

State School To Get Annex For Children

The State Mental Hygiene Department has signed a lease with New York City which will make five floors in the main hospital building of Gouverneur Hospital, Manhattan, an annex for Willowbrook State School.

The five floors of the hospital at Gouverneur Slip and Front St. will undergo the necessary renovations for the care and treatment of 200 non-ambulatory mentally retarded children now at Willowbrook, according to Dr. Harold Berman, director of the School.

Dr. Berman, who will also be in charge of the annex, said that the transfer of the non-ambulatory children will provide space at Willowbrook for the admission of more young patients.

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DR. PAUL H. HOCH, state mental hygiene commissioner, said the purpose of the lease was to relieve the overcrowding of schools providing services for children from New York.

He also announced that a new state school is to be built in Suffolk County.

Dr. Berman said he had no idea when the children would be transferred from the Island school.

Dr. Hoch said that in accordance with the agreement, the city will continue to provide out-patient clinics, home care, ambulance and emergency services at Gouverneur Hospital. It discontinued in-patient service at the hospital last spring.

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Practical Nurse School Formed

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ALBANY, Sept. 22.—The State Department of Mental Hygiene today announced the establishment of a school for practical nursing at the Willowbrook State School S. I.

The school, which will offer a 12-month course, is part of a program to augment the nursing services of the state schools for the mentally retarded.