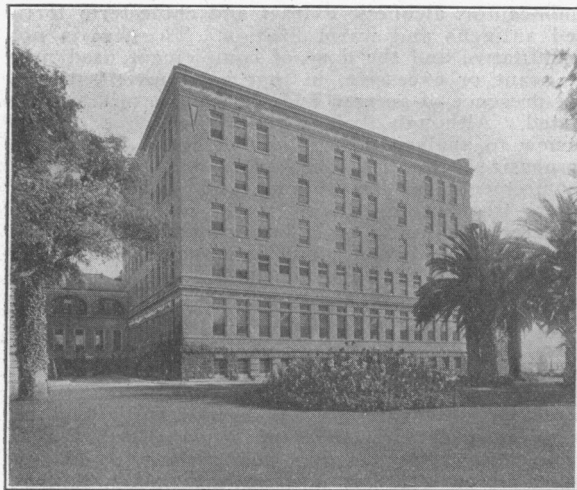


times of the day those who are able to get out on the grounds are taken by this teacher, who reads to them and amuses them in various ways.

The X-ray department has been equipped with the very latest and most complete appliances, including the necessary equipment for fluoroscopic examinations for stomach and intestinal affections.

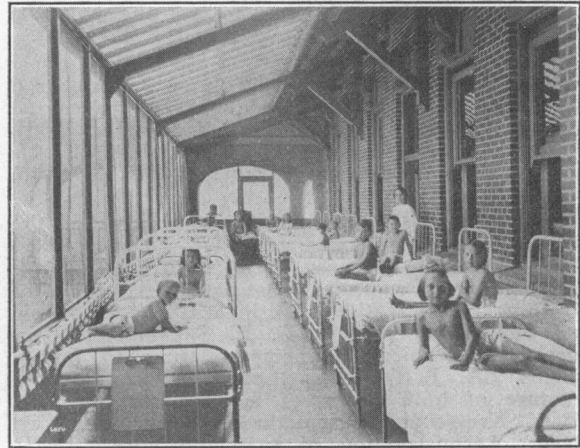
The pathological department consists of two laboratories, one for the daily record work by internes and the other for more minute, extensive or complete tests, such as Wassermann tests, and the making of serums, vaccines, etc. Chemical analysis of water, milk, etc., is also made in this department.

One dentist and one oculist are valued adjuncts.



proximately \$125,000. This is a five-story-and-base-ment building, fire-proof, with the kitchen on the top floor, modernly equipped in every particular. At the present time we have eleven dining rooms and five kitchens upon the property, and these will all be housed in the new service building when it is put into operation.

Work has just been commenced upon the first unit of a new, modern and up-to-date nurses' home; present contract, \$50,000. It is expected that the completed institution will cost approximately \$150,000. In addition to the sleeping quarters, it will contain ample class rooms, demonstration rooms, laboratory, social quarters, recreation facilities, etc.



CHILDREN'S SUN ROOM

The Los Angeles County Library has established a branch in connection with the hospital, where patients may secure papers and books. One of the librarians makes daily rounds of the wards and supplies the wants of patients who are permitted to read. The patients in contagious and tuberculosis wards are not allowed to use the books in circulation in other wards, but have a separate supply. Particularly for hospital staff use, extensive medical and surgical journals are supplied.

The leper colony is an interesting feature to some persons, although visitors are not allowed in the enclosure. It is the only such colony in the southern part of the State, and generally has from five to eight inmates. The men raise some vegetables and flowers and try to make the place livable and a little brighter.

There is a social service department at the County Hospital, with three employees. This department is doing excellent and remunerative work. There is no question but that a well-organized hospital service department increases to a marked extent the efficiency of the hospital. In her work, the social worker is an aid to the physician in ascertaining circumstances which may have a bearing on the condition and the treatment of the patient. She is also an aid in following up such patients to see that advice is carried out and such home conditions secured as are suitable for complete recoveries. An important function of such workers is to supply the human touch which is so often needed to counteract the institutional atmosphere of systematic, machine-like operation.

Constant religious services and ministrations are furnished by Protestant clergymen and Catholic priests, who are paid by outside agencies. A chapel upon the grounds is available at all times.

A new power plant, costing about \$100,000, has just been completed. Ample facilities are provided thereby for the generation of electric current, vacuum cleaning, steam heating, laundry work, etc.

A new service building has just been completed and is practically ready for occupancy, costing ap-

As an adjunct of the County Hospital we are now constructing a new tuberculosis sanatorium, called "Olive View," four miles from San Fernando in the valley of that name, and twenty-five miles from the County Hospital. This is located at an elevation of 1500 feet with a beautiful valley and mountain view, and many ideal conditions for the class of patients it will accommodate. We expect it to be ready for occupancy about July 1, 1919.

We are always glad to answer inquiries regarding our work and show about the institution visitors who are interested in a friendly way, health conditions permitting.

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#### TUBERCULOSIS AFTER INFLUENZA

According to Mrs. E. L. M. Tate-Thompson, Director of the bureau of tuberculosis of the State Board of Health, California will be obliged to increase the number of its beds by at least one-third in the tuberculosis sanatoria of the counties. Patients who have not made a complete recovery from influenza and pneumonia will find the aftermath, in many instances, to be tuberculosis. Already some of the counties are making haste to provide more beds. Considering the fact that no community in the state escaped the epidemic, much work will need to be done by the city and county visiting nurses in following up by house visits the people who were ill, and in warning them that the utmost care must be taken of themselves, and to observe whether they need a physical examination to detect tuberculosis. This is the time when an ounce of prevention is worth a hundred pounds of cure. The unaccounted tired feeling, the loss of weight and appetite are danger signals that must be heeded. The public must have at least learned by this time that it is well to beware of the man and woman who cough and sneeze in the faces of people near them.