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Dr. Richard B. Dillehunt, Dean,  
University of Oregon Medical School,  
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Dear Dr. Dillehunt:

Following your suggestion to Miss Prichard in your telephone conversation yesterday. I talked with Miss Humphrey concerning the possibility of employing nurses' aids at the Dispensary.

Miss Humphrey tells me the Shriner Hospital pays the aids \$40.00 per month in addition to their living expenses which are estimated at about \$50.00, for room, board and laundry. As a part of the general expense of the hospital these items would of course be much less than could be found outside the institution.

The Dispensary has no means of supplying this item except through salary and in addition we would be obliged to train these women from the very fundamentals of nursing service.

It has been my experience that in order to furnish adequate service to patients and physicians during this period of training it would require more nursing personnel than to supply the nursing service alone.

Miss Humphrey said that the one Dispensary in the east that she saw in which aides were employed, they were used for ~~now~~