

# It's Your Opinion

## Public Can Help State School

Does the public really know what our Willowbrook School holds and cares for? Under what conditions the school is conducted? . . .

If you took advantage of our Open House, May 5, when the public was invited to visit the various buildings and children and see just what has been accomplished, perhaps, then you could be a little more sympathetic and understanding. . .

As for the staff of doctors, supervisors, nurses and therapists, with their years of schooling and training they are expected to know and not guess. Our patients get the best medical care possible and I have seen them work with patients critically ill, with no clock watching. . .

As for the attendants, their job is just as demanding in a different way. True, we care for many more patients than perhaps we should, but is that the fault of the director or school? No, dear neighbor, it isn't. It is the fault of your state! Why? Money!

. . . Do you know how many attendants donate their time and money to help make the patients and the wards they work in a little bit more cheerful? Many. They don't do it for a pat on the back but from their hearts. They know their little patients enjoy seeing gay pictures on the wall, bright curtains on the windows, perfumed bath powder sprinkled on them after a bath or a bright ribbon in their hair. . .

As a citizen you have the right to question. Perhaps you can help in ways you never realized you could. Maybe you have a little time to come in and volunteer your talents that would benefit our patients or just give yourself an hour or so to play or read to the children. Maybe some could form clubs

to raise money. Why not call and check with the director of Social Services? You would be most welcome.