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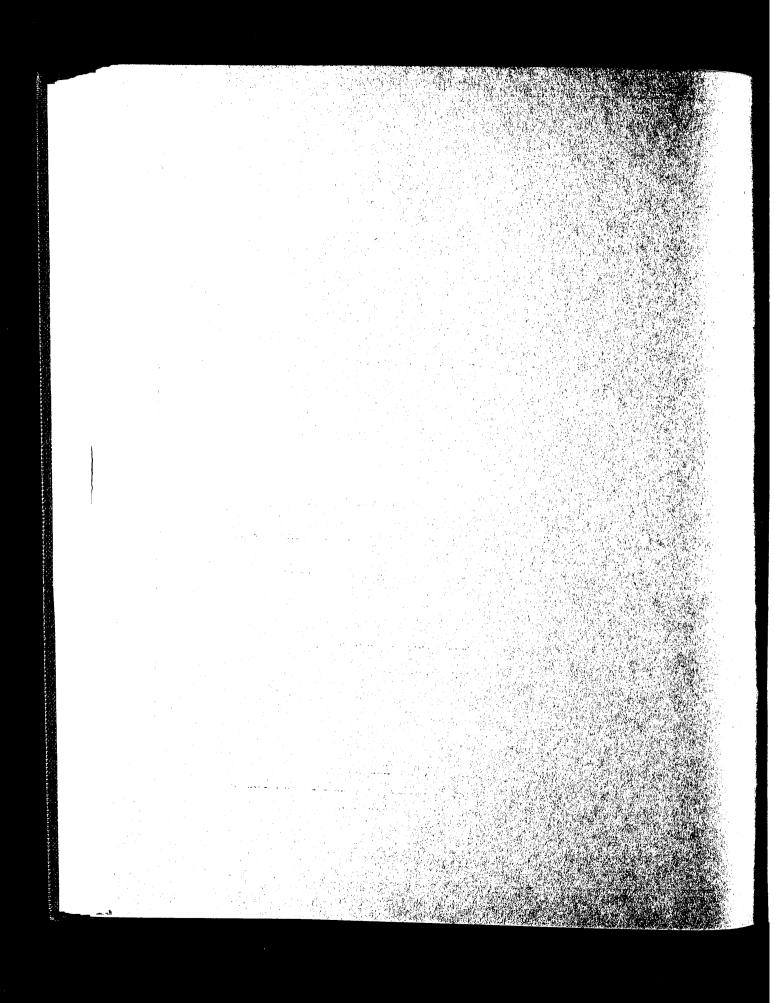
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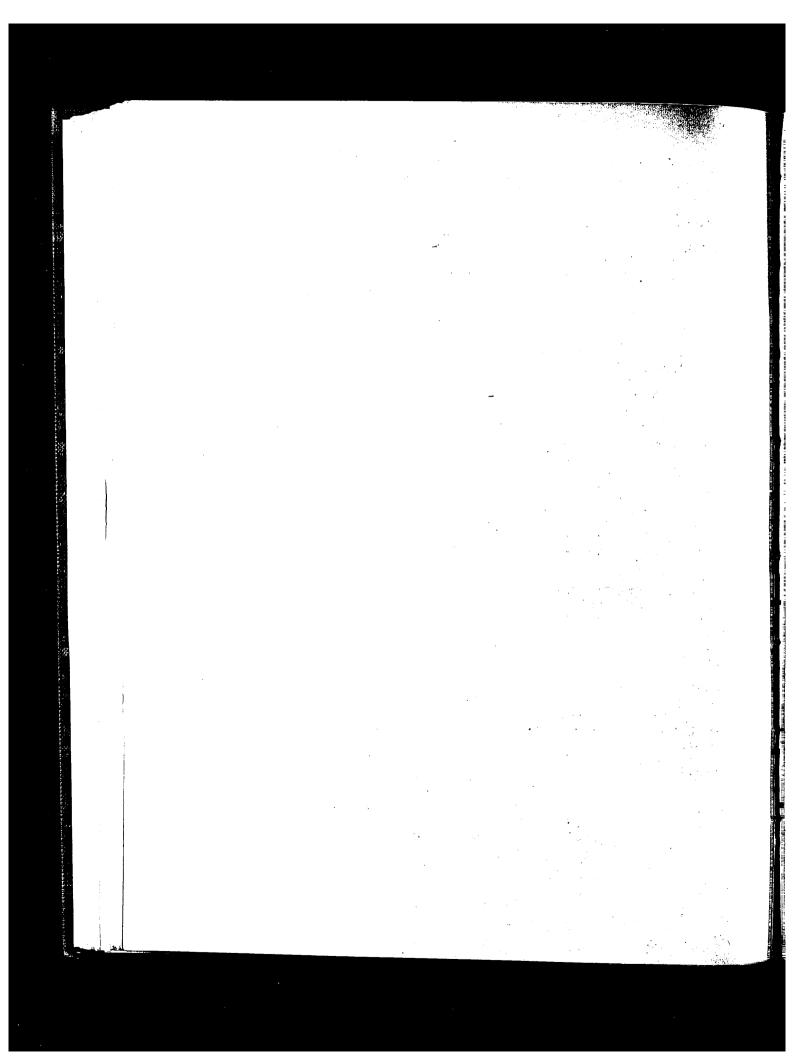
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ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1939.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

- I. The outbreak of war naturally produced great changes in the work of the Voluntary Hospitals and of the King's Fund. In accordance with arrangements previously worked out between the Ministry of Health and the Hospitals, large numbers of beds were reserved for air raid casualty accommodation to be used in conjunction with beds provided outside London. Because of the demands thus made on the Hospitals, their staffs and their equipment, and also because of the danger to patients, many ordinary beds were closed, though as time went on the amount of civilian work gradually increased.
- 2. The King's Fund was able to help in various ways both while these war schemes were being prepared and while they were being carried out. For many weeks most of its staff were engaged on work for the War Emergency Committee of the British Hospitals Association which represents the Voluntary Hospitals of the whole country.
- 3. During the first eight months of the year the King's Fund, in addition to ordinary work, had continued actively to assist the Hospitals in dealing with their financial problems, and to organise new services for improving Hospital efficiency, removing difficulties and promoting new developments. The financial assistance had included grants to individual Hospitals to meet exceptional needs, and in one case to encourage an amalgamation scheme. It had also included discussions of Voluntary Hospital problems with the Ministry of Health and the London County Council. The special services had included the continuance of the Emergency Bed Service, and preparations for the establishment of a bureau for the Recruitment of Nurses and a Provident Scheme for persons of moderate means. Most of these special

activities had to be suspended when the war began, and the ordinary work had to be adapted to the changed conditions.

KING'S FUND DISTRIBUTION AND SPECIAL SERVICES.

- 4. In view of the dislocation of Hospital services during the period September to December, it was decided to divide the ordinary distribution into two parts. Grants amounting to £229,000, or about three-fourths of the usual total, were made in December, and the balance of £71,000 was deferred to a supplementary distribution to be made in 1940, when more would be known of the effects of the war on the work and finance of the Hospitals.*
- 5. In the meantime the immediate maintenance grants were based on a percentage of those given in 1938, and a number of capital grants were made in reduction of liabilities already incurred by Hospitals on building schemes either completed or in hand.
- 6. The special grants outside the ordinary distribution amounted during the year to £73,500; and the expenditure on the Emergency Bed Service and other special services for Hospitals came to £3,446.
- 7. Apart from the deferred balance of £71,000, the grand total, including the usual District Nursing distribution of £2,000, was thus £307,946, an increase of £3,911 over 1938.
- 8. The details were as follows, as compared with the normal distribution figures for 1938 :—

Number of Heavital	1939	1938
Number of Hospitals receiving grants	146	146
Number of Convalescent Homes receiving grants Grants to Hospitals:	51	56
For maintenance, including recovery and convalescent branches	£	£
For the reduction of liabilities on extensions	211,550	277,850
and improvements	14,450	19,150
Total ordinary distribution to Hospitals,		
including branches Grants to Convalescent Homes not attached to	226,000	297,000
London Hospitals	3,000	3,000

^{*} The distribution of this £71,000 was begun in April, 1940.

Total ordinary distribution, being the	1939 £	1938 £
proportion distributed in 1939 out of the vote of £300,000 District Nursing distribution—Grants to Hospitals	229,000	300,000
in respect of out-patients referred to District Nursing Associations in relief of out-patient		
departments	2,000	2,000
	231,000	302,000
Special Grants outside the ordinary distribution	73,500	_
	304,500	
Special Services for Hospitals	3,446	2,035
	£307,946	£304,035

- 9. The inspection of Hospitals by the Fund's Visitors was all but completed before the outbreak of war. The reports were, as usual, of great interest and value. In several cases extracts were forwarded for the observations of the Hospitals concerned, though in others the war had caused changes which made this inappropriate.
- 10. The total sum distributed among Hospitals and Convalescent Homes during the last ten years, including all special distributions and special services, is £3,215,848. Since the foundation of the Fund in 1897 a total net amount of £9,699,389 has been thus disbursed.

KING'S FUND RECEIPTS.

11. The general receipts of the King's Fund for the year 1939 were made up as follows:—

-							£
Annual Subscription	s				• • •	•••	26,134
Donations			. • •			•••	17,864
League of Mercy				•••		• • •	2,500
Dividends and Inter-		Investn	nents				202,534
General Legacies							25,781
Contrar 2000000							
							£274,813

12. After allowing for expenses, this sum fell short of the amount required for distribution and special services by £50,266, which was taken from general fund reserves.

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- 13. On the other hand, no less than £462,475 was received during the year on account of certain very large legacies, notably £410,650 from the estate of the late Mr. Claude Watney, and a further £40,216 from that of the late Mr. Percy Johnson. The general fund was thus increased by a net sum of £412,209. Receipts earmarked for capital account were £19,059 17s. 4d., and £15,432 12s. was received for various special purposes. The total receipts therefore came to £771,781.
- 14. The strengthening of the general fund is very welcome in present circumstances, when the King's Fund is likely to be faced both with exceptional demands for assistance and with the risk of decreased yield from its investments.

SPECIAL ITEMS AMONG THE RECEIPTS.

- 15. His Majesty King George VI, Patron of the Fund, was graciously pleased to give an annual subscription of £1,000. Her Majesty The Queen, and Her Majesty Queen Mary, were again pleased to subscribe generously to the Fund, as were also Their Royal Highnesses the Duke of Gloucester, the Duke of Kent, the Princess Royal, the Duke of Connaught, and other members of the Royal Family.
- 16. The Fund received annual subscriptions of £4,000 from the Drapers' Company, £2,000 from the Imperial Tobacco Company (of Great Britain and Ireland) Ltd., £2,000 from the Mercers' Company, £1,500 from the Merchant Taylors' Company, £1,103 8s. 11d. from "M.M.", and £1,000 from Baring Brothers and Company Ltd.

Other contributions included annual subscriptions of £689 13s. from Mr. Philip Fleming; of £625 from Lloyds Bank Ltd.; of £500 from the Clothworkers' Company and from Morgan, Grenfell & Co. Ltd.; and of £384 12s. 3d. from the Central Mining and Investment Corporation Ltd.

- 17. Donations included a most generous gift of £10,000 from an anonymous donor who has now given £104,500 in twelve separate donations during the past seventeen years. Other donations included £1,050 from Viscount Wakefield; £1,000 from Marks & Spencer Ltd.; £500 from the Goldsmiths' Company; and £500 from the Royal Naval Benevolent Trust. The Fund also received two anonymous donations of £500 each, in addition to anonymous gifts of £7,767 10s. 6d. and £1,205.
- 18. A further gift of £10,000 was also received by the Fund for its radium service from a generous donor.

- 19. The sum of £2,500 was received in 1939 from the League of Mercy, being the League's 42nd contribution to the King's Fund. The League, since it was founded in 1899, has now contributed £584,000 to the Fund.
 - 20. Legacies received during the year included the following:-
 - Mr. Claude Watney, £410,650 9s. 5d., on account of residue;
 - Mr. Percy Johnson, £40,216 10s., further on account of residue (making a total of £140,317 5s. received to date);
 - Lord MountStephen, G.C.V.O., £11,208 11s. 2d., further on account of residue (making a total of £815,896 5s. 5d. received to date);
 - Mr. Thomas Fell Dalglish, £10,087 6s. 10d., on account of residue;
 - Mr. William Hurst, £6,588 4s. 4d., further on account of residue (making a total of £16,987 12s. received to date);
 - Mr. George William Innell, £3,885 10s. 4d., on account of residue;
 - Lady Harriet Sarah Dalziel, £2,473, on account of residue;
 - Miss Mary Thurston Mease, £1,662 os. 9d.;
 - Mrs. Mabel Louisa Fanny Rogers, £1,539, further on account of residue (making a total of £16,606 7s. 10d. received to date);
 - Mrs. Julia Dale, £1,378 13s. 6d., further on account of residue (making a total of £7,378 13s. 6d. received to date);
 - Mr John Reid Barber, £1,358 16s. 8d., further on account of residue (making a total of £58,126 11s. 5d. received to date);
 - Alderman Walter Morgan Willcocks, D.L., J.P., £1,125, on account of residue;
 - Mrs. Jessie Ashton, £858 15s., further on account of residue (making a total of £36,916 3s. 3d. received to date);
 - Commander Francis William Chaine, £854 18s. 2d., further on account of residue (making a total of £14,672 9s. 1d. received to date);
 - Mr. Ronald Edwin Prodgers, £799 7s. 11d., further on account of residue (making a total of £815 9s. 5d. received to date);
 - Miss Marianne Sophia Hagen, £507 16s. 8d., further on account of residue (making a total of £14,888 8s. received to date);
 - Mr. Frederick George Hart, £500;
 - Captain Sir Charles Leopold Cust, Bt., R.N., £400, further on account of residue (making a total of £14,319 7s. 6d. received to date);
 - Mr. Samuel Lewis, £400, further on account of residue (making a total of £526,840 2s. 3d. received to date);

Mr. Thomas Miles, £363 19s. 7d., further on account of residue (making a total of £808 3s. 1d. received to date);

Miss Beatrice Eleanor Allpress, £300, on account of residue ;

Mrs. Minnie Rebecca Davis, £250;

Lt.-Col. Rt. Hon. Sir Matthew Nathan, G.C.M.G., £200;

Mr. E. Stanley Holland, £155 8s. 11d., further on account of share of trust income (making a total of £533 18s. 8d. received to date);

Miss Flora Constance Griffiths, £100; and

Mr. Frederick Long, £100.

- 21. The Council are grateful to the Trustees of the late Mr. Walter Frederic Berrey for a gift of £250 to the Fund in the exercise of their discretionary powers.
- 22. The Council desire to emphasise the fact that the correct title of the Fund is "King Edward's Hospital Fund for London," and that the full title should always be used in bequests intended for the Fund.

EXPENSES.

23. Expenses during the year amounted to £17,132 19s. 4d. This sum includes the cost of statistical and other ordinary services for Hospitals, expenditure on the collection of funds and on propaganda for the King's Fund and the Hospitals, and all the other activities of the Fund except the special services.

BANK OF ENGLAND DISTRIBUTION AND OTHER SPECIAL TRUSTS.

- 24. The amount specially distributed on behalf of the Bank of England amounted to $\pounds 3,285$ 10s. This included donations to five building schemes for which Hospitals had made appeals to the Bank.
- 25. The following payments were made out of trust funds earmarked for special purposes, viz., £939 18s. 2d. to the Miller Hospital in reduction of the building debt, out of the income of the special trust gift received in 1930; and £1,007 16s. 7d. to the Central London Throat, Nose and Ear Hospital, under the Will of the late Sir John Young, towards the maintenance of the Dame Gertrude Young Memorial Convalescent Home, bequeathed to the King's Fund and used and managed by the Hospital in accordance with the terms of the Will.

DISTRIBUTION IN AID OF DISTRICT NURSING WORK FOR HOSPITAL OUT-PATIENTS.

26. The fourth distribution of £2,000 through the Hospitals, towards the cost of District Nursing work in relief of their out-patient departments during 1938, was carried out in March. Grants for this purpose were made to 87 Hospitals in respect of 17,539 patients attended by 112 District Nursing Associations.

Special Grants to Maintenance, Building and Amalgamation.

- 27. The special grants outside the ordinary distribution included £43,500 to maintenance and £30,000 to schemes of capital expenditure.
- 28. The special maintenance grants were made to Hospitals in urgent need, and each grant was accompanied by conditions, decided on after special enquiry, designed to promote a scheme of financial rehabilitation.
- 29. Of the capital grants, £15,000 was given to assist the Westminster Hospital to complete its rebuilding fund and open the new Hospital free of debt.
- 30. The other £15,000 was a special grant towards the amalgamation scheme of the Central London and Golden Square Throat, Nose and Ear Hospitals. His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent described this at the Fund's Annual Meeting as the most important amalgamation in recent years, and expressed the hope that the enterprise and public spirit of the members, lay and medical, of the two Hospitals, would be recognised and rewarded by a generous response from the public.

KING'S FUND AND HOSPITAL FINANCES.

- 3r. Besides making these special grants the King's Fund took action in various ways to assist the Hospitals in meeting the financial difficulties due mainly to the fact that increases in expenditure had, before the war, exceeded increases in income.
- 32. In January, as the result of suggestions by the Fund and the Voluntary Hospitals Committee for London, a conference was held at the Ministry of Health, by invitation of Sir George Chrystal, with representatives of the London County Council.
- 33. In April the King's Fund was represented on a deputation to the Ministry of Health on the subject of the loss of fees, Government grants and personnel caused to Maternity Hospitals by the new rules for the training of pupil midwives.

- 34. In March it was decided to add to the staff a whole-time expert to advise the Fund and the Hospitals with regard to the control of Hospital expenditure, and in June Captain J. E. Stone was appointed to the post of Consultant on Hospital Finance, where his services are proving to be of great assistance to the Fund and to individual Hospitals.
- 35. In view of the unavoidable reduction in the number of "Week's Good Cause" broadcasts during the war, the Fund approached the B.B.C. in the interests of the Hospitals, and simultaneously the B.B.C. notified its intention to give facilities for three combined appeals annually for all the Hospitals of the Country, in place of the usual numerous separate broadcasts. A special representative Committee was formed, and it was arranged that the work should be organised from the King's Fund office. The first broadcast was made on Christmas Eve by Miss Gracie Fields and produced very nearly £20,000.

VOLUNTARY HOSPITALS EMERGENCY BED SERVICE.

- 36. Between January 1st and September 1st the Emergency Bed Service dealt with about 7,000 urgent cases for whom admission to Voluntary Hospitals was desired, bringing the grand total since its foundation in June, 1938, up to about 10,000.
- 37. Meantime, at the request of the Ministry of Health, a scheme on somewhat similar lines was prepared for the establishment of casualty bureaux for reporting vacancies in the emergency Hospital beds which were to be available for air raid cases, if required. On the outbreak of war Mr. Peers, together with the whole staff, was seconded to the Ministry to assist in working these bureaux; though, as things happened, the need for continuing the civilian service soon became apparent, and the ordinary work was resumed on a limited scale.
- 38. It is fortunate that the King's Fund and the Voluntary Hospitals Committee should have set up the organisation just in time for it to have acquired the experience needed for this important war service.

RECRUITMENT OF NURSES.

39. In June the King's Fund, at the request of the Voluntary Hospitals Committee for London, decided, in co-operation with that Committee and the Royal College of Nursing, to set up a Central Bureau to encourage the recruitment of nurses for Voluntary Hospitals. The suggestion had originally been made by the Voluntary Hospitals Committee to the Inter-Departmental Committee on Nursing Services and had received their support. A Committee of the King's Fund, including members of all three bodies, was appointed to manage the Centre, under the Chairmanship of Lord Luke.

- 40. Besides other functions, the Centre will establish contact with education authorities, supply information to prospective entrants to the profession, and keep in touch with any who may have found no vacancy at the first Hospital to which they apply.
- 41. The opening of the Centre would have taken place in October, but was deferred because of the war.*

PROVIDENT SCHEME FOR THE MIDDLE CLASSES.

- 42. Considerable progress had been made before September with the preparation of the proposed provident scheme to enable persons with moderate means to make provision for the cost of pay-bed accommodation at Voluntary Hospitals and of medical and surgical fees. Most of the details had been worked out by the special Committee which, under the Chairmanship of Sir Bernard Docker, included representatives of the King's Fund, the Voluntary Hospitals Committee for London and the British Medical Association.
- 43. This scheme also had to be postponed on the outbreak of war, though the preparations to enable a beginning to be made as soon as circumstances should permit have not been entirely suspended.

KING'S FUND PROPAGANDA.

44. The Propaganda Committee were preparing a specially interesting programme for the autumn, but this had, of course, to be postponed. During the first half of the year the Committee had issued literature relating to the work of the King's Fund since its foundation; the Hospital film entitled "The War Without End" had continued to be in demand and was shown, together with the Miniature Hospital, at the Hospitals Exhibition held at Charing Cross Station in May; there had been various functions, including a visit, by special permission, to Buckingham Palace; and thirty lectures on the work of the Voluntary Hospitals had been given to schools, besides several addresses to Rotary clubs.

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PARLIAMENTARY BUSINESS.

45. The Voluntary Hospitals Parliamentary Committee of the King's Fund, in co-operation, as usual, with the British Hospitals Association, while welcoming the House to House Collections Bill, successfully promoted one or two amendments in the interest of Voluntary Hospitals; and both the Fund and the Association were consulted by the Home Office in the drafting of the Regulations under the Act. Among other subjects which were

^{*} The Centre was opened on April 1, 1940, at 21 Cavendish Square, W.1.

before the Committee when the war began were the diminution in the amounts received by Hospitals from Approved Societies, and the importance of safeguarding nurses, in all cases of transfer from one kind of employment to another, against loss of pension rights.

46. Considerable progress was made during the year with the collection of material for evidence to be given before the Royal Commission on Workmen's Compensation in support of the claims of Hospitals to payment for the treatment of cases of industrial injury.

KING'S FUND RADIUM COMMITTEE.

- 47. In view of the increasing scope and importance of the King's Fund radium service, which had hitherto been administered by a Sub-committee of the Distribution Committee, a special Radium Committee has been constituted, of which Sir Cuthbert Wallace is Chairman.
- 48. One of the new Committee's first tasks was to see that in the event of war all the necessary steps had been taken to avoid the dangers which might be caused either to the public or to the radium itself through high explosive action. Deep boreholes were provided at one or two centres and in these all the radium was deposited immediately on the outbreak of war. Before the end of the year, however, it was considered that with proper safeguards some of the radium could be withdrawn from the boreholes and put into use, in so far as the necessary expert staff and beds for civilian patients were available.
- 49. Various important developments of the service were under consideration at the end of the year, including the establishment of a panel of physicists who might be consulted on the physical problems that arise in radiotherapy, in order to assist the Hospitals in maintaining a high standard of technical efficiency.*

REGIONALISATION OF HOSPITAL SERVICES: ESTABLISHMENT OF NUFFIELD TRUST.

50. One of the great events of the year in the Hospital world was the announcement in December of Lord Nuffield's munificent gift of approximately £1,250,000 to finance a scheme of Hospital regionalisation in the provinces, and the formation of the Nuffield Trust for the purpose. His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent referred to this at the Distribution Meeting of the Council in the following terms: "I should like to say how very heartily I welcome Lord Nuffield's magnificent and most timely gift to form the nucleus of a Central Fund for the Provinces. The co-ordination of Voluntary Hospitals is one of the vital movements of the day, and we all cordially reciprocate the wishes that have been expressed for close and friendly liaison between the King's Fund and the new body."

^{*} The panel has since been established.

PERSONAL.

- 51. At the end of the year Mr. F. W. J. Jackson found himself unable to continue as Chairman of the Hospital Economy Committee, which office he had held since 1936, having been a member since 1924. It was decided that, for the time being, such of the functions of this Committee as needed to be exercised during the war should be transferred to the Distribution Committee.
- 52. Mr. Macrae, who had been Secretary to the Hospital Economy Committee since 1921, resigned earlier in the year. Besides his work for the Committee, which included the 1926 revision of the Revised Uniform System of Hospital Accounts, he had done good service as Secretary of the original Radium Sub-Committee, and also in connection with various money raising schemes, including the Combined Appeal in 1922 and the Thank-offering Fund for King George V's recovery in 1929.
- 53. Mr. Elliot, who had been Secretary to the Revenue Committee from 1921, resigned that position in 1938, and thereafter till the war gave his whole time to the Hospital Saving Association, which, though founded as part of the scheme of the Combined Appeal, has always been separate from the King's Fund. In 1938 the Association contributed £557,000 to the London Hospitals, and its success is in itself sufficient proof of the value of his work as its Secretary since its foundation.
- 54. At the beginning of the war almost the whole of the work of the Propaganda Committee had to be suspended, and Mr. Jay, its Secretary, is now acting as Organising Secretary of the Educational Appeal Section of the Lord Mayor's Red Cross and St. John's Fund.
- 55. Mr. Ives, in addition to his duties as Secretary of the King's Fund, was engaged throughout the year in specially arduous secretarial work, first for the Voluntary Hospitals Committee, in accordance with the long-standing arrangement by which the King's Fund supplies it with staff, and later on for the War Emergency Committee of the British Hospitals Association, which represents the Voluntary Hospitals of the whole country in their dealings with the Ministry of Health, both in the preparation for the Emergency Hospital Service and in its subsequent administration during the war. Mr. Maynard has, to the great advantage of the Fund, found himself able to resume a considerable share of the administrative work.

Message from His Majesty The King.

56. At the Distribution meeting of the Council in December His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent read a gracious message from the King, in which His Majesty wrote:—

"I am glad to see that in these difficult times King Edward's Hospital Fund still shows itself resourceful and progressive. I trust that in the midst of so many conflicting claims no one will forget the Hospitals. A full measure of voluntary support is more than ever needed."

St. James's Palace, July 12, 1940.

Annual Meeting of the President and General Council, June 9th, 1939.

THE Annual Meeting of the President and General Council of King Edward's Hospital Fund for London was held at St. James's Palace on Friday, June 9th, 1939, at 12.0 noon, His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent being in the Chair.

Those present were: Rev. Owen S. Watkins; Earl of Donoughmore; Earl of Dudley; Viscount Hailsham; Viscount Wakefield; Lord Mildmay of Flete; Lord Luke (Honorary Secretary); Hon. John Mulholland; the President of the Royal College of Physicians, Dr. Robert Hutchison; the President of the Royal College of Surgeons, Mr. Hugh Lett; Sophy Lady Hall; Sir Godfrey Thomas, Bt.; Sir Walter Lawrence, Bt.; Sir Charlton Briscoe, Bt.; Sir George Roberts, Bt.; Sir Cuthbert S. Wallace, Bt.; Sir Edward Peacock (Honorary Treasurer); Lady Hudson; Maj.-Gen. Sir Cecil Lowther; Sir William J. Collins; Sir Frederick M. Fry; Sir Harold Wernher (Honorary Secretary); Wing-Comdr. Sir Louis Greig; Sir Ernest Pooley (Honorary Secretary); Sir Edward Meyerstein; Mr. H. L. Eason; Mr. V. Warren Low; Professor Winifred Cullis; Mr. John Lowther; Mr. Oliver N. Chadwyck-Healey; Mr. Philip Fleming; Dr. Gilbert E. Orme; Dr. H. Letheby Tidy.

SIR HAROLD WERNHER (Honorary Secretary) read the Minutes of the last Meeting, held at 10 Old Jewry, E.C., on Tuesday, January 10th, 1939, and these were confirmed and signed.

LORD LUKE (Honorary Secretary) reported letters of regret from the following: The Lord-Lieutenant of the County of London, Marquess of Crewe; the Lord High Chancellor, Lord Maugham; the Speaker of the House of Commons, Capt. Rt. Hon. E. A. Fitzroy, M.P.; the Bishop of London; the Bishop of Southwark; Cardinal Hinsley; Rev. Sidney M. Berry, D.D.; the Chief Rabbi, Very Rev. J. H. Hertz, D.D.; Earl of Onslow; Viscount Dawson of Penn; Viscount Nuffield; the Dowager Lady Ampthill; Lord Stanmore; Lord Ebbisham; Lord Macmillan; Lord Wigram; Lord Wardington; Lord Southwood; Hon. Sir Arthur Stanley; Major the Hon. J. J. Astor, M.P.; the Minister of Health, Rt. Hon. Walter Elliot, M.P.; Rt. Hon. the Lord Mayor; the Chairman of the County Council, Mrs. Evelyn Lowe; the Governor of the Bank of England, Rt. Hon. M. C. Norman; Rt. Hon. C. R. Attlee, M.P.; Major Sir Samuel Strang-Steel, Bt.; Sir Alan Anderson, M.P.; Sir Ernest Fass; Sir Basil Mayhew; Sir Edward Penton; Sir Bernard Docker; Mr. Lionel de Rothschild; Dr. H. Morley Fletcher; Mr. Philip Guedalla; Mr. Eardley Holland; Mr. F. W. J. Iackson.

THE DUKE'S SPEECH.

THE DUKE OF KENT, addressing the Council, said:

My Lords, Ladies and Gentlemen,—In these difficult times it is a pleasure to report that the general income of the King's Fund was the largest since 1934 and more than covered the expenditure. This expenditure included both the annual distribution and the cost of the Emergency Bed Service for its first half-year, which together amounted to £304,000.

It is too early to speak of the current year, except that we are greatly encouraged by a very generous donation of £10,000 from our anonymous friend, whose twelve gifts now amount to £104,500 in seventeen years. We are also very grateful for a new annual subscription of £2,000 from the Mercers' Company, and an increase of £500 in the long-standing annual subscription of the Merchant Taylors' Company.

Hospital Income.

We should like a larger income, because of the difficulties which are facing the Hospitals, increasingly during the last eighteen months. Taken as a whole, the Hospital deficits last year exceeded the surpluses by about £150,000. The total income showed a small increase, but the expenditure had increased a little faster. Taken by itself, an aggregate deficit of £150,000 on a turnover of nearly five millions is not large, and it was only the third deficit since 1921. This evidence of the stability of the voluntary system in normal times is one of the facts that make it so widely recognised as being well worth preserving.

But there are at present other facts, and it is these which are causing trouble. On the one hand, the need for increased expenditure is growing, not on account of bad management or extravagance, but because of such things as the ever-rising standards of hospital work, buildings and equipment, and the improvements, present and future, in nursing conditions. On the other hand, hospital revenue is being seriously affected by the present tension, which produces competing appeals for new objects, higher taxation, and decreased personal incomes.

It is this simultan ous effect on expenditure and on revenue that makes the present crisis more severe than most of the crises which the Voluntary Hospitals have survived in the past. The worst of these was just after the War. On that occasion their own efforts had to be supplemented in various ways, including special help both from the Government and from the King's Fund.

In order to assist the Hospitals in their present difficulties, the King's Fund has been taking special action now for more than a year.

Special Grants.

In addition to our ordinary distribution, we have made several large emergency maintenance grants to Hospitals where the position was exceptionally serious. We felt justified in doing this out of our reserve, because that reserve has recently been increased by two very large legacies. But, even so, our resources are limited, and we can only supplement the efforts made by the Hospitals themselves. In all cases, therefore, special enquiries have been held, schemes of financial rehabilitation have been discussed, and the emergency grants have been made in the way most likely to make the schemes a success. There have already been some very encouraging results.

The King's Fund has also made two exceptional capital grants, outside the ordinary distribution, to schemes of special importance.

The first was a final grant of £15,000 towards the completion of the new Westminster Hospital and this sum acted as a stimulus in the raising of the balance needed to enable it to be opened free of debt. That a new teaching hospital on the most up-to-date lines has been substituted for an old one, and all the money provided as the work went on, is a great achievement on the part of the management, and an encouraging example of the vitality of the voluntary system.

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Amalgamation of Throat Hospitals.

The second is a grant of the same amount, £15,000, towards a scheme for amalgamating two Throat, Nose and Ear Hospitals—the Golden Square and the Central London. Each of these had a separate building scheme. Now there will be one larger hospital instead of two smaller, with all the resulting advantages in efficiency and economy. This is the most important amalgamation in recent years; and the King's Fund is always very ready to help forward such schemes by its influence and its money. I trust that the enterprise and public spirit of the members, lay and medical, of the two Hospitals which will soon be one, will be recognised and rewarded by a generous response from the public to the appeal for the new building.

Besides making these exceptional grants to individual Hospitals, the King's Fund has also undertaken, as a central administrative body, several special services for the benefit of the voluntary hospital system of London as a whole.

Emergency Bed Service.

The first was the Emergency Bed Service. It was started very nearly a year ago at the request, and with the co-operation, of the Voluntary Hospitals Committee for London. Its birthday is June 21st. It has fully justified its existence. It has been used by over 2,000 doctors and has found beds, with the minimum of delay, for some 8,000 patients.

Recruitment of Nurses.

We are now undertaking a second special service: a Central Bureau for the Recruitment of Nurses, as originally suggested by the Voluntary Hospitals Committee to Lord Athlone's Committee. Two of its aims are to supply general information about the voluntary hospital nursing service, and to keep in touch with individual applicants who may otherwise be lost to the service, if there is no suitable opening at the first Hospitals to which they apply. The King's Fund will bear the cost: the College of Nursing are giving their full co-operation, and I have just appointed a representative Committee, with Lord Luke as Chairman.

Yet a third special service has been undertaken, in view of the present financial difficulties of the Hospitals. The work of our Hospital Economy Department is to be supplemented by the appointment of a whole-time expert on Hospital finance. He will advise the King's Fund on the financial position of Hospitals and the best way of helping to secure their financial stability; and his advice will be available to Hospitals on questions of financial administration.

Help for the Middle Classes.

I referred at the last meeting to the appointment of a Committee, at the request of the Voluntary Hospitals Committee, to prepare a Provident Scheme to enable middle class persons of moderate means to make provision in advance, for themselves and their families, for the cost of an illness or operation in a pay bed in a Voluntary Hospital. Under the Chairmanship of Mr. Bernard Docker, and with the collaboration of the British Medical Association, good progress has been made.

Having given you this brief account of the great development of the work of the King's Fund during the past few months, I have now some personal matters to mention.

Personal.

In a special message to the formal meeting of the Council in January, I referred to the very great loss which we had sustained by the death of Sir Cooper Perry, for so many years Chairman of the Distribution Committee and member of the Management Committee. I had already appointed Sir Ernest Pooley Chairman of the Distribution Committee. I have since appointed Mr. Hugh Lett a member of the Management Committee. I have appointed Sir Edward Meyerstein a member of the General Council.

Mr. Hugh Macrae has recently resigned his office as part-time departmental secretary to the Hospital Economy Committee after 17 years' valuable expert service.

This is my last Council Meeting before I leave for Australia. I shall remain President of the Fund and shall continue my keen interest in its progress. Our Act provides for my absence by enabling me to appoint a Committee to exercise the powers of President, which are essential to the business of the Fund. I propose, when the time comes, to appoint a Committee consisting of Lord Donoughmore, Lord Hailsham and the Governor of the Bank of England.

But, as this is my last opportunity, before I come back, of speaking from this Chair as President of the King's Fund, which exists for the sake of the Hospitals, I should like to end with a word on their behalf. The Voluntary Hospitals are an essential part of our medical services. Let us, each of us, remember that, even in these times, when everyone has to make sacrifices, their work must go on, and let us resolve that, as far as lies in our power, we will see that subscriptions and donations do not fail at a time when help is more than ever needed from all who are able to give it.

I will now ask Sir Edward Peacock, our Treasurer, to present the accounts.

ACCOUNTS FOR 1938.

SIR EDWARD PEACOCK, the Honorary Treasurer, in moving the adoption of the Accounts, said that the total distribution last year was £304,000. There had been an increase of £13,000 in net general income which had enabled the Fund to meet the increased expenditure and to carry £8,600 to reserve. As the Fund had had to draw from reserves in the three previous years an aggregate sum of over £18,000, this result was very encouraging. The larger income was attributable to a substantial increase in general legacies, which amounted to £104,700 as against £81,700 in 1937. He was also very grateful to the League of Mercy for an increase in their contribution from £5,000 to £7,500.

Even had the Fund known what the final figure of legacies for the year would be, they would not have been justified in increasing the ordinary distribution, for there was no assurance that the high level of legacies would be maintained.

Two exceptionally large legacies had been received, and, when the time came for allocating them, the Fund would have to keep in mind the importance of maintaining, or if possible increasing, the annual distribution, and the advantage of being able occasionally to give emergency assistance in times of crisis, in cases where it was satisfied that this was likely to be for the permanent benefit of the Hospitals concerned and of the voluntary hospital system as a whole. A larger income from subscriptions and donations would do much to increase the power of the King's Fund to help the Hospitals in their present difficulties, and the generous gifts which had been received had indeed been welcome.

The motion for the adoption of the Accounts, having been seconded by Viscount Wakefield, was then put and carried unanimously.

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1938.

On the motion of the Chairman of the Management Committee (The Earl of Donoughmore), seconded by Sophy Lady Hall, the Annual Report for 1938 was adopted.

DISTRICT NURSING DISTRIBUTION, 1939.

On the motion of the Chairman of the Distribution Committee (SIR ERNEST POOLEY), seconded by Mr. Hugh Lett (President of the Royal College of Surgeons), the Report on the District Nursing Distribution in respect of work done in 1938 was adopted. (See page 48.)

REPORT OF REVENUE AND PROPAGANDA COMMITTEES.

On the motion of the Chairman of the Revenue Committee (LORD LUKE), seconded by Sir Edward Meyerstein, the Report of the Revenue and Propaganda Committees was adopted.

Special Grants outside the Ordinary Distribution.

The Chairman of the Management Committee (The Earl of Donoughmore) presented a Report on Special Grants by the Distribution Committee.

SIR ERNEST POOLEY, in seconding the Report, said that he had heard with pleasure His Royal Highness's references to the amalgamation of the two Throat Hospitals, to the successful completion of the new Westminster Hospital, and to the assistance the Fund was giving in exceptional cases to Hospitals which were endeavouring to improve their financial position.

The motion was then put and carried.

NURSES RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE.

The Chairman of the Management Committee (The Earl of Donoughmore) presented a Report on a scheme for the establishment of a service for the Recruitment of Nurses for the London Voluntary Hospitals, and moved the recommendations.

LORD LUKE, in seconding the recommendations, said that the Committee was working in close co-operation with the College of Nursing.

The recommendations were then put and carried.

PROVIDENT SCHEME FOR THE MIDDLE CLASSES.

SIR HAROLD WERNHER, in the absence of SIR BERNARD DOCKER (Chairman of the Provident Scheme Committee), made a statement concerning the proposed Provident Scheme for the Middle Classes, in which he said the scheme, which was now before the Hospitals, was designed to be simple and yet comprehensive. It was felt that there was a widespread demand for a scheme which, in return for moderate weekly contributions, would remove the fear of Hospital and medical fees of unknown amount. The income limits and professional fees had been discussed informally with the representatives of the British Medical Association, who had been of the greatest assistance in making

the scheme possible. The Committee believed that the scheme as a whole would go far to meet the needs of the middle class, and they wished to place on record their appreciation of the help they received from all concerned.

VOTE OF THANKS.

LORD HAILSHAM moved a hearty vote of thanks to His Royal Highness for presiding, and for the very keen interest he had always shown in the activities of the Fund. On this occasion, the last on which His Royal Highness would preside before his visit to Australia, he was sure the Council were anxious to take the opportunity of expressing their sincere appreciation, in common with all His Majesty's subjects, of the very public-spirited action which Their Royal Highnesses had taken in accepting the Governor-Generalship of Australia.

Mr. Chadwyck-Healey, seconding the vote of thanks, said he was deeply sensible of the references which His Royal Highness had been good enough to make to the work of the Voluntary Hospitals Committee for London, which was representative of the lay boards and the medical staffs of the Voluntary Hospitals in the area administered by the Fund, and to the co-operation which existed between that body and the King's Fund.

The vote was then put and carried with acclamation.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS having briefly acknowledged the vote of thanks, the proceedings terminated.

Distribution Meeting of the President and General Council, December 19th, 1939.

A MEETING of the President and General Council of King Edward's Hospital Fund for London, for the purpose of awarding grants to the Hospitals and Convalescent Homes for the present year, was held at the House of Lords on Tuesday, December 19th, 1939, at 12 noon, His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent being in the Chair.

Those present were: The Lord High Chancellor, Viscount Caldecote; Earl of Donoughmore; Earl of Onslow; Viscount Hailsham; the Dowager Lady Ampthill; Lord Ebbisham; Lord Luke (Honorary Secretary); The President of the Royal College of Physicians, Sir Robert Hutchison, Bt.; The President of the Royal College of Surgeons, Mr. Hugh Lett; Sophy Lady Hall; Sir Godfrey Thomas, Bt.; Sir George Roberts, Bt.; Sir Cuthbert S. Wallace, Bt.; Sir Edward Peacock (Honorary Treasurer); Lady Hudson; Sir William Collins; Sir Harold Wernher (Honorary Secretary); Sir Bernard Docker; Sir Ernest Pooley (Honorary Secretary); Sir Edward Meyerstein; Mr. V. Warren Low; Professor Winifred Cullis; Mr. John Lowther; Mr. O. N. Chadwyck-Healey; Mr. Philip Fleming; Mr. F. W. J. Jackson.

SIR HAROLD WERNHER (Honorary Secretary), read the Minutes of the last meeting, held at 10 Old Jewry, E.C., on Tuesday, December 5th, 1939, and these were confirmed and signed.

LORD LUKE (Honorary Secretary) reported letters of regret from the following: The Lord-Lieutenant of the County of London, Marquess of Crewe; the Speaker of the House of Commons, Captain Rt. Hon. E. A. Fitzroy, M.P.; the Bishop of London; the Bishop of Southwark; Cardinal Hinsley; Rev. Sidney M. Berry, D.D.; Rev. Owen S. Watkins; the Chief Rabbi, Very Rev. J. H. Hertz, D.D.; Farl of Dudley; Viscount Wakefield; Viscount Dawson of Penn; Viscount Nuffield; Lord Stanmore; Lord Mildmay of Flete; Lord Macmillan; Lord Wigram; Lord Wardington; Lord Southwood; Hon. Sir Arthur Stanley; Major the Hon. J. J. Astor, M.P.; Hon. John Mulholland; the Minister of Health, Rt. Hon. Walter Elliot, M.P.; Rt. Hon. the Lord Mayor; the Chairman of the County Council, Mrs. E. M. Lowe; the Governor of the Bank of England, Rt. Hon. M. C. Norman; Rt. Hon. C. R. Attlee, M.P.; Sir Walter Lawrence, Bt.; Sir Charlton Briscoe, Bt.; Major Sir Samuel Strang-Steel, Bt.; Sir Alan Anderson, M.P.; Major-General Sir Cecil Lowther; Sir Ernest Fass; Sir Frederick M. Fry; Sir Basil Mayhew; Sir Edward Penton; Wing-Commander Sir Louis Greig; Mr. H. L. Eason; Mr. Lionel de Rothschild; Dr. H. Morley Fletcher; Mr. Philip Guedalla; Mr. Eardley Holland; Dr. Gilbert Orme; Dr. H. Letheby Tidy.

THE DUKE'S SPEECH.

THE DUKE OF KENT, addressing the Council, said :-

My Lords, Ladies and Gentlemen.-I have had the honour to receive the following gracious message from His Majesty The King, our Patron. This is what The King says:-

" Buckingham Palace.

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"I am glad to see that in these difficult times King Edward's Hospital Fund still shows itself resourceful and progressive. I trust that in the midst of so many conflicting claims noone will forget the Hospitals. A full measure of voluntary support is more than ever needed.

New methods for the prevention and cure of disease entail ever-increasing expenditure. Co-ordination and co-operation must constantly be sought, and in this connection I am sure that the Council will feel that no greater tribute could well be paid to the work which the King's Fund has tried to do than the recent splendid gift of Lord Nuffield to form a nucleus of a Fund for Hospitals outside the London area.

" 19th December, 1939." "George R.I.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS then continued:

In this time of crisis, when the whole energies of the nation are needed for the defence of its liberties and its ideals, the Voluntary Hospitals and the King's Fund are largely engaged in War work. The hospitals are providing the necessary casualty service under the Government scheme for dealing with the effects of air raids; and the staff and organisation of the King's Fund are helping the War Emergency Committee of the British Hospitals Association, which represents for this purpose the hospitals of the whole country.

Effects of the War on the Hospitals.

In these circumstances, our annual distribution is being made under peculiar difficulties. This is largely because of its date. The grants have to go out in December, in order to help the hospitals of London to pay for their work during the current year. But for the last four months their work has been in a state of dislocation, because of the air raid service they are providing. The Government scheme had to meet both the danger to ordinary patients and the need for a number of casualty beds in London, with a much larger number outside staffed by doctors and nurses transferred from London. As a result some hospitals have had part of their beds closed, part used for ordinary patients, and part kept vacant for emergencies. Others were not required to provide casualty beds, and some of those were able to keep on a good deal of their ordinary work, while a few were closed altogether. Moreover, the numbers in each class have been liable to change; more and more hospitals have been re-opened, and more and more beds released for ordinary patients. But we cannot say, at the moment of our distribution, how the work of each hospital has been affected.

Continued Need for Voluntary Contributions.

It is the same with the hospital finances. The Government is responsible only for the cost of the casualty service. But for the civil work, which never stopped and is now increasing, the hospitals are dependent on voluntary contributions, and the need is all the more urgent because so many of their supporters are themselves hard hit by the War.

Here again we cannot yet know the comparative effect on each hospital. This does not matter to the individual subscriber, who can safely give to any hospital or hospitals he chooses, without having to consider the others. But it does matter to a central distributing body like the King's Fund, which has to divide a large sum of money among 146 institutions, and to take into account the relative work and needs of all.

Distribution to be in two parts.

We have therefore decided to make our distribution in two parts. In to-day's grants we are giving to every hospital an amount rather more than proportionate to the pre-war fraction of the year, with something extra to those which have been, or now are, engaged solely on civil work. The

undistributed balance we are keeping in the pool until early in 1940, when we shall have before us the accounts of each hospital for the whole year.

I hope it will be quite clear to everybody that the hospitals need the fullest amount of public support, and that we are only postponing part of the distribution till we can make our final comparisons.

The amount to be distributed to-day is £229,000. In addition to this, we have already made grants amounting to £73,500 outside the ordinary distribution, partly to hospitals faced with exceptional difficulties, and partly for other special purposes. We have also made our usual District Nursing distribution of £2,000; and we shall have spent this year about £5,000 on special services for the hospitals. The total of the grants and services this year is therefore about £309,000, which is nearly £5,000 more than in 1938, apart from the further distribution to be made in the spring.

Watney Legacy.

We cannot provide all this out of current income, if only because ordinary legacies are a good deal below the average of the past few years. For the special grants we propose to draw on our reserves. We feel able to do this because we have received some considerable further instalments of the Johnson bequest, and also a large reversion, valued at something over £420,000, under the will of the late Mr. Claude Watney, who died in 1919. In normal times we should have treated both these very large legacies wholly as capital.

But we always aim at making the ordinary grants out of revenue, and to do this we shall need a larger income to cover the second part of the distribution. I am therefore specially grateful for the increased sum of £10,000 which our anonymous friend added this year to a long series of very welcome gifts, and also to a benefactor who has made a second donation of securities to a similar amount, given, to use the donor's own words, as another token of continued interest in the work of the hospitals.

Special Services for Hospitals.

The current activities of the King's Fund before September had included several new developments.

One of these, the Emergency Bed Service, which we started last year in co-operation with the Voluntary Hospitals Committee for London, has seconded its experienced staff to the Government for use in connection with casualty beds. But the Service is also still available for doctors who want beds for urgent cases among ordinary civil patients. The opening of the bureau for the Recruitment of Nurses, in which the Royal College of Nursing is also co-operating, was at first deferred, but it is hoped to begin work in January. The Provident Scheme, for enabling middle-class patients to provide for the cost of hospital treatment in pay beds, was nearly ready, but has been postponed for the time being. The whole-time consultant on hospital finance, Captain J. E. Stone, began work in June, and the appointment has fully justified itself.

Personal.

I have a few changes to announce in the Council and Committees. I have recently appointed Sir Bernard Docker a member of the Management Committee. This, added to the presence of Mr. Chadwyck-Healey, Chairman of the Voluntary Hospitals Committee for London, will greatly facilitate the increasing co-operation between the King's Fund and the British Hospitals Association.

Sir Bernard is Chairman of its War Emergency Committee, and now also of the Association itself. I am sorry to learn that Mr. Jackson finds himself unable to continue as Chairman of the Hospital Economy Committee. For the duration of the War the functions of that Committee will be merged with those of the Distribution Committee. Sir William Collins wishes to retire from the Revenue Committee, but both he and Mr. Jackson will remain on the Council. I propose to appoint Miss Margaret Bigge on the Council, Sir George Broadbridge on the Parliamentary Committee, and Sir Cuthbert Wallace as Chairman of the Radium Committee. The resources of that Committee have recently been increased by another generous anonymous donation of £10,000. I am also appointing on the Council Sir Frederick Menzies, whose great work for the London County Council hospitals is so well known to us all, as also is his interest in voluntary hospitals.

I am glad to take this opportunity of expressing our thanks to Mr. Ives, our present Secretary, for all he has done, both in the normal work of the King's Fund, and in all the special activities necessitated by the crisis. In particular, he has been acting as Secretary to the War Emergency Committee of the British Hospitals Association. He has shown himself both capable and untiring, and his services have been of great value both to the King's Fund and to the hospitals.

I should like to say how very heartily I welcome Lord Nuffield's magnificent and most timely gift to form the nucleus of a Central Fund for the Provinces. The co-ordination of voluntary hospitals is one of the vital movements of the day, and we all cordially reciprocate the wishes that have been expressed for close and friendly liaison between the King's Fund and the new body.

I will conclude on the same note by expressing my appreciation of the action of the British Broadcasting Corporation in providing for a broadcast appeal on Christmas Eve, on behalf of all the voluntary hospitals of the United Kingdom taken together. This comes at a time when, as I have said, their needs are great, and I trust the response will be worthy of so good a cause.

I will now ask Sir Edward Peacock to make his financial statement.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

SIR EDWARD PEACOCK, the Honorary Treasurer, said that in spite of the fact that there was an increase in annual subscriptions, donations and income from investments amounting in all to some £30,000, the total income for the year as compared with that of last year was down over £50,000. This was caused by a drop of £80,000 in general legacies.

Looking back over the years, legacies had maintained a fairly constant average, so they must hope that the decrease would only be temporary.

The improvement in annual subscriptions and donations was due to the £2,000 from the Mercers' Company and the increase of £500 by the Merchant Taylors' Company, and to the donation from an anonymous benefactor. From this source the Fund had received £104,000 in seventeen years.

There was a large increase in income from investments and the Fund had received a further \pounds 40,000 from the estate of the late Mr. Percy Johnson, bringing the total so far up to £140,000, and about £420,000 from the Watney bequest.

£73,500 had been taken from reserves in order to make emergency maintenance grants in aid of hospitals in exceptional difficulties and special contributions for capital purposes—the opening of the new Westminster Hospital free of debt and the amalgamation of the Golden Square and Central

London Throat Hospitals. The special distribution early in 1940 was still to be provided for. At the same time it was most important that if possible the ordinary grants in December next should be maintained at the usual figure.

The demands on the King's Fund were likely to increase. Its position had been strengthened by the two large bequests which had been mentioned, but in themselves these were not nearly enough. The King's Fund needed at least £120,000 a year from subscriptions, donations and legacies if it was to continue to give the hospitals the amount of regular support which they had come to expect and which they so greatly need.

GRANTS TO HOSPITALS AND CONVALESCENT HOMES.

The Chairman of the Distribution Committee (SIR Ernest Pooley) presented the Report of the Committee on the Distribution to Hospitals and Convalescent Homes, and moved the recommendations.

The recommendations were seconded by LORD EBBISHAM and carried unanimously.

VOLUNTARY HOSPITALS EMERGENCY BED SERVICE JOINT COMMITTEE.

The Chairman of the Voluntary Hospitals Emergency Bed Service Joint Committee (SIR HAROLD WERNHER), in presenting a Report on the work of the Service during the year and moving the recommendation that it be published, said that the Service had operated on its peace time basis for 15 months, during which time 10,000 cases had been handled on behalf of more than half the doctors in Greater London. The confidence of the doctors in the Service had been demonstrated by the fact that in four cases out of every five the doctor had asked the Service to suggest a suitable hospital for his patient. Great assistance had been given by the Home Service Ambulance Committee of St. John and the Red Cross who had carried 1,873 patients at the request of the Service. After the Munich crisis the Service had been asked by the Ministry of Health to organise a scheme for dealing with the records of bed states and civilian casualty lists in the event of war. This was done and on the outbreak of war the whole staff were called up to assist in the operation of the Casualty Bureaux of the Ministry of Health Scheme.

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The Service was re-opened with a new staff within a fortnight of the outbreak of war, and arrangements had been made by which the Casualty Bureaux of the Ministry of Health provided the Service with information as to the occupancy of not only voluntary but municipal hospitals, and cases were being admitted to both types of hospital according to the wishes of the doctor and the beds available.

The recommendation was seconded by SIR EDWARD MEYERSTEIN and carried unanimously.

CHRISTMAS EVE BROADCAST APPEAL.

The Chairman of the Revenue Committee (LORD LUKE), in making a statement on the B.B.C. Broadcast Appeal on Christmas Eve for all hospitals in the United Kingdom, said that the B.B.C. had cancelled their system of appeals at the beginning of the war, and had decided recently to have only a very few appeals. They had consented to make three appeals a year for the hospitals, as against a very much larger number prior to the war. Since only one programme was now broadcast the appeals would have to be for the voluntary hospitals of the whole country. Accordingly a small

Committee consisting of members of the King's Fund and the British Hospitals Association had been formed so as to see fair play with regard to distribution among all hospitals.

Gracie Fields had consented to make the appeal just before the News on Christmas Eve, and he hoped that these three appeals would produce as much as the 30 used to do, and without people having to listen to so many.

KING'S FUND BUSINESS FOR 1940.

On the motion of the Chairman of the Management Committee (The Earl of Donoughmore), seconded by Mr. O. N. Chadwyck-Healey, resolutions were approved delegating powers to the various Committees for 1940.

VOTE OF THANKS.

The Lord Chancellor (Viscount Caldecote) in moving a Vote of Thanks to His Royal Highness for presiding said that, in the gracious message which His Royal Highness had read, His Majesty The King mentioned the many conflicting claims of the present emergency. The way the members of the Royal Family had solved the problem of conflicting claims was to embrace them all. He was sure that it must be a great satisfaction to His Royal Highness, that in the 40 years or more of the existence of the Fund the sum distributed annually had grown until it was more than three times as large as that originally aimed at; they were all conscious that that increase in the Fund was largely due to the leadership of His Royal Highness and his Royal predecessors as President.

THE DOWAGER LADY AMPTHILL seconded the motion, which was carried with acclamation.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS having briefly acknowledged the vote of thanks, the proceedings terminated.

DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE.

REPORT ON DISTRIBUTION TO HOSPITALS AND CONVALESCENT HOMES.

- I. The General Council have decided that the distribution to hospitals this year should take account of the special situation created by the war which has brought many hospitals into the Government's Emergency Scheme for the provision of casualty beds. In these cases immediate grants towards maintenance will be made rather more than covering the normal work of the hospitals for the first eight months of the year. In the case of any hospital which is not reserving beds under the Government Scheme, a larger immediate grant may be made. Capital grants will be made to certain hospitals which have incurred liabilities in respect of building schemes already completed or now in hand. The Council have emphasised the fact that the general needs of the hospitals are by no means diminished, and therefore, early in 1940, when more is known of the effect of the war on the civil work and financial position of each hospital, a further distribution will be made.
- 2. The grants recommended by the Distribution Committee on this basis may be summarised as follows:—

Grants to hospitals (including recovery and convalescent branches):	£					
Maintenance	211,550					
Schemes of capital expenditure	14,450					
Grants to convalescent homes not attached to particular hospitals						
Grants to hospitals made in March, 1939, in respect of out-patients referred to District Nursing Associations in 1938 in relief of						
out-patient departments	2,000					
	£231,000					

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3. Special grants amounting to £73,500 have also been made outside the ordinary distribution. Of this total, £43,500 has been allocated in grants to maintenance, out of a sum of £50,000 over which the Council gave the Committee special powers a year ago, in order to meet cases of urgent need. The other £30,000 consists of two grants for capital purposes approved by the Council in June, viz. : £15,000 to assist the Westminster Hospital to raise the final sum required to open the new hospital free of debt; and £15,000 towards the building scheme of the Central London Throat, Nose and Ear Hospital and the Golden Square Throat, Nose and Ear Hospital, which are now amalgamated under the management of a single Committee.*

The special maintenance grants were in each case made only after detailed inquiries into the circumstances of the hospital concerned, with a view to a definite scheme of financial rehabilitation. They were either given direct or offered on a f for f basis. Some of these grants had not been earned when war broke out and are still unpaid. The building scheme of the amalgamated Throat, Nose and Ear Hospital is also necessarily postponed.

4. The following grants made in previous years in aid of schemes have not been applied for and come up for consideration:—

Connaught Hospital, £1,100 (£600 ordinary and £500 Silver Jubilee) to extension.

Metropolitan Hospital, £4,500 (£2,000 ordinary and £2,500 Silver Jubilee) to pay beds and rebuilding of theatre and casualty department.

National Hospital Queen Square, £500 to new nurses' home.

Royal Eye Hospital, £3,500 (£1,000 ordinary and £2,500 Silver Jubilee) to first stage of rebuilding and extension.

Royal National Orthopædic Hospital, £1,000 to pay block at Stanmore.

St. George's Hospital, £4,500 (£1,500 ordinary and £3,000 Silver Jubilee) to reconstruction.

Tavistock Clinic, £400 to new hostel.

Western Ophthalmic Hospital, £400 to completion of hospital.

Willesden General Hospital, £2,500 (£500 ordinary and £2,000 Silver Jubilee) to extension.

Wimbledon Hospital, £500 to extension.

The Committee are recommending that all these should be renewed.

^{*} For complete list see pages 57 & 58.

5. Out of the amount entrusted this year by the Bank of England to the King's Fund for distribution the donations recommended make, with the annual subscriptions, a total of £3,285 ros. allocated as follows:—

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(a)	Annual subscriptions formerly paid direct by the Bank	L	•	••	360		
(b)	Special donation in January:— St. Bartholomew's Hospital, to rebuilding fund appeal				1,050	0	0
(c)	Special donation in March: Westminster Hospital, to removal and rebuilding				5 00	0	0
(d)	Donations now recommended by the Distribution Committee:—						
	King's College Hospital, to deficit on improvements	500	0	0			
	Princess Elizabeth of York Hospital for Children, to rebuilding of in-patient department on new site at Banstead	500	0	0			
	University College Hospital, to deficit on extensions and improvements	375	0	0	1,375	0	o
					£3,285	10	0

- 6. The Committee are again indebted to the Visitors for their often very valuable reports, extracts from which are being forwarded for the observations of the Committees of the hospitals concerned.
- 7. The Committee have to thank the Royal Naval Benevolent Trust for an increased contribution of £500 to the King's Fund, on behalf of the Petty Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of H.M. Navy, in appreciation of the work which the London hospitals, as a whole, do for naval men and their dependants.
- 8. The Distribution Committee view with great satisfaction the amalgamation of the Golden Square and Central London Throat, Nose and Ear Hospitals. The general policy of the King's Fund has been notified to hospitals in the standing circular on schemes of capital

expenditure, namely, that it is prepared to view sympathetically any proposals for amalgamation placed before it, to take part in discussions for the removal of difficulties, and sometimes to make grants considerably larger than would have been made towards hospital provision on the same scale by an ordinary scheme or by separate schemes.

Both on this occasion and at various times in the past the King's Fund has helped by these methods, with resulting advantages in the way both of efficiency and of economy. It is probable that in the circumstances of the present time and the near future the principle may become even more important.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent, at the Annual Meeting of the General Council, paid the following tribute to the Hospitals concerned: "This is the most important amalgamation in recent years. I trust that the enterprise and public spirit of the members, lay and medical, of the two Hospitals which will soon be one, will be recognised and rewarded by a generous response from the public."

For the Distribution Committee,

E. H. POOLEY,

December 5, 1939.

Chairman.

DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE.

LIST OF GRANTS RECOMMENDED TO HOSPITALS (INCLUDING RECOVERY AND CONVALESCENT BRANCHES).

Note.—The reduction of a grant must not be assumed to imply dissatisfaction or diminished need (see paragraph 1 of Report).

Name of Hospital	Grant	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)
Acton Hospital	£ 1,200	Of which £300 to deficit on extension, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Albany Deptford Babies' Hospital	50	
All Saints' Hospital	260	
Annie McCall Maternity Hospital	150	Of which £50 towards ante-natal clinic, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Baby Hospital (Kensington)	75	
Battersea General Hospital	1,125	
Bearsted Memorial Hospital (Jewish Maternity)	100	
Beckenham Hospital	475	Of which £250 to deficit on extension, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Belgrave Hospital for Children	2,000	scrienc submitted to the 1 and
Bermondsey Medical Mission Hospital	55	
Bexley Cottage Hospital	75	
Blackheath and Charlton Hospital	150	
Bolingbroke Hospital	1,500	Of which £150 to deficit on rebuilding, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Brentford Hospital	110	the scheme submitted to the 1 and
British Hospital for Mothers and Babies (Woolwich)	550	
Bromley and District Hospital	355	

		(See note on page 35.)
Name of Hospital (1)	Grant	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)
Bromley, Chislehurst and District Maternity Hospital'	£ 60	
Carshalton and District Hospital	150	
Catholic Nursing Institute	15	
Central London Ophthalmic Hospital	300	
Central London Throat, Nose and Ear Hospital (see Golden Square and Central London Hospitals)		
Charing Cross Hospital	3,000	
Chelsea Hospital for Women (including Convalescent Home at St. Leonard's)	1,065	Of which £450 to deficit on modernisation and extension, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Cheyne Hospital for Children (including Country Branch Hospital at St. Nicholas-at- Wade)	600	Of which £150 to deficit on new nurses' accommodation, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Children's Hospital, Hamp- stead	200	Of which £50 to deficit on new isolation and post-mortem rooms, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
City of London Maternity Hospital	1,800	Of which floo towards new boilers, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Connaught Hospital	1,500	
Croydon General Hospital	1,050	
Dreadnought Hospital (Seamen's) (including Albert Dock Hospital, Hospital for Tropical Diseases, Sanatorium at Liphook, and Convalescent Home at Cudham)	1,905	
East End Maternity Hospital	375	
East Ham Memorial Hospital	2,000	Of which £500 towards new children's and maternity wing, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Elizabeth Garrett Anderson Hospital (including Re- covery Branch at Barnet)	1,675	Of which £400 to deficit on new nurses' home and boilers, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.

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Name of Hospital .	GRANT	Remarks			
(1)	(2)	(3)			
Eltham and Mottingham Cottage Hospital	£ 75				
Enfield War Memorial Hospital	185				
Evelina Hospital for Sick Children (including Con- valescent Home at Henley)	1,370	Of which £500 towards first stage of reconstruction, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.			
Finchley Memorial Hospital	275	Of which £50 to deficit on equipment of flats as nurses' home.			
Florence Nightingale Hospital for Gentlewomen	95				
Forest Hospital (Buckhurst Hill)	245	Of which £150 to deficit on extension of X-ray department and kitchen, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.			
French Hospital	300				
General Lying-in Hospital	850	Of which £50 towards new nurses' accommodation, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.			
German Hospital (including Convalescent Home at Hitchin)	1,100	Of which £100 to deficit on new kitchen.			
Golden Square and Central London Throat, Nose and Ear Hospitals (amalga- mated) (including Recovery Branch at Ealing)	1,650	Of which £400 to deficit on new nurses' home at Central London Hospital, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.			
Gordon Hospital	150				
Grosvenor Hospital for Women	2 75	Of which £50 to deficit on improvement of sanitary arrangements, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.			
Guy's Hospital	9,775	Of which £400 to deficit on new central kitchen, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.			
Hampstead General and North-West London Hos- pital	2,125	Of which £250 towards additional nurses' accommodation, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.			
Hanwell Cottage Hospital	250	Of which £200 towards first stage of improvements and extension, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.			
Harrow and Wealdstone Hospital	735	Of which £400 towards new nurses' home, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.			

Name of Hospital	GRANT	Remarks					
(1)	(2)	(3)					
Hendon Cottage Hospital	£ 170						
Hornsey Central Hospital	225						
Hospital for Consumption, Brompton (including Sana- torium at Frimley)	850	Of which £100 towards improvements at Frimley, accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.					
Hospital for Sick Children (including Country Branch and Convalescent Home at Tadworth)	3,620	Of which £1,000 towards rebuilding, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.					
Hospital for Women (Soho Square)	1,125						
Hospital of St. John and St. Elizabeth	боо						
Hostel of St. Luke	105	Of which £50 towards improvement of nurses' accommodation, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.					
Infants Hospital	375						
Invalid and Crippled Children's Hospital (Canning Town) (including Convalescent Home at Shoeburyness)	350						
Invalid Children's Aid Association Heart Hospital (West Wickham)	375						
Italian Hospital	375	Of which £150 to deficit on improvements, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.					
Jewish Home of Rest	100	domitted to the Fund.					
King Edward Memorial Hospital (Ealing)	1,350	Of which £300 to deficit on improvements, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.					
King Edward VII's Hospital for Officers	200						
King George Hospital	3,575	Of which £200 to deficit on extension, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.					

Name of Hospital	GRANT	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)
King's College Hospital	8 ,2 85	Of which £400 to deficit on improvements, and £200 towards improvement of X-ray department, in accordance with schemes submitted to the Fund.
Kingston-upon-Thames Victoria Hospital	150	
London Chest Hospital	2,300	Of which £50 to deficit on improvements to mortuary and post-mortem room.
London Fever Hospital	675	Of which £150 to deficit on new isolation block, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
London Homcopathic Hospital (including Con- valescent Home at East- bourne)	845	
London Hospital (including Recovery Branch at Reigate)	12,480	
London Jewish Hospital	1,200	Of which £150 to deficit on first stage of nurses' home, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
London Lock Hospital	800	
Maida Vale Hospital for Nervous Diseases	1,750	
Marie Curie Hospital	200	
Metropolitan Hospital	3,000	
Middlesex Hospital (including Convalescent Home at Clacton)	8,895	
Mildmay Memorial Hospital	200	
Mildmay Mission Hospital	1,075	Of which £200 to deficit on new out-patient department, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Miller General Hospital (including Convalescent Home at Bexhill)	3,795	Of which £600 towards new out-patient department and reconstruction of pathological laboratory, in accordance with schemes submitted to the Fund.
Mothers' Hospital of the Salvation Army	900	

NAME OF HOSPITAL	GRANT	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)
Mount Vernon Hospital and The Radium Institute	1,8 ₇₅	
National Hospital for Diseases of the Heart	500	Of which £200 to deficit on provision of hospital in the country, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
National Hospital Queen Square (including Con- valescent Home at Finchley)	5,445	
National Temperance Hospital	1,875	
Nelson Hospital for Wimble- don, Merton and District	525	
North Islington Infant Welfare Wards	20	
Norwood and District Cottage Hospital	75	
Paddington Green Children's Hospital (including Conva- lescent Home at Bagshot)	665	
Phillips Memorial Homœo- pathic Hospital (Bromley)	15	
Plaistow Maternity Hospital	1,250	
Poplar Hospital (including Convalescent Home at Walton-on-the-Naze)	395	Of which £200 towards nurses' recreation room and fracture ward, in accordance with schemes submitted to the Fund.
Prince of Wales's General Hospital (including Conva- lescent Home at Nazeing)	4,965	Of which £400 to deficit on new out-patient department, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Princess Beatrice Hospital	975	
Princess Elizabeth of York Hospital for Children (in- cluding Convalescent Home at Bognor)	4,300	Of which £650 towards rebuilding and extension of in-patient department on new site at Banstead Wood, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Princess Louise Kensington Hospital for Children	1,500	
Putney Hospital	400	Of which £250 to deficit on nurses' home extension and new kitchen, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.

		(See Hote on page 33.)
NAME OF HOSPITAL	GRANT	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)
Queen Charlotte's Maternity Hospital	£ 3,000	Of which £1,000 towards rebuilding and extension on new site, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Queen Mary's Hospital for the East End	4,525	Of which £400 to deficit on new operating theatres, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Queen's Hospital for Children (including Convalescent Home at Bexhill)	3,080	Of which £600 to deficit on new out-patient and pathological departments, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Royal Dental Hospital of London	250	
Royal Eye Hospital	600	
Royal Free Hospital	6,750	
Royal Hospital (Richmond)	900	
Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital	2,060	
Royal National Orthopædic Hospital (including Country Branch Hospital and Con- valescent Home at Stanmore)	3,225	Of which £150 to deficit on massage room, etc., at Stanmore, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Royal Northern Hospital (including Royal Chest Branch Hospital in City Road, Recovery Branch at Southgate, and Con- valescent Home at Clacton)	7,990	Of which £250 towards new boilers, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Royal Waterloo Hospital for Children and Women	1,685	
Royal Westminster Ophthal- mic Hospital	600	
St. Andrew's Hospital, Dollis Hill	410	
St. Bartholomew's Hospital	4,150	Of which £400 to deficit on new medical block, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
St. Columba's Hospital	50	

Name of Hospital (1)	GRANT	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)
St. George's Hospital (includ- ing Recovery and Con- valescent Branch at Wimbledon)	£ 5,710	
St. John's Hospital (Lewisham)	1,125	
St. John's Hospital (Twickenham)	110	
St. John's Hospital for Diseases of the Skin	50	
St. Luke's Hospital for Advanced Cases	50	
St. Mark's Hospital	700	Of which £250 towards new nurses' home and extension, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
St. Mary's Hospital	6,000	
St. Mary's Hospital* for Women and Children (Plaistow)	1,760	
St. Monica's Home Hospital for Sick Children	50	
St. Paul's Hospital	50	
St. Peter's Hospital for Stone	600	
St. Saviour's Hospital (Osnaburgh Street)	35	
St. Thomas's Babies' Hostel	125	
St. Thomas's Hospital	9,000	
Samaritan Free Hospital for Women (including Con- valescent Home at Amersham)	1,025	
Santa Claus Home for Sick Children	55	
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NAME OF HOSPITAL	GRANT	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)
South Eastern Hospital for Children (Sydenham)	£ 750	
South London Hospital for Women and Children	1,710	Of which £400 towards extension of nurses' home, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Stoke Newington Home Hospital for Women	75	
Streatham Babies' Hospital	20	
Tavistock Clinic (Institute of Medical Psychology)	300	
University College Hospital	9,875	Of which £500 to deficit on recent extensions, in accordance with schemes submitted to the Fund.
Victoria Hospital (Barnet)	110	
Victoria Hospital for Children (including Convalescent Home at Broadstairs)	2,490	
Weir Hospital	25	
Wembley Hospital	525	Of which £300 to deficit on extension, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
West End Hospital for Nervous Diseases	1,850	
Western Ophthalmic Hospital	300	
West London Hospital	4,875	
Westminster Hospital	4,125	
Willesden General Hospital	2,250	
Wilson Hospital (Mitcham)	75	
Wimbledon Hospital	260	
Woodford Jubilee Hospital	110	

(See note on page 35.)

Name of Hospital (1)	Grant (2)	Remarks (3)
Wood Green and Southgate Hospital	£ 150	
Woolwich and District War Memorial Hospital	2,250	
Zachary Merton Convalescent Hospital Home for Children (Winifred House)	50	
£	226,000	

SUMMARY.

Grants to Hospitals (including Recovery year 1939, per list bove					s) for	the	£226,000
Cronto to Maria 1 11 10			• •	• •	• •	• •	£220,000
Grants to Non-hospital Convalescent Homes	••	• •	• •	••	••	• •	3,000
Grants to Hospitals, paid in March, 1939, in re	espect of o	net mat		nary D	istribu to Dis	tion	229,000
Nursing Associations in 1938 in relief of (Out-patier	nt Dep	artmer	ıts	• •	••	2,000
Special Grants outside the Ordinary Division	. ,						231,000
Special Grants outside the Ordinary Distribut	tion (see p	age 57)	••	• •	• •	73,500
		Total	Dist	ributio	on	•• ;	£304,500

DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE.

LIST OF GRANTS RECOMMENDED TO CONVALESCENT HOMES NOT ATTACHED TO HOSPITALS.

Note.—The reduction or absence of a grant must not be assumed to imply dissatisfaction.

NAME OF INSTITUTION	Address	GRANT	Remarks
All Saints' Convalescent Home	St. Leonards	£ 30	
All Saints' Convalescent Hospital	Eastbourne	190	
Association of Maternity and Child Welfare Centres:— Noel Home	Letchworth	25	
Baldwin Brown Convalescent Home	Herne Bay	10	
Beau Site Convalescent Home	Hastings	30	
Brentwood Convalescent Home for London Children	Brentwood	35	
Catherine Marsh Convalescent Home	Worthing	35	
Children's Convalescent Home	Beaconsfield	50	
Children's Heart Home	Lancing	20	
Children's Home	East Grinstead	30	
Children's Hospital	Cold Ash, Newbury	15	In consideration of the fact that convalescent cases are admitted.
Convalescent Home for Poor Children	St. Leonards	130	
Convalescent Home for Women and Children	Limpsfield	15	
Eastern Counties Children's Convalescent Home	Great Yarmouth	50	
Friendly Societies' Convalescent Home	Herne Bay	40	
Home for Invalid Children	Brighton	30	
Invalid Children's Aid Association:— Brooklands Home	Worthing	35	

GRANTS RECOMMENDED TO CONVALESCENT HOMES—continued. Note.—The reduction or absence of a grant must not be assumed to imply dissatisfaction.

NAME OF INSTITUTION	Address	GRANT	Remarks
Clevedon Convalescent Hospital	Broadstairs	£ 30	
Countess Brownlow Home	nr. Berkhamsted	30	
Edgar Lee Home	Willesden	30	
Florence Emma Home	Dover	35	
Hamilton House	Seaford	50	
Hawkenbury Convalescent Home	Tunbridge Wells	50	
St. Michael's Home	Southbourne	30	
Jewish Board of Guardians:— Anthony and Annie Muller Convalescent Home	Broadstairs	35	
Convalescent Home for Boys	Hove	30	
Samuel Lewis Seaside Conva- lescent Home	Walton-on-the- Naze	40	
Zachary Merton Home (Clara, Baroness de Hirsch Foundation)	Grayshott	30	
London and Ascot Priory Convalescent Home	Ascot	55	
London and Brighton Female Convalescent Home	Brighton	100	
Mental After-Care Association Homes	Westminster	400	
Metropolitan Convalescent Institutions	Bexhill, Broad- stairs (Children)	100	
National Sunday School Union Convalescent Home	and Walton Clacton	80	
Pawling Home Hospital for Children	Barnet	30	In consideration of the fact that
St. Andrew's Convalescent Home	Folkestone	145	convalescent cases are admitted.
St. Andrew's Convalescent Hospital	Clewer	60	
St. Gabriel's Convalescent Home for Children	Westgate	55	
St. Helen's Home	North Letchworth	30	

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GRANTS RECOMMENDED TO CONVALESCENT HOMES—continued. Note.—The reduction or absence of a grant must not be assumed to imply dissatisfaction.

Name of Institution	Address		GRANT	Remarks
St. John's Home	Kemp Town (Bright	ton)	£ 50	
St. Mary's Convalescent Home	Birchington	• • •	130	
St. Mary's Home for Children	Broadstairs	٠	85	In consideration of the fact that convalescent cases are admitted.
St. Michael's Home for Men and Women	Westgate		60	303.13.33333
Seaside Convalescent Hospital	Seaford		90	
Southern Convalescent Homes:— Beachville Convalescent Home for Men	Lancing	••	60	
Bell Memorial Convalescent Home for Women	Lancing	• •	50	
Suffolk Convalescent Home	Felixstowe		45	
Surgical Home for Boys	Banstead		75	In consideration of the fact that convalescent cases are admitted.
Tilford Convalescent Home for Children	Farnham		40	Convaissone cases are assessed
Victoria Home for Invalid Children	Margate		30	In consideration of the fact that convalescent cases are admitted.
West Ham Central Mission (Child Haven)	Hutton (nr. Brentwe	ood)	40	convacced sales
Zachary Merton Maternity Convalescent Home	Rustington	••	30	
Total Grants for the year	1939	£	3,000	

DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE.

REPORT ON DISTRICT NURSING DISTRIBUTION, 1939.

For Work done by District Nursing Associations for Hospital Out-patients in 1938.

- 1. The General Council have again allocated £2,000 for distribution towards the cost of the work done by District Nursing Associations for patients referred by Hospitals to the Associations for attendance at home instead of at out-patient departments.
- 2. The distribution takes the form of grants to Hospitals to enable each Hospital to contribute towards the cost of the work done by District Nursing Associations for patients referred by the Hospital to the Associations for attendance at home instead of at the out-patient department. To simplify the procedure, however, the payments are made direct by the King's Fund to the Associations as from the Hospitals.
- 3. The number of Hospitals to which grants have been made for this purpose in respect of 1938 is 87. The number of District Nursing Associations to which payments have been made is 112.
- 4. The amounts paid in respect of the patients of individual Hospitals have ranged from £343 13s. 10d. down to less than £1. The number of patients referred in 1938 was 17,539. The payments were made to the Associations on March 31st, 1939.

For the Distribution Committee,

E. H. POOLEY,

Chairman.

April 18, 1939.

REVENUE COMMITTEE.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR 1939.

I. The Revenue Committee beg to present the following Report.

KING'S FUND INCOME.

2. The total income of the Fund for 1939 available for distribution amounted to £274,813—including general legacies amounting to £25,781. The amount allocated for the ordinary distribution was £229,000, being a proportion distributed in the year out of a total vote of £300,000, in addition to the District Nursing distribution of £2,000, special grants of £73,500 outside the ordinary distribution, £3,446 for the expenses of special services for Hospitals, and expenses £17,133, including statistical and other ordinary services for Hospitals.

A sum of £50,266 was taken from general reserve in order to make up the distribution; and receipts from certain large estates, amounting to the notable figure of £462,475 10s. 7d. have been carried for the time being to the general fund.

HOSPITAL FINANCES.

- 3. A preliminary estimate of the finance of the London Hospitals in 1939 has been made. This gives the approximate income as £4,460,000 and expenditure as £4,480,000, showing a net aggregate deficit estimated at £20,000.
- 4. All figures referring to 1939 include four months' working on a war basis. They include interim payments received from the Ministry of Health in respect of casualty beds which are subject to subsequent adjustment.
 - 5. The number of Hospitals with surpluses and deficits was as follows:--

			1938	1939 (approx.)
Hospitals with surpluses	•••	 •••	63	64
Hospitals with deficits	•••	 	83	82

6. The ordinary income of the Hospitals shows a decrease of about £145,000 and legacies a decrease of £78,000, making a decrease in total income of about £223,000. There was a decrease in expenditure estimated at £350,000. The decrease in income was thus less than the decrease in expenditure by £127,000 resulting in a deficit of about £20,000, against a deficit of £147,000 in 1938. Legacies totalled about £512,000; it is perhaps noteworthy that in five of the last seven years legacies have totalled over £500,000, and that the average annual receipts from this source since 1930 have been £140,000 more than the average for the ten years 1921–30.

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- 7. The Committee noted that in 1938 there was an increase in the four years since 1934 of £481,000 in the ordinary income of the London Hospitals. The receipts from voluntary gifts increased by £55,000, and from invested funds by £26,000. The receipts from services rose in the four years by £400,000. The Hospital Saving Association was an important factor in this increase: in 1938 the Hospitals received the sum of £557,000 from this Association. It should be realised that, while the Association makes its distribution on the basis of services rendered to contributors and their families, the money is derived from voluntary contributions collected by voluntary workers.
 - 8. In 1938 the total London Hospital receipts were:-

Total (of Maintenance Income)		•••	£ 4,686,000
Capital Receipts for Endowment			169,000
Capital Receipts for Building and Equipment	•••	•••	704,000
			£5,559,000

This total includes £2,840,000 from voluntary gifts.

B.B.C. APPEALS.

9. Owing to the outbreak of war and the suspension of normal wireless programmes and following correspondence between the Fund and the B.B.C., arrangements were made for combining Hospital appeals broadcast on Sunday evenings. Since the establishment of this scheme two appeals have been made, one at Christmas by Miss Gracie Fields, and the other at Easter by an unknown officer of the Merchant Service. The total of the two appeals amounted to £21,122, and there are still a few odd amounts coming in. A special Committee representative of the King's Fund, the Nuffield Trust, the British Hospitals Association and the B.B.C. was established under the Chairmanship of Lord Luke to arrange these appeals, and it is proposed to have three each year. The scheme was discussed by the Revenue Committee, who assisted in making suggestions for its establishment.

Work of the Propaganda Committee in 1939.

- 10. It is the object of the Propaganda Committee to keep before the public the work and the needs of the Voluntary Hospitals of London, and the part which the King's Fund plays in helping them. The Revenue Committee has much pleasure in submitting the following report of their activities during 1939:
 - i. The Propaganda Committee continued energetically their various activities on behalf of the King's Fund and the London Voluntary Hospitals, and had several new

schemes in preparation when the outbreak of war made it impossible for them to be proceeded with.

- ii. The two printed folders, "40 Years of Progress" and "King Edward's Hospital Fund: Its Foundation, Growth, and present Activities," were revised and reissued in a more convenient and attractive form. The first of these gives a concise survey of the progress made by the London Voluntary Hospitals during the period stated, with interesting information as to the different types of hospitals now existing and the number of beds. The other contains a brief account of the work carried out by the King's Fund since its foundation in 1897, and the activities in which the Fund is now engaged. The Committee also prepared and issued a single-page "throwaway" leaflet, with portrait of King Edward VII, and entitled "What has the King's Fund done for London?" A new edition of the Solicitors' Calendar for the year 1939-40 was prepared, with certain improvements in the layout, and issued in October to about 5,500 solicitors in the London district. The Committee are specially indebted to The Times for a leading article, based on material they supplied, which was published on June 10th. A reprint of this article was obtained and widely circulated.
- iii. The film, "The War Without End," was among sixty selected for showing at the New York World's Fair. This film continues to be in considerable demand. A copy has been purchased by the London County Council for their library, and further copies by the National Film Society of Canada and by the Merseyside Hospitals Council. The National Association of Co-operative Education Committees were presented with a copy for circulation to their various branches, a percentage of the fees to be allocated to the King's Fund. The Empire Film Library and the British Film Institute were responsible for nearly 40 bookings, and the film was also loaned to medical officers of health and the Hospital Saving Association, and to Queen Mary's College, Mile End. It was the main attraction at the Hospitals Exhibition held at Charing Cross Station from May 1st to 19th, where it was shown at frequent intervals during the period of the Exhibition and drew large crowds. The earlier film, "A Century of Hospital Progress," was also on view for 23 days at the Ideal Home Exhibition, and was sent out on 20 occasions by the Empire Film Library. The Miniature Hospital also made a valuable addition to the Charing Cross Exhibition and was much admired.
- iv. Illustrated lectures to school audiences on the history and progress of the London Voluntary Hospitals were continued. Thirty such lectures were delivered during the first six months, and a number of fixtures had been arranged for the autumn term, all of which had to be abandoned on the outbreak of war. Mr. Jay also gave addresses at five Rotary clubs in London and the surrounding districts during the year.

- v. The Committee continued their programme of visits to places of public interest, which have been a special feature for several years. Permission was granted by the Lord Chamberlain for a party under the auspices of the King's Fund to be shown over Buckingham Palace, and thanks are also due to the Office of Works for arranging a special visit to the Whitehall Palace Excavations before these were finally closed. On January 17th Lord and Lady Luke kindly arranged another Drawing-Room Meeting at 29 Portman Square, when Mr. Eric Shipton related his experiences in an illustrated talk on "The Attempts to Climb Mt. Everest"; and on March 23rd Mrs. Bigland, who had become interested in the Fund through taking part in several of the Privileged Tours, kindly gave a party at the Hyde Park Hotel, when some remarkable coloured films, produced by herself, were shown and a collection made for the Fund.
- vi. At the outbreak of war the Committee had made considerable progress with the preparation of two programmes both of which promised to be of great interest, but which had to be postponed *sine die*:—
 - (a) a series of entertainments during November, under the general title of "Behind the Scenes," to include Launching a Book, Producing a Play, Running a Big Hotel, and Making a Film, in which Sir Hugh Walpole, the Hon. Harold Nicolson, Mr. Ivor Brown, Mr. Basil Dean, Mr. St. John Ervine, Miss Edith Evans, Mr. Geoffrey Faber and others had promised to appear;
 - (b) a function to be held at the Belgian Embassy, on November 3rd, by kind permission of the Ambassador, at which M. Emile Cammaerts had promised to give an address on "The Riddle of the English."
- vii. We have again to express our thanks to all who gave or promised their co-operation in connection with our various programmes and functions, and to the Press, without whose support these could not have achieved their object.

For the Revenue Committee,

LUKE, Chairman.

June 10, 1940.

VOLUNTARY HOSPITALS EMERGENCY BED SERVICE.

REPORT ON THE WORK DURING THE YEAR.

- I. The Service continued its normal work up to September 1st, when it had to be abandoned temporarily owing to the outbreak of war. Up to that time some 10,000 cases had been dealt with on behalf of 3,000 doctors since the Service started in June, 1938. 4,056 ambulances have been called. The Service was put to its fullest use in the first weeks of January and February. Calls from doctors have been received from all parts of London and Middlesex and the adjoining portions of the Home Counties, particularly Essex and Kent. The cases have been of all types, rather more than half being surgical. The largest single item has been acute appendix, of which 1,508 cases were admitted.
- 2. During the summer of 1938 the Service received many calls for mechanical respirators (iron lungs), and was able to supply them promptly on all occasions. In December, 1938, the Service obtained three respirators through the generosity of Sir Edward Meyerstein, which are available for dispatch to any hospital requiring one.
- 3. In February the Service was asked by the Ministry of Health to prepare a scheme for the establishment of the Casualty Bureaux at the Sector Offices of the London Region of the Emergency Medical Service, and a scheme was accordingly prepared and extra staff recruited and trained.
- 4. At the request of the Ministry, it was agreed that the Secretary and the whole staff should be seconded to the Ministry in the event of war so as to provide trained staff for these Bureaux. There are ten of these Bureaux controlled by a Central Bureau at the Regional Headquarters, and between them they are responsible for the collection of all information concerning casualties and bed states for the whole of the London Sectors, which extend some 30 miles out of London on all sides.

On August 26th the Ministry called up the staff, who reported to the various Sector Headquarters and assisted in the organisation of the Casualty Bureaux. By September 2nd every Bureau was in working order and rendering daily reports of the number of beds available. The staff remain in the employ of the Ministry, with the right to return to their peace time employment on the cessation of hostilities.

- 5. It had been anticipated that on the outbreak of war London would be severely bombed and that the hospitals would be almost wholly engaged in dealing with casualties and that only the very few civilian sick who were too acutely ill to move to safer districts for treatment would receive treatment in the London hospitals. When, after a fortnight, it appeared that this was an inaccurate forecast, steps were taken to re-start the normal Service at the offices of the King's Fund with a new staff, and it was re-opened on September 16th. Owing to the use of the hospitals for war purposes it was not possible to resume the routine enquiries to hospitals concerning the state of beds, and in consequence the efficiency of the Service was temporarily reduced.
- 6. During November, however, arrangements were made for the Service to receive from the Sector Offices the necessary information as to the occupancy of hospitals, and as from the 1st December onwards this information is being supplied for all hospitals in the Emergency Medical Service, whether voluntary or municipal.
- 7. It is intended that the Service shall use its best endeavours to arrange for patients to be admitted to hospitals as near their homes as possible, with due regard for the medical or surgical necessities of the case.

For the Voluntary Hospitals Emergency Bed Service Joint Committee,

H. A. WERNHER,

Chairman.

December 8, 1939.

RECRUITMENT OF NURSES FOR LONDON VOLUNTARY HOSPITALS.

REPORT BY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE TO GENERAL COUNCIL, MAY 1939.

- I. The Inter-departmental Committee on Nursing Services, in their Interim Report published in January last, referred to a suggestion made to them in evidence by the Voluntary Hospitals Committee for London in July, that a Central Bureau should be established in London, the main functions of which should be:—
 - (a) to establish effective regular contact between the Hospitals and the education authorities, and generally to act as a Public Relations Department for nursing in the Voluntary Hospitals;
 - (b) to develop a system whereby girls on leaving school could be registered and kept in touch with the Hospitals;
 - (c) to supply information as to the qualifications required and facilities offered by the different Hospitals and as to the prospects offered by a nursing career;
 - (d) to keep a register of all trained nurses seeking Hospital employment;
 - (e) to advertise in the Press.

The Inter-departmental Committee said that they had been impressed by evidence to the effect that girls, particularly in London, seeking admission to Hospitals as probationers may be discouraged and lost to the profession because the Hospitals to which they first make application have no vacancies. They added that the suggestion was one which might well be carried further by those concerned.

2. In November the Voluntary Hospitals Committee had asked the King's Fund whether, in the interests of the Hospitals, it could see its way to set up a central office which could undertake these functions.

3. The Management Committee were unanimously in favour of the proposal, and after discussions with the Voluntary Hospitals Committee and with the College of Nursing, a scheme has been agreed upon for the establishment and maintenance by the King's Fund of a central office and the appointment of an officer to act under the directions of a Joint Committee on which the three bodies are represented. This will be a Committee of the King's Fund, and His Royal Highness the President has appointed the following members:—Miss B. Monk, Miss D. M. Smith and Miss F. G. Goodall, of the College of Nursing; Sir A. Kaye Butterworth, Sir Frank Newnes, Bart., and Mr. Harold Pearson, of the Voluntary Hospitals Committee; and the Honorary Secretaries of the King's Fund, with Lord Luke as Chairman.

For the Management Committee,

DONOUGHMORE, Chairman.

May 9, 1939.

Note.—The Nurses Recruitment Centre was opened on April 1, 1940, at 21 Cavendish Square, W.1.

SPECIAL GRANTS BY DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE OUTSIDE THE ORDINARY DISTRIBUTION.

REPORT BY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE TO GENERAL COUNCIL, MAY 1939.

r. At the Distribution Meeting of the Council in December His Royal Highness the President announced that the Distribution Committee had been given power to make certain additional emergency grants if found necessary. The amount thus set aside, outside the ordinary distribution, to meet urgent maintenance difficulties, was limited to £50,000. Of this total, £39,000 has already been allocated, either in direct payments or in offers of special maintenance grants on a pound for pound basis, or subject to other suitable conditions, to the following Hospitals, after a special inquiry in each case, viz.:

	To	otal		*£39,000
Prince of Wales's General Hospital (1939)	•••	•••	•••	3,500
Radium Institute and Mount Vernon Hospital (1939)	•••	•••	•••	,0
				2,500
Royal Northern Hospital (1939)				5,000
King's College Hospital (1939)	• • •	•••	•••	5,000
Guy's Hospital (1939–40)	•••	•••	•••	10,000
Princess Louise Kensington Children's Hospital (1939)	•••	•••	•••	•
				1,000
Princess Beatrice Hospital (allocated 1938, paid 1939)				2,000
Guy's Hospital (allocated 1938, paid 1939)	•••	•••	•••	10,000
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The circumstances of various other Hospitals in exceptional difficulties are under investigation.

2. In February last the King's Fund considered a request from the Westminster Hospital for a special grant to assist the Hospital to raise the last £100,000 needed to open the new building free of debt. The Distribution Committee, with the approval of the Management Committee, offered a grant of £15,000 for this purpose. This grant was

^{*} For additional grants later in the year see page 58.

successful in enabling the balance of £85,000 to be raised before the opening of the new Hospital by Their Majesties The King and Queen on April 20th.

The total cost of the new building was £867,000, towards which the King's Fund has given various grants. This final £15,000 is a further exceptional grant outside the ordinary distribution for 1939.

3. The Distribution Committee have also had before them a proposal for the amalgamation of two special Hospitals, the Central London Throat, Nose and Ear Hospital and the Golden Square Throat, Nose and Ear Hospital, each of which had a scheme for rebuilding or extension. Considerable capital expenditure will be involved, and in view of the many advantages to be expected from amalgamation, the Distribution Committee, with the approval of the Management Committee, offered a special amalgamation grant of £15,000 in the event of a scheme being agreed by the Hospitals and approved by the Fund. The Committee are glad to be able to report that the preliminaries of amalgamation have now been arranged, and the terms upon which the grant will be paid have been settled.

This £15,000 is again an exceptional grant outside the ordinary distribution for the year.

For the Management Committee,

DONOUGHMORE,

Chairman.

May 9, 1939.

The following additional emergency grants w	ere m	ade late	er in th	ne year		·
National Hospital Queen Square (1939)				•••		2,500
Princess Beatrice Hospital (1939)	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	2,000
						£4,500

making, with the previous £39,000 maintenance grants and £30,000 capital grants, a total for the year of £73,500.

ACCOUNTS AND BALANCE SHEET

LISTS OF CONTRIBUTORS ETC.

GENERAL INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

1938 £	To Expenses:—	£ s. d.
16,228	Salaries, Pensions, Rent, Law Costs, Stationery, Printing, etc., including statistical and other ordinary services for Hospitals	17,132 19 4
	,, Distribution and Special Services for Hospitals:—	·
	Ordinary Distribution (proportion distributed in 1939 out of the vote of £300,000):—	
297,000	Hospitals and Branches—Grants per Report, page 44 226,000 0 0	
	Convalescent Homes not attached to Hospitals—	
3.000	Grants per Report, page 47 3,000 0 0 — 229,000 0 0	
	District Nursing Distribution :—	
2,00 0	Grants to Hospitals in respect of out-patients referred to District Nursing Associations in relief of out-patient departments 2,000 0 0	
	Special Grants outside the Ordinary Distribution:	
	Grants per Report, page 57	
	73.500 0 0	
-	Special Services for Hospitals :—	
2,036 (a)	Expenses of Emergency Bed Service, Nursing Recruitment, etc. 3,446 6 9	
	Total Distribution and Special Services	207.046 6 0
320,264		307,946 6 9
•	" Radium Fund expenditure during the year	325,079 6 I
8,636 (b)	,, Amount transferred to General Fund:	785 12 5
	Legacies as per contra	462,475 IO 7
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NOTES ON 1938 ITEMS.

 ⁽a) Allocation of expenses of Emergency Bed Service.
 (b) Unexpended balance of General Legacies transferred to General Fund.

FOR '	THE	YEAR	ENDED	31st	DECEMBER,	1939.
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	s. d.	£	s.	d.	1938 £
sy General Income :—					
Annual Subscriptions 9,053	5 0) ***(*)	 :		8,915
Subscriptions for a stated number of years 17,080 1	:I 3	26,134	6	2	14,298
		20,134	J	J	23,213
Donations, Annual and other	•••	17,863	10	5	15,6 32
Contribution from the League of Mercy	•••	2,500	o	o	7,500
Income from Investments, etc	•••	202,533	14	3	177,823
Total without Legacies	•••	249,031	10	ΙΙ	224,168
Legacies :		•			
General	•••	25,781	10	3	104,732
		274,813	I	2	328,900
Estate of the late Lord MountStephen, further on account 11,208 11	2	5.			
Estate of the late Mr. Samuel Lewis, further on account 400 0	0				
Estate of the late Mr. Percy Johnson, further on account 40,216 10	o				
Estate of the late Mr. Claude Watney, on account 410,650 9	5	462,475	10	7	_
Total for the Year	•••	737,288	11	9	328,900
Appropriation from Radium Fund to meet expenditure during the year	•••	7 ⁸ 5	12	5	
Appropriation from General Fund to make up Distribution, Special Gran and Special Services for Hospitals	ıts 	50,266	4 1	ΞI	_
	-	£788,340	9	— I £	328,900

In some cases legacies are subject to indemnities given to refund the sum, if any, required to meet the liabilities of Executors.

BALANCE SHEET

Sundry Creditors	•••		•••				• •	• •••		•••	£ 1,476	s. 4
Amounts retained	•											
Grants made to	Hospitals, &c., re	etained	by the	Fund 1	until pa	yable	, viz.	€.	s.	d.		
	nd Special distri	bution	•••	•••			•••	43,200	o	o		
Silver Jubi	lee distribution	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••		10,500	0	0		
											53,700	0
			Tota	al Lial	bilities	•••	•••				55,176	4
Amounts received	in Advance	•••	•••	•••		•••	•••	•••		•••	144	5
Funds Account:												
Funds to be	retained as Ca	pital :						•				
	December, 1938	•••	•••		•••			1,824,663	8	2		
Add: Rece	ipts during 1939	· · · ·	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	19,059				
General Fu	nd :							1,843,723	5	6		
	December, 1938	···	••• •	•••	2,240	,633	8 7					
Huu. Lega	cies transferred xpenditure Accor	unt, 193	ncome 39 ···	and 	462	,475	10 7					
A	nsferred to Incon	ne and E or distri	Expendi bution	iture and			19 2					
SJ	pecial services	•••		•••	50	,266	4 11	2,652,842	14	3		
Special Accounts,	per Schedule on	page 6	4	•••	•••			•••			4,496,565 53,203	19 8

£4,605,089 18 2

gist DECEMBER, 1939.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
ecurities and Investments:	~			~		
General Account	4,318,205	2	0			
Gift of His late Majesty King George V, to be retained as capital	20,000	0	0			
Special Accounts, per Schedule on page 65	36,789	2	8	4,374,994	4	. 8
Assets received or acquired before 21st July, 1908, are taken at or under values adjusted as at that date, in accordance with the terms of King Edward's Hospital Fund for London Act, 1907. Assets received or acquired since that date are included at or under the market value at the date of gift or purchase. The market value at 31st December, 1939, was £4,843,470.				1.67 1.755	•	
reehold and Leasehold Properties and Ground Rents, valued at						
date of gift, or at cost				111,560	2	II
Deposit on Purchase of Freehold Property				11,125	o	o
(Amount payable on completion, excluding costs, £100,125)						
Cash at Banks on Current and Deposit Accounts and in hand:						
General Account	77,239	3	1			
Special Accounts, per Schedule on page 65	16,414	5	11	93,653	a	0
Revenue: Amount (subject to adjustment) recoverable from Inland Revenue in respect of Income Tax deducted from Income from						
Investments, &c				10,474	13	Ι
Reversionary Interests, taken for book-keeping purposes at the nominal					_	_
value of				29	0	0
Sundry Outstandings				3,253	6	6
NOTES.—(a) The King's Fund also owns (i) a stock of Radium and three Mechanic Fund to certain Hospitals in London; (ii) a furnished freehol convalescent home.	ia n ouse an	u gre	runa.	s jor use as	и	
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We have examined the above Balance Sheet dated 31st December, 1939, with the Books of the Fund and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion such Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Fund's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Fund.

DELOITTE, PLENDER, GRIFFITHS & Co., Chartered Accountants, Auditors.

⁵ London Wall Buildings, London, E.C.2.

²⁴ June, 1940.

SCHEDULE TO SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

Per Balance Sheet, page 62 ... £53,203 8 7

FUNDS TO BE RETAINED AS CAPITAL:							£	s.	d.	£ s. a
SPECIAL TRUST GIFT (1930)							20.000	_	_	
SIR JOHN YOUNG TRUST (1933)	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	20,000		0	
	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	16,166	<u> 17</u>	3	36,166 17
RADIUM FUND:										30,100 1/
Balance as at 31st December, 1938	•••	•••	•••	•••		•••	6,817	17	5	
Add: Contribution received during	T020				£ 10,000	s. d.				
Interest received during 1939	1939	•••	•••	•••	•					
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Land Park Park 1	_						17,068		7	
Less: Expenditure during 1939 (see	Income	and E	xpend	iture	Accou	nt)	7 ⁸ 5	12	5	
SIR JOHN YOUNG TRUST (1933):									_	16,283 4
Balance as at 31st December, 1938	•••	•••	•••	•••	102	13 10				
Add: Interest received during 1939	•••	•••	•••		-	3 10				
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Less: Paid to the Central London Hospital towards the maintena	n Inroa	at, Nos he Dam	e and	Ear						
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Expenditure (Law charges)	•••	•••				18 6				
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SPECIAL TRUST (J. R. Catlin, deceased):										100 2
Balance as at 31st December, 1938					670	T0 0				
Add: Receipts during 1939	•••	•••	•••	•••	679	_				
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Less: Refund of Amount overpaid b	y Trust	tees	•••		39	15 3	,	J	,	
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Less: Annual Subscription to King	Edware	d's Hos	pital 1	Fund	250	0 0	3,558	0	0	
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Income from Investments Legacies	•••	•••	•••	•••	202,533	14	3			
Donations (including League of Mer	rcy £2,50	00)	•••	•••	20,363	10	5			
Annual Subscriptions	•••	•••	•••	•••	26,134	6	3	•		
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King Edward's Hospital Fund for London,

10 OLD JEWRY, E.C. 2.

TITLE AND CONSTITUTION.

The Fund was founded in 1897, under the title of "The Prince of Wales's Hospital Fund for London," by His late Majesty King Edward VII, then Prince of Wales, with the object of securing more efficient aid and support for the Hospitals of London and of thus commemorating the Sixtieth Anniversary of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria.

It was renamed "King Edward's Hospital Fund for London" in January, 1902, after the accession of His Majesty King Edward VII.

By desire of King Edward it was incorporated under that title, and its constitution settled, by King Edward's Hospital Fund for London Act, 1907 (7 Edw. 7, Ch. lxx).

The Governing Body under the Act consists of the President and General Council (page 1).

His late Majesty King Edward VII was President of the Fund, while Prince of Wales, from 1897 to 1901, and was subsequently its Patron during his reign from 1901 to 1910.

His late Majesty King George V was President, as Prince of Wales, from 1901 to 1910, and was subsequently its Patron during his reign from 1910 to 1936.

From June, 1910, to April, 1919, the powers of the President were exercised by three Governors appointed by His Majesty pursuant to the provisions of the Act, the Rt. Hon. James W. Lowther, Speaker of the House of Commons (now Viscount Ullswater), the late Marquess of Cambridge, and the late Viscount Iveagh.

His Majesty King Edward VIII was President, as Prince of Wales, from 1919 to 1936.

His present Majesty King George VI was President, as Duke of York, from May 15, 1936, to December 10, 1936, and is now Patron.

On December 31, 1936, His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent was appointed President of the Fund.

The work of the Fund is carried on under the General Council by the standing Committees and the Officers as set out on pages 2 and 3.

RULES AS TO APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS.

Under its present rules the Fund receives applications for grants from :—

- (a) Hospitals situated within the Metropolitan Police District.
- (b) Convalescent Homes which are situated within the District, or which, being situated outside, take a large proportion of patients from London.

The Fund does not, however, assist at present in the foundation of new institutions (except in areas where new populations have grown up since the date of the foundation of the Fund) or entertain applications from institutions which have not been in existence in a properly constituted form for a period of at least three years, or from dispensaries, nursing institutes or other institutions not possessing beds for in-patients, or from institutions for the treatment of incurables or of mental cases, or from holiday homes as distinct from convalescent homes.

Special grants are made to hospitals to assist them to contribute towards the cost of District Nursing work in relief of their out-patient departments. But the Fund does not make grants direct to District Nursing Associations.

All institutions applying for grants are required to publish their accounts in accordance with the Revised Uniform System of Hospital Accounts (see list of publications on page 79).

Every eligible Hospital applying for a grant is annually inspected on behalf of the Fund by two Visitors, a medical man and a layman in each case, specially appointed for the purpose (see page 4).

In accordance with the rule laid down by the Founder of the Fund, in order that the hospitals should derive the greatest possible amount of assistance, the Fund does not receive "letters" of admission or recommendation in return for its grants.

Applications are invited in March, and the awards are made, on the recommendation of the Distribution Committee, by the General Council in December.

Applications for grants, and all other communications, should be addressed to King Edward's Hospital Fund for London (G.P.O. Box 465A), 10 Old Jewry, E.C.2.

METHODS AND RESULTS.

Under the active personal supervision of its Royal Presidents, the Fund has grown steadily in the scope of its work and has secured in an increasing degree the confidence and support of the public.

During the forty-three years of its existence the Fund has distributed over £9,699,000 (including £395,000 proceeds of the Hospitals of London Combined Appeal 1922–3) to London Hospitals and to Consumption Sanatoria and Convalescent Homes taking London patients; the amount distributed in 1939 being £302,500, besides a distribution of £2,000 for work done by District Nursing Associations for Hospital Out-patients in 1938, and £3,446, expended on Special Services for Hospitals.

The League of Mercy, founded under Royal Charter in 1899, has enlisted the co-operation of thousands of small subscribers, and has contributed £584,000 to the Fund during the last forty-one years, the contribution in 1939 being £2,500.

The Fund has, through its Committees, and through the annual inspections by its Visitors, special facilities for ascertaining the relative needs, efficiency and economy of working of the

various institutions and any special circumstances affecting their claims; and it allocates its grants accordingly. Extracts from the Visitors' Reports, together with other remarks bearing on efficiency or economy, are communicated privately to the hospitals.

All important schemes of building, extension, or improvement of hospitals are submitted to the Fund and carefully scrutinised; and, in suitable cases, special grants are made.

The regulation prescribing the observance of the Revised Uniform System of Hospital Accounts facilitates comparison between the financial positions of the various hospitals. The system also outlines and advocates (without prescribing) the use of such aids to economical working as Quantity Statistics, Budgeting and Costing. Economy is further encouraged by the Fund through its annual publication "The Statistical Summary," which gives particulars of the income and expenditure of each hospital and shows also the volume of work done and the unit cost of working at each. The issue of these annual reports has assisted the hospitals to effect considerable saving.

From the foregoing it will be seen that the Fund not only collects money for the voluntary hospitals, but also helps to secure that all contributions given to them are efficiently and economically employed.

Special inquiries are held from time to time, and reports published, upon questions affecting Hospitals.

By means of a standing Voluntary Hospitals Parliamentary Committee the Fund assists to secure the interests of the voluntary hospitals during the consideration by Parliament of any bills affecting the hospital system.

In normal times a list of pay beds at London Hospitals is issued annually, the number at December 31, 1938, being 2,318 at 111 hospitals.

As the result of gifts which included £56,000 from Sir Otto Beit in 1929–30, £60,000 from another generous donor, and £37,000 received in 1929 through the Thank-offering Fund, the King's Fund owns a stock of Radium which is lent by the Fund to certain Hospitals in London

The Fund has also a propaganda department, the object of which is to spread knowledge and to stimulate interest in the work of the Voluntary Hospitals of London.

Under the title of Voluntary Hospitals Emergency Bed Service a central office for the admission to Hospitals of urgent cases has been established jointly by the King's Fund and the Voluntary Hospitals Committee for the County of London.

A Centre for the Recruitment of Nurses has been set up in co-operation with the Voluntary Hospitals Committee and the Royal College of Nursing.

A list of the principal publications of the Fund is given on page 79.

PRINCIPAL PUBLICATIONS OF THE FUND.

To be obtained, except where otherwise stated, from the publishers, Messrs. Geo. Barber & Son, Ltd., 23 Furnival Street, E.C.4.

- Statistical Summary of the Income, Expenditure, Work and Costs of the London Hospitals. Usually ready end of June. From King's Fund, 10 Old Jewry, E.C.2. 1s. net, 1s. 5d. post free.*
- Statistical Review of the Work and Finance of the London Hospitals. Published Annually until 1937. Future issues periodically. From King's Fund, 10 Old Jewry, E.C.2. 1s. net, 1s. 3d. post free.
- The Revised Uniform System of Hospital Accounts. Fourth Edition, extended and revised, January, 1926 (with Appendices on Methods of Internal Control of Expenditure and other matters) and Supplements Fiii 1/29 and Fiii 1/31. 5s. net, 5s. 4d. post free. Index of Classification of Items of Expenditure (for use with Revised Uniform System of Hospital Accounts). New edition, 1926. 1s. net, 1s. 2d. post free. Memorandum on Quantity Statistics. 6d. net, 7d. post free. Accounts for Small Hospitals, based on the Revised Uniform System of Hospital Accounts, 1928. 2s. net, 2s. 2d. post free.

Pensions for Hospital Officers.--Report of Sub-Committee. 1919. 7s. 6d. net.†

Pay Beds.—Report of Committee of Enguiry. 1928. Part I., Report. Part II., Evidence. is. net, is. 5d. post free, each.

Summary. 3d. post free.

PAY BEDS AT VOLUNTARY HOSPITALS IN LONDON.—List, May, 1939. Free.†

VOLUNTARY HOSPITALS (PAYING PATIENTS) ACT, 1936. Explanatory Memorandum. 6d. post free.

Out-patient Methods.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO INQUIRE INTO OUT-PATIENT METHODS AT LONDON VOLUNTARY HOSPITALS AS AFFECTING SUITABILITY OF PATIENTS AND TIME OF WAITING December, 1932.—1s. 6d. net, 1s. 9d. post free. Summary.— $1\frac{1}{2}d$. post free.

Out-patient Arrangements.

STANDARD FORMS FOR DOCTORS' LETTERS AND HOSPITAL REPLIES. 1½d. post free.

OUT-PATIENT TIME-TABLE AT LONDON VOLUNTARY HOSPITALS, Six-monthly, in May and November. Free.

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* Sent free by post to all contributors of $\xi \mathbf{1}$ and over who express a desire to receive it.

† The latest particulars of the scheme as adopted can be obtained from the Secretary, Federated Superannuation Scheme for Nurses and Hospital Officers. Present address: Greenacre, Sutton Lane, Banstead.

† Normal publication suspended.

District Nurses: Work in Relief of Hospital Out-patient Departments, Free. Time-Saving Methods at Hospital Out-patient Dispensaries, $1\frac{1}{2}d$. net, post free. Time-Saving Methods in connection with Arrival and Registration of Out-patients with Notes on other Early Items of Procedure, June, 1937. $1\frac{1}{2}d$. net, post free. Appointments for Out-patients at the Manchester Jewish Hospital, Free.

Fire Precautions at Voluntary Hospitals.—6d. post free.

Specimen Forms of Tender—2s. 6d. net, 2s. 8d. post free.

Patients' Waking Hours.—Report of Sub-Committee of Distribution Committee on Patients' Waking Hours in London Voluntary Hospitals. May, 1931. 6d. net, post free.

What has King Edward's Hospital Fund Done for London? Free, from King's Fund.

King Edward's Hospital Fund: Its Foundation, Growth and Present Activities. Free, from King's Fund.

INCOME TAX AND SUR-TAX ON ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

If a contributor who now subscribes £30 per annum enters into an agreement in the form printed below filling in the figure £30, the result will be (with income tax at 8/6 in the £):

- (i) the subscriber sends to the Fund a cheque for £17 5 0 (viz: £30 less tax £12 15 0;
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- (iii) the King's Fund recovers the income tax from Somerset House;
- (iv) the contributor appears as a subscriber of £30;

(v) the contributor can deduct £30 from his return for sur-tax, and thus save sur-tax at the highest rate he is paying.

FORM OF BEQUEST OF LEGACY

BEQUEST OF RESIDUE

I give all my property not otherwise disposed of by this my Will subject to and after payment of my funeral and testamentary expenses to KING EDWARD'S HOSPITAL FUND FOR LONDON, to be either expended, etc., etc. (as above).

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- (4) The agreement duly completed as above should be forwarded to the King's Fund as soon as signed, in order that it may be stamped within the allotted time.

DISTRICT NURSES: WORK IN RELIEF OF HOSPITAL OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENTS, Free. Time-Saving Methods at Hospital Out-patient Dispensaries, $1\frac{1}{2}d$. net, post free. Time-Saving Methods in connection with Arrival and Registration of Out-patients with Notes on other Early Items of Procedure, June, 1937. $1\frac{1}{2}d$. net, post free. Appointments for Out-patients at the Manchester Jewish Hospital, Free.

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