

**Nottingham No.2 Hospital Management Committee Annual Report
1952 – 1953**

CITY HOSPITAL

Mention was made in the last report of four major items of improvement which were being considered or in progress at this Hospital, namely, the construction of a twin Theatre Unit, the modernisation of the Maternity Unit, the replanning of the main kitchens, and a construction of a new Outpatients Department, together with the replanning of sixteen main ward units.

At the time of writing this report, the new theatre suite has been completed and is in use, and is undoubtedly supplying a long-felt need, providing as it does an up-to-date theatre unit which has been lacking for so many years. It is a matter of regret that the building of this unit has been so protracted, the completion being a year later than anticipated. It is contemplated that the “official” opening will be performed in the spring of 1954.

The first phase of the alterations to the Maternity Unit has been completed, and that the plan and specification of the second and third phases have been approved and that the building operations should commence before the end of December. Owing to the lack of capital funds no further progress has been made with the modernisation of the main kitchen, and that it seems doubtful whether this work will be undertaken for at least another twelve months.

The construction of the new outpatients department and the replanning of the sixteen main ward units are still in the planning stage. It is hoped that an early completion of the plan of the Out Patients Department will be effected and building operations commenced, for the new department is urgently needed and when occupied will allow for the present building being used as an X-ray Department; the present X-ray department being completely inadequate.

Statistical tables for the period 1st April 1952 to 31st March 1953

INPATIENTS

(Excluding babies born in hospital)

Total number of beds available at 31 st March	734
Average number of beds available during the period 1 st April 1952 to 31 st March 1952	742
Average number of patients resident daily through the period	586
Number of patients in hospital at 31 st April 1952	576
Number of patients admitted during period	10,776
Number of patients discharged during period	9,948
Total number of deaths during period	829
Average number of days each patient was resident	20
Total number of inpatient days during period	213,901
Total number of operations performed during period	5,605

Maternity Department

Number of live births	1,606
Number of still-births	65
Number of deaths within 28 days of births and discharge, of infants Born in hospital	43

CONSULTATIVE OUTPATIENTS' CLINICS

Month	Number of new Out Patients	Total Outpatient Attendances
April	561	2,537
May	648	2,675
June	632	2,368
July	690	2,594
August	561	2,534
September	738	2,603
October	722	2,735
November	584	2,379
December	633	2,411
January	677	2,625
February	627	2,390
March	712	2,790
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	7,785	30,641
Occupational Therapy.		
Number of treatments	City Hospital	3,841
	Sherwood Hospital	3,193
Speech Therapy.		
Number of treatments		242
X-ray Department.		
Number of investigations		11,752
Physiotherapy Department.		
Number of treatments	City Hospital	66,212
	Sherwood Hospital	6,589
Dental Department.		
Number of treatments		251
Pathological Laboratory.		
Number of specimens entered in Register		32,330
Blood Transfusion Department.		
Number of Donor Sessions held at the City Hospital		17
Number of Donors attended		973

Chiropody.

Number of patients treated	578
Number of treatments	1,126

THE SHERWOOD HOSPITAL

This hospital continues to provide accommodation for long-term illness and Welfare Service cases, there being 358 beds devoted for long-term illness and 228 beds to Welfare Service cases. From previous Annual Reports, it will have been noted that the Committee's policy has been to effect a gradual and steady improvement in the accommodation and amenities provided for long-term illness, and considerable progress in this direction has been made during the year under review. Four ward blocks have been provided with day ward accommodation in which semi-ambulant patients can, for a portion of each day, enjoy homely surroundings, away from the actual wards. The actual wards have been redecorated to modern standards and fitted with modern lighting facilities. Each ward has been provided with a refrigerator.

The ancillary medical services provided for the patients have been improved, regular Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy services now being available to all patients who would benefit by them. Great advantages have also accrued by the provision of Clinical Rooms in each ward block.

A number of beds are allocated to Geriatric treatment and a great measure of success is being achieved in the rehabilitation of many aged persons, some of whom have been bed-ridden for years and who, after treatment, have recovered many faculties, and are once again able to enjoy life.

Statistical tables for the period 1st April 1952 to 31st March 1953**IN-PATIENTS**

Total number of beds available at 31 st March 1953	358
Average number of beds available during period 1 st April 1952 to 31 st March 1953	358
Average number of patients resident throughout the period	343
Number of patients in hospital at 1 st April 1952	346
Number of patients admitted during period	650
Number of patients discharged during period	295
Total number of deaths during period	360
Average number of days each patient was resident	191
Total number of In-Patient days during period	125,121