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To the Women of Washington.

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The Washington State Board of Health has provided for Educational and Publicity work in connection with Sex Hygiene and Social Diseases.

Dr. William Van Patten is in charge of the Men's Department. Mrs. R. C. McCredie, Chairman of the Public Health Department of State Federation of Women's Clubs, conducts a similar department for women.

Since 1920 the representatives of the Educational Department have gone over the State visiting Schools, Colleges, the University, Women's Clubs, Mothers' Congresses, and various other State organizations, together with industrial plants, for the purpose of explaining the Social Hygiene program of the State Board of Health. Films have been used and educational pamphlets have been distributed, which deal with Social Hygiene.

The film "Origin of Life" is available for your use. It explains beautifully the wonderful miracle of creation. Other films may be had upon request.

Through the aid of the State Board of Health clinics have been established and are operating in the following places: Tacoma, Seattle, Everett, Spokane.

Detention hospitals are operated in Spokane and Tacoma. Seattle has a detention ward. Bellingham is about to re-establish its detention hospital.

Lately the State Board of Health has adopted the Bureau of Protective Social Measures with the idea of combating social diseases and dealing with sex delinquents, boys and girls, men and women. Special emphasis is placed on the problems involving sailors and soldiers. Miss Grace D. Chase is State Director. Field Agents are appointed by this Bureau. Mrs. Anna Ielani West is stationed at Camp Lewis. Mrs. Helen Elliott will be found in the Seattle office. Miss Esther Adamson has lately been appointed for a similar position in Spokane. Other workers will be placed near military and naval centers.

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The Bureau co-operates very closely with the Women's Protective Division in Bellingham, Tacoma, Seattle, Aberdeen, Wenatchee, Yakima, Walla Walla, Spokane and Everett. Efforts will be made to place new workers in other communities. Definite service will be rendered in localities where no protective worker is employed.

The Bureau determines the needs and special problems relating to the delinquency of girls and helps to formulate and carry out a program on the basis of such needs, co-ordinating the activities of existing social agencies working with women. It organizes a committee to assist in the development of protective and reformatory work with girls. It does personal work with delinquent women and girls.

At the last meeting of the Washington State Board of Health, held in Tacoma on September 15th, on recommendation of the Commissioner, the Bureau of Public Health Nursing was created with the following divisions: Tuberculosis, Child Welfare, Schools, Visiting, Industrial, Medical Social Service, Mental Hygiene and Pre-Natal. The Commissioner of Health appointed Mrs. Elizabeth S. Soule, R.N., Director.

This department was created for the purpose of raising the standards of nursing, developing the work of the Child Welfare Movement, enlarging the field of Tuberculosis and other branches of Public Health Nursing through the State of Washington.

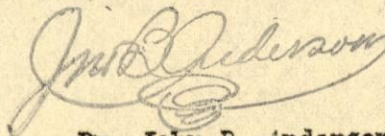
An appeal is made to Washington women for support in the interest of these departments.

For information concerning the local program and speakers please write the State Board of Health, 930 Henry Building, Seattle, Washington.

Any question relating to special cases of delinquency or social disease will be given attention by the Bureau of Protective Social Measures, State Board of Health.

Very truly yours,

State Board of Health



Dr. John B. Anderson,
Commissioner of Health.