

Dr. H. C. Steeves has been appointed Superintendent of Mental Hospitals in British Columbia, succeeding the late Dr. C. E. Doherty.

The first unit of the Industrial School for normal and mentally deficient children at Essondale, B.C., has been completed.

When all the buildings in connection with the Essondale Institution are completed, it will rank as the finest institution of its kind on the Continent.

The Province of Saskatchewan has voted \$1,500,000 for the building of a new Mental Hospital at Weyburn. This hospital will serve the southern district of the province, and with the Battleford institution, will be able to adequately handle all patients suffering from mental diseases.

The Department of Education, Province of Ontario, is at present conducting a series of surveys in the public schools of the larger centres in the province. This work is being done by Dr. Sinclair, Supervisor of Auxiliary Classes, and Dr. Eric Clarke.

As a result of these surveys, special classes for mentally deficient children are being inaugurated in a large number of cities.

UNITED STATES

COLORADO

The citizens of the State of Colorado, at the November election, voted favourably on a bill authorizing an appropriation for a state psychopathic hospital. The vote is particularly significant as this was not a fortunate year for initiated measures, as is shown by the fact that six of the ten initiated measures failed.

NEW YORK

The Hospital Commissions of the State of New York are now operating thirty-eight free mental clinics throughout the state. At ten of the thirty-eight clinic centres, the State Commission for Mental Defectives is regularly co-operating in conducting joint clinics, and at six other centres, the State Commission co-operates in holding occasional joint clinics.

CONNECTICUT

A bill to establish a psychopathic hospital in New Haven, at Yale University, will be introduced in the 1921 legislature of Connecticut,