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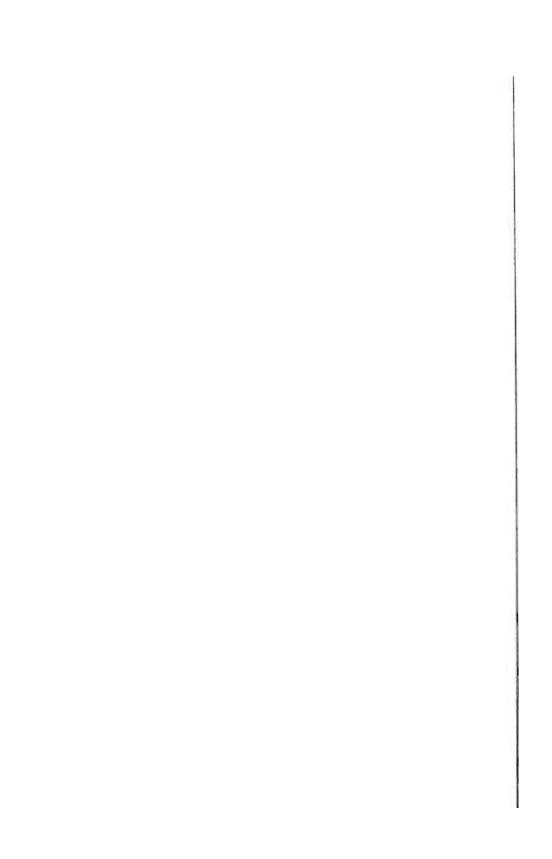
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## SYNOPSIS OF PROGRAM

#### MENTAL HYGIENE CONFERENCE AND EXHIBIT

#### Friday, November 8

8 P. M. First Public Meeting.

#### Monday, November 11

8 P. M. Nurses' Meeting.

#### Tuesday, November 12

8 P. M. Second Public Meeting.

### Wednesday, November 13

4 P. M. College Men's Meeting.

8 P. M. Physicians' Meeting.

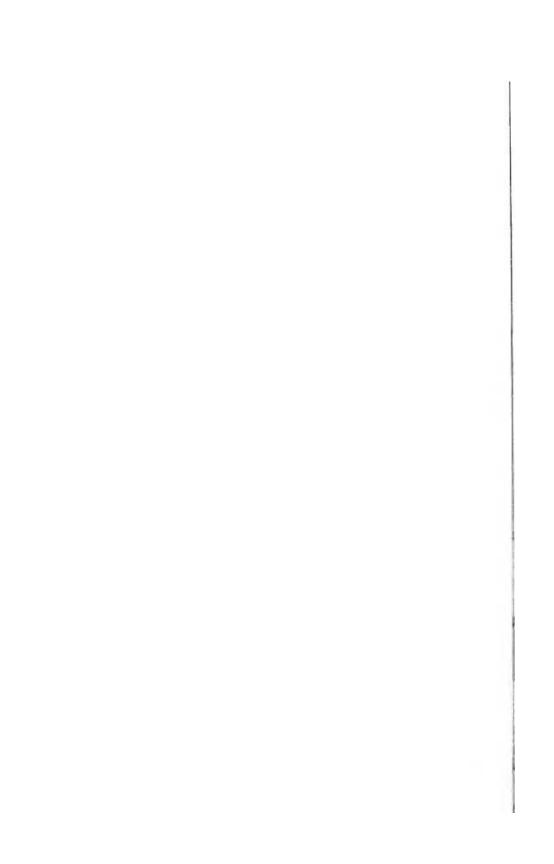
## Thursday, November 14

4 P. M. College Women's Meeting.

8 P. M. Third Public Meeting.

#### Friday, November 15

8 P. M. Teachers'Meeting.



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#### FOREWORD

The Mental Hygiere Movement, of which this conference formed a part, is a well organized endeavor to reduce the alarming amount of mental impairment in the United States by making public careful statements of the causes of mental diseases, by securing earlier medical treatment, by promoting special school training and special classes for the atypical child and the child predisposed to nervous and mental disorders, and by encouraging the development of social service for the assistance of individuals in danger of mental breakdown. The movement also includes a medical survey of institutions caring for the insane in the United States for the purpose of determining the best measures to improve standards of care among the 200,000 suffering from mental disorders.

The nation-wide movement is being directed and advanced by the National Committee for Mental Hygiene, 50 Union Square, New York City.

The work in New York City and State is being carried on by the Committee on Mental Hygiene of the State Charities Aid Association, 105 East 22nd Street, New York City.

The Mental Hygiene Conference, whose proceedings constitute this volume, included a series of six evening meetings, two afternoon sessions, and daily stereopticon and moving-picture lectures. Thirty-three physicians, teachers, sociologists, many of international reputation, addressed the conference. Never before has such an array of eminent specialists been gathered in this or any other country for such a purpose. The evening meetings were attended by audiences varying from seven to fifteen hundred. The total attendance at the conference and exhibit for the week approximated twenty-one thousand. The newspapers of this city gave a total of forty columns of news space to the