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St. Raphael's Hospital,
MODDERPOORT.

The Hospital began seven years ago with the total assets of one bed and £5, in an old stable. It was anticipated that three or four necessitous cases would probably be admitted in the course of a year.

In actual fact the needs of the people demanded the following admissions :-

1936/37 — 20 admissions.

1937/38 — 20 admissions.

1938/39 — 44 admissions.

1939/40 — 44 admissions.

1940/41 — 56 admissions.

1941/42 — 52 admissions.

1942/43 — 72 admissions.

In the same period the total number of cases treated as outpatients has been 19,773.

With only one or two exceptions these patients belong to the poorest class in the community — Native farm labourers.

It is apparent that the need exists and that the Hospital is increasingly meeting the need. It can only continue to meet the need, and to meet it effectively, if the following problems are solved.

(a) *Maintenance*: There is no endowment fund or assured source of income. 72 patients have been housed, fed and treated this year alone. Apart from an annual grant of £25 from the Provincial Council this has been done from casual donations. A considerable increase of funds for maintenance is needed either by greatly increased donations or an endowment.

(b) *Staff and staff accommodation*: The Department of Public Health has instructed the Hospital Committee that no increase of inpatients can be permitted until there is an increase in the nursing staff. Further, there is a real need for school and home visiting by a nurse. Funds are required for the employment of an additional nurse to meet these urgent needs.

(c) *Accommodation for patients*: The original stable has now been enlarged and renovated. But the accommodation available only just meets the needs of the people under the restriction imposed by the Public Health Department. Further funds will be required to meet the need for more hygienic and suitable accommodation.

In 1942 the growing needs of the hospital demanded the creation of a Hospital Committee composed of the following persons :-

The Ven. Archdeacon A. Amor, SSM (Chairman).

The Rev. C. F. Martin, SSM (Secretary).

The Rev. Mother Superior, CSM and AA.

Mrs. G. Harcourt Vernon.

Emil Radloff, Esq.

This appeal is made by the Committee in the hope that you will wish to help us. Please write to the Secretary, S. Raphael's Hospital Committee, Modderpoort, O.F.S.

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