logists, psychiatric social workers, speech therapists, etc. The need for ample playroom accommodation, both indoor and outdoor, must be kept in mind, while space for record-keeping and administrative staff should be generously supplied.

This central clinic may be situated in an independent house or building, but ideally should be an integral part of or in close association with the Sick Children's Hospital or the Central Psychiatric Unit attached to a general hospital.

2. *In-Patient Treatment.*

It is necessary to have a small ward attached to each Sick Children's Hospital, or children's ward in a general hospital, for daily treatment, observation and investigation of acute and short-time cases. Such a unit, as well as being desirable for treatment, would also be invaluable for teaching and training.

Convalescent beds in the country under the direction of the psychiatrist, for more prolonged observation and prior to return to family life, should also be provided. The child could also, if necessary, attend the central clinic for treatment once a week or so. Holiday Homes are specially useful for the apathetic child.

Residential hostels or boarding schools for long-term treatment are also necessary for the treatment of difficult, delinquent and other children. If such hostels are not to be simply places for segregation, it is necessary that the central clinic team should examine each child before admission, should supervise the treatment, education, and general conduct of the child's life, and that the staff should be directed by the members of the team. Such hostels should be regarded as active instruments for re-socialization, and not merely somewhere to put a child who has been taken away from home.

Special provision should be made in a *central psychiatric hospital* for children whose behaviour and personality abnormalities are too great for them to be dealt with in approved schools, or hostels, or in-patient units, or by any out-patient treatment, and who are yet not defective, and whom it is impracticable to treat in an ordinary mental hospital. These children would be of an uncontrolled, delinquent, aggressive, and psychotic type. Probably one such hospital, of perhaps 100 beds, would be sufficient to meet the needs of the whole of Scotland.

This hospital would require to be specially staffed. The nursing staff, both male and female, would have to be experienced, and preferably recruited from nurses holding a certificate in mental health. They would also require to be specially trained in child psychiatry. Visiting psychiatrists, psychologists and social workers would also require to have a special aptitude for this type of work.

It is now becoming recognized that the task of *approved schools* is as much psychotherapeutic as educational and social. It should be recognized that psychiatric advice should be really available in all approved schools, remand homes, and children's courts.

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