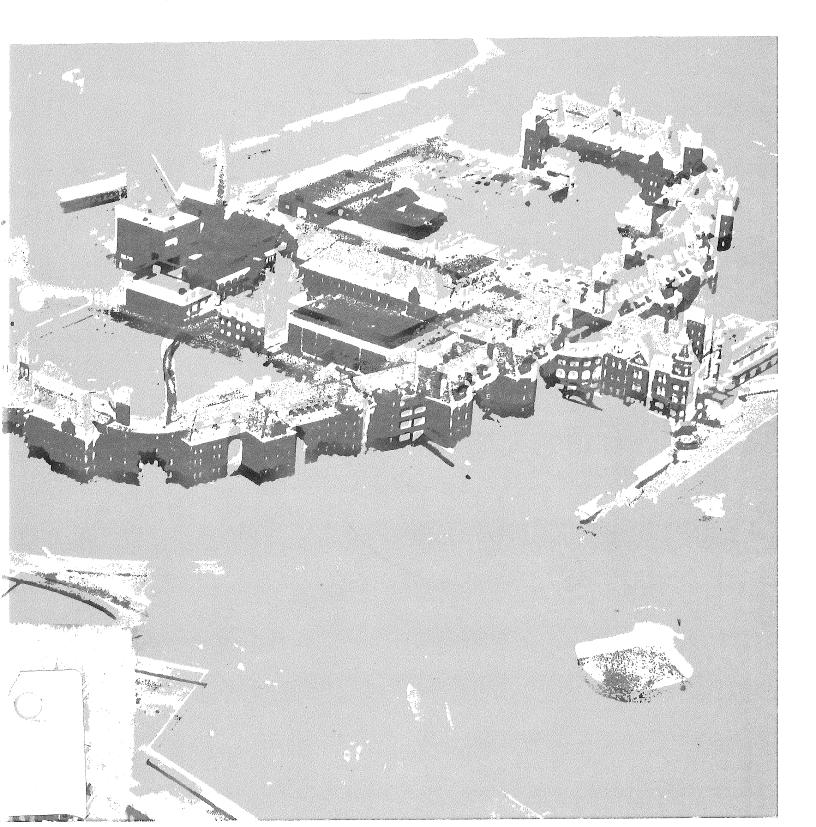
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A REPORT

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The year 1970 was one of significant change as far as the role of the Fergus Falls State Hospital is concerned. For the eighty years since its inception, this hospital has served primarily the mentally ill. In response to the intent of the legislature, the hospital, in 1969, adopted the concept of multi-purpose hospitals serving smaller regions by establishing new programs for the mentally retarded and the inebriate.

1970 was the first year to indicate the impact of this change in provision of services. Whereas in 1969 we admitted 777 patients primarily for treatment of mental illness, in 1970 we admitted for treatment 591 mentally ill, 186 mentally retarded, and 360 inebriate patients for a total of 1,137. The geographic breakdown for these figures is as follows: MENTALLY ILL - 219 admissions from the nine county Lakeland area, 219 admissions from the ten county Upper Mississippi-Northern Pines area, 114 admissions from the seven county Northwest area, and 39 adolescent admissions from the total 26 county area. MENTALLY RETARDED - 186 admissions from the 16 counties of the Lakeland and Northwest areas. INEBRIATE - 360 admissions from the 16 counties of the Lakeland and Northwest areas.

During 1971, Brainerd State Hospital will begin programs for the mentally ill and the inebriate patient from the ten counties of the Upper Mississippi-Northern Pines area. During the same period, we will initiate additional programs at the Fergus Falls State Hospital for the remaining disability groupings of mentally retarded from the Lakeland and Northwest areas. As a consequence, our admissions for 1971 will show further decrease for the mentally ill, increase for the mentally retarded, and little change for

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the inebriate patient population.

Our present population at the Fergus Falls State Hospital is 338 mentally ill, 220 mentally retarded, and 49 inebriate patients. In 1972, projections indicate we will have 250 mentally ill, 350 mentally retarded, and 50 inebriate patients.

This change in program requires a tremendous amount of staff education, remodeling of physical facilities, changes in supply and equipment needs, increased need for volunteers in new as well as the more familiar services, and a change in general orientation to increased emphasis on training and education.

Despite the additional burden that such change brings to hospital and community staff, we are very optimistic about the future. The reduction of our receiving area from 26 to 16 counties presents greater opportunity for closer working relationships between the hospital and community agencies. This reduced receiving area and the fact that we are serving all categories of mentally disabled will make the hospital more accessible for patients seeking admission and for visitors. It will also reduce travel time for community and hospital staff.

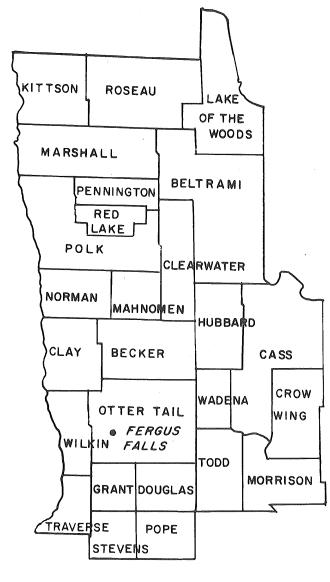
The challenge of providing services based upon need rather than upon legal or medical definition and a cooperative effort to assess whether particular services are best provided by the community or the hospital is now before us. Our staff looks forward to continued cooperation with families, community agencies, and interested citizens to meet that challenge in providing the optimum of treatment and prevention of mental disabilities.

Respectfully submitted,

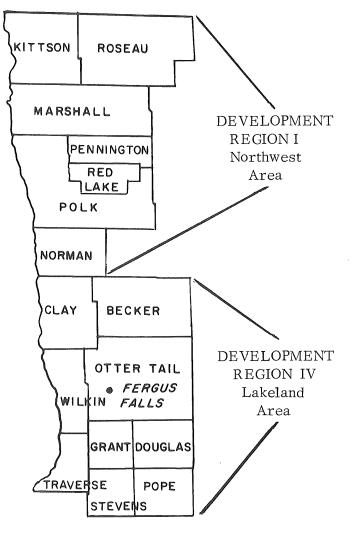
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A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH TEAM FERGUS FALLS STATE HOSPITAL RECEIVING DISTRICT

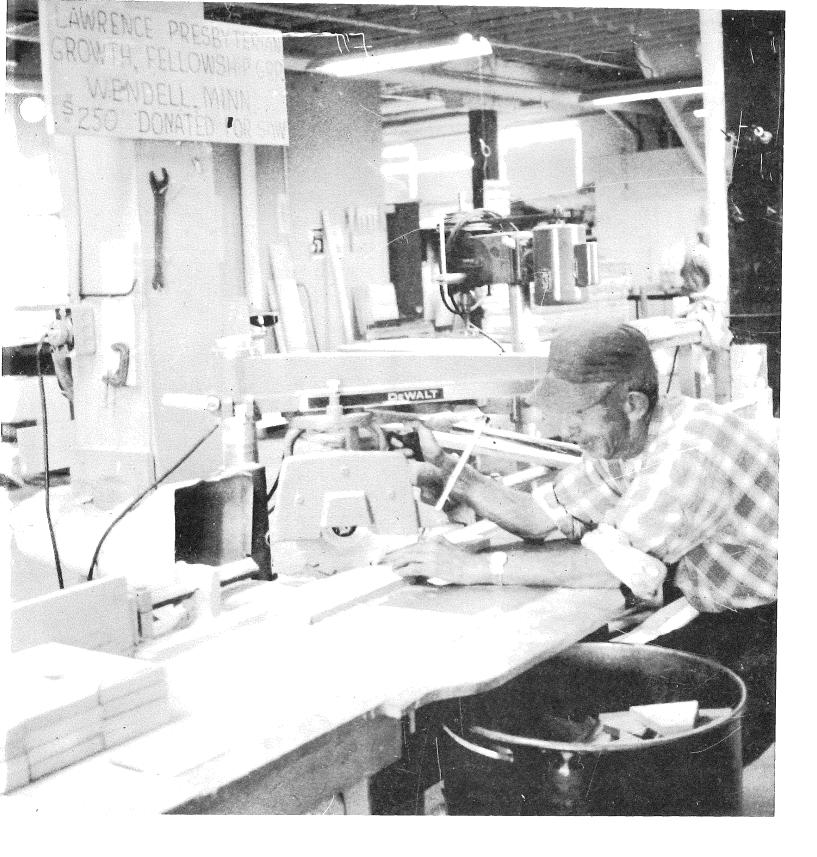


CURRENT RECEIVING DISTRICT 26 Counties 1970 Population - 441,800



PROPOSED RECEIVING DISTRICT 16 Counties * 1970 Population - 277,528

*Providing needed hospital services by January 1, 1972 to all categories of the mentally disabled within this area.



THE LAKE REGION SHELTERED WORKSHOP AT FERGUS FALLS OFFERS JOB TRAINING FOR THE HANDICAPPED THAT PROVIDES NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR PAID COMPETITIVE EMPLOYMENT FOR PATIENTS AT THE FERGUS FALLS STATE HOSPITAL



THE MENTAL RETARDATION TREATMENT PROGRAM WHICH WAS ESTABLISHED AT THE FERGUS FALLS STATE HOSPITAL IN 1969 PROVIDES BASIC LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES WHICH ALLOW EACH STUDENT TO DEVELOP TO THE MAXIMUM OF HIS ABILITY

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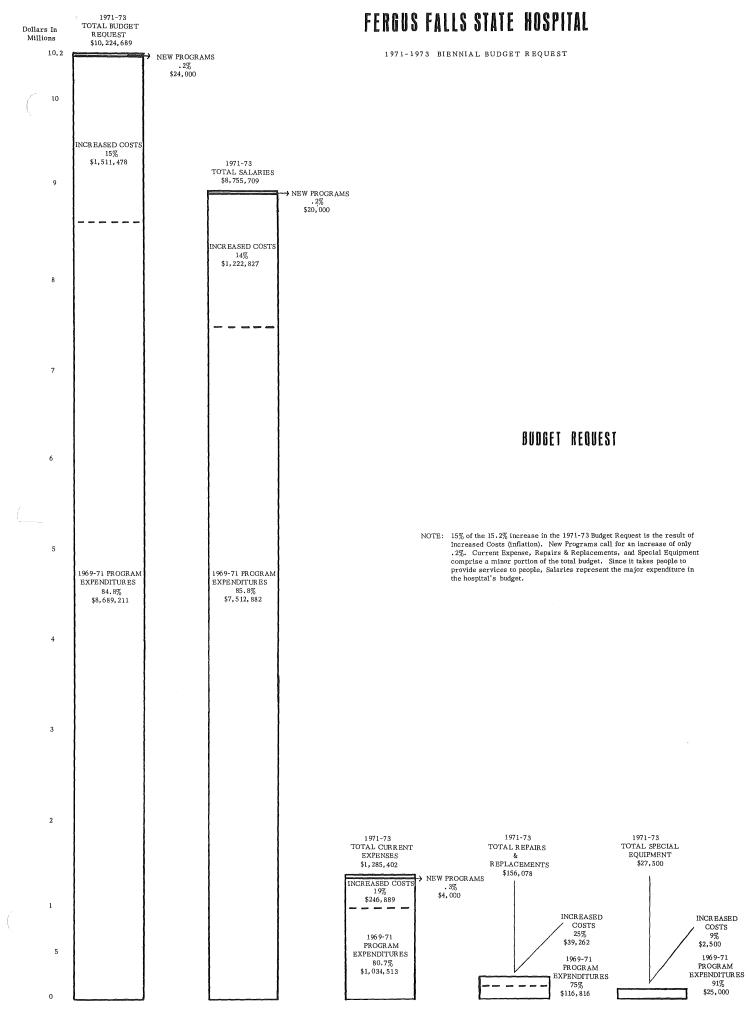
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1971 - 1973 BIENNIAL BUDGET REQUEST

	1969-71 EXPENDITURE	1971-73 REQUEST	INCREASE OVER 1969-71	
SALARIES (477 employment positions*)	\$7,512,882	\$8,755,709	\$1,242,827	
CURRENT EXPENSES	\$1,034,513	\$1,285,402	\$ 250,889	
REPAIRS & REPLACEMENTS	\$ 116,816	\$ 156,078	\$ 39,262	
SPECIAL EQUIPMENT	\$ 25,000	<u>\$ 27,500</u>	\$ 2,500	
TOTAL	\$8,689,2 11	\$10,224,689	\$1,535,478	

*Decrease of 10 employment positions from last biennium's approved compliment

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FERGUS FALLS STATE HOSPITAL

Number of Patients

2,000

HOSPITAL POPULATION

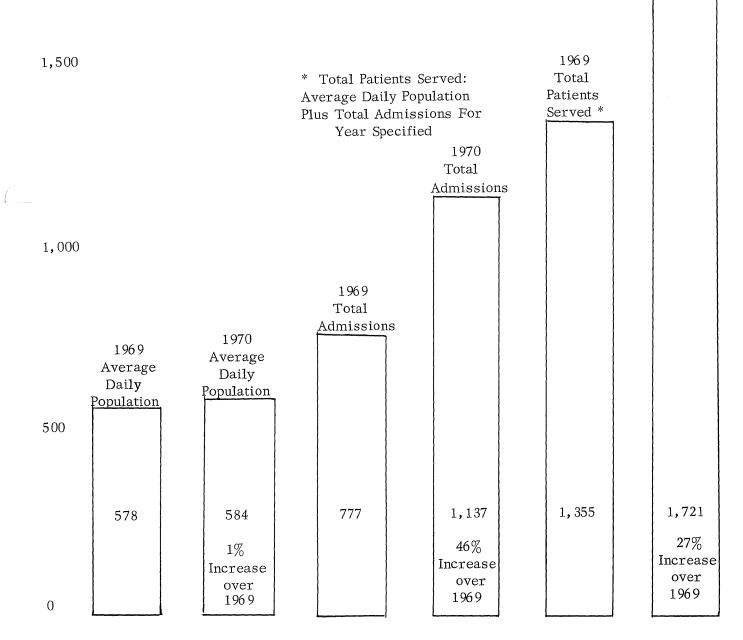
NOTE: In 1969-1970, the average daily population remained stable. During this period, Admissions and therefore Discharges (which represent a major portion of the hospital work load) increased by 46%.

1970

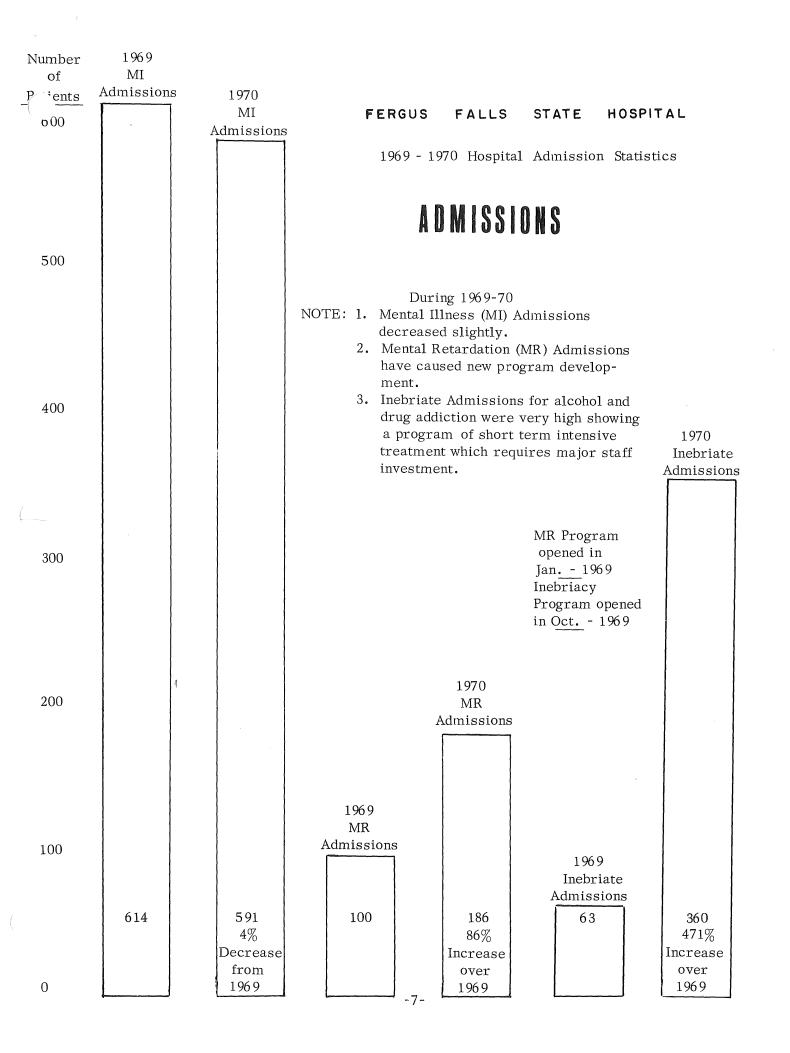
Total

Patients

Served *



1969 - 1970 Hospital Population Statistics



PROJECTED HOSPITAL POPULATION HOSPITAL

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1972 Projected Average Daily Hospital Population

Number		
of Patients	1972	
	Projected	
	Average	MR - Mentally Retarded
	Daily	MI - Mentally Ill
700	Total	
	Patient Population	NOTE: in 1072, the heapital's major population means
		NOTE: in 1972, the hospital's major population group will be the Mentally Retarded which will require
		that the hospital develop new and expanded ed-
600		ucation programs for this disability group.
500		
500		
		1972 Projected
		Average
100		Daily
400		MR
		Patient 1972 Population Projected
		Population Projected Average
	650	Daily
300	11%	MI
	Projected	Patient
	Increase over	Population
	1970	
200		
		1972
		Projected
		Average
100		Daily
100		Inebriate
		Patient Population
		350 250 50
0		
0		

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