

## Willowbrook to Present 'Camelot'

A special adaptation of the musical "Camelot" starring children from the Willowbrook State School for the Mentally Retarded will be presented on Saturday at the 19th annual benefit luncheon sponsored by the Benevolent Society for Retarded Children.

Proceeds from the event at the New York Hilton will go to the Staten Island school,

the world's largest institution for the mentally retarded.

James F. Reville, president of the New York State Association for Retarded Children, will be given an award for his work. Assemblyman Moses Weinstein of Queens will be the guest speaker.

Tickets at \$25 a person, may be obtained from the society at 39 West 32d Street.

STATEN ISLAND ADVANCE, THURSDAY, MAY 8, 1969

## Luncheon to finance picnic area for retarded

Willowbrook State School, the world's largest institution for the mentally retarded, will receive all proceeds from the 19th annual luncheon of the Benevolent Society for Retarded Children Saturday in the grand ballroom of the New York Hilton at Rockefeller Center.

Willowbrook, directed by Dr. Jack Hammond, presently serves 5,500 men, women and children.

A large part of the funds from the luncheon will be used to develop a picnic area for patients and their families.

The area will include a heated, glass-enclosed recreation hall for year-round activities. Funds will also be used for hearing aids, washing machines, scientific kitchens and laboratory research equipment.

Additional funds will provide entertainment for the patients

in the form of field trips to the circus, movies and TV shows.

A highlight of the luncheon program will be an adaptation of the Broadway show, "Camelot," performed by school children from Willowbrook. Each luncheon table will feature a centerpiece made by the occupational therapy department, which will be awarded as a door

prize to one winner at each table.

The guest of honor will be Dr. Frederick Grumberg, deputy commissioner of the division of retardation for the State Mental Hygiene Department.

Moses Weinstein, state assemblyman from Queens, is scheduled to speak. Dr. James F. Reville, president of the New

York State Association for Retarded Children for the past four years, will receive an award for his "dedication and devotion" to broadening programs for retarded children.

Tickets are being handled by Mrs. Israel Epstein, care of the Benevolent Society for Retarded Children, 39 West 32nd St., Manhattan.