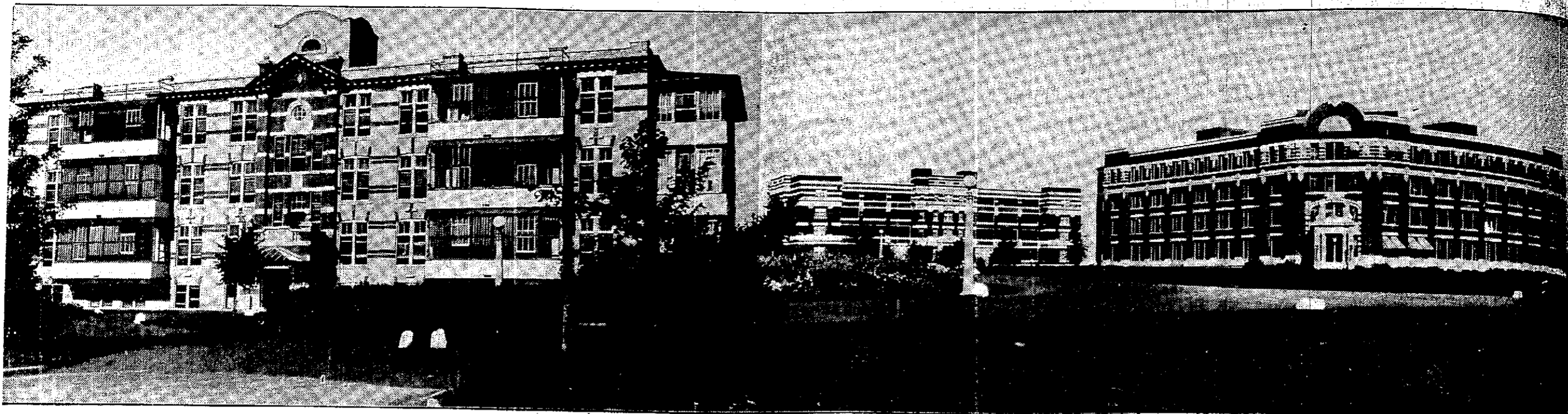


Finest Contagious and Infectious Hospitals in West



King Edward and King George hospitals, situated in the midst of spacious grounds on the Red river in St. Vital, have earned for themselves reputations second to none on the continent in their handling of infectious and contagious diseases.

Battling Dread Infection

By Frank Walker

King Edward Memorial and King George Hospitals Have Brought Communicable Death Rate Toppling—Beautiful Grounds and Nurses' Quarters Are Admired.

PUBLICLY owned and operated for the protection of the city against infectious diseases, Winnipeg's two municipal hospitals, the King Edward Memorial and the King George, are among the finest of their type in western Canada.

So successful has been the warfare waged by these two joint institutions that Winnipeg's death rate from communicable disease has dropped from a high of 3.72 per cent in 1916 to a low of .65 in 1933.

A virulent outbreak of scarlet fever in 1911 first headed Winnipeg into the hospital business. Acting on the recommendation of a committee of inquiry, the city purchased the Death Maternity hospital.

Temporary Building In the same year a temporary building to house tubercular patients was erected in Riverview. The cost was approximately \$90,000.

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capacity was 32 beds. But the frame building was inadequate and so an improved structure, later to be known as the King Edward Memorial hospital, was begun and officially opened by the Duke of Connaught in July, 1912. At the same time he laid the foundation stone for what is now the King George hospital for infectious diseases.

When the King George was completed in February, 1914, the total capacity of the two institutions was 300 beds. This was later raised to 330, with the construction of a separate building, the smallpox annex, in 1921.

Located between Eccles street, Maplewood avenue and the Red river, the hospitals represent an investment of over \$1,500,000 in land and buildings. The annual operating costs average \$300,000.

Iron Lung The first of these, the Drinker respirator, has centred greater public notice upon the hospitals than all the 20 years of successful steady work put together.

FROM a humble dwelling house on Pritchard avenue, where half a dozen cases were treated daily, to a fully equipped modern clinic set in lawns sloping gently to the riverbank and treating 3,250 cases annually in 1937 is the story of the rise of Mount Carmel clinic on Selkirk avenue east.

therans, Anglicans, Greek Unionists, unspecified Protestants, Roman Catholics and Hebrews. That the clinic gives service to more Hebrews than any other faith is largely explained by its geographical position in the heart of the Jewish settlement.

Originally the clinic was governed by a board of directors consisting of two delegates each from a number of interested organizations of the Jewish community, but in later years this was changed to a board of directors elected from the membership at large.

Although the clinic was founded by Jewish citizens and control remains in the hands of the Jewish faith, the clinic is a strictly non-sectarian, non-religious organization when it deals with ailing patients. This is evidenced by a scrutiny of the record of religions of patients presenting themselves for treatment at the clinic.

St. Roch's Hospital Aids in Checking Spread of Epidemic CONTAGIOUS and infectious diseases are among the worst scourges crowded communities have to bear.

the summer months, which are usually comparatively free from that type of sickness, the average has been between 45 and 55. A significant and interesting feature of the last year or so, however, is that the normal during the winter months has dropped to the summer average.

Young and Old Treated Young and old are among the patients at the hospital. In its wards are aged men and women and also tiny, new born babies.

Head of the administration side of the hospital is the Superior, Rev. Sister St. Benjamin. There is an appointed staff of eight doctors of whom the chairman is Dr. J. M. Crawford and the secretary, Dr. J. C. Hossack.

Little remains of that original structure today for the hospital was continually being enlarged and extended until in 1907, it was finally almost entirely rebuilt.

Bordered as the buildings are on two sides by the Red river and standing in 25 acres of land, they possess the most beautiful grounds of any Winnipeg hospital. Brilliant flower beds, shady trees and extensive lawns, upon which some 5,000,000 gallons of river water are poured every summer, greet the visitor.

Quarters for all the hospital female help are in the magnificent nurses' home, generally recognized as one of the finest possessed by any institution in the Dominion. Every nurse has her own private room, while maids and other female help share a double one.

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