

Hospital Offers Staff Of Technical Experts

Efficiency Depends On Co-ordination Of Many Departments

Few people perhaps realize the enormous expenditure of time and personal effort that is required to train the Staff of a Modern High Class Hospital where a resident staff of especially qualified experts pool their knowledge for the diagnosis and treatment of patients admitted by the Medical Staff. It is perhaps not common knowledge that it requires almost one and one-half persons to service each patient that passes through the portals of a well run hospital. This is 50 per cent higher than the personnel required for a first-class hotel.

Management of the Charlottetown Hospital is invested in a Board of Governors who serve without pay or recompense of any kind, whose duty it is to see that all the details of management of the hospital are carried out according to the standards set down by the American College of Surgeons. Their duty it is also to see to it that all the necessary equipment and personnel are provided for the proper and adequate care of the sick entrusted to the hospital.

At the present time the Board of Governors of the Charlottetown Hospital consists of the following: President and Chairman—Most Reverend James Boyle, D.D., Bishop of Charlottetown.

Secretary—Doctor W. J. P. MacMillan, O.B.E., Chief of Staff.
Members—Reverend P. McMahon, D.D., Rector St. Dunstan's Basilica, Very Reverend E. Baldwin, C.Ss.R., Rector Church of Most Holy Redeemer, Mr. L. B. MacMillan, Mr. H. F. MacPhee, Mr. W. D. Gillis, Lt.-Col. L. F. MacDonald, Mr. P. Murnaghan, Mr. M. A. Farmer, Mr. A. A. McIsaac.

The actual management of the hospital is entrusted to the Administrator, Mother Paula, of the Congregation of St. Martha. Mother Paula has been more closely associated with the Hospital Field than probably any other individual in Prince Edward Island. She is a native of Georgetown and received her preliminary education at Prince of Wales College and St. Francis Xavier University. She has had a long and successful career as an Administrator in the various fields in which the Congregation of St. Martha and the Charlottetown Hospital have been concerned during the past twenty-five years. She holds a certificate from the School of Hospital Administration, Marquette University of Milwaukee, and was the first Sister in North America to enroll in the course of Hospital Administration.

For eight years she held the post of Administrator of the Charlottetown Hospital. Following this, Mother Paula was elected Superior-General of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Martha and for twelve years held this high administrative position with the kindness and charity and vision for which she has been noted among all those who have been associated with her in any way. Mother Paula has been a member of the Executive of the Maritime Hospital Association and of the Maritime Conference of the Catholic Hospital Association for many years.

Because of the deep interest she has always shown in the population of Prince Edward Island, she was in great measure responsible for the establishment of the Western Hospital at Alberton, which, since its establishment a few years ago, has been a focal point in the care of the sick in the western part of Prince County.

Since her return as Administrator at the Charlottetown Hospital in 1947, Mother Paula has worked zealously day and night to present the people of this Province with the new Pavilion which is opening today.

SCHOOL OF NURSING

The Director of the School of Nursing is Sister M. Stanislaus, R.N. She is a graduate of the Charlottetown Hospital in 1927, and was Director of Nurses of the Charlottetown Hospital between 1931-1937. Following this she was transferred to St. Ignace Convent, Kingston, Ontario, where she was Superior from 1942-1947. On returning to her native province, Sister M. Stanislaus undertook the task of re-organizing the Charlottetown Hospital School of Nursing and served in that capacity ever since. She is a past President of the Prince Edward Island Nurses' Association and is a past Executive member of the Canadian Nurses' Association.

Two full time instructors are employed by the School of Nursing. Arts Instructor in the School of Nursing is Sister M. Irene, R.N., a graduate from the Charlottetown Hospital School of Nursing in 1941. Following this she spent several years as operating room supervisor and later as floor supervisor in the hospital. Sister M. Irene did post graduate work at the University of Toronto School of Nursing where she completed her course in Nursing Education, and since that time has been teaching in the Charlottetown Hospital School of Nursing. She has been on several occasions Executive Member of the Prince Edward Island Nurses' Association Science Instructor in the School of Nursing is Miss Anna Cameron, B.A., B.Sc. in Nursing, who is a graduate of Mount St. Vincent, Halifax, and a graduate in Nursing in the Halifax Infirmary. She did post graduate studies at Hunter College, New York, where she took her course as x-ray technician. After ten years experience in Nursing Schools, Miss Cameron came to the Charlottetown Hospital School of Nursing one year ago and since that time has proven herself a valuable asset to the Nursing Profession in

this Province. Under her direction new laboratories were established in the School of Nursing Building adjoining the hospital. Here the student nurses receive the laboratory training which forms an integral part of their scholastic training.

Sister Mary of Nazareth who acts as housekeeper in the Nurses' Residence is responsible for all the details necessary for the well-being of the Student Nurses.

ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT

The business management of the hospital is carried on by this department where the latest approved system of hospital accounting was installed two years ago by Mr. Dick of Hudson, McMackin & Co., Moncton, N.B. Mr. J. E. Cullen, Accountant for the department, is in charge of the general management of the accounting system.

Sister Mary of Good Counsel, who for many years was Administrator of the Sacred Heart Home, rejoined the Charlottetown Hospital Accounting Department in 1946. She now acts as Treasurer of the Board of the Hospital, and also acts as General-Treasurer of the Sisters of St. Martha.

Miss Mary McIsaac is in charge of the Accounts Receivable in this department.

ADMITTING OFFICE

The Admitting Office is under the management of Sister Hilda Marie who for many years has filled this position in the past. Associated with her, is Sister Mary Patrick who acts as Secretary to the Administrator, and is in charge of the switchboard and information.

DIETETICS DEPARTMENT

Supervision of the preparation of food for the hospital including general house diets, special diets, and infant formulas is in charge of Sister Frances Loyola, B.Sc. (H.Ed.) St. Francis Xavier University. Sister Frances Loyola is a past President of Prince Edward Island Home Economics Association, and is a Member of the Canadian Dietetic Association. During the war years Sister Frances Loyola was released from duty by the Sisters of St. Martha to do special teaching in nutrition with the Red Cross Corps, Women's Institutes and other groups. At the invitation of the Prince Edward Island Nurses' Association she was also made special Instructor in Dietetics and Nutrition for the three Schools of Nursing in this Province. From 1942-1946 she taught dietetics at the Prince Edward Island Hospital, and at the Charlottetown Hospital.

Position of Head Chef is held by Mr. Wilfred Henry Burke, Lower Montague, who received his expert training during his five years with the R.C.A.F. He was stationed at Edmonton, Fort St. John, and Dawson. Since coming to the Charlottetown Hospital, Mr. Burke has endeared himself to every employee and visitor to the hospital, not only with his expert skill in the culinary art but with the genial and happy disposition with which he hands out the off-hour snacks to those whose tour of duty makes it impossible to be present at the meal hour. Assistants to the Chef are: Mr. James McKearney and Miss Cecelia Daley. The Bakerroom is in charge of Sister Ann Justin who is responsible for all the desserts and pastries. Sister Frances Cabrini is in charge of Stores. Sister Marie Monica, who is a student dietitian, is the assistant in the special diet kitchen.

OBSTETRICAL DEPARTMENT

The Obstetrical Department which is housed on the top floor of the new Pavilion is in charge of Sister Mary David, R.N., who is a graduate of the Charlottetown Hospital in 1941. Sister Mary David spent the following six years as Floor Supervisor in Medical Records Department, and later as Supervisor of the Obstetrical Department. Following this she did post graduate study in Obstetrics at St. Michael's Hospital, from which she returned to become Supervisor of the new Obstetrical Department. Associated with her as assistant supervisor is Miss Florence McInnis, R.N., Earncliffe, Prince Edward Island, a graduate of the Charlottetown Hospital in 1940.

MEDICAL RECORDS DEPARTMENT

A large new modern Medical Records Department which will be housed on the first floor of the new Pavilion opposite the general offices is under the capable supervision of Sister Mary of Loretto, who for the past several years has been in charge of this department.

PHARMACY

The Charlottetown Hospital maintains a complete Pharmacy for the service of the patients in the hospital. The Pharmacist is Sister Vincent de Paul, who is a registered Pharmacist and a member of the Prince Edward Island Pharmaceutical Association since 1944. Sister Vincent de Paul took her course in Pharmacy at the Maritime College of Pharmacy. With the establishment of the new Central Supply, Sister Vincent de Paul will also be in charge of the Fenwal Department for the preparation of all parenteral fluids for the hospital. Assistant Phar-

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BOARD OF GOVERNORS—left to right, Rev. P. McMahon, D.D., H. F. MacPhee, K.C., Lt.-Col. L. F. MacDonald, E.D., Dr. W. J. P. MacMillan, O.B.E., K.C.S.G., His Excellency Bishop Boyle, L. B. MacMillan, M.B.E., A. A. McIsaac, Very Rev. E. Baldwin, CSSR., M. A. Farmer, W. D. Gillis.

Central Supply Room

The purposes of a Central Supply Room are manifold—It is the key room to a well organized and efficiently operated hospital. With competent organization and forethought in its construction, this room will save many valuable nursing hours, reduce the loss of materials, and stocks in circulation, standardize the sterilization and provide ample space for sterile supplies.

The Charlottetown Hospital C. S. R. as designed is conveniently located, easily accessible to dumb waiter and elevator, large enough to comfortably accommodate its workers and at the same time supply ample storage space.

All doors are of the Dutch type, so that unauthorized persons never actually enter the room. This is essential in order to insure that no article leaves the room except by proper requisition. When equipment is returned the duplicate slip marked "returned" must be with the article to check with the one left in the supply room at the time of requisition.

The first room for consideration in the C. S. R. is the receiving or clean up room. This is equipped with a double compartment sink, a central work table with drawers and bins. Storage cupboards are built around each wall. The Autoclaves are recessed in the centre of the room, the idea being that prepared supplies after sterilization pass directly into the sterile storage room. The large Autoclave is equipped with a carrier on which

the load can be removed and moved to sterile room. A hot air sterilizer is also included for sterilizing oils, powders, needles, etc.

An important function in C. S. R. is the preparation and servicing of all surgical dressing carriers. Trays are of standard size which fit snugly into a light weight duck envelope of double thickness. Syringes, individually wrapped, extra dressings, needles, and gloves are issued twice a day on requisition from floors.

Central Supply Room requires full time competent supervision. A great deal of the work can be accomplished by good aides. Student Nurses should get two weeks or more in Central Supply work as they may become familiar with the set-up of trays, sterilization, making of solutions and numerous other things which they would never see on the floors.

This is a very general outline of the principles to be taken into consideration when setting up a C.S.R.

PAINFUL DISEASE

A survey by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, indicates that over 600,000 Canadians suffer from some form of rheumatism.

BRITAIN'S WARTIME AID

Between June 1, 1942, and April 1, 1943, Britain provided the U.S. forces in Britain with supplies which would have taken more than 1,380,000 ship tons if brought from the United States.

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