- 2. To give instruction in psychiatry, neurology, pathology, psychology, and social service, with special reference to instruction in the nature, causes, treatment and results of mental diseases and defects.
  - 3. To promote the advancement of mental hygiene.
  - 4. To encourage scientific work in the institutions.
  - 5. To co-ordinate publications of a scientific nature.
- 6. To carry on the routine and special duties of the pathological service of the Commission.
- 7. To supervise and correlate the clinical and laboratory work of the institutions under the Commission.

For the purpose of clinical studies, scientific research and instruction, the clinical facilities of the institutions under the Massachusetts Commission on Mental Diseases, including the Psychopathic Department of the Boston State Hospital, shall be placed at the disposal of the Institute.

The Director of such Institute shall be a psychiatrist to the Massachusetts Commission on Mental Diseases. He shall be appointed, together with such other officers and employees as may be deemed necessary, and their compensation shall be fixed by the commission. The director shall perform, under the direction of the Commission, such duties relating to psychiatric and pathological research, and the instruction of medical staffs of the institutions under the Commission, and such other duties as may be required by the Commission. He shall have the supervision and control of such Institute and of the physicians and other employees therein, subject to the general direction, supervision and control of the Commission. The institutions under the Commission shall co-operate with the Institute in such manner as the Commission may, from time to time, direct. Such officers and employees as the Commission may determine shall, if required by the Commission, reside at the Psychopathic Department of the Boston State Hospital or such other institution as may be determined, and shall be furnished maintenance in whole or part.

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## NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF SOCIAL WORK

The National Conference of Social work held its forty-sixth annual meeting at Atlantic City, June 1-8. The programme was one of unusual interest. The Conference is composed of ten divisions under the following captions: (1) Children, (2) Delinquents and Correction, (3) Health, (4) Public Agencies and Public Institutions, (5) The Family, (6) Industrial and Economic Problems, (7) The Local Community, (8) Mental