No person present could recall seeing the team leader meet with any parents about their child — and the parents are said to be quite active and often present around Building 23. They were able to recall one time the leader had met with the parents of a child who had been severely injured in an accident in the ward.

Several parents present said they do not even know what the team leader looks like.

Dr. Baldos is further charged with ignoring the needs of the afternoon and evening shifts. The head night nurse, Mrs. Nancy Begeley, said the only contacts she had had with the team leader were on a few occasions when Dr. Baldos came to complain of the incompetence of the night staff and to suggest that there was a preponderence of little-utilized night staffers.

SHORT OF HELP

The evening nurse, who has charge of the entire building, cited instances when she herself had to set up the dining room in the morning because of too few employes.

Lynn Crawford, a rehabilitation therapist in the building, said, "She always refers to the residents as the 'autist' or the 'schizophrenic' or the 'retarded girl' — never as 'Mary,' 'Susan' or 'Jean.' She doesn't treat them as human beings."

Foremost in the minds of the staff and the parents was the lack of clothing for residents in the building. Laundry services at the school are antiquated and overloaded. Recognizing the problem, the administration is presently seeking bids to contract laundry services during the rehabilitation of the school's facilities. But, workers say, there will then be a lapse of five days between the time the laundry goes out and the time it is returned.

Parents say there is now a sign in front of the administration building turning away clothing donations.

Parents charge that the clothing donations are turned away because the school administrators "can't be bothered to sort and distribute the clothes."

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