

Hospital and Clinic and to the International Grenfell Association, which serve the Notre Dame Bay area, the White Bay and St. Barbe Districts, and Labrador, respectively.

The Cottage Hospital Scheme.—Under the cottage hospital scheme the head of each family pays \$10 annually, and each single adult \$5 annually, for medical and hospital care. Subscribers are entitled to out-patient diagnosis and treatment, to domiciliary visits by the doctor and to hospitalization, as required, in the cottage hospitals or, when necessary, in the general hospital at St. John's or outside the Province. For maternity, hospitalization is provided only in complicated cases. In districts not served by doctors, nursing-services are provided on payment of an annual fee of \$6 for a family or \$3 for a single person.

Prince Edward Island.—Under the supervision of the Chief Health Officer, the Health Branch of the Department of Health and Welfare includes Divisions of Public Health Nursing, Laboratories, Tuberculosis Control, Venereal Disease Control, Cancer Control, Mental Health, Vital Statistics and Sanitary Engineering. The Director of the Mental Health Division is also the Medical Superintendent in charge of the Falconwood Hospital for mental diseases and the Provincial Infirmary. Additional facilities have been provided for the aged and infirm at Beach Grove.

The Province is divided for public health nursing purposes into six districts with a public health nurse in each district for such general health services as the inspection of school children, immunization clinics, home-visiting and home-nursing classes. One nurse, specially trained in the treatment of tuberculosis, works full time with the Division of Tuberculosis Control. The Public Health Nursing Division is also concerned with health education. Dental clinics for indigent children are operated by the Department on a part-time basis at Charlottetown and Summerside and occasionally in rural areas, with the district paying two-thirds of the cost and the Department the remainder.

The recently reorganized Division of Laboratories is establishing branch laboratories in the large hospitals to provide public health diagnostic service and clinical laboratory diagnostic service throughout the Province; four hospital branch laboratories have now been established under the supervision of the Central Laboratory at Charlottetown.

The Division of Tuberculosis Control provides diagnosis and treatment of tuberculosis by free X-ray service at tuberculosis clinics and at the 145-bed Provincial Sanatorium. Streptomycin is provided without charge where required and academic training and employment placement are made available to patients through the Rehabilitation Section of the Department. An extra-mural relief committee provides financial aid to tuberculosis patients and their families when required. The Prince Edward Island Tuberculosis League operates a mobile X-ray unit and works in close co-operation with the Department.

A 20-bed hospital for crippled children is maintained at the Provincial Sanatorium.

The Department operates two venereal disease clinics, one at Charlottetown and the other at Summerside; hospital beds are provided for selected cases and all necessary medication is supplied free of charge to persons not within reach of public health clinics.