

NOVEMBER 10, 1960

1. ENROLLMENT: Two hundred students are enrolled in 14 classes of 2 1/2 hour periods, and taught by seven teachers. Since November 1st. we has been granted a leave of absence. This loss brought about a re-alignrment in classes-of the 19 children served by this teacher 0 have been integrated into other classes to date. Several more will undoubtedly be taken into other classes as soon as reevaluations are made and certain children are replaced (either by dropping or by a change of program) classes by the end of this month.
- .2. PERSONNEL: Mrs. Corrine Petersen left us November 1st. on an extend-ed leave of absence. We expect her to return September 1961 to re-sume her teaching duties. Plans are being made to temporarily fill this postition (until such time as she returns).
3. EDUCATIONAL ADVANCEMENT: Three teachers are s t i l l taking an off-cam-pus course. We are attempting to arrange a course #415G-from Mankato State for the winter quarter.
4. MEETNGS AND CONVENTIONS:
 - A. Hastings The Hastings meeting on Rehabilitation produced the following:
 1. Discussed and agreed that each institution should coordinate present curriculum programs toward eventual establishment of a basic curriculum pattern.
 2. Standard progress report should be worked out to identify the amount of progress patients are making in each insti-tution.
 3. It was suggested that some kind of research program...be started to measure the success of present programs.

4. it was discussed and agreed that supervisors and other representatives of hospital education programs should meet as a separate group. The first meeting will include supervisors of education programs and others selected by superintendents.

5. Agenda—

a. Preliminary discussion and preparation of a basic philosophy.

b. Review — discussion and establishment of appropriate committees as it relates to curriculum used in each institution for the retarded.

Meeting of Educational Therapists...December 2, 1960
Central Office 10:30 A.M.

. Iowa City, Iowa Fifteen of us attended the Regional 3 A.A.M.D. convention on the University of Iowa Campus, at Iowa City, Iowa on October 24-26.

Highlights:

Topic area: ISSUES INVOLVED IN A.A.M.D. DIAGNOSTIC CATEGORIES

Cat. I, II, & III John MacQueen M.D.

Cat. IV & V Robert Kugel M.D.

Cat. VI & VII Hans Zellweger M.D.

Cat. VIII Gordon Cantor Ph. D.

Comments: Excellently presented, and illustrated. The latter most controversial...and a defence of the opposition will be heard at next years Regional meeting.

Tonic area: ROLE OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE IN COMMUNITY PROGRAMS FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED . . June Triplett M.P.H.

Very informative on a comparative basis.

Topic area: PSYCHOLOGICAL ASPECTS OF BRAIN INJURY

Newall Kephart Ph. D. Purdue U.

A report of some new research in this field.

Topic area: THE DES MOINES WORK-STUDY PROGRAM

Dan Kroloff

Comments: comparable to the Owatonna program, excepting method of referrals and placements.

Sectional Meeting: #3 Education Study: A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF

Capabionka Ph. C. Minn. U. (fill in)

Comments: Very uninspiring and poorly delivered. Conclusion that this study did not bear out some of the hypothesis anticipated.

TOURS: This was one of the most beneficial experiences of the convention. We were privileged to observe the following:

1. Medical Research Building
2. Hospital School for Severely Physically Handicapped
3. Pine School
4. Child Development Clinic

(Observations of the Child Development Clinic attached)

All in all the convention was enlightening *and* worth while. We hope that the enthusiasm and apparent dedication of the "Iowa people" will motivate and stimulate us to do a better job. Our observations were discussed and evaluated when we got home.

5. At a recent Therapy meeting we were encouraged to establish some standards of attainment by which to measure respective community placements. It was felt that some scale should be devised not only to measure what this person might know but he/or she might know....that from this measurement we could plot a program for the individual or group whatever the case might be, and better prepare them to enter the outside community. It was suggested that Mr. Madow, Mrs. Blomquist, Mr, Roach, Miss Perkins, and the undersigned explore this matter.

Respectfully submitted, Delbert Knack, Principal