

THE PURPOSE OF THE WORK
OF THE
PEOPLES INSTITUTE AUXILIARY
of the
MEDICAL SCHOOL CLINIC

When the Peoples Institute relinquished the Free Medical work to the Medical School in 1931, after a period of twenty four years, during which they had organized, developed and supported this work, Dr. Dillehunt, dean of the Medical School, requested that the Peoples Institute continue to assist the work of the Medical School in supplementary ways.

Accordingly, the name of the organization was changed to the PEOPLES INSTITUTE AUXILIARY OF THE MEDICAL SCHOOL CLINIC, and the constitution was changed to fit the future needs.

The greatest need, as requested by the Dean and Superintendent, is to assist the Social Service Department in supplying a fund which can be used to assist deserving people who are in need and receiving help from the clinic but are making every effort to stay off the relief rolls, and are therefore unable to purchase such things as the doctors require.

The following is a list of such things as are received through the Social Service Department, and which the Medical School is not able to provide through regular budgetary allotment:

Abdominal supports, arch supports, artificial limbs and repairs, braces and repairs, corsets, dental appliances, diabetic outfits, diabetic scales and repairs, ear syringes, elastic bandages and stock, glasses and glasses repairs, shoes and adjustments, trusses and truss repairs, urological syringes, expensive drugs, contraceptives for birth-control measures, and emergency car fare.

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