

47-ATY-MUT State Inst - Faribault

DIVISION OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS
MEMORANDUM

To: Governor Youngdahl
Attention: Mr. Ralph Keyes

From: Mildred Thomson

Re: ~~_____~~ - #81538

DATE

July 30, 1947

~~_____~~ was born 6-25-45 and was committed to State guardianship on 2-25-46. Mr. ~~_____~~ has had his child in a boarding home apparently since birth. (He was still in the Navy when his child was born, and his wife was in Iowa where the baby remained for some time after the father and mother returned to Minnesota.)

The child is Mongolian and, since he is so young, would qualify for a building at Faribault for which fifty patients were recently taken. Even when all the buildings are filled to absolute capacity (and perhaps somewhat beyond), there will be a waiting list of several hundred - probably from 400 to 500. For that reason the counties have been asked to list those who should be in the institution in the order of emergency, and spaces were allotted on a proportional basis. The Hennepin County Welfare Board got in a portion of theirs with those that have already entered and have others prepared to enter when the buildings will be filled to capacity. However, it will be impossible to place all who need institutional care and who perhaps could well be considered emergencies. Whether this child can be considered more urgently in need of care than some others qualifying for the same space (and perhaps committed at an earlier date) is something that can only be determined by careful analysis of the conditions in each case.

It would be well for Mr. ~~_____~~ to discuss the question of care with the Hennepin County Welfare Board in order that they may explain to him very clearly just what the local problem is. Even though it may not be possible to list him with the first ones to enter this Building, it is probable there will be a few more spaces when those on the list have been entered and that, therefore, this child might then be accepted.

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