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Dayton has interesting Hospital Record

Our hospital arrangement has worked satisfactorily for several years. The Dayton State Hospital is a state institution for the insane. The local superintendent has been very cooperative and agrees to admit A.A. patients for a ten-day stay at the Hospital without the usual Probate Court proceedings. These persons are admitted not as insane persons, but as potential members of A.A. They are given hydrotherapy but no other treatment unless their condition calls for special attention of some kind. We have a special privilege of visiting any day from 9 A.M. to 9 P.M., and of course it is the practice of members of the group to see that the patient has plenty of visitors. The patients are given liberty of the grounds, but are obligated not to leave the reservation. The cost is insignificant, and in more than 50 per cent of the cases, it has started the patient on the road to recovery. This plan is not generally adopted at the state institutions, and the question of whether or not any cooperation will be extended to A.A. is a matter entirely within the province of the local superintendent. Here in Dayton we have been particularly fortunate in having a superintendent who is interested and anxious to cooperate with us. Since facilities of the Dayton Hospital are not available for a patient more than once, we have found that the atmosphere at the Weber Rest Home, in Columbus, is very beneficial for the members who have experienced difficulty after being in the group for some time. Here they can have a five-day rest in A.A. environment.

Ted Weber and the Columbus group have that burning enthusiasm which is bound to be effective if a patient desires to correct the situation.

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