

the maintenance of the health of all school children, and special care of those physically sub-normal, with the proper development of a school medical service.

Arrangements are still to be made for the care of tuberculous children in some existing and proposed sanatoria and preventoria, and the placement of arrested cases discharged from sanatorium. The need for open-air classes in the schools for physically sub-normal and for contacts is urgent. These classes would serve also as nutritional classes.

6. Health education in all its forms is needed. A constant repetition of simple health truths is required to make any impression upon the masses. This may be accomplished in one of many ways - literature, talks, motion pictures, posters, etc. This is largely a field of work for the voluntary health agency because of its greater freedom of action.

7. Health Demonstrations. The Department of Health can only go as far as its funds will permit and as fast as established procedures are brought about. To convince the local community, to establish new procedures, is the work of the voluntary agencies. The value of certain types of work and workers, the practicability of newer activities, such as diphtheria immunisation, must be proven and demonstrated. A municipal department cannot do this very well and so, it devolves upon the voluntary agencies.

The Director should be asked to call a meeting of the health organizations to allow of a general discussion and plan for the educational and demonstrational work, with the idea of distributing this work, or possibly delegating it to one or two agencies.

8. Voluntary Agencies. Without going into details and without any suggestion of criticism or comparison, it is apparent that the greatest need is the development of these working amongst the French-speaking section. They have the larger part of the population to deal with and so their importance is greater and their need for funds correspondingly large. The development of these particular agencies is urgent if they are to be able, in any adequate way, to serve their section of the community.

How is this development to be brought about? In the first place, the agencies must be asked if they will undertake the work; in the second place, the Director must be asked for his approval. If these are secured, it is then a question of obtaining financial support for their work. This means an education of the public. Such an education has two results; it secures money but it does much more; it teaches health at the same time. In the United States, several millions of dollars are raised each year by the sale of Christmas seals, and the sale is, in addition, an annual nation-wide health educational campaign.

This result could not be brought about at once, but it is necessary that a definite plan for the future development of health work be accepted, so that progress may be made in a way acceptable to all and supported by all. Just how it might be done, how funds are to be raised is, of course, something for the group who undertake the work to decide. They may or may not think it best to unite for certain purposes. I think that in most of the work, it will be necessary to have two organizations, one French-speaking and the other English-speaking. This does not mean that they will not work together - they undoubtedly will. The need now is a clear definition of organizations and the responsibilities of each. From that will come the necessary groupings for work or finance. There is no reason why two or more organizations should not use the same health centre, and so on.

This report does not touch playgrounds, child-caring institutions, hospitals, bedside care, etc., because these have been delegated by common consent to certain groups. They have, of course, a great influence on health conditions in the city, and their work should receive every support from those interested in health work.

SUMMARY

1. Support of Health Department;
2. Increased Municipal Expenditure on Health Work;
3. Proper Housing;
4. Adequate Medical School Inspection; provision of special classes;
5. Definition of field of individual health agencies;
6. Development of individual agencies to cover the field;
7. Conference of agencies to decide responsibilities in the general field of health education and health demonstration.