

Santa Plans Yule Visit to State School

Santa will make the rounds of the wards at Willowbrook State School Christmas morning in

what promises to be the biggest holiday observance in the institution's history. Dr. Harold H. Berman, the school's director, said today.

Berman said hundreds of gifts, dolls and toys of all description have been "pouring in" to Willowbrook from individuals and organizations throughout Staten Island and the metropolitan area.

The school director said special parties and dances have been arranged at the school through-

out the holiday season, with many under auspices of veterans' posts, school and volunteer groups and industrial firms.

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 1956

State School to Open Clinic for Nurses

Student nurses from two Long Island state hospital schools of nursing will be guests of Willowbrook State School, beginning Monday, when a four-week course of clinical experience in nursing with the mentally retarded gets under way.

State Department of Mental Hygiene officials said the Willowbrook project had been developed after six years of planning, and will serve as a pilot project for similar programs in other mental hygiene facilities

throughout the state in the future.

The student nurses will come to Willowbrook from Pilgrim State Hospital, Brentwood, and Kings Park State Hospital, Kings Park, both Long Island.

Training at the Island school will include experience with patients on admission services, rehabilitation and training wards, and the education department.

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School Has New Assistant Director

Dr. A. Milton Jacobs, supervising psychiatrist at Willowbrook State School, has been appointed assistant director, it was announced today by Dr. Harold H. Berman, director.

Dr. Jacobs, former supervising

psychiatrist at St. Lawrence State Hospital, Ogdensburg, N.Y., is a member of the faculty of New York University's College of Medicine, the Richmond County Medical Society and the American psychiatric Association.

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State Course in Care of Retarded

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ALBANY, Jan. 7.—Clinical training in the care of mentally retarded patients will be added to the curricula of state hospital schools of nursing, it was announced today by Dr. Paul N. Hoch, State Commissioner of Mental Hygiene.

Nurses in the senior class at Pilgrim State Hospital, West Brentwood, L. I., will be the first to participate in the expanded program when they report on Monday to Willow Brook State Hospital on Staten Island for a four-week training period.

Others from Kings Park State Hospital, Kings Park, L. I., will be given the course starting late in February.

Dr. Hoch says the new course has developed from six years of planning and will be extended to other nursing schools under his department's jurisdiction at an early date.

The program represents a new departure in nurse education, Dr. Hoch said, and is being undertaken in an effort to broaden the basic student nurse course to include training in all major physical and mental health problems.