIABILITIES.		£	£
1. SUNDRY CREDITORS—			
(1) GENERAL FUND		6	
(2) BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT		—	6
2. LOANS TO HOSPITAL .			—
3. CAPITAL ACCOUNTS—			
(a) HOSPITAL ENDOWMENTS		—	
(b) SPECIAL FUNDS		—	
(c) BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT FUNDS—			
Balance, 1st January, 1942	£17,333		
Add Subscriptions received during year	17		
Transfer from General Fund	573		
Donation	100		
	—————	18,023	
(d) GENERAL FUND—			
Balance, 1st January, 1942	13,341		
Add Surplus on Realisation of Investments	1,968		
Income Tax recovered in respect of past years	13		
Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year	437		
Transferred from Legacies Account	100		
	—————	15,859	
Less Transfer to Buildings and Equipment Fund	573		
		15,286	
(e) SUSPENSE FUNDS		—	
		—————	33,309
4. UNEXPENDED INCOME BALANCES OF SPECIAL FUNDS—			
MARION RITCHIE SAMARITAN FUND		224	
		—————	224
		—————	£33,539

New Building

Dr. Income and Expenditure Account

INCOME.		£
To BALANCE—1st January, 1942:—		
Cash at Bank		37
" SUBSCRIPTIONS		17
" SALE OF BLANKETS (General Fund)		73
		—————
		£127

Legacies

INCOME.		£
To DR. R. E. BALE		100
		—————

31st December, 1942.

ASSETS.

1. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND—			
On account of—		£	£
(a)	ENDOWMENTS	—	
(b)	SPECIAL FUNDS, Marion Ritchie Samaritan Fund	108	
(c)	BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT FUNDS	20	
(d)	GENERAL FUND	465	
(e)	SUSPENSE FUNDS	—	
			593
2. STOCKS OF UNISSUED STORES ON HAND			46
3. SUNDRY DEBTORS—			
	GENERAL FUND	170	
	BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT	—	
			170
4. INTERNAL LOANS—			—
5. INVESTMENTS—			
The Hospital is entitled to an interest of one per cent. in the Funds held by the Bawden Trustees.			
(a)	HOSPITAL ENDOWMENTS	—	
(b)	SPECIAL FUNDS, Marion Ritchie Samaritan Fund	116	
(c)	BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT FUNDS	—	
(d)	GENERAL FUND, as per Schedule attached	11,795	
(e)	SUSPENSE FUNDS	—	
			11,911
6. LAND, BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT OF THE HOSPITAL—			
Expenditure from 1st January, 1899, to 31st December, 1941			
		20,819	
Expenditure during the year to 31st December, 1942			
		—	
			20,819
Grant, 1942			
		—	

We have compared the above Balance Sheet and Accounts with the Books and Vouchers relating thereto, and have inspected the Deeds of the Freehold and Leasehold Properties, and have verified the Investments and Bank Balances. To the best of our knowledge and belief the regulations of the Revised Uniform System of Hospital Accounts, as modified by the instructions of King Edward's Hospital Fund, relating to the treatment of Free Legacies, dated December, 1940, have been followed.

EVANS, PEIRSON & Co., *Auditors.*

PORTLAND HOUSE, 73, BASINGHALL STREET, LONDON, E.C.2.

1st March, 1943.

£33,539

Appeal Account.

for the Year ended 31st December, 1942.

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EXPENDITURE.			
		£	
BY INTEREST ON LOAN		7	
„ REPAYMENT OF LOAN		100	
„ BALANCE—31st December, 1942 :—			
Cash at Bank		20	
			£127

Account.

EXPENDITURE.			
BY GENERAL FUND—Capital Account		£100	

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS.

General Fund Investments, 31st December, 1942.

	<i>Valued at Cost.</i>
£2,000 London Midland & Scottish Railway 4% Debenture Stock	£1,625
£600 Buenos Ayres Great Southern Railway Co. Ltd., 6% Preference Stock	598
Proportion of £100 Buenos Ayres Great Southern Railway Co. Ltd., 6% Preference Stock	27
£500 London Midland & Scottish Railway 4% Guar- anteed Stock	347
£900 Metropolitan Water " E " Stock, 1953/73	860
£2,700 Metropolitan Water " B " Stock	2,557
600 United Kingdom Gas Corporation Ltd., 4½% First Preference Shares	697
£1,164 Southern Railway 5% Preference Stock	1,271
£1,000 London County Cons. Stock 2½%	813
£1,000 Defence Bonds 3%	1,000
£2,000 National Savings 3% Bonds, 1955/65	2,000
	£11,795

(Market Value 31st December, 1942, £11,997).

Trust Deed, 5th July, 1911.

£225 London Midland & Scottish Railway 4% Pre- ference Stock	£245
£200 London & North Eastern Railway 4% Prefer- ence Stock	212
£400 Buenos Ayres Great Southern Railway 5% Stock	470
Proportion of £100. Buenos Ayres Great Southern Railway 6% Preference Stock	73
	£1,000