

ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

South Carolina State
Hospital



FOR THE YEAR 1924

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REPORT OF ARCHITECT

Columbia, S. C., January 1, 1925.

To the Board of Regents, S. C. State Hospital, Columbia, S. C.

Gentlemen: A report is submitted upon the building developments and recommendations for the continuance of the building program.

The ward building at State Park, authorized in 1923, was completed this year and occupied in November. This is a two story fire proof brick building, containing 230 beds, and is the first of a group of buildings necessary to develop State Park for the negro patients as recommended in the Ninety-seventh Annual Report of the Board.

In order to continue the general plan adopted and to relieve the congested condition of the white male patients, it is recommended that additional buildings be constructed at State Park. The most economical and expeditious plan would be to complete at once all of the necessary buildings, but realizing such an appropriation is improbable it is recommended that at least one or two additional ward buildings be constructed. The construction of these buildings would relieve the Parker Building and Parker Annex for the white male patients and remove all of the negro male patients to State Park. At the present time there still remain in Columbia about 300 negro male patients.

In order to segregate the different classes of patients it would be best to construct two buildings, as originally planned. These two buildings would cost approximately \$225,000. If one building is constructed to take care of all of these patients this building would cost about \$200,000.

The ultimate development of the buildings for white male patients and for the segregation of the races would be considerably advanced if this recommendation is carried out. After the negro male patients have been removed from the buildings in Columbia, now occupied by them, these buildings would have to be renovated for the white patients. From this it will be seen that it will take at least two years before relief can come for the

present congested condition of the white male patients, and to provide for the normal increase in admissions.

Respectfully submitted,

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Radios in various parts of the hospital afforded daily entertainment.

Several hundred white and colored patients attended the performance of Hagenbeck-Wallace circus on September 23rd.

The annual Field Day program in October, the Halloween party, out-door Christmas celebration, and the special Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners were provided.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

As the result of an automobile accident Rev. Wm. H. Stender, chaplain, was unable to conduct services during the months of December, January, February, March and April.

During this time chapel exercises were held by Mr. Day B. Werts and Mr. G. L. Barger, students at the Lutheran Seminary. These young men also conducted services for all patients interred in the hospital cemetery.

Ministers of the city visited the hospital from time to time and on several occasions conducted services for patients of their denominations.

IMPROVEMENTS AND REPAIRS

No extensive additions nor repairs were made during the year. The policy of keeping the physical part of the plant up to that standard of efficiency which will cause it to function in a most economical way and to prevent deterioration, was maintained.

Additional quarters for graduate nurses were provided by general repairs to the second floor of the building occupied by the chief engineer.

A fire escape and new plumbing were installed on the fourth floor of the Parker Building.

Sinks and dining room equipment were installed in the basement of the Parker Building, and a dining room opened there in order to relieve the congestion in the congregate dining hall and make room for the increased number of patients as the result of the large admission rate in recent years.

Repairs were made to the floors of the Taylor Building. Drains and steam pipes in the two congregate dining halls were replaced with new material.