MENTAL RETARDATION...

...is a state of incomplete mental development

...occurs in 1 to 3 persons out of every 100

...develops before birth or in early childhood

...has many causes, only some of which are known, such as: certain infectious diseases, injuries to the brain, glandular disorders, inheritance of specific dominant or recessive genes

...may appear in any family

...is usually irreversible, but modern research is discovering means of early detection and correction in some instances

...varies in severity

...in mild cases cannot always be clearly distinguished from normal intelligence

...is not a mental or emotional illness

...may accompany other disorders

THE MENTALLY RETARDED PERSON...

...usually requires care or supervision

...may need temporary or permanent institutional care

...can often be rehabilitated and returned to the community
TO SERVE THE PATIENTS' NEEDS . . .

MEDICAL CARE of 5 staff and 12 consulting physicians

DENTAL CARE by 3 dentists and 3 dental assistants

SURGICAL TREATMENT

WARD CARE by 21 registered nurses, 375 psychiatric aides

OPPORTUNITY FOR WORSHIP through regular services of the major faiths

RELIGIOUS TRAINING provided in weekly classes conducted by community volunteers

PASTORAL COUNSELING

PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES to evaluate the patient's abilities and emotional needs

SOCIAL SERVICES to maintain family and community contacts, counsel with relatives, arrange vacations and leaves

EDUCATION is provided through ungraded classes for multiple-handicapped children, habit training for severely retarded children, and special educational programs for adults

VOCATIONAL TRAINING develops useful work skills, habits, and attitudes

RECREATION aids in the development of social skills and promotes happiness. Movie, TV, dances, parties, sports, games, community singing, and handicrafts of all types are favorite activities.

OUR PATIENTS———FACT

1702 are males; 1553 are females

4% are under 10 years of age

20% are 10 to 19 years old

40% are 20 to 39 years old

32% are 40 to 64 years old

4% are 65 and over

19% are mildly or moderately

54% are severely retarded

27% are very severely retarded

80% are ambulatory

8% are partially infirm

3% are confined to wheel chairs

9% are bedfast and require total nursing care

253 are included in the school program

45 participate in the chorus

1480 are engaged in vocation (900 full-time, 580 part-time)

218 in dietary work

117 in laundry work

286 in patient care

60 in farm and dairy

58 in maintenance

677 in custodial work

44 in care of grounds

20 in other duties