

MENTAL CASES WORK

Psychiatrist To Be Appointed

The Minister for Health, Mr. C. A. Kelly, said last night that the Public Service Board would this week call for applications abroad and in Australia for the conjoint appointment of Director of Psychiatric Clinical Services and Professor of Psychiatry at Sydney University.

Mr. Kelly said the board would offer a salary of £2,000 a year.

He said the Director of Psychiatric Clinical Services would not take over the duties of Professor of Psychiatry at Sydney University until 1951, when the present Professor of Psychiatry, Professor W. S. Dawson, was due to retire.

Mr. Kelly said that in addition, the board was making arrangements for the part-time appointment of general physicians and specialists in various medical branches on a fee basis.

The general physicians and consultants would undertake clinical work in mental hospitals under the direction of the medical superintendent.

Mr. Kelly said the board had decided to co-ordinate the work

"Other matters relating to the general administration of mental hospitals are also receiving attention."

of the University relating to mental diseases with the departmental organisation following the resignation early this year of Dr. William Gibson, lecturer in neuropathology at Sydney University and neuropathologist to the mental hospitals.

"With these additions to staff, the treatment of mental disease in New South Wales will compare more than favourably with many overseas institutions," Mr. Kelly said.

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