

establishment of Nursery Schools of the laboratory type in Montreal and Toronto. These schools will furnish unrivalled opportunity for the intensive study of pre school age children and an influence will be created that will affect the whole conduct of child welfare work in Canada. It is the desire of the Trustees of the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial that there be developed, in connection with the nursery schools, activities that will lead to the introduction of mental hygiene principles into the home. The funds will be granted direct to McGill University and to the University of Toronto, but the National Committee will co-operate in administration.

IV. Parent Training in Child Development.

Through the kindness of Mr. A. F. C. Fiske, Third Vice President of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, a grant of \$2,000 was made for the current year for the training of parents in mental hygiene principles. If the Committee succeeds in developing a satisfactory programme of parent training, it is probable that the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company will donate increasing annual amounts to the National Committee for this project. Too much emphasis cannot be placed upon this new phase of National Committee activity. It has long been recognized that without intelligent home co-operation little genuine progress will be made in augmenting mental health and in warding off mental and nervous disorders. The Committee will attempt to make direct contacts with fathers and mothers and, with the backing of the Metropolitan Life, a service may eventually be extended throughout the country.

V. Department of Architecture.

The Committee has entered into an arrangement with the Federal Department of Health for the provision of a service in architecture that will be of special value to governments or organizations that are contemplating the construction of training schools for the feeble-minded, psychopathic wards in general hospitals, psychopathic hospitals or enlargements of mental hospitals. The National Committee has obtained approximately fifty ground plans of the most approved institutions on the Continent, and the Federal Department of Health is prepared to make copies for governments and interested organizations. This service will lead to the erection of better buildings for the treatment of mental and nervous cases.

VI. Creation of an Educational Division.

Subject to the approval of the Executive Committee and of the Board of Directors, arrangements have been made for the creation of an Educational Division with the services of a Chairman, a Secretary and an Assistant. It will be the obligation of this Division to publish a quarterly bulletin; to make arrangements for