

they did not always get the best type of student. There is no doubt about the great value of it. Practice in managing their own affairs and responsibility to each other and for each other is of great value. I should certainly think establishment of Student Councils is very desirable indeed."

Miss Moore:

"I came in contact with Miss Gunn, Lady Superintendent of Toronto Hospital. She felt it was quite a big thing. She is an able leader and found it advantageous. I have a copy of the by-laws if anyone would like a copy. In Copenhagen they found it very satisfactory indeed. It is the only way we can get to know the little things that are going on within the circle. The Lady Superintendent always goes into every detail of it, and they tell me their punishment is more severe than anything levied by the Lady Superintendent."

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"That a nurse be attached to all V.D. clinics for special follow-up work in connection with women and children; where possible, preference being given to a nurse with special experience in this direction."

Miss Holford:

"This came up last year and was carried at our Conference, but as far as we know there was not very much done. It was felt that the V.D.'s do not get the following up attention that is necessary. When one considers the seriousness of their condition, one feels that they should be followed up more on the lines of the T.B. cases."

Miss Lambie:

"In going through the annual report of the Health Department which has just been published, the number of patients attending in Christchurch is three times as many as the number of patients either at Auckland, Wellington or Dunedin. At Christchurch the number was 780 for syphilis, and 2,000 for gonorrhoea; Auckland 300 for syphilis and 400 to 500 for gonorrhoea. It definitely shows that where you have a nurse attached to the clinic, she plays a very important part

indeed in obtaining their attendance at the clinic and keeping their interest. Treatment goes on over a very long time. In Wellington where there was no nurse, Dr. Aldred told me he found very great difficulty in keeping women's attention. The Women's National Council is very much interested in this matter."

Mrs. Kidd:

"Are there no women doctors attached to the clinic in other centres?"

Miss Lambie:

"No, but I understand at the last meeting of the Board of Health a committee has been set up to make an exhaustive enquiry, and a proposal was made at that meeting that women doctors should be attached to the women's clinic for attention to women patients."

Miss Muir:

"This is a branch of the nursing work that I feel very strongly about indeed. First of all, getting suitable nurses to take part is important. She must be a woman who is sympathetic and realises the far-reaching influence of the young girl and her walk in life. In Christchurch we have venereal diseases clinics and we have a nurse. The first one was with us for two or three years and she did very good work. When she left, the applications I got were unsuitable. Dr. Fox and myself decided to make it a branch of the out-patients, and to give to the staff nurse the work of the clinic, and I put in whom I considered would be a suitable staff nurse for outpatient work. I would like you to realise the prejudice amongst nurses against nursing venereal disease. The treatment of venereal disease is not any different from ordinary treatment. Putting in a staff nurse has been most successful. She is kindly, sympathetic and bright. She gets the confidence of the young girl, and I go out sometimes and have a chat. She is giving every help. She did not realise its importance until she had been carrying out the treatment for some little time."

Miss McKenny:

"I would like to support what Miss Muir says."