

more positively explaining the functions of a psychopathic hospital, I must dwell a moment upon its name.

The name psychopathic hospital is, I believe, an American contribution. It is possible that we should ascribe the term to the late Pliny Earle, of Northampton, Massachusetts, that distinguished man, who, beside erecting the monoliths over the Northampton State Hospital grounds, is entitled to enduring fame for having shown the fallacy of early statistical methods in insane hospitals all over the world by his famous, if now obvious distinction between the "case" and the "person." He showed how by enumerating "cases" of recovery and omitting to consider which *persons* were responsible for these *cases* the extraordinary high percentages of recovery claimed by sundry institutions of the highest grade must utterly collapse. Well, it also appears that he had something of modern developments in mind when he compared the psychopathic hospital for the future so far back as the year 1877, with hospitals of his own day, by saying that they would be as diamonds to coal!

The psychopathic hospital is often a university clinic, although this is not implicit in the idea. It is often a municipal or state affair, divorced from university control and contacts.

The term clinic is nowadays used for so many types of institution, even certain non-medical institutions, that its formerly accepted significance as a teaching opportunity is fast lapsing. On the whole, however, so long as teaching is subordinate, perhaps in many communities it will prove wiser to speak of hospitals than of clinics. But these subtleties of nomenclature alter from year to year and differ from place to place, so that whether we term an institution psychopathic hospital or psychiatric clinic, we may not (indeed we cannot) aspire to unanimity in name.

In America we speak, then, of the psychopathic hospital or psychiatric clinic group as that very small group of institutions led off by the foundation of the psychopathic ward at Ann Arbor in 1906 and followed in 1912 by the psychopathic hospital in Boston, and in 1913 by the Phipps Psychiatric Clinic in Baltimore.

In the New York state hospital system there exists a Psychiatric Institute upon Ward's Island which is another research centre. Enlarging the circle of consideration a bit to include the practical (but not especially research-adapted institutions) we should include the Bellevue psychopathic ward and the psychopathic hospital in Cook County, Illinois.

In Newark, New Jersey, and in St. Louis there are institutions or arrangements which look in the same directions.

Syracuse, New York, has a small psychopathic ward upon a sep-