REPORT FROM IOWA
MAME ROSE PROSSER

My report of occupational therapy activities in Iowa can do little except to emphasize the fact that this line of work has been but slightly attempted in this state.

Miss Jennie K. Allen, who has charge of the craft work in the State University Hospital School, took charge of collecting the material for this report. Thirty-one questionnaires were sent out to hospitals of fifty beds or over, to state institutions, and to one United States Public Health Hospital.

Eight replies have been received. The date set for the report is so near that it seems best to send such material as has come. Two of the reports deal with industrial pursuits. One large general hospital reports no work being done.

The other five, with the report of the work at the State University Hospital, follow:

I. State hospitals for the insane:
   1. Clarinda,

II. Sanitoria for the treatment of tuberculosis:
   1. State Sanitorium, Oakdale,
   2. Pine Knoll, Davenport,
   3. Sunnyslope, Ottumwa.

III. State University Hospital, Iowa City.

The superintendents reporting are in sympathy with the work and approve the idea of a state society, if it could be organized.

The work of the hospitals for the insane is oldest and best developed. At Clarinda two resident teachers are employed; at Mt. Pleasant, one.

Of the tuberculosis sanitoria, Sunnyslope has a non-resident teacher working part time. The other two attempted the work two years ago, but at present are not doing any.
The work at the State University Hospital is confined to children. It has been in operation for two years and has been very successful. Miss Allen has an elementary training course for students which carries university credit. Practise teaching is required in the course, and most of the work with the children is directed by this class under Miss Allen's supervision.

I regret that my report is so limited. No doubt there are other institutions in the state that have occupational therapy, but they have not reported as yet.

I should greatly appreciate the help and encouragement of any Iowa people who hear this report. Miss Allen and I will gladly coöperate with any individual or group that wishes to further the cause of occupational therapy in the state.