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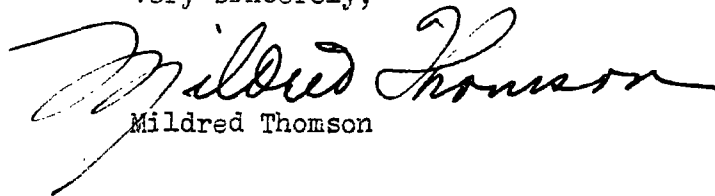
Dr. E. J. Engberg
Superintendent
School for Feebleminded
Faribault, Minnesota

My dear Dr. Engberg:

I have just talked with Miss Henderson over the phone and also with Miss Coakley. Neither of them had realized that there was any organization other than the Parent-Teacher organization for the Beta class at Crowley School. They agreed with me very definitely in my estimate of the responsibility of the person apparently leading the group coming to talk with you Sunday night.

If I hear anything more I will let you know.

Very sincerely,


Mildred Thomson

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March 17, 1948

Mr. Carl J. Jackson, Director
Division of Public Institutions
410 Globe Building
St. Paul 1, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Jackson:

We are enclosing a memorandum regarding the group of parents and friends with whom I talked on last Sunday evening. As you know, they are planning to contact you in the near future and discuss this matter with you.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Engberg, M.D.
Superintendent

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**Memorandum
Regarding Organization of Friends and
Parents of Exceptional Children**

On March 14th, Sunday evening, a group consisting of the following, met with Dr. Engberg, Mr. Krafve and social worker to discuss the possibilities of organizing friends and parents of patients here:

Mr. Ruben Lind, President of Association of Friends for the Mentally Retarded. (Originally Hammer School)
(Address: 1375 Margaret, St. Paul)

Mrs. Ruben Lind

Mr. Webster Peterson, member of State PTA Committee
(1954 Pinehurst, St. Paul 5, Minn.)

Mrs. Wilson, mother of George Wilson

Mrs. Byrne, mother of Timothy Byrne

Mr. and Mrs. Little, parents of Jerry Little

Mr. Peterson stated that he and Mrs. Byrne were members of a state PTA Committee on the Exceptional Child. The Chairman of that Committee is Mrs. R. N. Cunningham, St. Paul, who is ill at this time.

Mr. Lind feels that his organization is able to expand into a group who would try to help this institution secure needed legislative appropriation, playground and playroom equipment, additional gifts at Christmas time for those who have no relatives, and any other benefits which might be suggested.

Discussion was held as to ways that such a group could interest other clubs and church societies into doing more at Christmas time for those who receive nothing from home. Further discussion was had relative to contacting Mr. Jackson, Dr. Gray and Miss Thomson with the idea of notifying parents through the Welfare Boards that there was such an organization and that assistance in making plans for a defective child or person could be obtained. It was suggested that the institution could supply a short summary of the facilities and types of care offered here, for the use of Welfare Boards and this organization, and which could be given to interested persons when an effort was being made to interpret institutional care to them.