

finest research problems in mental hygiene will probably never be solved outside of these privately endowed institutions, since the human material needed to solve them can hardly be found elsewhere.

We are now ready to come to the point of the new type of institution known as psychopathic hospital. But first I must mention (5) specialized *institutions for the epileptic* and (6) specialized *institutions for the feeble-minded* with possibly (7) special *institutions for dipsomaniacs*. The two former, namely, institutions for the epileptic and the feeble-minded are sometimes still found under the same roof, although it is a well established principle of mental hygiene that not only should the feeble-minded be treated outside of institutions for the insane, but should also be treated in separate institutions.

Whether specialized institutions for alcoholics can ever be in general maintained or will be needed in future is a question we do not here need to enter. I would make one point, however, namely, that alcoholics do not like to be called insane and the insane do not like to be grouped with alcoholics, so that a pretty skillful handling of the mental hygiene situation is necessary in doing social justice to the two groups under the same roof or from the same social or psychological or psychiatric desk.

We should then probably find (8) a number of *other special institutions* built up upon public, semi-public or private foundations which deal with local and special problems in particular and successful ways, and in the community we find, of course, a number of institutions which are frankly enough commercial in their aim but which give proper and adequate service for their relatively high charges.

That the state is the best boarding house keeper, can not be denied if we confine our attention to the budget and omit reference to invisible elements of the tax rate and also if we wink somewhat at the quality of the board and lodging provided. It ill behooves the publicist, however, to berate the commercial institution simply because he can show such excellent work in the course of accomplishment in *certain* state institutions; for in other state institutions far worse conditions are found in certain states (I will not say provinces) than are to be found in any commercial institutions, short of those immortalized by Mr. C. W. Beers in his book, "A Mind that Found Itself."

We come now (9) to the so-called *psychopathic hospital*, whose functions I hope to have in part explained in the course of the enumeration of other mechanisms for the insane just mentioned. In