

## Nurses' Conference Includes 9 Agencies

Nurses from nine agencies on Staten Island will exchange views at next Wednesday afternoon's meeting of the Committee for Joint Conferences of Professional Nurses at Willowbrook State School. The subject will be "The Retarded Child — His Care and Management."

The program, to open at 2 o'clock in the auditorium of Building No. 3, is open to all professional nurses, actively engaged in practice or retired.

Guided tours of the Willowbrook facilities are set for 1:15 and 4:15 o'clock.

The joint committee is composed of representatives from St. Vincent's, Sea View, Staten Island and U.S. Public Health Service Hospitals; Farm Colony, the city Health Department, Visiting Nurse Association, Wagner College School of Nursing and Willowbrook State School.

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GREETINGS will be extended by Miss Florence Goodfield, chief supervising nurse of Willowbrook and the program will be introduced by Mrs. Aida Solomon, district supervising public health nurse for the city Health Department.

A demonstration of nursing care will be given by Mrs. Edna Clark and Mrs. Hope Madsen, head nurses at Willowbrook; Mrs. Madeline Mistretta, Mrs. Jean Pearch and Mrs. Ruth Raffone, attendants.

Refreshments will be served by students of the Willowbrook academic school's homemaking classes.

## Willowbrook Aide Given Key Post

Dr. Martin Lazar, an assistant director of Willowbrook State School since 1950, today was appointed director of Utica (N. Y.) State Hospital by the state Department of Mental Hygiene.

Dr. Lazar, who has served in state mental institutions since 1937, coordinated and directed medical, laboratory and rehabilitation services at Willowbrook and was active in other areas of the institution's work.

He was named director of the Utica institution by Mental Hygiene Commissioner Paul H. Hoch to succeed Dr. Bascom B. Young, who retired Oct. 1. The post carries a salary range of \$14,362 to \$16,672.

## Society Gifts Dedicated at State School

A heart machine, an offset press and a small ferris wheel, all gifts from the Benevolent Society for Retarded Children, were dedicated yesterday at ceremonies at Willowbrook State School.

The society is operated largely by parents of retarded children and is a fund raising city-wide organization. It is an affiliate of the national group and dedicates its service to the Island school.

Barnet Skolnick, chairman of the board of the Kingsbury Jewish Community League, the group which donated the heart machine to the society, presented it to Dr. Harold H. Berman, director of the school.

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MRS. MIRIAM Nunley, donor of the ferris wheel, dedicated the gift in memory of Mary Boyle, a member of the society who died last year. The wheel has a capacity of approximately 10 children and stands next to the school's carousel.

Fred Jackels, superintendent

of occupational therapy, gave a brief demonstration of the operation of the press, the cost of which was furnished by the members of the society.

William Heisler, chairman of the dedication committee announced that a luncheon to mark the culmination of a fund drive that began last spring, will take place Nov. 7 in the Waldorf-Astoria, Manhattan. The luncheon will be the group's 10th annual affair of its kind.