

DIVISION OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS
MEMORANDUM

To: Dr Ralph Rossen
From: John S. Pearson
Re: Consultation Visit to the Minnesota School and Colony



The team visited the School and Colony on June 29. Most of my time was spent in reviewing two cases clinically for the advisability of sterilisation and in examining a third case with a diagnostic problem. I also made rounds through Annex 3 of Skinner Hall (women's locked building). The sanitary facilities in this cottage are inadequate. On the two large sleeping wards there is one toilet available at night but no facility for washing hands or face. In the private rooms there is merely an uncovered galvanised pail for sanitary needs. The necessity for this is due to the fact that wards and rooms are locked through the night and only one person is on duty in the outer office downstairs* If trouble or emergency arises it is necessary for this aide to telephone Skinner Hall for help. Provision of one additional aide on the night shift should make it possible to have someone on the wards at all times and to eliminate these unsatisfactory sanitary arrangements.

Regarding the patient help situation in the dairy, Dr. Engberg was most cooperative and called a meeting with Mr. Krafve and Mr. Lehtinen. A plan was worked out which will eliminate the unsatisfactory conditions there and which will be highly acceptable to Mr. Atelman and Mr. Burkholder,

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cc- Dr. Gray
Dr. Engberg