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PROVINCIAL BANK OF IRELAND, LIMITED.

BEDFORD ROW HOSPITAL

MEDICAL STAFF

Consulting Accoucheur :

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Obstetric Surgeon:

JOHN A. HOLMES, M.B., M.A.O., M.R.C.O.G.

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MORGAN COSTELLOE, M.B., B.Ch., D.C.H.
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MRS. J. QUINLAN, S.R.N., S.C.M.

Anaesthetists :

DR. A. CREHAN, M.B., D.A., F.F.A.R.C.S.I.
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Paediatrician :

DR. ANNE McMAHON, M.D., M.R.C.P.I.

Pathologist :

DR. W. BENNETT, M.D.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The hospital enjoyed good support for the year ending December 31st, 1965. There was an increase of 100 deliveries over the previous year and bigger numbers of patients are seeking delivery in the hospital each year.

I regret to record the death during the year of Mr. Edward Treacy for many years legal advisor to the hospital. We offer our sympathy to his relatives. Mr. Desmond O'Malley was appointed legal advisor to the hospital and we extend a welcome to him. Dr. Edwards left the medical staff to take up another appointment.

During the year certain renovations were done. The large ground floor sitting room was partitioned to provide 2 single rooms, a bathroom and a secretary's office. Also a large room on the top floor has been renovated and partitioned and is now in use. During the year the secretary had interviews with the Minister for Health and also with the Chief Medical Officer, Department of Health. He put before them the increasing volume of work being done in the hospital and asked for a grant to do some extensions. He also asked that the deficit be paid as in the case in other voluntary hospitals. A sympathetic hearing was given but no definite decision has been received.

The Management Committee thank the Matron and nursing staff for their loyal support. We specially thank Mr. Wallis (Accountant) for his attendance at many of the meetings and for the valuable time he gave to drawing up the salary scales.

I must record again that the hospital is operating as a Voluntary Hospital without aid from the Hospital's Commission. In view of the discussions that have taken place we have some hope that this state of affairs may be rectified. Our most pressing needs are a new toilet annex, a lift and an operating and delivery suite. In view of the progress the hospital has made over the past 5 years one must look forward to further progress with confidence.

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Table showing admissions and deliveries over a ten year period.

	<i>Admissions</i>	<i>Deliveries</i>	<i>District</i>
1957	602	485	146
1958	625	489	124
1959	534	437	129
1960 (Regional Opened)	378	267	139
1961	227	194	122
1962	372	337	135
1963	403	385	74
1964	448	421	77
1965	543	522	88

1966 (Trend suggests that there will be over 600 in 1966).

1967.
1968

671
634.

655

MEDICAL REPORT, 1965

During 1965 there were 543 patients admitted to the hospital. Of these 522 were delivered of babies. There was an increase in admission of 95 and in deliveries of 101. On the district there were 88 cases so that the hospital was responsible for 600 deliveries.

ABNORMAL PRESENTATIONS

Breech Presentation : There were 10 single breech births. One baby died due to intrauterine asphyxia and inhalation of mucus.

Shoulder Presentation : There was one case. Treatment was by internal version and breech extraction.

Prolapsed Cord : There were 2 cases. One occurred with breech presentation in a first twin. One occurred with a vertex presentation and was stillborn.

Twins : There were eleven cases of twins. Six infants died five because of prematurity and one because of toxæmia.

Face Presentation : One case baby died from inhalation of excess mucus.

OPERATIVE PROCEDURES

Caesarean Section : There were 9 cases. Three were repeat operations, two because the first baby was stillborn, and four followed failure of trial of labour. Seven of the operations were done in the hospital.

Forceps : There were 194 forceps deliveries. One infant was lost which was a face presentation and one was stillborn.

Versions in Labour : There was one case. The infant was stillborn.

MATERNAL DISEASES IN PREGNANCY

Abortions : There were 13 cases. Three were threatened, one complete, eight were incomplete, one was missed, nine were curetted.

Ante Partum Haemorrhage : There were 3 cases. Two were mild and were treated conservatively. One was a severe case of accidental haemorrhage and 4 pints of blood were given.

Post Partum Haemorrhage : There were 2 severe cases where blood transfusion was given.

Pre-eclamptic toxæmia : There were 8 cases. Two infants were stillborn.

Infections : There was no severe birth canal infection.

INFANT SECTION

Stillbirths : There were 6 cases. One was due to prolapsed cord, one was anencephalic, one was due to congenital heart disease, one was attributed to small insufficient placenta, and in one no cause was found.

Neo-natal Deaths : There were 17 cases. Five were very premature twins, two were premature single births, four had major congenital defects, one was due to cerebral haemorrhage, one was due to intrauthine asphyxia, two were attributed to atelectasis and hyaline membrane, one followed breech delivery, and in one no cause was stated.

Prematurity : Nineteen babies were premature by weight, of these 3 were stillborn and 7 died in the neonatal period.

Congenital Abnormalities : There were seven cases of major congenital abnormality. Two were anencephalic, 4 had spina bifida one being combined with hydrocephalus while one had congenital heart disease and absent sternum.

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED
31st DECEMBER, 1965**

Gross Income :

	£	£
Patients	9482	
Interest and Dividends	103	
Interest from Trusts	251	
Sundry Receipts (including Telephone, £82)	120	
	<u> </u>	9956

Operating Expenses :

Salaries, Wages and N.H.S.	4786	
Less : L.H.A. Grant	1029	
	<u> </u>	3757

Provisions	2320	
Surgical Requisites	275	
Light and Heating	736	
Rent and Rates	43	
Bank Charges	13	
Stationery	31	
Postage and Carriage	9	
Laundry	213	
Linen	206	
Telephone	141	
Household	319	
Insurance	171	
Rebates	109	
Repairs	302	
Painting	206	
Sundries	50	
	<u> </u>	8901
Depreciation	345	
	<u> </u>	9246
SURPLUS		710

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1965

ASSETS						£	£
Premises	...	...	...	...	...	1663	
Additions	...	...	...	...	...	925	
						2588	
Less : Depreciation	...	...	...	...	...	250	2338
Furnishings	...	...	...	...	...	945	
Addition	...	...	...	...	...
						945	
Less : Depreciation	...	...	...	...	...	95	850
Stock ...	...	...	...	...	...		80
Investments	...	...	...	...	...		4023
Debtors	...	...	...	...	...		716
Prize Bonds	...	...	...	...	...		10
Cash in hand	...	...	...	...	...		10
Cash in Bank	...	...	...	...	...		1021
Prepayment	...	...	...	...	...		4
							9052
LIABILITIES							
Sundry Creditors	...	...	...	...	...		938
Capital Account :							
Balance as at 31/12/1964	...	...	...	...	...	7404	
Surplus for year	...	...	...	...	...	710	8114
							9052

CERTIFICATE

Certified prepared from the Books of the Hospital, and the information received and correct in accordance therewith.

121 O'Connell St., Limerick.
18th February, 1966.

DESMOND F. WALLIS,
Chartered Accountant,

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