

It's your opinion

Willowbrook staff urged to keep trying

Recently I read in the Advance on the front page that many of the ex-residents of Willowbrook aren't living in any better conditions; in fact, they are living in worse conditions! What a disgrace! To these ex-residents, my heart goes out for them.

I feel that too many people have gotten all wound up with Willowbrook, they haven't looked into any other state facilities to see if conditions were any better there.

The other day I read that Gov. Carey had visited Willowbrook and was quite satisfied with the many improvements which have been made at the center. I feel it's about time that people stopped attacking Willowbrook and instead get after the Department of Mental Hygiene as a whole to investigate all state facilities.

To all the staff of Willowbrook Developmental Center, let us all continue trying our best. Our efforts are just starting to be seen and let us keep having many more of the many good aspects of Willowbrook being shown to the public.

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