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Administrative Department

Superintendent, A. C. Rogers, B. S., M. D.
Secretary and Stenographer, Miss Bertha Jensen.

Medical Department

First Assistant Physician, H. A. LaMoure, M. D.
Second Assistant Physician, E. Paul Campbell, M. D.
Pharmacist, A. R. T. Wylie.—F. C. Sheeran.
Supervisor, of Nurses, Miss Anna Emge.
Oculist and Aurist, A. F. Pringle, M. D.

Financial Department

Steward, W. A. Richards.
Book-keeper and Clerk, Miss Katherine Jellineck.
Stenographer, Miss Jean Monty.
Clothing Clerk, Gny R. Robie.
Usher, Miss Marie Dunmer—Miss Olive Lewis—Miss Emma
Blanchette.

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Educational Department

Principal Teacher, Miss Margaret McLean.
Teacher Boys' Industrial, H. G. Moser.
Band and Orchestra Teacher, Wesley E. Steppan.
Sloyd Teacher, Miss Caroline M. Horton.
Articulation Teacher, Miss Maud R. Stewart.
Music and Gymnastic Teacher, Miss Elizabeth LaSelle.
Teachers, Miss Addie B. Johnston, Mrs. Anna LaGrave, Miss Dora McRoberts, Miss Grace Blalock, Miss Alice E. Smith, Miss Elizabeth Bass, Mrs. Margaret Cranbrook, Miss May E. Dibble, Miss Suzanne Quinby, Miss Rath Hindley, Agnes Dillingham, and Grace Jackson.
Printing Teacher, Miss Sarah Kingston.

Engineer's Department

Chief Engineer, E. B. Dickinson.
Assistant Engineer, Henry Pingel.
Electrician, Bert Mullen - M. L. Smith.

Caretakers' Department

General Matron, Miss Margaret Wood.
Assistant Matrons, Mrs. Eugenia Wylie and Mrs. Belle Jackson.
Chaplain, Rev. C. F. Carson.

Domestic Department

Housekeepers, Mrs. H. A. Sanborn, Mrs. May Stewart, Miss Ella M. Weikel and Mrs. Evalyn Culbertson.

Farm Department

Head Farmer and Wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. M. Thom.

Epileptic Department—Males

Cottage No. 1 Charge Attendants, A. M. Mitchell and A. W. Logghe.
Cottage No. 2 Charge Attendants, A. A. Swanbeck and N. A. Veit.

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Lawn Band Concert

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

State Board of Control,
St. Paul, Minn.

Gentlemen:

I have the honor herewith to submit the fourteenth biennial report of the administration of the Minnesota School for Feeble-Minded and Colony for Epileptics, as follows:

POPULATION

Movement, July 31, 1904 to August 1, 1906.

	M.	F.	Total
Present Aug. 1, 1904.....	427	381	808
Absent for the time (summer vacation).....	112	80	192
Admitted during the two years.....	135	106	241
Re-admitted during the two years.....	21	9	30
Totals.....	695	576	1271
Discharged and dropped.....	23	12	35
Died.....	50	31	81
Absent for the time (summer vacation).....	134	94	228
Present July 31, 1906.....	488	439	927
Totals.....	695	576	1271

The total attendance was: 1904-1905, 1104; 1905-1906, 1140.

The average attendance was: 1904-1905, 957.3; 1905-1906, 1000.9.

APPLICATIONS

Applications have been received as follows:

	M.	F.	Total
1904-1905.....	87	71	158
1905-1906.....	106	90	196
Applications previous.....	193	161	354
	1298	986	2284
Total received to July 31, 1904.....	1491	1147	2638

BIENNIAL REPORT

ADMISSIONS

	M.	F.	Total
To August 1, 1904.....	1087	810	1897
During biennial period as above.....	156	115	271
Total to August 1, 1906.....	1243	925	2168
Re-admissions, deducted.....	62	43	105
Totals, corrected.....	1181	882	2063

CAUSES OF DISMISSAL

August 1, 1904, to July 31, 1906.

	M.	F.	Total
Died.....	50	31	81
Cared for by parents or relatives.....	22	9	31
Removed from state.....	1	1	2
Sent to hospital for insane.....	1	2	3
Total.....	73	43	116

HEALTH AND MORTALITY

Epidemics

Measles—On January 10, 1905, a girl in the school department developed measles, and an epidemic of 67 cases followed, 21 girls and 46 boys.

One death resulted from oedema glottis.

Diphtheria—During April, May and June, 1906, we were unfortunate enough to have an epidemic of diphtheria, involving 62 cases. The character of the epidemic generally was mild, and no deaths occurred as a direct result of the disease. One patient, a little girl, died of dilatation of the heart while exhibiting throat symptoms.

The new Tuberculosis Hospital was used for the care of these cases, being well adapted for the care of any epidemic.

Mortality

Causes of death during the biennial period:

	M.	F.	Total
Accident (railroad).....	1	1	2
Broncho-pneumonia.....	1	1	2
Burn, accidental.....	1	1	2
Cancer of face.....	1	1	2
Cerebral hemorrhage and epilepsy.....	1	1	2
Dilatation of heart, acute and follicular tonsillitis.....	1	1	2
Enteritis, tubercular.....	2	1	3
Enterocolitis.....	1	1	2
Epilepsy.....	12	10	22
Erysipelas.....	1	1	2
Gastritis, chronic and pyloric stenosis.....	1	1	2
Ileo-colitis, acute.....	2	1	3

MORTALITY—Continued

Intestinal obstruction, chronic.....	1	..	1
Intestinal perforation.....	1	..	1
Intussusception and volvulus.....	1	..	1
Measles and oedema of glottis.....	..	1	1
Meningitis, cerebral.....	..	1	1
Miliary tuberculosis.....	..	1	1
Nephritis, acute.....	..	1	1
Nephritis, chronic.....	1	1	2
Peritonitis, general and perforative appendicitis.....	1	..	1
Peritonitis, general and suppurative cholelithiasis.....	..	1	1
Pneumonia.....	4	1	5
Pulmonary tuberculosis.....	19	9	28
Stenosis of oesophagus.....	1	..	1
Strangulation and epilepsy.....	1	..	1
	50	31	81

Medical Treatment

In hospital during biennial period

	M.	F.	Total
Acne.....	2	..	2
Adenitis.....	1	2	3
Apoplexy.....	1	..	1
Blepharitis marginalis.....	..	8	8
Bronchitis.....	15	12	27
Broncho-pneumonia.....	1	..	1
Birth.....	..	1	1
Cardiac insufficiency.....	3	3	6
Constipation.....	26	7	33
Conjunctivitis.....	7	9	16
Chicken pox.....	..	2	2
Cretinism.....	..	2	2
Croup.....	1	..	1
Dermatitis.....	4	..	4
Diphtheria.....	6	4	10
" positive cultures.....	28	14	42
Eczema.....	6	7	13
Enteritis.....	13	5	18
Epilepsy.....	59	15	74
Erysipelas.....	2	6	8
Gastritis.....	33	13	46
Gastro-enteritis.....	..	1	1
Hysteria.....	..	1	1
Icterus.....	2	..	2
Insanity.....	4	3	7
Impetigo.....	2	1	3
Indigestion.....	6	3	9
Iritis.....	3	2	5
Laryngitis.....	1	..	1
Measles.....	10	2	12
Meningitis.....	..	1	1
Myocarditis.....	1	..	1
Nephritis.....	6	1	7
Neurasthenia.....	..	1	1
Neuritis.....	..	1	1
Observation and special care.....	136	114	250
Otitis media.....	2	4	6
Pericarditis.....	1	..	1
Pleurisy.....	..	2	2
Pneumonia.....	4	1	5

MEDICAL TREATMENT—Continued

	M.	F.	Total
Pregnancy .....	..	2	2
Pharyngitis .....	..	1	1
Psoriasis	1	3	4
Rheumatism	1	1	2
Rhinitis	2	..	2
Scabies	15	3	18
Small-pox .....	..	1	1
Sciatica	1	..	1
Stomatitis .....	..	1	1
Tonsillitis	38	13	51
Tuberculosis	24	21	45
Urticaria	1	..	1

Surgical Treatment

In hospital during biennial period.

	M.	F.	Total
Adenoids	1	3	4
Amenorrhea .....	..	2	2
Appendicitis	3	1	4
Amputation	1	1	2
Burns	6	5	11
Carbuncle	4	..	4
Circumcision	6	..	6
Curettment .....	..	1	1
Cholelithiasis .....	..	2	2
Decubitus	1	..	1
Dysmenorrhea .....	..	6	6
Empyema	2	..	2
Excision of vas def.	1	..	1
" " bone of skull	1	..	1
Fractures	7	3	10
Frost bite	1	..	1
Gonorrhea	1	..	1
Gynatresia .....	..	1	1
Hemorrhoids	10	1	11
Hair lip .....	..	1	1
Hernia	14	1	15
Intestinal obstruction	3	..	3
Ingrown toe nail	1	3	4
Lipoma, removed .....	..	1	1
Minor wounds, abscesses, etc.	61	24	85
Mastitis	1	1	2
Mastoiditis	2	2	4
Ovaritis .....	..	1	1
Perforation of intestines	1	..	1
Peritonitis	1	1	2
Peritoneal adhesions .....	..	1	1
Prolapsus recti	2	1	3
Rectal abscess	1	..	1
Salpingitis .....	..	1	1
Sprains	1	1	2
Shock from fall	4	..	4
Strabismus	4	..	4
Sycosis	1	..	1
Synovitis	1	..	1
Talipes equinus	2	..	2

SURGICAL TREATMENT—Continued

	M.	F.	Total
Tonsillotomy	1	5	6
Tuberculosis	3	3	6
Sympathectomy	2	..	2
Syphilis	1	..	1
Varicose veins	2	..	2
" ulcers	2	..	2
Vaginitis .....	..	1	1

ANALYSIS OF POPULATION

The last Legislature changed the name of the institution to include its whole purpose, by adding to its former name the words "And Colony for Epileptics." The law making this change went into effect March 1, 1906. I am therefore applying the amended name to the entire Report.

On August 1, 1906, the population was divided as follows, between the

Feeble-Minded and Epileptic Departments

	M.	F.	Total
Feeble-Minded	509	417	926
Epileptics	<u>113</u>	<u>116</u>	<u>229</u>
Total	622	533	1155

It should be explained, however, that there are a number of epileptics in the feeble-minded department. Also that in a very large percentage of cases of epilepsy that come to us, the mind has been affected as a result of the disease, or an arrest of mental development has occurred, the said condition and the disease being due to a common cause. Thus the two departments have much in common, special stress being placed on the *curative* treatment of the epileptics and *educational training* of the feeble-minded. The majority of epileptics coming to us, however, are children and youths, consequently the training feature must not be ignored, and the physical infirmities of the feeble-minded require considerable medical attention. On the other hand, the variability of dispositions in epileptics occasioned by disease, necessitates a different method of government and administration generally from that which is best adapted to the feeble-minded. Hence, with all the overlapping of methods, there is quite a distinction in methods as applied to the two departments, and there is some, and should be more, separation between them.

Adopting the classification generally used in this country for that purpose we have the following,

Degrees of Mental Weakness

	M.	F.	Total
Feeble-Minded, high grade.....	123	117	240
Feeble-Minded, middle grade.....	126	130	256
Feeble-Minded, low grade.....	220	157	377
Idio-Imbecile.....	134	118	252
Idiots.....	19	11	30
Total.....	622	533	1155

For convenience of administration as well as promoting the best interest of the inmates, we have the following

Distribution of Population

	M.	F.	Total
Department for Feeble-Minded.....			
School.....	293	200	493
Custodia.....	256	217	473
Farm Colony.....	50	...	50
Department for Epileptics (as above).....	113	116	229
Total.....	622	533	1155

TRAINING DEPARTMENT

School Manual Work

Education by doing is the key note of progress for the feeble-minded, so that manual activities are introduced as a part of the training wherever possible.

The formal school work is practically the same as when last reported, the classes consisting of,

- First Kindergarten.
- Second Kindergarten.
- First Primary.
- Second Primary.
- First Intermediate.
- Second Intermediate.

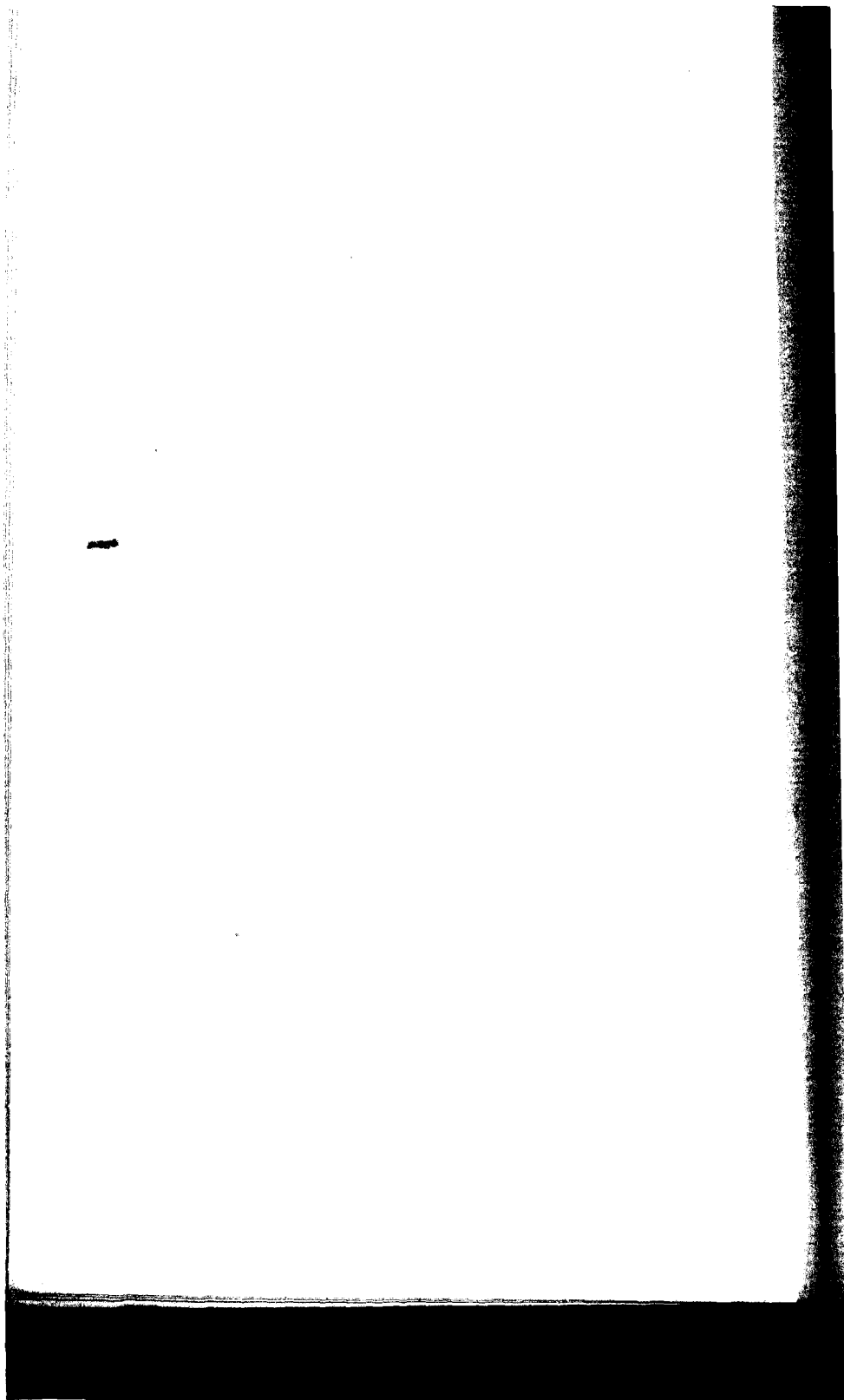
The last division corresponds closely with the seventh grade in the public schools.

Since the last report, basketry and carpet weaving have been added to the list of manual training occupations, and a special teacher of articulation has been engaged, and this training has been systematically carried on during the period. Medical gymnastic training, sloyd, lace making, printing, brush making, tailoring and dress making, laundering and the other occupations previously reported, are still maintained with increasing interest and usefulness.

The experiment of detailing large classes of small boys, direct from school, to the garden, at regular times during the summer season, has proven satisfactory. During the vacation months of July and August, details are made from all suitable classes, to this kind of employment, it being nearly a complete substitute for the shop, during this period, for the older boys.



OPERETTA "Flower Queen"



The completion of our shop building will afford room for the employment of a large number of boys, including epileptics, during the winter months, in brush making and cabinet work. Shoe repairing, and possibly later on manufacturing, will be carried on systematically hereafter, in the new building, instead of being done in a desultory manner as heretofore, in any corner of cellar or boiler house that might for the time be available.

IMPROVEMENTS

Central Cottage for Male Epileptics

The completion of the Central Cottage for male epileptics, provides quarters for a physician in charge of the group, and fourteen beds for male patients of the better class. It is pleasing in architecture and comfortable in arrangement, as well as fire-proof in construction. This building, with its equipment, marks an important step in the development of the colony.

Tuberculosis Hospital

This is the most satisfactory building upon the grounds. It is constructed after the Spanish Mission type, its architecture giving it a distinct individuality among the other buildings. In arrangement it is thoroughly sanitary. Provides twenty-eight beds, a large sun room and ample out-door courts paved with concrete. Forced ventilation, large windows and transoms provide for bountiful supply of air to patients unable to be out in the open courts. Tile and monolith floors, steam sterilizer so located that all clothing and bedding can be easily and quickly disinfected before leaving the building, hard plaster walls finished with enamel paint, and all furniture thoroughly enameled, make it possible to keep everything thoroughly sanitary.

Laundry Changes

The laundry has been provided with three metal dry rooms replacing the old wood fire trap, an additional washer, an additional extractor, a Chicago Addition Mangle and an automatic elevator for clothing. The changes made in the building and re-arrangement of machinery, enable the laundry force to handle the immense number of pieces going through this department more satisfactorily and expeditiously.

Shop and Equipment

The completion of the additional shop building will enable us not only to give much more constructive employment to our boys during the winter, as referred to above, but the addition of planer,

pipe threading machine, power saws and other appliances will facilitate the preparation of material for improvements and repairs.

The new 75 K. W. Western Electric Generator, and 12x14 Chuse Engine directly connected to same, will provide ample lighting facilities and permit some reserve capacity in case of a break-down of the older generator.

Central Kitchen

Owing to insufficiency of the appropriation made for the central kitchen, by reason of the advance in price of labor and material as demonstrated by two sets of bids, your Board certainly acted wisely in referring the matter to the coming legislature for additional means. The remodeling of plans for the purpose of cheapening the building and bringing it within the present appropriation, would not have given us a satisfactory result, had the Board been able to receive any bid within the appropriation. In my judgment, we should return to practically the plans first proposed, and provide in addition thereto for the storage of coal and ice, and living quarters for the employees connected with this department.

NEEDS OF THE INSTITUTION

The members of your Board are personally aware of the pressure brought to bear upon the administration, for admission to this institution.

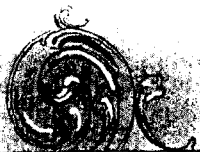
On October 1, as this report was being prepared, an examination of our books disclosed the fact that there were 200 applications pending, after discarding cases which we believe will not again be urged, owing to death or removal from state, or other conclusive reasons. These 200 pending cases are tentatively classified as eligible to the different departments, as follows:

	M.	F.	Total
School	43	42	85
Custodia	36	53	89
Epileptic Department	13	13	26
Total	92	108	200

Assuming that the same number of applications will be received during the next two years as during the last biennial period, namely 354, and that the same number of removals will occur, namely, 116 there will be by August 1, 1908, over 400 applications filed beyond the utmost capacity of the institution.

It is a serious question, how far a state institution should be permitted to grow in size, and there is no hard-and-fast rule by

EPILEPTIC GROUPS



MALES

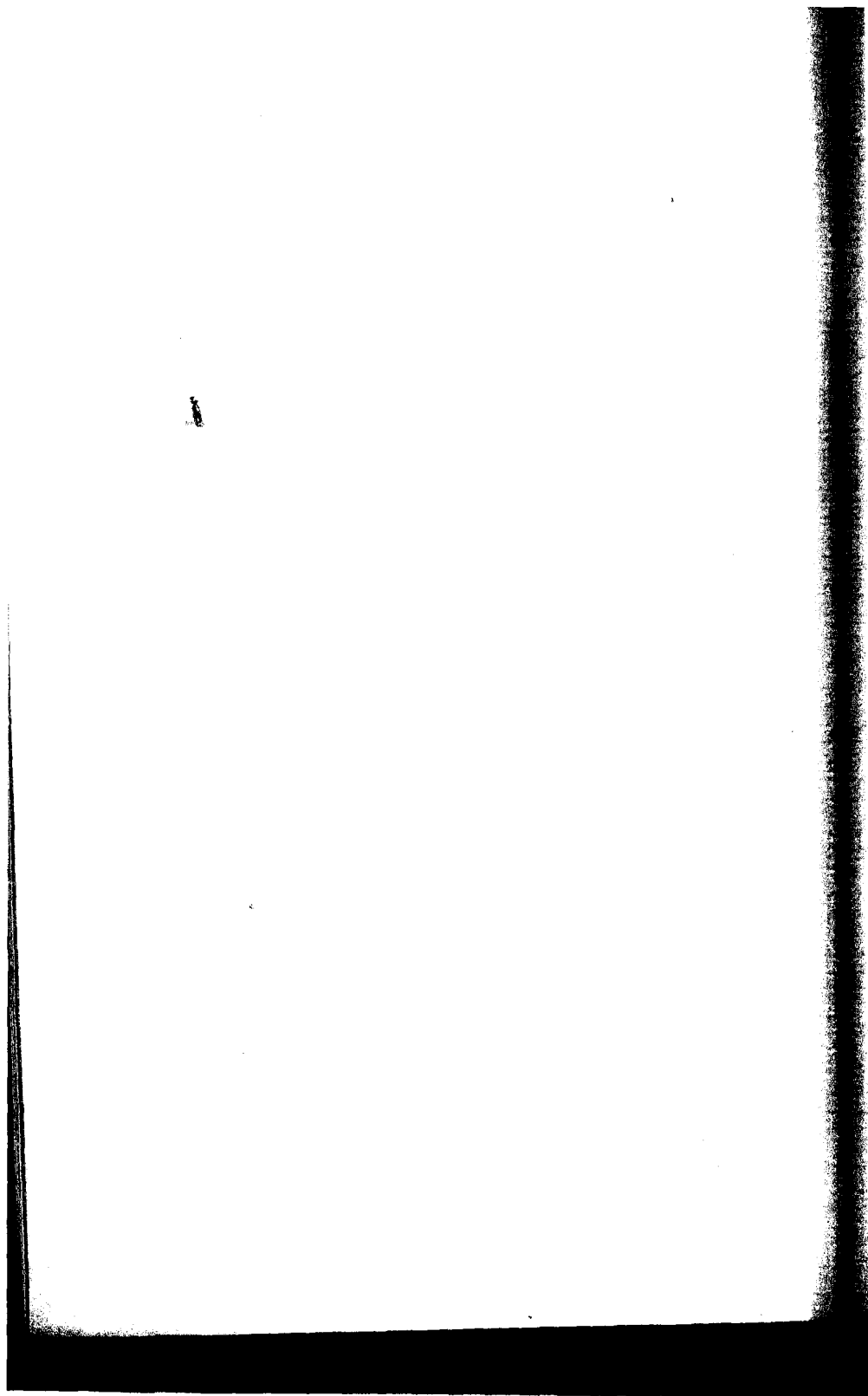
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"Lind Cottage"

FEMALES

No. 2

No. 1



which to decide the matter. In the earlier years of the development of this one, it was hoped that it would not be required to provide for more than one thousand people, but the authorities and the legislature have already caused this limit to be exceeded, and the demand for admission is so constant and imperative that some additional growth seems inevitable. Considerations of classification and proportion between departments as developed from experience with the classes received in the past suggest to me a line of additional growth that might be carried out successfully and economically, namely, two buildings for about one hundred custodial cases each; wing extension for about sixty little epileptic boys in connection with the administration building of the male epileptic colony; cottage for about forty school boys of the brighter classes, and such increase of accommodation for general purposes as will be required to meet this increase in population, such as enlargement of school building, etc. Colonization of adult males will progress slowly as trained workers are evolved from the schools. In this way, the capacity of the institution could be ultimately increased to about fifteen hundred.

If extension of the institution is to be made, I earnestly recommend that it be along the line thus indicated, and that provision be made by the coming legislature for the ultimate accomplishment of this purpose.

The following estimated appropriations would be required:

Appropriations for Increased Capacity

1—Two (2) custodial buildings.....	\$90,000.00
2—Extension, epileptic buildings.....	21,000.00
3—Cottage, working boys.....	15,000.00
4—Extension, school building and gymnasium.....	12,000.00

The following miscellaneous improvements are needed:

(1) **Dining-room for Farm Boys**—The little dining-room in the farmer's cottage was long ago too small and inconvenient for serving the number of boys living at the farm, and your Board recognized this fact last year when plans were prepared and bids required for the construction of a suitable building for this purpose to be placed adjacent to the new dormitory. The unexpended balances from other appropriations for improvements being too small to carry out the contemplated plan, nothing further could be done. The destruction of the old dining-room and kitchen by fire since that date, necessitating the use of a storeroom temporarily, increases the embarrassment of the situation. It will require \$3,700 for this improvement.

(2) **Vegetable Cellar**—Facilities for storing the winter supplies of vegetables are entirely too inadequate and should be more than doubled for the present needs of the institution and provision should be made for increased needs from additional growth. It will cost \$5,000 to supply this want.

(3) **Ice House**—Our ice-house has rotted until it is not safe to use again without thorough re-building. It would require \$3,000 to rebuild and increase it to the desired capacity.

(4) **Engineer's Residence**—The necessity of having the engineer reside on the grounds of the institution has grown with the years. It will require \$3,000 to build a suitable cottage for this officer.

(5) **Coal Sheds and Pipe Ducts**—Our coal sheds are inadequate and should be enlarged both in area and depth; new ducts should be constructed connecting engine room with Sunnyside and Skinner Hall, as the original ducts are so small that the work of repairing and changing pipes from time to time as occasion arises, is extremely difficult, and there is no room for the addition of return pipes for the utilization of exhaust steam, very much needed at the present time, and from the use of which considerable economy in fuel would be realized. It would probably require about \$10,000 to re-construct sheds and ducts and supply the necessary piping required.

(6) **Nurses' Home**—For our nurses in the infirmary, a cottage home is very desirable. They live and sleep too close to their work. They should have a home away from it. This restriction applies to this class of employees more than to any other in the institution. I ask \$10,000 for this purpose.

Supplemental Appropriations

The three following improvements have not been made as intended by the legislature of 1905, as the amounts appropriated have been found inadequate.

(1) **Central Kitchen**—Two sets of unsuccessful bids, the latter made after cutting down plans until they would have been unsatisfactory even if bids had come within the appropriation, demonstrated the futility of attempting to make these improvements without additional funds. The plans should be enlarged to the original size and provision made in addition for cold storage and living quarters for kitchen and bakery employees. The architect estimates that \$12,000 additional will be required.

(2) Green House**(3) Sewerage (Septic Tank)**

Each of these improvements will require \$1,500 additional.

Summary of Appropriations

1—Custodial buildings.....	\$90,000.00
2—Extension of epileptic building for males.....	21,000.00
3—Cottage for working boys.....	15,000.00
4—Extension school building and gymnasium.....	12,000.00
5—Dining-room for farm boys.....	3,700.00
6—Vegetable cellar.....	5,000.00
7—Ice house.....	3,000.00
8—Engineer's residence.....	3,000.00
9—Pipe subway, coal sheds, and piping.....	10,000.00
10—Nurses' Home.....	10,000.00
11—Central kitchen and equipment (supplemental).....	12,000.00
12—Green house (supplemental).....	1,500.00
13—Sewerage and septic tank (supplemental).....	1,500.00

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

I take this occasion to express appreciation of the generosity that prompted the following contributions:

Additions to Amusement Fund

1904	
October 22, From A. C. Bachman, St. Paul, Minn.....	\$26.74
1905	
February 6, From Chas. Martin, Manannah, Minn.....	10.00
April 6, From Mrs. Emilie Hillgar, Baltimore, Md.....	6.25
April 6, From Thos. McConnell.....	3.02
April 6, From Herman Green, Minneapolis, Minn.....	1.85
April 6, From Mrs. E. Stevens, Sauk Center, Minn.....	2.00
April 6, From Mrs. T. A. Benterad, Glenwood, Minn.....	2.00
April 6, From Nels Madsen, Morgan, Minn.....	1.40
1906	
January 6, From Mrs. Mary Eddy, Minneapolis, Minn.....	14.17
April 30, From Mrs. A. B. Durnam, Minneapolis, Minn.....	4.30
April 20, State Board of Control, (Interest on Clothing Fund placed to the credit of the Amusement Fund).....	734.79

Entertainment—November 22, 1905, Guild Dramatic Club of Faribault, for the presentation of "The Worstest Man."

Billiard Table—Drehmel Bros., Faribault, Minn., one billiard table for the employes' club room.

Papers, etc.—The Farmers Tribune, Minneapolis, Minn.; Our Visitor and The Dispatch, St. Paul, Minn.; The Mantorville Express, Mantorville, Minn.; The Democrat and The Pilot, Faribault, Minn.; The Augustana, Ungdomsvännen, The Children's Companion and The Christian Science Sentinel.

Ministers' Services --I wish to express especial appreciation of the unfailing interest and services of the Rev. J. J. Slevin and Rev. C. M. Larsen, of Faribault, for the pupils and patients of the institution, who are communicants of their respective churches.

Personal—I feel very grateful to you gentlemen for your constant and generous support, and to the officers, teachers, and employes of the institution for their uniform loyalty and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

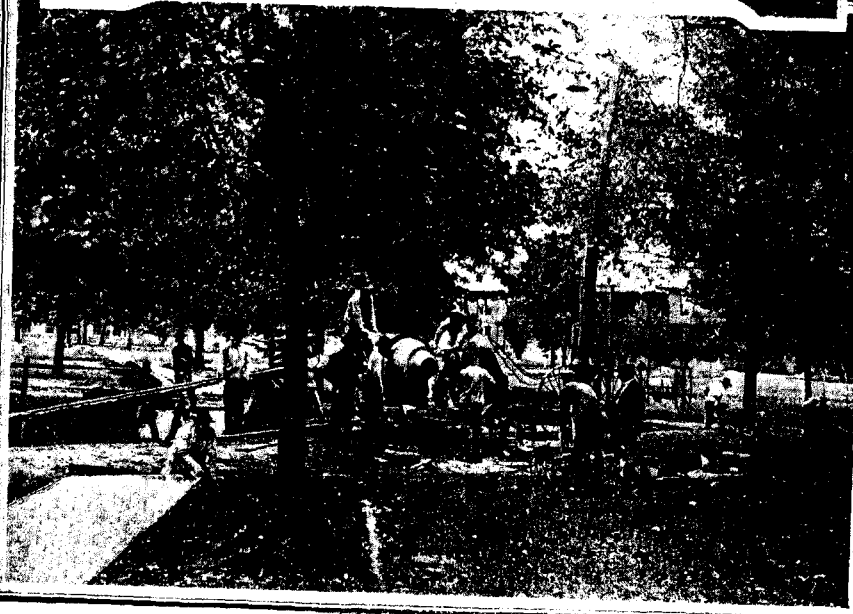
Faribault, Minn.

November 1, 1906.

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Superintendent.

SOME NEW INDUSTRIES



Stone Crusher
Cement Work

SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

EXPENDITURES FROM CHILDREN'S AMUSEMENT FUND

1905	
April 1, Rental of Cecilian music.....	\$10.00
May 6, Paid Dona Troy Stock Co., for performance ..	20.00
June 7, Paid for twenty tickets to Forepaugh and Sells' Circus.....	10.00
September 2-15, Paid for fruit for children on excursions.....	15.11
1906	
January 12, Books for children's library.....	16.00
March 1, Rental of stereopticon films for entertainment ..	12.58
May 10, Paid for base-ball goods and croquet sets.....	12.80
April 12, Billiard table for boys	75.00
May 17 and June 8, Victor Phonograph and records.....	101.10
May 22, Seven burros.....	125.00
July 2, Fifty-six tickets to the Gentry Dog and Pony Show.....	14.00

STATISTICAL TABLES

Residence of Inmates on Roll Aug. 1, 1906

Counties	M.	F.	Total
Anoka	6	8	14
Aitkin .....	..	1	1
Beltrami	1	2	3
Becker	8	1	9
Benton	5	..	5
Big Stone	1	1	2
Blue Earth	18	13	31
Brown	11	7	18
Carlton	3	1	4
Carver	5	4	9
Cass	2	2	4
Clearwater	1	..	1
Chippewa	4	..	4
Chisago .....	..	2	2
Clay	3	3	6
Cottonwood	6	3	9
Crow Wing	3	3	6
Dakota	8	4	12
Dodge	5	2	7
Douglas	9	7	16
Faribault	7	3	10

RESIDENCE OF INMATES ON ROLL AUG. 1, 1906--Continued

	M.	F.	Total
Fillmore	7	5	12
Freeborn	7	6	13
Goodhue	17	11	28
Grant	2	2	4
Hennepin	92	97	189
Houston	6	3	9
Hubbard	3	2	5
Isanti	5	1	6
Itasca	1	1	2
Jackson	1	2	3
Kandiyohi	5	3	8
Kittson	4	2	6
Lac qui Parle	7	4	11
Lake	1	2	3
Le Sueur	6	9	15
Lincoln	4	1	5
Lyon	5	3	8
McLeod	6	3	9
Martin	8	5	13
Marshall	2	5	7
Meeker	6	10	16
Mille Lacs	1	2	3
Morrison	3	6	9
Mower	5	6	11
Murray	1	3	4
Nicollet	8	3	11
Nobles	7	4	11
Norman	4	1	5
Olmsted	4	4	8
Otter Tail	14	22	36
Pine	12	2	14
Polk	10	11	21
Pope	5	5	10
Rainsey	69	84	153
Red Lake	4	1	5
Redwood	4	4	8
Renville	9	6	15
Rice	19	13	32
Rock	2	3	5
Roseau	3	1	4
St. Louis	18	9	27
Scott	11	7	18
Sherburne	2	3	5
Sibley	3	2	5
Stearns	15	14	29
Steele	8	4	12
Stevens	2	6	8
Swift	6	4	10
Todd	11	8	19
Traverse	2	1	3
Wabasha	5	6	11
Wadena	3	3	6
Waseca	11	6	17
Washington	9	3	12
Watsonwan	3	1	4
Wilkin	1	3	4
Winona	9	10	19
Wright	9	13	22
Yellow Medicine	12	7	19

Table showing birthplace of inmates as shown by all applications received to Aug. 1, 1906

United States.....	2,130	Iceland.....	3
Austria.....	11	Norway.....	64
Bohemia.....	1	New Zealand.....	1
Belgium.....	2	Poland.....	1
Canada.....	6	Russia.....	8
Denmark.....	14	Roumania.....	3
England.....	16	Scotland.....	3
English Prov. in America.....	48	Sweden.....	73
France.....	4	Switzerland.....	2
Finland.....	3	Wales.....	4
Germany.....	85	Unknown.....	139
Holland.....	2	Atlantic Ocean.....	1
Ireland.....	13	Total.....	2,638
India.....	1		

Table showing age of inmates at the time of admission

	Biennial Period		All Previous		Total
	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Under 5 years.....	1	4	48	27	80
Over 5 years and under 10.....	36	18	208	166	428
Over 10 years and under 15.....	40	30	339	231	640
Over 15 years and under 20.....	20	19	245	189	473
Over 20 years and under 25.....	19	11	103	75	208
Over 25 years and under 30.....	9	13	35	33	91
Over 30 years and under 35.....	10	4	32	27	73
Over 35 years and under 40.....	7	3	22	19	51
Over 40 years and under 45.....	6	5	13	10	34
Over 45 years and under 50.....	1	3	6	10	20
Over 50 years and under 55.....	1	1	9	7	18
Over 55 years and under 60.....	3	1	5	3	12
Sixty years and over.....	1	1	4	1	7
Unknown.....	2	2	17	12	33
Totals.....	156	115	1,087	810	2,168

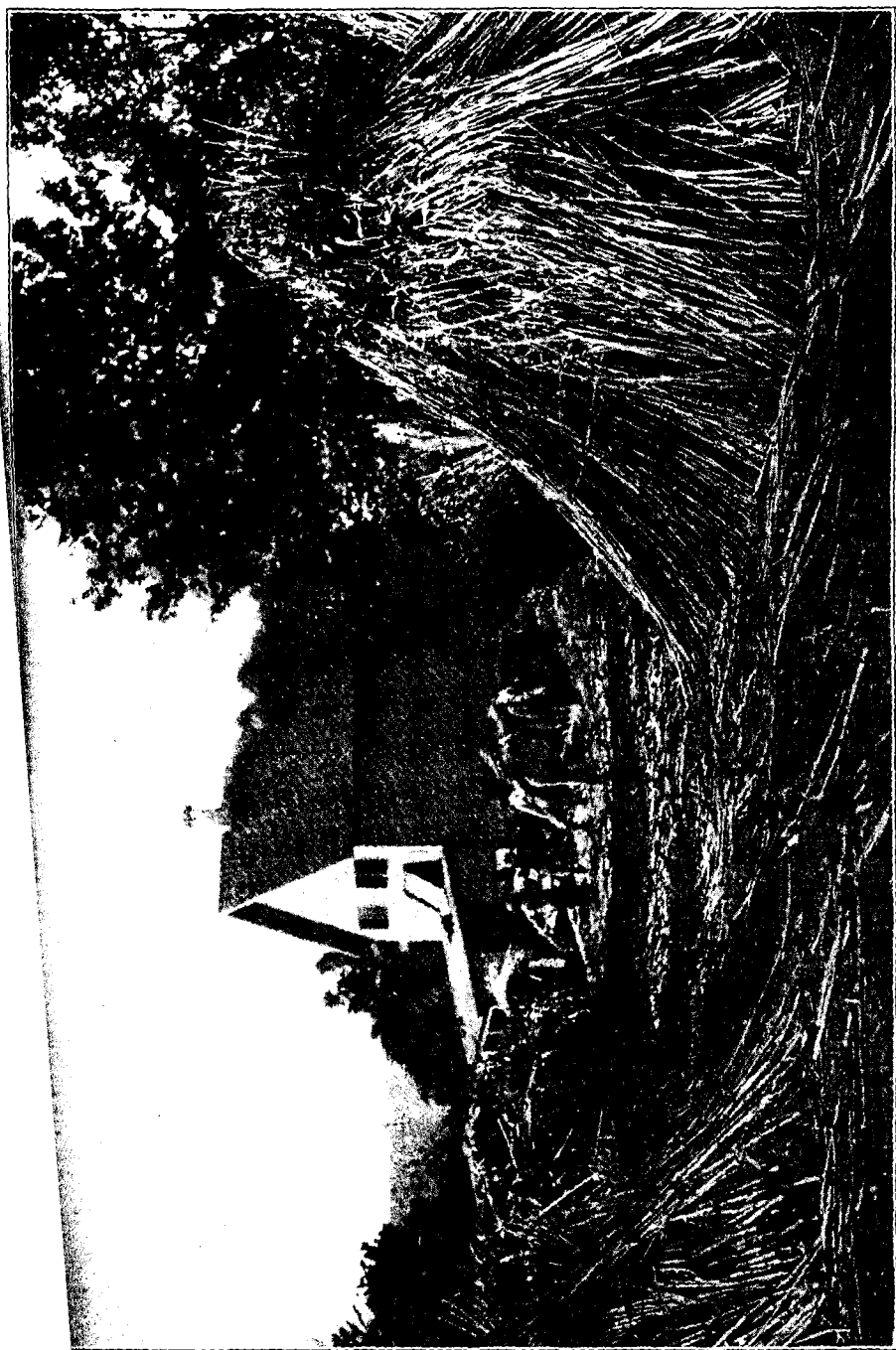
Table showing alleged date of commencement of deficiency of inmates

	Biennial Period		All Previous		Total
	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Congenital.....	64	46	368	293	771
From birth to 7 years.....	35	21	446	290	792
From 7 to 14 years.....	8	4	52	49	113
Fourteen years and later.....	8	13	24	17	62
No data.....	20	22	157	127	326
Re-admissions.....	21	9	40	34	104
Totals.....	156	115	1,087	810	2,168

Table showing age of inmates at time of death

	Biennial Period		All Previous		Total
	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Under 5 years.....	..	1	10	2	13
Over 5 years and under 10.....	5	3	25	25	58
Over 10 years and under 15.....	4	7	50	39	100
Over 15 years and under 20.....	8	3	76	43	130
Over 20 years and under 25.....	11	..	37	24	72
Over 25 years and under 30.....	9	4	19	11	43
Over 30 years and under 35.....	2	4	11	9	26
Over 35 years and under 40.....	5	1	9	8	23
Over 40 years and under 45.....	4	2	8	2	16
Over 45 years and under 50.....	..	1	4	2	7
Over 50 years and under 55.....	..	2	3	4	9
Over 55 years and under 60.....	1	1	2	1	5
Over 60 years and under 65.....	1	2	2	1	6
Sixty-five years and over.....	3	..	3
Unknown.....	3	1	4
	50	31	262	172	515





A New Industry—Sorghum Syrup Factory

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CIRCULAR OF INFORMATION

CONCERNING

Minnesota School for Feeble-Minded and Colony for Epileptics

FARIBAULT

Location

The institution is situated upon the east bluff of Straight River, overlooking the city of Faribault, which lies to the west of the river and northwest of the school. It forms the southern terminus of a line of six public institutions, which are arranged in the following order from the north, viz.: Shattuck Military School (Episcopal), School for the Deaf (state), St. Mary's Hall (Episcopal), Seabury Hall (Episcopal), School for the Blind (state) and School for Feeble-Minded and Colony for Epileptics (state).

Depots

The C. M. & St. P. depot is about one and one-half miles from the school. The C. G. W. and the C. R. I. & P. Rys. have depots about half a mile from the school. An excellent omnibus system and private hacks connect with all trains, and carry passengers to the school at a reasonable rate.

Object

The school has for its general object the training of such feeble-minded children as are capable of improvement, and the care and comfort of such as cannot be improved. The former is accomplished by regular school and industrial work adapted to this class, the ultimate aim being to make each child self-supporting, or as nearly so as possible. To accomplish this, all the training is of the most practical nature.

Organization

The school is in reality an institution performing the functions of a school, a home and a hospital. It, therefore, consists of three departments quite distinct in their nature, yet mutually connected, viz.: (1) School and Training Department, (2) Custodia or Home, and (3) Epileptic Hospital.

Terms of Admission

All feeble-minded persons, residents of the state of Minnesota, who, in the opinion of the superintendent, are of suitable age and capacity to receive instruction in this school, and whose defects prevent them from receiving proper training in the public schools of the state, all idiotic, and epileptic persons, residents of the state, may be admitted to their respective departments, and receive the benefits of the institution upon the annual payment of a sum not to exceed forty dollars (\$40) per annum.

Methods of Obtaining Admission

Application should be made to the superintendent for blank forms, which, when properly filled out, give a correct and detailed description and history of the person for whom application is made, to enable the superintendent to determine the eligibility of the case. The applications are numbered and filed in the order in which they are received.

Classification

Pupils are classified by the superintendent and assigned to their appropriate departments in the institution.

SCHOOL AND TRAINING DEPARTMENT

School—During School Hours

The children are under the guidance of refined teachers, who, while they endeavor to impart the simple elements of an English education and train the hands in constructive ability, are constantly on the alert to correct improper habits, develop the sense of right and wrong, teach acts of courtesy and keep all hands busy at something useful. About six hours a day are devoted to school-room work and industrial occupations, which vary according to the capacity of the child, from stringing beads and buttons or matching color and form blocks, to recitations in reading, penmanship, numbers, geography, orthography, composition and other elementary work of the common schools. Music, dancing and calisthenics occupy a portion of the time, and are of primary importance in arousing and maintaining the interest in the sluggish minds and strengthening the feeble wills.

Properly adapted occupations and games of the kindergarten are employed for the little children, while manual and industrial training is co-ordinated with the school work for the older ones.

Experience with this class has shown, as with normal children, that definite physical effort to accomplish a useful object, if only to do an errand or button a shoe, tends to mental and moral development, effective in proportion as it involves complexity of movement and thought within the limits of ability to perform the same properly. The program is so arranged as to keep all busy during school hours, the time being divided between literary and industrial occupations. By this means, it is believed, maximum mental development can be realized and each child at the same time, be rendered capable of the greatest degree of self-support.

Brush-making, mat-weaving, scroll-sawing, printing, sloyd, wood-turning, painting, carpentering, dairying, farming, gardening, teaming, manufacturing of syrup, road building and care of stock, are some of the industries in which the boys are employed.

The girls are employed at plain and fancy needle work, tailoring with power machinery, torchon lace-making, crocheting, baking, cooking, laundry work and general house work.

Outside School Hours

The pupils are under the care constantly of the attendants. Abundant recreation is provided for all out of doors when the weather will permit. It is the earnest endeavor of the management to surround each child with good home influences in school and out.

No employe can retain a position in the school whose influence with the children is known to be detrimental to them.

A training class for attendants and nurses is maintained by the officers, and a regular course of study, including lectures, is followed, to improve the service of care-takers.

Books and periodicals of a suitable kind are furnished for the use of the pupils. Files of standard illustrated magazines and periodicals are always gladly received in addition to those provided by the school.

Entertainment

Special entertainments are provided for the various holidays of the year, and it has been the custom for the children, under the direction of the teachers, to give one public entertainment each year.

Two evenings of each week during the school year are devoted to the children's dance, under the personal supervision of the teachers, and at other times, stereopticon, dramatic and other special entertainments are provided as occasion permits.

Custodia

Such children as are not capable of improvement, or but slightly so, are cared for separately from those in the school, and every effort is exerted to make their lives as comfortable and happy as possible.

A school is maintained in this department, so that no case will be neglected, however hopeless it may appear at first.

Sunday Observance

On Sunday mornings regular Sunday School exercises are held under the direction of the principal and teachers, and on Sunday evenings the superintendent or chaplain conducts the chapel exercises for all departments. An effort is made to develop strength of character, and to cultivate purity of heart and purpose.

Attendance outside at church is not advised, but the various pastors both Protestant and Roman Catholic, very kindly visit the communicants of their respective churches.

The school is non-sectarian, and the wishes of the parents will always be observed in the selection of spiritual advisers.

Medical Care

The institution is under the care of a medical superintendent and assistant physicians, and the needs of such as require ordinary medical aid are supplied. An oculist and aurist is also supplied, who gives necessary attention in this direction. Special surgical and dental work is done at the expense of the parents.

The institution has an excellently arranged and equipped modern hospital, under the care of trained nurses. A thoroughly equipped hospital for tuberculous patients is provided for separation of these patients from all other inmates.

Vacation

During the months of July and August there is a nominal vacation of the schools and when it is deemed advisable by the superintendent, children may be returned to their homes for short visits. Unless for urgent reasons, it is not generally advisable for children to go home at other times. All expenses for bringing and returning children must be borne by the parents or friends of the children, unless especially provided for otherwise. It is always desirable for parents to visit the school before or at the time their child is admitted, that they may know personally of the school and its methods. When this cannot be done, the superintendent may send for the child to be admitted, provided all actual expenses (no fees) are paid by the person or persons interested. The state does not pay the traveling expenses in such cases.

Absence for a longer period than three months forfeits place in the institution, and re-admission will necessitate a re-application.

Such of the school children as do not go home during the summer vacation are given picnic excursions, either by railroad and river steamers or to a neighboring lake, where swings, games, and a trip on the lake in a gasoline launch and picnic

large, form some of the more enjoyable features of those occasions.

Discipline

Sympathy and kindness on the part of the officers, teachers and attendants, render government simple and easy generally. Cases seeming to require punishment are acted upon by the superintendent or an officer, and corporal punishment is not delegated to any one. If in an extreme case it is required, the superintendent alone assumes the responsibility of such action.

Duration of Attendance

Admissions are not made for any specified time. Applications may be made at any time during the year, but the best interests of the pupils are consulted in reference to their discharge.

Age of Applicants

There is no age qualification required for admission, but training of the feeble-minded can be done most advantageously during early childhood and adolescence.

Visitations

The institution is open to the public at all reasonable hours on every day of the week except Sunday and Thursday. The school hours are from 8:15 A. M. to 3 P. M., and those desiring to see the children in their school and training exercises should visit within these hours.

Parents having children at the institution are at liberty to visit them, but must provide their own transportation to and from trains, and have their meals and lodging provided outside the school.

Miscellaneous food and confectionery should never be given to the children without the advice and consent of the superintendent. Such articles should be left at the office or with the matron, who will attend to issuing them at the proper times.

Clothing and all articles of value must be left at the office to be receipted for and marked.

ALL BUSINESS MATTERS MUST BE TRANSACTED AT THE OFFICE.

And correspondence concerning all business must be with the superintendent. This is important, and if observed will prevent many misunderstandings.

The history and characteristics of the children and their family connections are considered confidential matters by the management, and all reasonable means are employed to protect children from curiosity-seekers. Children are mentioned to strangers by their first names only.

Visitors should refrain from talking of the peculiarities of the children in their presence. Feeble-minded children are often painfully conscious of their infirmity and it is very humiliating and discouraging to such persons to hear themselves discussed by strangers.

People desiring to see a child from the family of a friend or neighbor, must bring a letter from the parents or guardian of such child authorizing it.

Correspondence

Children who have parents or friends interested in them are reported at least once each month, during the first year of attendance. Children who are able to write are expected to do so at stated times. When the address of any child's correspondent is changed, the office should be notified of it at once. Do not blame the institution for not replying to correspondence which is regularly answered and sent to some former address, the latest reported. Do not send a letter addressed to "John", "Theodore", "Joe", "Mary" or some other given name, and signed "Your Loving Mother", or "Your Brother", etc., as it is often utterly impossible to know to whom such letters belong, among several persons of the same name.

Always give the name of the child in full, and sign the full name and address of the writer in every case except that letters to children enclosed in a letter to the superintendent need not be so signed.

In many cases, after the child has been in school for some time or when there are no near relatives of the child, no stated reports are sent, as they would add unnecessarily to the work of the office, but correspondence from friends and relatives will always be promptly and cheerfully answered. In case of serious sickness, the person interested will be notified at once.

Expenses

A payment of thirty dollars (\$30) per annum, as fixed by the State Board of Control, is required in advance. Relatives of the children are required to file with the superintendent a duly and properly executed bond for the subsequent payment of the amount required.

THE COLONY FOR EPILEPTICS

This department is open to all epileptics of the state who are in need of its benefits, so far as accommodations are provided. While epileptic patients have the benefit of the training, general hospital care and recreations provided for the pupils of the school, in so far as they are adapted to their requirements, a distinct family life and medical treatment, including specialized diet, are provided for them in separate buildings constructed especially for them. The methods employed for their care and treatment are according to the most modern ideas.

The general conditions of admission are the same as those for the pupils of the school.

For further information address:

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