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STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SECURITY
DIVISION OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS

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Mr. John E. Coughlin
Attorney
Rice County
Faribault, Minnesota

My dear Mr. Coughlin:

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We find that the publicity given to Faribault last summer dis-
turbed a good many people with children who should be in the in-
stitution. Some of these are children who should enter when the
new buildings open and are detrimental to normal children in the
home. The parents in some instances saw the publicity, but did
not see the lesser publicity concerning the fact that you pre-
sented the matter to the Grand Jury and that they made a report
clearing the institution of the charges made last summer.

I am wondering if the report of the Grand Jury is available and
if so if we might have a copy in this office. Furthermore, would
it be permissible to have it mimeographed and sent to all of the
welfare boards in the state in order that they might have specific
information to give to parents who are disturbed for fear their
child would be mistreated if sent to the institution.

We would greatly appreciate you letting us know what can be done
in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Division of Public Institutions
Carl H. Swanson, Director

By _____
Mildred Thomson (Miss)
Head, Bureau for Feebleminded
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cc- Rice County Welfare Board
Dr. E. J. Engberg ✓
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