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BEDFORD ROW HOSPITAL

MEDICAL STAFF

Consulting Accoucheur:

JOHN G. HOLMES, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O.
CECIL MOLONEY, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O.

Obstetric Surgeons:

JOHN A. HOLMES, M.B., M.A.O., M.R.C.O.G.
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Visiting Physicians:

FRANK CROWE, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H.
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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.

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT, 1968

The hospital was busy during the year in spite of a slight reduction in numbers. It is hoped this will change in 1969.

There was no major renovation carried out although as mentioned in previous reports there are pressing needs. The hospital funds are low at present. There is continued need for maintenance with regard to flooring and painting and this was carried out where considered feasible. Further salary adjustments were made so that the salaries would compare with those paid by the Health Authorities. Some of the established nursing staff left during the year. The hospital is grateful to them for their loyalty. Welcome is extended to the members who have joined us. I would here thank the Matron and all members of the nursing staff for the standard of work. Miss Hogan has given valued service on the secretarial end.

During the year we received a visit from Mr. Flanagan, Minister for Health, and he was very welcome. The staff pointed out to him that representations had been made to the Department of Health to give the hospital some aid. We have never heard from the Department of Health whether this request has been refused or granted. In spite of the Minister's assurance of immediate attention to the matter there has been no further communications.

Mrs. O'Malley resigned from the Management Committee and it gives me pleasure to thank her for her interest and recall her long and happy association with the hospital.

MEDICAL REPORT, 1968

For the year 1968, 634 patients were admitted of whom 590 were delivered of babies. There was a decrease in the number of admissions for the first time since 1961 which was the year following the opening of the Regional Hospital. I would attribute this to an adjustment in the hospital fees which became necessary to offset the salary increases. An upward trend appears again for 1969. It is interesting to observe that the hospital is as busy now as at any time in its existence.

Caesarian Sections: There were 14 operations.

Twin Deliveries: There were 4 cases. Three infants died from prematurity.

Stillbirths: There were 13 cases which is the same number as the previous year. Four were due to major congenital abnormality. One was due to pre-eclamptic toxæmia. In three the infant was macerated and the cause was not obvious. In two the foetal heart stopped in labour. One was due to a cord anomaly, one to a breech delivery, and in one there was no information given.

Neonatal Deaths: Four cases occurred in the hospital. Three were premature infants and one had anencephalus. Some infants were moved to other units so that the figure could not be looked upon as accurate.

Major Congenital Abnormalities: There were eight cases. Two infants with spina bifida were operated on and survived.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1968

ASSETS					
£				£	£
2105	Premises ....	....	....	1895	
210	Less: Depreciation	....	....	189	
1895					1706
904	Furnishings	....	....	1021	
230	Additions	....	....	170	
1134				1191	
113	Less: Depreciation	....	....	119	
1021					1072
80	Stock ....	....	....	80	
4024	Investments	....	....	4024	
1105	Debtors ....	....	....	1036	
10	Prize Bonds	....	....	10	
335	Cash in hands	....	....	30	
558	Cash in bank	....	....	282	5462
					£8240
LIABILITIES					
1323	Creditors	....	....		1426
	Capital Account:				
8203	Balance	....	....	7705	
498	Deficit....	....	....	891	
					6814
					£8240

CERTIFICATE

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

26 Catherine Street, Limerick.
6th June, 1969.

DESMOND F. WALLIS,
Chartered Accountant.

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31st DECEMBER, 1968**

Last Year				£	£
	Income:				
9967	Fees from Patients	....	....	12232	
3796	Fees from Health Authorities	....	....	4088	
				16320	
112	Interest on Dividends	....	....		92
285	Interest from Trusts	....	....		302
276	Sundry Receipts	....	....		185
					£16899
	Expenditure:				
8569	Salaries, etc.	....	....	10909	
758	Less: Grants	....	....	781	
				10128	
3107	Provisions	....	....		3218
271	Household	....	....		440
606	Medical Requisites	....	....		617
777	Heat and Light	....	....		1003
109	Rebates	....	....		101
12	Postage	....	....		8
423	Laundry	....	....		842
183	Telephone	....	....		202
60	Stationery	....	....		55
71	Insurance	....	....		105
35	Water Rates	....	....		60
12	Rent	....	....		12
890	Repairs	....	....		502
205	Sundries	....	....		142
24	Polish and Cleaning		18
15	Bank Charges		29
323	Depreciation		308
				17790	
£498	DEFICIT		£891

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