

4. Thousands of untreated cases spreading infection.
5. The fact that Syphilis has often been misdiagnosed.
6. The delicacy people feel in speaking of such conditions.
7. The moral looseness of so many men and women.
8. Social conditions.

#### **CONTRIBUTORY SOCIAL CONDITIONS:**

1. The prevalence of prostitution—in the “red light district in some cities but clandestinely in all places.
2. The lack of proper housing conditions particularly for unmarried men and women in employment.
3. The lack of proper provision of organized recreation for young people
4. Many other social factors exist and may be corrected. These have to do largely with the lack of organized care and education of young people.

#### **LACK OF FACILITIES FOR TREATMENT:**

The Treatment of Gonorrhoea and Syphilis is a matter of considerable time and private treatment is naturally expensive. Many cannot afford it.

#### **GOVERNMENT PLAN.**

The Federal and Provincial Health Departments are taking up the problem.

A subsidy of \$200,000 has been made to the Provinces by the Dominion Government to carry on this work. The Provincial Governments together contributing an equal amount.

A Department of Venereal Diseases has been organized in each Province, with the exception of Prince Edward Island, and facilities (clinics) for free diagnosis and treatment are being provided.

#### **WHAT SOME MUNICIPALITIES ARE DOING.**

Some of the municipalities are doing their share in combating Venereal Diseases, by contributing to the cost of upkeep of the clinics for the treatment of cases, providing part of the salary of the attached social workers, keeping records in their central office and doing the prosecutions under the Act.

They also keep in touch with the police courts, ordering examinations of those passing through the court when circumstances point to such examination being desirable.

The municipality also assumes the responsibility of the examination and treatment of inmates in the jails. In addition, the staff of the municipality is used in the teaching of the control of Venereal Diseases and also the publications of the Department are used for the same purpose. The laboratories of the municipality provide facilities for diagnosis.

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#### **WHAT THE CANADIAN NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR COMBATING VENEREAL DISEASES IS DOING.**

**This is the Voluntary Organization Recognized by The Government as Part of its Scheme.**

In Great Britain, the United States and now in Canada, a voluntary agency with us called the “CANADIAN NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR COMBATING VENEREAL DISEASES” has been organized to secure THE CONCERTED ACTION OF ALL PERSONS WHO ARE SUFFICIENTLY INTERESTED IN THE SUBJECT TO BE WILLING TO CONTRIBUTE OF THEIR TIME OR MONEY TO ASSIST THE GOVERNMENT IN ITS PIONEER WORK IN THE SOLUTION OF THIS VERY SERIOUS PROBLEM, arousing public opinion to a realization of the menace while it secures certain definite objects in the plan.