

## REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF VENEREAL DISEASES

Three social hygiene centres have been functioning during the year in the cities of San Juan, Ponce and Juncos.

The dispensary at San Juan began last year; the dispensary at Juncos was opened on September 13, 1924, and the dispensary at Ponce on April 27, 1925.

A summary of the work performed by these three centres during the fiscal year follows:

Dispensary	Total No. of Patients Admitted	Syphilitic Clinic		Venereal Diseases Clinic	
		Adults	Children	Adults	Children
San Juan.....	2,288	1,460	126	691	11
Ponce.....	244	182	.....	62	.....
Juncos.....	183	170	13	.....	.....
Total.....	2,715	1,812	139	753	1

### ANTI-SYPHILITIC CLINIC

San Juan

Patients treated	ADULTS		CHILDREN		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Patients who received the 2nd course of anti-syphilitic treatment.....	4	20	.....	.....	24
Patients who received the 1st course of anti-syphilitic treatment.....	116	373	.....	.....	489
Patients who stopped treatment.....	180	206	21	26	433
Patients receiving the first course of anti-syphilitic treatment.....	182	277	30	30	519
Patients receiving the 2nd course of anti-syphilitic treatment.....	27	27	5	14	121
Total.....	509	509	56	70	1,586

### BLOOD EXAMINATIONS

Positive	ADULTS		CHILDREN		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
+ + + +.....	301	525	22	31	879
+ + +.....	77	167	7	12	263
+ +.....	59	197	8	5	269
+.....	9	14	.....	3	26
As per clinical examination.....	63	48	24	14	149
Total.....	509	951	61	65	1,586

*Diagnosis.*—The patients admitted and treated in the anti-syphilitic clinic are classified according to the diagnosis of each one as follows:

Adults	Male	Female	Total
Primary syphilitic lesions .....	7	8	15
Secondary Eruptive Syphills.....	427	783	1,210
Tertiary Syphills.....	20	35	55
Congenital syphills.....	35	64	99
Latent syphills.....	20	61	81
Children			
Congenital syphills.....	61	62	123
Acquired syphills.....		3	3
<b>Total Patients.....</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>1,016</b>	<b>1,586</b>

**OTHER VENEREAL DISEASES**

**San Juan**

Patients Treated	ADULTS		CHILDREN		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Cured .....	254	45	1	10	310
Ceased treatment.....	180	81		1	262
Under treatment.....	130				130
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>564</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>702</b>

**Diagnosis of Cases Treated**

Male patients:

Urethritis, acute anterior .....	150
Urethritis, acute posterior.....	20
Urethritis, acute chronic.....	90
Arthritis gonococcica .....	3
Stricture, anterior and posterior.....	7
Epididymitis and orchitis.....	4
Epididymitis.....	1
Prostatitis.....	3
Chancre .....	38
Chancroid .....	25
Chancre and chancroid .....	6
Bubonadenitis.....	34
Balanitis .....	1
Urethritis acute, anterior (boy under 12).....	1
Unclassified.....	182

Total ..... 565

Female patients:	
Vaginitis, acute-----	10
Vaginitis, chronic-----	9
Arthritis gonococceica-----	3
Endocervicitis, acute-----	6
Endocervicitis, chronic-----	6
Cervicitis-----	2
Vaginitis gonococceica (girls under 12)-----	11
Unclassified-----	90
 Total-----	 137
 Grand total-----	 702

### VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

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