

Dietitians to Set Up Bureau

CRESSON — Dietetic L. Central Pennsylvania Dietetic Association, has voted to set up a specialty bureau to provide accurate nutrition information to the public.

The action was taken at a meeting of the group at Lawrence Flick State Hospital following a discussion of community nutrition projects by Miss Louise Hamilton, assistant professor of nutrition of the extension service at Pennsylvania State University.

Miss Colleen McCann, dietitian at the state hospital, was named to organize the bureau. Speakers will be available to all organizations and schools.

District 1 includes members in Cambria, Sewartz, Bedford, Blair, Centre, Clarion, Fulton, Huntingdon, Juniata, Mifflin and Charfield Counties.

Attending from Johnstown were Sister Mary Immaculate, RSM, of Mercy Hospital and Mrs. Clara Durant Mignogna of Lee Hospital. The Jan. 12 meeting will be held at Mercy Hospital, Johnstown.

State Will Join Cresson Borough In Construction of Sewage Plant

Cresson Borough received a big lift toward the building of a sanitary sewage treatment plant at a meeting Monday evening when representatives of the State Sanitary Water Board and the State Department of Health assured borough solons that the Lawrence Flick Hospital would become a part of the system when it is built.

Elvin Hoover, district engineer of the board, Lewisport and Attorney Joseph L. Cohen, representing the Department of Health, Harrisburg explained the state's position regarding the inclusion of the Flick Hospital in the planned sewage plant.

Mr. Hoover said since the state hospital sewage plant is outmoded and beyond repair and that some of the borough sewage lines are in the direction of the hospital, it was felt that the state would go along with Scheme D, which means that the state would pay the borough a lump sum toward the construction and then a rental toward the maintenance of the plant.

Scheme D is a plan whereby the state hospital and the borough would join together on the plant, which the state shares to be 27 percent of the total cost of \$1,575,877. This was broken down to show that \$353,561.13 would be for construction of the plant, \$44,796.65 for land, in sewers and \$2,177,519.99 for legal work, such as rights of way, insurance, advertising and other related items.

Council asked many questions of the visitors, one of which was why was Cresson cited as a contaminant, when others further west were not, to which Mr. Hoover stated that Cresson is dumping their sewage into a clean stream, while the Portage area is discharging raw acid and at present that State Clean Streams Law does not specifically cover raw acid contamination.

Mr. Cohen stated that various times the State Sanitary Water Board requestors its policy regarding acid impregnated streams that the title is no doubt just around the corner when this acid condition will be eliminated.

The question arose as to how the new State Youth Center would be incorporated into the system, Mr. Cohen said that he felt that the Department of Health and the Department of Welfare would join together on this problem, but it was believed that since the school is already on the borough sewage line, they would be treated as any other borough water user.

Clarence Tobin, council president, asked the two representatives of the state health department what would happen if the borough would not go along with the project, what would the state do and he was told that the state would then build its own facility and the borough would have to go it alone.

J. H. Connell, borough solicitor, advised council that this is the logical time for the borough to proceed for "we have the benefit of the state hospital, state and federal funds and we have the distressed area, which will be considered toward the approval of fund applications."

President Tobin made the motion that the borough make application for federal funds to defray the cost of preparing plans and specifications of the sewage treatment plant, Samuel J. Baker seconded the motion and the motion passed with all five councilmen present at the time voting.

Plans were also furthered for making application to the accelerated public works fund for the construction of the plant. Also an agreement with L. Robert Kimball, borough engineer, would be signed relative to the planning but a clause would be inserted into the agreement that stipulates that the engineer shall not proceed with further planning until notified to do so by the borough and then only if the planning money is approved by the federal government.

On the completion of the application for construction funds and agreements, the solons will hold a special meeting to approve numerous resolutions needed for these two items.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1962

Dr. Martin, Leader in TB Battle, Dies

Medical Director At Leech Farm Hospital Since '35

Dr. George E. Martin, 65, medical director at Mercy State Hospital, Leech Farm, died yesterday (Feb. 1) in Mercy Hospital.

Dr. Martin had been medical director of Mercy State Hospital since Feb. 1, 1935, and made his home there.

He was a leader in the local fight on tuberculosis and under his direction many were one of the testing grounds for cyclizemine, a TB-fighting drug.

Dr. Martin was a graduate of Westminster College and the 1923 class of the University of Pittsburgh Medical School. A veteran of both

world wars, he was a colonel in the Army Medical Corps in the Pacific Theater during World War II.

He was a member of the Allegheny County Medical Society, the American College of Physicians, the American Tuberculous Society, the Pittsburgh Academy of Medicine and the Point Breeze Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Martin is survived by his wife, Mildred Jones Martin; a son, Dr. Joseph Scott Martin; a daughter, Mrs. Evelyn Walters; a brother, Evelyn Schaefer and Mrs. Lucile McGowan, and one grandson.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete. The family suggests memorial contributions may be made to a favorite charity.



John Hajdu, foreground, became the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hajdu, 633 Ashcroft. Cresson, to enroll at DePauw University, Greensburg, Ind., Arriving for the opening of orientation week activities Sunday, the Hajdu have an older son, Joseph, left, who is a senior at DePauw. John was among nearly 700 DePauw freshmen to enroll for the school's 126th year of academic activity.

Flick Hospital Nurse Director Expires Tuesday

Miss Rachel A. Neill, 62, director of nurses at Flick State Hospital, Cresson, died Tuesday in the home of her sister, Mrs. Paul B. Boshmer, Pittsburgh.

Miss Neill was former director of nurses at Presbyterian University Hospital, Pittsburgh, and Bedford County Memorial Hospital.

A native of Monongahela City, Miss Neill was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Neill. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Allegheny Cemetery, Pittsburgh.



'THANKS FOR EVERYTHING'

The 1963 Red Cross fund drive at Lawrence F. Flick State Hospital, Cresson, was launched as 2 employees made their donations. It was significant because both employees have received benefits from the Red Cross blood program in the past. Contributions were made by Francis Leis and Marie Stewart, R.N. (center). Accepting the contributions is Mrs. Sara Soderholm, hospital fund chairman. Hospital spokesmen have announced that on the final day of the drive, 2 departments had 100 per cent contributions from employees. The Johnstown Regional Blood Bank provides all blood needed for patients at the hospital. The hospital also takes part in other programs offered by the Red Cross, including classes in first aid, and in care of the sick and injured, and instructors' courses in care of the sick and injured. Instructors at the hospital conduct classes for hospital personnel and for civic and church groups in nearby communities.

3 Attend Course

CRESSON — Three members of the staff of Lawrence F. Flick State Hospital attended a most grading and inspection course at Pennsylvania State University. They are Van H. Timmy, assistant business manager; Miss Colleen McCann, dietitian; and Susan Wright, J., stenographer.

Home Nursing Training Class Held at YWCA

The third two-hour class in a 14-hour Red Cross home nursing course requested by the Y.W.C.A. was held Monday evening in the Y.W.C.A. basement. The registered home nursing training is held to be most timely due to the prevalence of colds and flu in the area. Instructors are Regina Meyer, R.N., and Mrs. Mary E. Kennedy, R.N., who also are certified Red Cross home nursing instructors.

Mary R. Northon, R.N., area representative for Red Cross nursing services for the state of Pennsylvania, who was scheduled to meet with local Red Cross nursing service representatives at the chapter house yesterday afternoon and to attend the home nursing class last evening, was unable to come since she was called to duty in the West Virginia flood disaster area.

Miss Northon will conduct a further instructor course for Red Cross home nursing instructors at the Lawrence Fitch State Hospital, Croton, April 8, 9 and 10. Miss Meyer and Mrs. Kennedy plan to take advantage of this opportunity.

Monday night's session dealt with the topic, "The Patient in Bed." Mrs. Shirley Keach assumed the role of the patient while the class learned how to care for someone bedfast in bed, as well as a bed patient able to help herself.

Other lesson subjects covered in the final course are: Causes and Symptoms of Illness, Illness and How to Meet It, Food and Nutrition, Nursing Care in Social Conditions, Home Emergencies and Personal and Family Health.

Upon completion of the course the qualified home nurses will know how to recognize signs of illness, carry out doctor's orders, cope calmly with what might be unavoidable changes in normal household routines and intervene many necessary acts, and substitute equipment for the patient's comfort.

From home nursing training is one of the many Red Cross services which volunteer and financial support of the annual Red Cross fund campaign helps make available to the community.



TAKE PART IN RED CROSS HOME NURSING COURSE—Students and instructors who are taking part in the Red Cross home nursing course, being given at the Allegheny Y.W.C.A. are (left to right) Seated—Mrs. Hazel Wertz, Mrs. Shirley Keach, Mrs. Sue Evans, Mrs. Zelma Bickel, Mrs. Margaret Boyles, Mrs. Mary Rice and Miss Rosalie McNelis; standing—Mrs. Regina Meyer, R.N. (instructor), Mrs. Elizabeth Redwell, Mrs. Theresa Laine, Mrs. Marie Cason, Mrs. Genevieve Sutfinmyer, Mrs. Carolyn Tronick and Mrs. Mary E. Kennedy, R.N. (instructor). Mrs. John Haythorne was not present for the photo.

Wilbar in Line For Health Post

By JOSEPH H. MILLER
Inquirer Reporter

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Governor William W. Scranton, of Pennsylvania, is considering retention of a second member of the cabinet of retiring Democratic Gov. David L. Lawrence. It was reported here Friday.

An state Republican leader began gathering for Saturday's annual dinner of the Pennsylvania Society, indications were that Scranton might retain Secretary of Health Charles L. Wilbar, Jr., in addition to Secretary of Forests and Waters Maurice K. Goddard.

Scranton announced previously that he has received numerous recommendations urging that Goddard be held on in the cabinet.

SEES HIGH LEVEL
Wilbar's name also dropped into the cabinet picture as Scranton made it plain to intimates that the Health Department would be conducted on a high level without political interference.

Although Scranton has made no commitments to either Goddard or Wilbar, reports indicated he will confer with both men within the next 10 days before reaching a decision.

The Governor-elect was due here Saturday to address the Pennsylvania Society dinner after finishing a tour of duty in the Air Force Reserve on Friday.

SEEKS JOBS FOR IDLE
He is expected to make an appeal to the 1200 business, industrial, civic and political leaders attending the dinner to extend full cooperation to his administration in its efforts to build on the State's economy so thousands of jobs can be found for the unemployed.

During the recent campaign, Scranton struck hard at the Lawrence administration for failing to build a good business climate and wipe out the jobless situation.

Lawrence also will attend the dinner and has been invited to speak.

Wilbar Studies Creation of Top Publicity Place

Dr. Charles L. Wilbar, secretary of Health, said today he was considering creating a top publicity post—director of public relations in the department—but first wanted to talk over his plan with the incoming Scranton administration.

It would be covered by civil service and pay a range of \$5,000 to \$11,000. The position would be named on a provisional basis, and serve until such time as an eligibility list would be prepared by the state Civil Service Commission for competitive examinations to fill the job permanently.

Wilbar said it was his plan to set up an overall public relations director to inform the public of the department's continuing operations, apart from its present division of public health education.

SEPARATION of these two international filioquies, he said, was among recommendations of a recent report by Johns Hopkins University, which conducted a survey of Pennsylvania's public health pattern. "All parties in the state agreed these two units should be separate," Wilbar said.

He said the proposed new job would not be filed immediately and it would be several weeks before a decision is made whether to do so.

"In the first place," Wilbar said, "I don't know if I'm going to be here after Jan. 15."

There has been speculation that Wilbar may be retained as the department head by Governor-elect Scranton on the ground he conducted a non-political administration. Wilbar first came to the department as deputy secretary in 1927 under Republican Gov. John S. Fane and has headed the department in the last two Democratic administrations.

WILBAR continued:

"I'm not filing this new post until I have a chance to talk it over with the incoming administration. First, I would want to be sure the person to be selected would meet civil service standards, second, that he would be acceptable to me as an individual, third, that he would be acceptable to the incoming administration."

Wilbar mentioned a top administration publicist among several "who have shown an interest" in taking the job while "not having directly applied for it." The latter fairly denied he was a candidate for it when he learned a reporter had been so informed by Wilbar. Two other Hill publicists, whose job tenure may not be secure under the new Republican administration, also were named by Wilbar as prospective applicants.

AT HOSPITAL 27 YEARS

Elizabeth Boyle Plans to Retire

CRESSON — Miss Elizabeth Boyle will retire Tuesday after 27 years at Lawrence F. Flick State Hospital.

Miss Boyle is supervisor of clerks and stenographers in the medical director's office. She also has been serving as part-time secretary to the medical director.

The South Flick estate was guest of honor at an informal farewell party Thursday in the hospital's main lounge. The party was given by friends, fellow employees, administrative officers and patients.

Also Guest — Also a guest at the party was Mrs. Helen Jones, R.N., of Ephrussi R. D., who is resigning to move to California after 12 years of service at the hospital.

Miss Boyle entered the hospital as a resident in 1937 and 4 years later took a job at the institution. She has been here ever since, except for a few years



Principals attending the 3rd Annual Orientation in Tuberculosis Nursing for Public Health Nurses held at the Lawrence Flick State Hospital, Cresson, were (left to right) Dr. Harry W. West, medical director of the hospital; Miss Eleanor McFall, RN, director of nurses at the hospital and J. Thomas Millington, M.D., director of Special Health Services, Pennsylvania Department of Health, Harrisburg. The conference was attended by Public Health Nurses from Hospitals II, III, IV, V and VI. The all day session featured new techniques of tuberculosis treatment.

Mainliner — May 2, 1963

Flick State Hospital Marks 50th Anniversary

Lawrence F. Flick State Hospital, Cresson, marked its 50th anniversary Saturday and Sunday. More than 1,000 persons toured the institution during the open house weekend.

An afternoon program Saturday opened the observance with Rep. John P. Saylor of Johnstown and Dr. C. L. Wilbur, state secretary of health.

Both men spoke on the history of tuberculosis control and stressed the contributions through the years by the Tuberculosis and Health Society.

The program was in charge of Dr. Harry W. West, medical director of the local hospital.

The Kiwanis Choir of Altoona, under the direction of

Howard Lindaman, provided entertainment. Open house tours through the institution followed the formal program.

Sunday's events featured a concert by the Pennsylvania National Guard's 26th Infantry Division Band. The concert, held in front of the administration building, was attended by patients and guests.

An exhibit was on display in the occupational therapy department and a tuberculosis health display which won second prize at the recent Health Fair in Johnstown also was exhibited.

Miss Eleanor McFall, RN, director of nursing service at the hospital, was in charge of the displays.

Special guests at the two-day observance were Dr. Harold E. Koder, director of the Division of Tuberculosis Control, State Department of Health, and Dr. Charles Hodgson, who is chief of tuberculosis hospitals throughout the state.

Flick State Hospital is built on grounds once owned by Andrew Carnegie who had planned to build a home for his mother on the site. Carnegie sold the grounds to the state for \$1 in February, 1910. Basic plans of Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, the state's first commissioner of health, were used in building the hospital. It opened in January 1913 with 400 inpatients. The patient population now is approximately 325.

Newspaper To Publish Early Next Week

Because of the July 4 holiday next Thursday, this newspaper will be published one day earlier next week.

Correspondents and advertisers are reminded that copy should be at the general offices, 709 Caldwell Avenue in Portage, one day earlier.

FLICK STATE

Hospital to Mark 50th Anniversary

CRESSON—Lawrence F. Flick State Hospital will mark its 50th anniversary at programs today and Sunday.

Rep. John P. Saylor of Johnstown will be the principal speaker at today's program at 2 p.m. at the Community Hall on the hospital grounds. Dr. C. L. Wilbur, state secretary of health, will present remarks during the program, in charge of Dr. Harry W. West, medical director.

Several numbers will be given by Altoona Kiwanis Club Choir. Open house, with tours guided by hospital personnel, will follow the formal program.

The Pennsylvania National Guard's 26th Infantry Division is approximately 325.

Program Scheduled June 22
Flick State Hospital
To Mark 50th Anniversary

Plans are completed for the observance of the 50th anniversary of the Lawrence F. Flick State Hospital at Cresson, one of the four Pennsylvania Department of Health tuberculosis hospitals. It has been in operation since 1913. The anniversary will be officially observed Saturday, June 22.

Located on a 50-acre tract of land atop Cresson Mountain in Cambria County, the state hospital was built on the site of the former Pennsylvania State Penitentiary. The site was donated to the Commonwealth by the state of Pennsylvania.

When Mr. Carnegie learned that the state was interested in constructing a tuberculosis sanatorium, he donated the land to the Commonwealth for the sum of \$10,000.

A copy of the deed signed by Mr. Carnegie and his wife is among the items on display at the hospital. The deed was signed in February 1891 and the property officially passed to the state under the Act of April 10, 1891.

Dr. Dorn furnished the ground plan of the building on which the architect's plans were based. The first patients were admitted there for his mother, but Mrs. (Continued on page 2, column 1)

FLICK STATE HOSPITAL EVENT

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to the sanatorium in December 1912. The buildings at that time comprised the present administration and dining buildings, the nurses' home, mess hall, and kitchen. There were 20 cottages, four open pavilions, a power house, barn, and poultry house.

Since construction work was not completed, the first patients were admitted to the present kitchen forms and dining room. By June 1913, cottages and wards were completed. The largest number of residents periodically.

Holiday parties, picnics, concerts, and other recreational activities were provided for the patients. Flick State Hospital has its own postal services that are available to patients in the United States.

A community store, operated by the hospital, is a valuable service to the patients. Because the profits from this store are used to purchase laboratory items for the patients not included in the hospital budget.

There are two chaplains on the hospital staff who provide religious and spiritual care for patients. The ministers visit patients at the hospital and conduct services at the hospital.

All of the services to patients are provided free of charge. The Flick State Hospital is supported by various state and federal agencies. The average cost per patient is \$100 per year.

Approximately one-fourth of the patients are from the Department of Health. Some of the earliest treatments included rest, isolation, and fresh air.

Although the hospital's average daily census has been decreasing steadily, this does not necessarily mean that there is less tuberculosis. According to the Division of Tuberculosis Control, the death rate of tuberculosis has not decreased considerably, but the number of new cases has not decreased proportionately. In fact, over 4,000 new cases were reported in 1958.

At 600-bed Flick, there are 300 patients. Adequate methods of case detection, tuberculin testing and chest X-rays are essential physicians to diagnose disease earlier. This is particularly because of the effort on experimental tuberculosis patients who acquire tuberculosis.

Antituberculous drug therapy has accelerated the cure of the disease. A reservoir of tuberculosis is being destroyed in the human body. A reservoir of tuberculosis has been discovered in patients in older age groups. Consequently, the average age of patients admitted to the hospital is increasing. For advanced tuberculous patients, severe degenerative diseases may be the result of the disease.

Just as experimental approaches and accepted treatments of tuberculosis have improved so has the Flick State Hospital. Originally, C. Turnbull, who had been in charge of the state tuberculosis clinic in Philadelphia, was the first medical director. He was appointed in 1921.

When he was appointed director, the Flick State Hospital had five medical directors. Dr. Turnbull was in the medical service during World War I. Dr. Alvin E. Cowen, chief of the medical staff from 1918 to 1921, served as acting medical director.

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Dr. Lois A. Wenger of Johns Hopkins was appointed medical director in 1923 and served until 1930. Dr. B. Franklin Royer, deputy commissioner of functions and activities of the health under Dr. Samuel C. Dorn, medical services in operation at and after Dr. Dorn's death, act as medical director.

Through intervisiting council and referrals to community health and welfare agencies, Dr. Harry W. West of Altoona, medical social worker on the hospital, who previously served as occupational adjustment and assa in the solution of personal and family problems.

Under the direction of a council of Rehabilitation Counselors, Lawrence F. Flick, M.D., of Philadelphia, was placed in charge of the Flick State Hospital for patients. Patient services include adjustment counseling, psychological testing and therapeutic community work of the service.

A field representative of the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation was a young man, Doc Flick, who works part-time at the Flick State Hospital. He was a member of the Pennsylvania Society for Tuberculosis Control. He was a member of the Pennsylvania Society for Tuberculosis Control.

Dr. Flick's persistent efforts to make tuberculosis a reportable disease, to establish taxpayer-supported tuberculosis hospitals, to found a national tuberculosis association, and to combat it as a power in tuberculosis control, is an indication of his belief in the education of the public with considerable foresight.

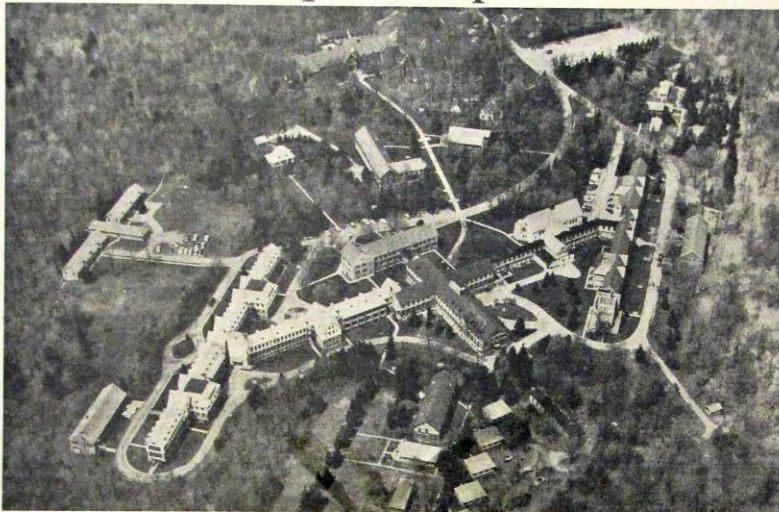
Today, eradication of tuberculosis is no longer necessary, as the goal of medical research is to control the disease. In 1958, the Flick State Hospital was reorganized as the Lawrence F. Flick State Hospital in Cresson, will continue to provide individualized, comprehensive therapy for Pennsylvania citizens with tuberculosis.

Relaxation is not a new project at the Cresson hospital. Dating from the early 1920s, many patients were informally rehabilitated through on-the-job training in the hospital. Some of the first patients who were recipients of this service were young women and men who were trained to become practical nurses, after the tuberculosis was arrested. These classes began in August 1919 and continued uninterrupted, until the hospital was closed in 1921.

In long term illness, diversional therapy is an important adjunct to the total treatment program. Active occupational therapy, occupational therapy aides, teach patients arts, handicrafts, ceramics, leather work, cabinet making, etc. On the prescription of the physician, patients participate in occupational therapy for a designated period.

Flick State Hospital Emphasizes Modern Patient

Care



SPRAWLING ON THE MOUNTAINTOP—Lawrence Flick State Hospital, atop Croston Mountain for 38 years, now a fully-accredited hospital with 27 facilities except obstetrics, has been Central Pennsylvania headquarters for treatment of tuberculosis patients from all walks of life since it opened in 1913. Treatment today is a combined formula of modern drugs, proper food and rest and the aim is to make invalids of the patients.



KEY TO BETTER HEALTH—Colleen McCann calls the plays in the kitchen in her role as dietitian at the Flick State Hospital where what the patient eats plays an important part in his road to recovery. Under the present setup, patients in most wings have menus and portion size charts. And they steadily gain weight as the increased caloric scheduling. The hospital has realized savings of \$200,000 in the food budget as a result of the selected diet program.



KITCHEN WORKERS—Getting ready to set the wheels in motion for the dinner hour, kitchen workers start meal preparation in the main kitchen. There is another kitchen for those on special diets, and still another for the hospital staff. Patients well on the road to recovery are assigned work details as part of the therapeutic program and help out.



CHECKING PATIENT'S PROGRESS—X-ray facilities at the Flick State Hospital figure prominently in checking patient's progress where treatment is aimed at localizing the infection with modern drugs.



BEDSIDE PAINTING—Number painting is a popular pastime for Mary Garavento of Ford City who shows her work to Van H. Tiffany, assistant business manager at the hospital. Diversional therapy is an important part of the program at Flick where there are 12 employes for each patient.

SUBJECT Golden Anniversary Ceremonies
Lawrence F. Flick State Hospital

TO Harry W. Weast, M.D., Medical Director
Lawrence F. Flick State Hospital
Greensboro, Pennsylvania

FROM *H. E. Coder*
H. E. Coder, M.D., Director
Division of Tuberculosis Control

It was indeed a pleasure for Doctor Mudgett and me to be able to attend the ceremonies at your Hospital on Saturday afternoon, June 22, 1963, celebrating the Golden Anniversary of the founding of the Lawrence F. Flick State Hospital. The program which you and your staff arranged was outstanding. The ceremonies in the Community Hall, the displays of the occupational projects, and the tea in the Dining Room were all thoroughly enjoyable. All of the activities which you and your fine staff planned for this occasion were another example of the outstanding work which you have been doing at the Hospital, both for the patients in your hospital and for the community in which you live.

Please express to your staff my sincere appreciation for their fine work.

I am enclosing a copy of Doctor Wilbar's Address of Welcome for your records.

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READING THE X-RAYS—Dr. Francis Taylor of Altoona, thoracic surgeon at Flick State Hospital, reads the X-rays of patients scheduled for surgery. Major chest surgery, becoming more

and more important in tuberculosis treatment, has been performed at Flick since 1950. Surgery ends the answer if a patient can't be cured any other way.

IN THE LABORATORY—Checking specimens under the microscope in the fully-equipped laboratory at Flick State Hospital is James J. Hink, who heads the operation. Officials report

that it isn't that the incidence of tuberculosis is falling off, but rather that with the modern drugs and surgical methods patients are being cured more quickly and released sooner.

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Dr. Turbull was 1st superintendent
Miss Allin - 1st head nurse

Mary Macbeth - head teacher at
Creson Sanatorium 1952

Mr. Joseph Korkal (H. T. B. J. T.)
who worked in O.T. made this
book - gave Dr. Johnson - gifted article

Jan 1952 - ~~1st~~ 2nd class assignment for
becoming first surgeon - met all
OOB for 6 mos.

The Flick State Hospital
Creson, Pennsylvania
requests the honor of your presence
for the observance of its
FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY
Saturday afternoon, the twenty-second of June
nineteen hundred and sixty-three
two o'clock, d. s. t.
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EXPLAINS TB EXHIBIT AT FLICK HOSPITAL — Dr. Harry W. West (left), medical director of the Lawrence F. Flick State Hospital here yesterday and Saturday as it observed the 50th anniversary of its founding in 1913 as a pioneer institution in tuberculosis control.

Charles Wilbur (center), Pennsylvania secretary of health, and Cong. John P. Saylor during the anniversary program at the state hospital Saturday afternoon. The display is one of a group housed in the exhibit building adjacent to the community auditorium.

Flick Hospital Marks 50 Years Of TB Service

CRENSON — More than a thousand visitors were guided on tours through the Lawrence F. Flick State Hospital here yesterday and Saturday as it observed the 50th anniversary of its founding in 1913 as a pioneer institution in tuberculosis control.

Under a bright sun and cloudless sky, the 28th Division Band of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard played a concert in front of the main building, housing from 200 to 300 patients, in the afternoon.

In earlier anniversary observances (Continued on page 17, column 1)



PRINCIPALS IN PROGRAM MARKING STATE HOSPITAL ANNIVERSARY — Principals in the program in the community auditorium at the Lawrence F. Flick State Hospital at Cresson on Saturday to mark the 50th anniversary of the opening of the institution are (left to right): Sen. Dr. Harry W. West, chief of staff and administrator, Dr. Charles L. Wilbur Jr., Pennsylvania secretary of health, Cong. John P. Saylor and Dr. Harold E. Coder, state director of the Division of Tuberculosis Control; standing—Dr. Charles Mudgett, chief of the tuberculosis hospital section, Division of Tuberculosis Control; the Rev. Walter Byrnes, Catholic chaplain at the hospital, and the Rev. Walter B. Purnell, Protestant chaplain.

FLICK HOSPITAL MARKS 50 YEARS

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Saturday afternoon in the community hall, both State Secretary of Health Charles L. Wilbur Jr., M.D. and Cong. John P. Saylor of the 2nd District discussed the advancement of TB medication and control during the half-century since the maintenance hospital was opened.

Cong. Saylor, who made the anniversary address, recalled establishment of the hospital, on 600 acres donated to the commonwealth by Andrew Carnegie, was half a century after the crucial Battle of Gettysburg, which was a turning point in the war to save the state.

Cong. Saylor noted that some 20,000 patients had been cured here since the opening of the hospital, in which the motto always has been: "T.B. is for 'under, long, and care.'" Greater load came in the years after World War I and the decrease in tuberculosis is due partially to the improved diet and sanitary conditions in the average American home.

Among the guests introduced by Harry W. West, M.D., medical director of the hospital, were: Harold E. Coder, M.D., director of the Division of Tuberculosis Control, and Charles Mudgett, M.D., chief of tuberculosis hospitals, State Department of Health.

Invocation was given by the Rev. Walter B. Purnell, Protestant chaplain, and the Altoona Roman Catholic, directed by Howard W. Lashman, sang several selections. Benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Father Walter Byrnes, Catholic chaplain.

During the weekend, the hospital had on display near the community hall a display of occupational therapy and a health unit which was second place ribbon at last week's Elmer McMillan, director of nursing, health charge.

The institution, which currently has 224 patients, is a fully accredited hospital and is honored in honor of Lawrence F. Flick, M.D., "Cancer City" native. It was begun through the efforts of Samuel C. Green, Pennsylvania's first commissioner of health, who was a TB patient.

1,000 Attend Hospital's Anniversary

CRENSON—Approximately 1,000 persons heard Lawrence F. Flick State Hospital observe the institution's 50th anniversary observance and open house over the weekend.

The observance opened Saturday with an address program which featured talks by Dr. C. L. Wilbur, state secretary of health, and Rep. John P. Saylor of Johnstown.

Both men spoke of the history of tuberculosis control and stressed the contribution through the years by the Tuberculosis and Health Society.

The program was in charge of Dr. Harry W. West, medical director of the local hospital.

Choir Entertain

Entertainment included selections by the Kovansa Choir of Altoona, under the direction of Howard Linderman. Open house, with guided tours through the institution, followed the formal program.

Sunday's events featured a concert by the Pennsylvania National Guard's 28th Infantry Division Band. The concert was held in front of the administration building and was attended by patients and guests.

Persons touring the hospital saw an exhibit in the occupational therapy department and a tuberculosis health display which won second prize honors at the recent Health Fair at the Cambria County War Memorial, Johnstown. The exhibit was in charge of Miss Eleanor McMillan, RN, director of nursing services at the hospital.

Special Guests

Among special guests at the 2-day observance were Dr. Harold E. Coder, director of the Division of Tuberculosis Control, State Department of Health, and Dr. Charles Mudgett, who is chief of tuberculosis hospitals throughout the state.

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The hospital was opened in 1913 with about a dozen patients. Today there are 224 patients.