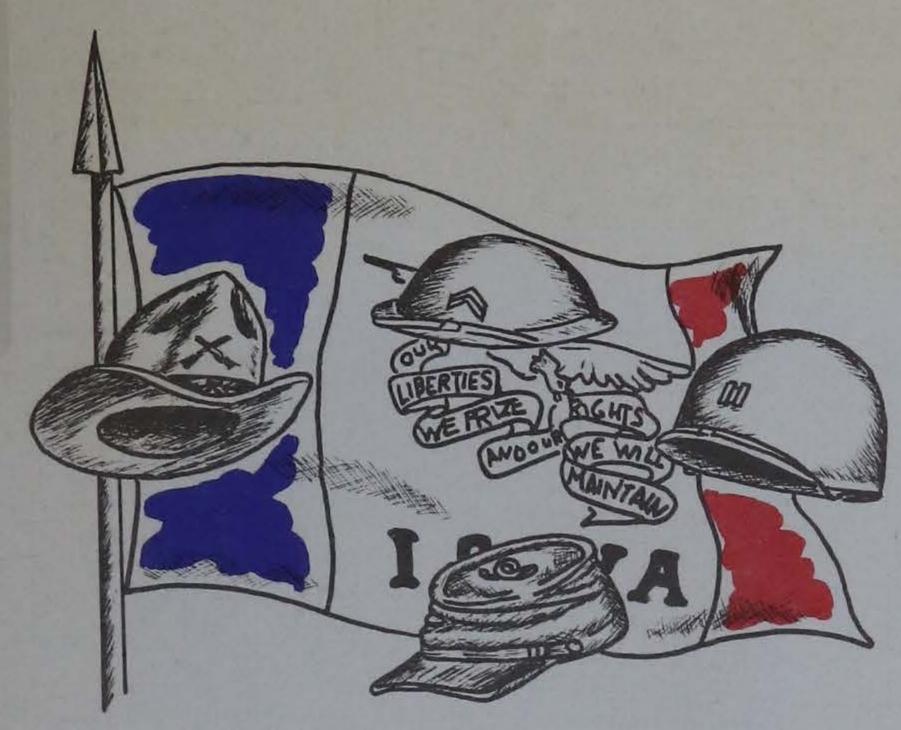
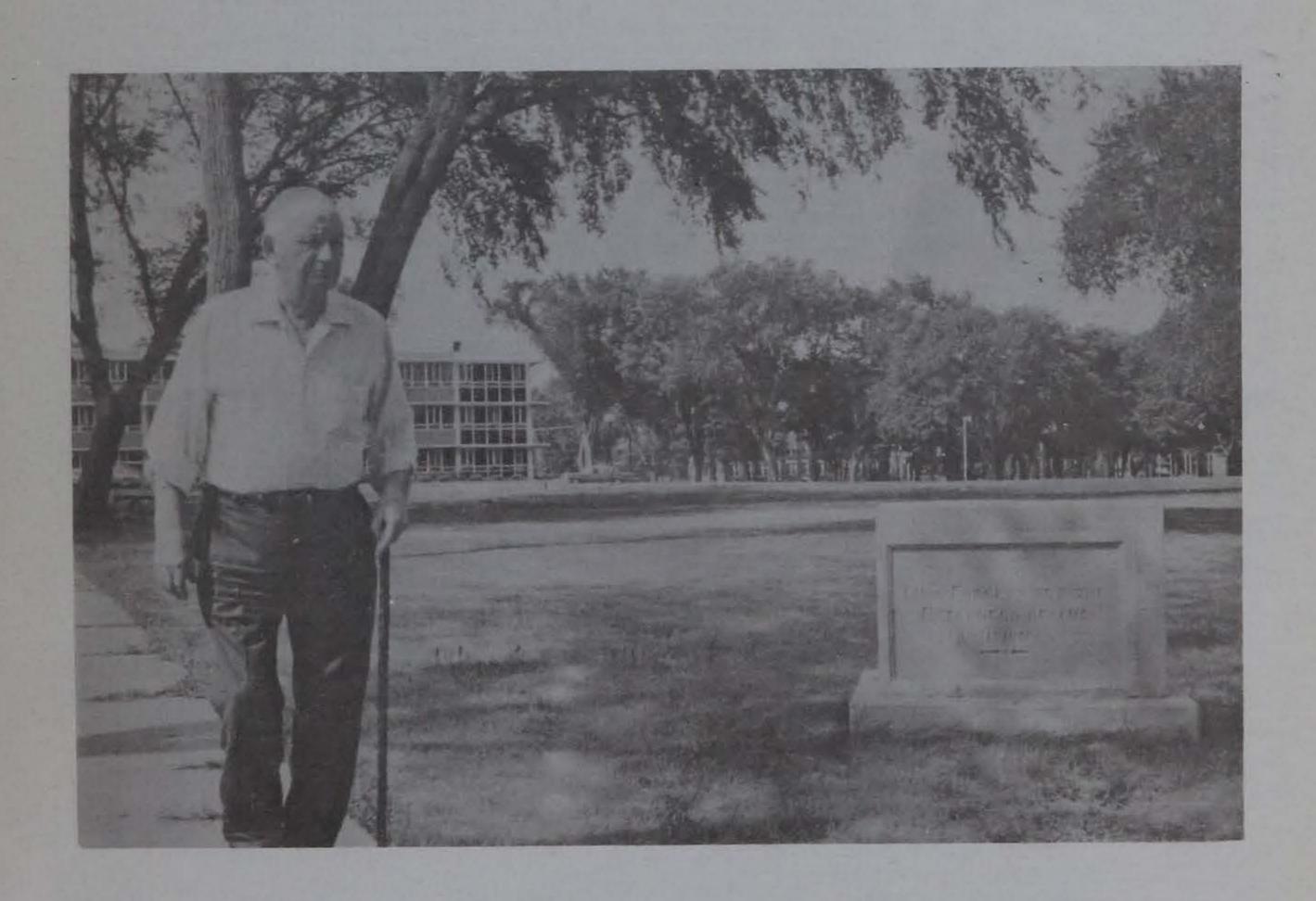
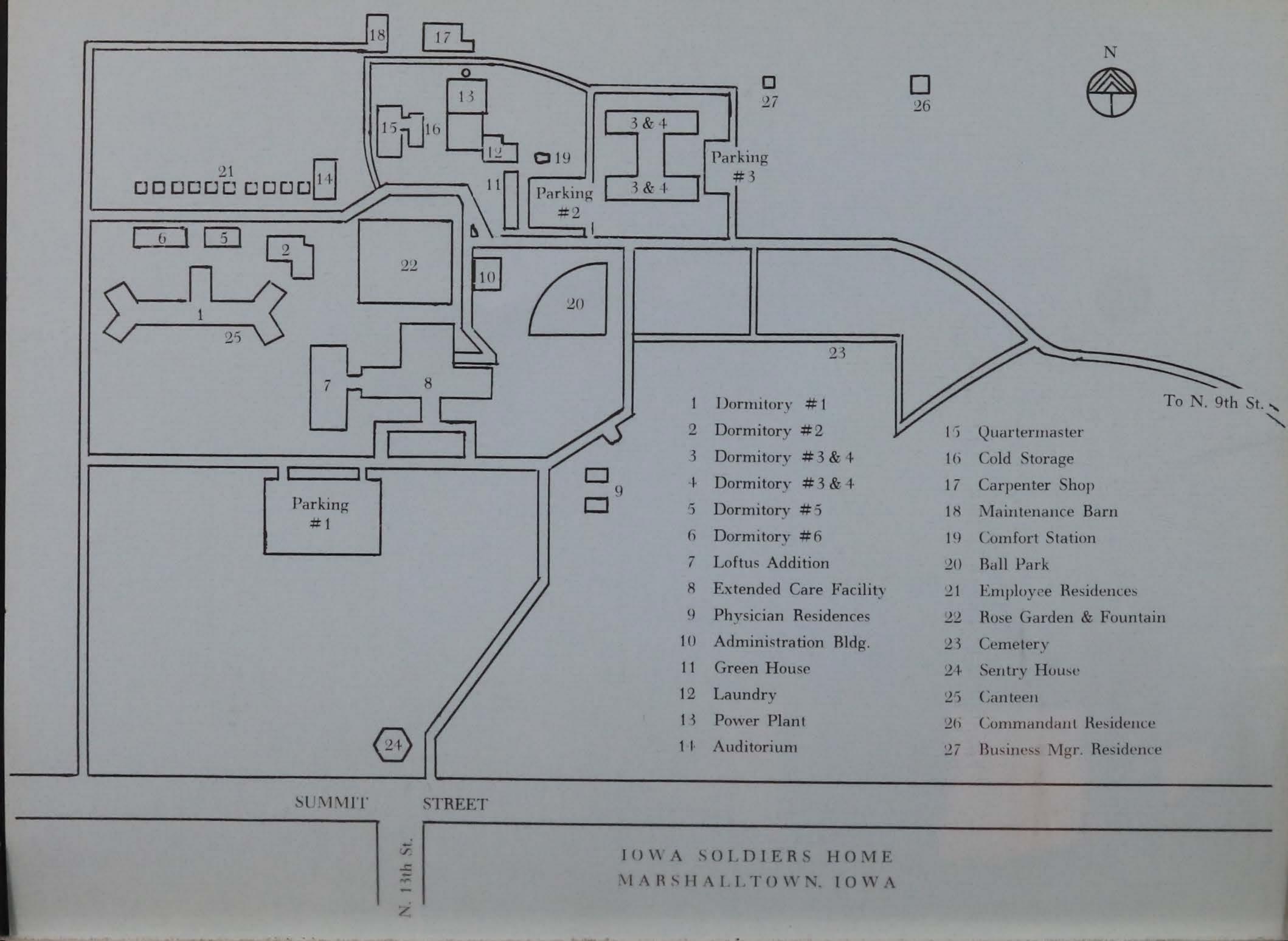
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Iowa Soldiers' Home







COMMANDANT'S MESSAGE

Through the years since its inception by the 21st General Assembly of lowa, the lowa Soldiers' Home has prepared a legacy of care for those who served the union. Included are their wives or widows.

Continual refinement of the program has culminated in a comprehensive health care service for the Residents. Involved are staffs of persons trained in medicine, nursing, rehabilitation, social work, pharmacology and dietetics, working together to maintain the highest standards possible, based on the individuality and dignity of those receiving care.

Men and women from all walks of life reside in this community. They are disabled in ways which impair their social, psychological or physical functioning and most are senior citizens. Many are active and contribute to this community in varying degrees through participating in opportunities offered to them.

Endeavoring to reach high goals of service, efficiency and economy, the administration, staff and Residents of the Home coordinate their efforts.

Citizens of lowa can be proud of their record in the care of veterans. The projections toward an anticipated extensive capital improvement program based on a sound and prudent approach are indicative of this devotion. It is anticipated that this excellent care will continue undiminshed in the future.

Jack J Dack

IOWA FORGETS NOT THE DEFENDERS OF THE UNION

The sentence carved in stone to greet the visitor to the lowa Soldiers' Home epitomizes the purpose of the institution which was founded in a spirit of responsibility to express the gratitude of a state towards its sons and daughters who had made special sacrifices and were now unable to care for themselves.

In 1885, the lowa post of the Grand Army of the Republic proposed the founding of a domiciliary for indigent and ill veterans of the Civil War. Iowa's need was acute because she had sent a greater proportion of her men into the conflict than any state in the Union. The following year, the legislature approved the bill and appropriated the funds and the work began.

Since that date the home has sheltered survivors of the Civil War, Indian campaigns, the Spanish-American War, the Philippine Insurrection, the Mexican campaign, World Wars I and II, the Korean conflict and sundry other active service. The staff expects to welcome the first Viet Nam veteran soon. More than 12,000 lowa men and women have exercised their right to live here in dignity and peace. Currently the members number a few more than 550, a decline from the peak of 1,000 in 1912.

The grounds of the Home lie along the rolling bluffs above the lowa River in northwest Marshalltown. They are the site of five red brick dormitories built in the 1800's, a number of picturesque administrative, utility and residence buildings and the Extended Care Facility, started in 1960 and last expanded in 1969 to provide an additional 80 nursing care beds. The dormitories house members who are able to care for themselves with little help. Beds are provided in single or double rooms or open wards and the dormitories contain a dining room, a canteen, a dispensary, dayrooms and workshops.

PHILOSOPHY OF THE IOWA SOLDIERS' HOME

Basic to the Iowa Soldiers' Home philosophy is a belief in the dignity and individuality of all people regardless of age, race, creed, religion, national ancestry or origin. An adequate level of living at the Iowa Soldiers' Home includes attaining happiness, self-satisfaction and individual well-being. Iowa veterans have earned the right to professional geriatric and long-term care by virtue of service in time of war, as authorized by Chapter 219 of the Code of Iowa.

PURPOSE OF THE IOWA SOLDIERS' HOME

The purpose of the Iowa Soldiers' Home is to provide professional care of the geriatric and chronically ill veteran, dependent widows and wives in an environment characterized by relationships of friendliness, warmth and understanding between resident and employee, with the primary goal to promote the resident's individual well-being.

OBJECTIVES OF THE IOWA SOLDIERS' HOME

The Iowa Soldiers' Home objectives are:

- To provide three levels of care for the geriatric and chronically ill veteran. Provision is made for professional and professionally-directed care among medical service, nursing service, dietary service, pastoral service, physical therapy, activity therapy, occupational therapy, recreational therapy, bibliotherapy, and such other services as may be appropriate. These services cooperate in attempting to meet the total needs of the resident which include physical, rehabilitative, social, spiritual, intellectual, emotional, economic and environmental.
 - A. COMPREHENSIVE REHABILITATIVE CARE Residents receiving comprehensive rehabilitative care require extensive and complex nursing intervention and supervision as well as increased supervision in the services provided by the cooperating departments. They have greater physical and for mental disabilities. These patients are not fully able to care for their own needs. Many are unable to or require assistance in carrying out activities of daily living. Many also require assistance in maintaining contact with those near and dear to them and in socializing with other persons.



B. INTERMEDIATE REHABILITATIVE CARE - Residents receiving intermediate rehabilitative care require nursing care and supervision, particularly in areas of personal hygiene, medication and treatment and social activity.



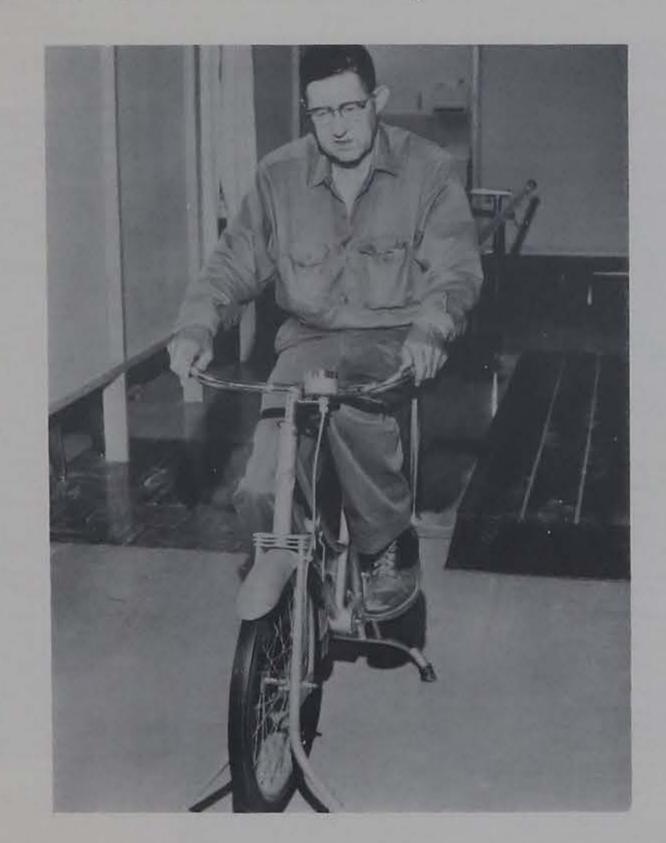
C. RESIDENTIAL REHABILITATIVE SELF - CARE - Residential rehabilitative self-care provides safe, hygienic, sheltered living for residents not capable of fully independent living. Furnished are regular and frequent, but not continuous medical and nursing services and continuous supportive, restorative and preventive services.



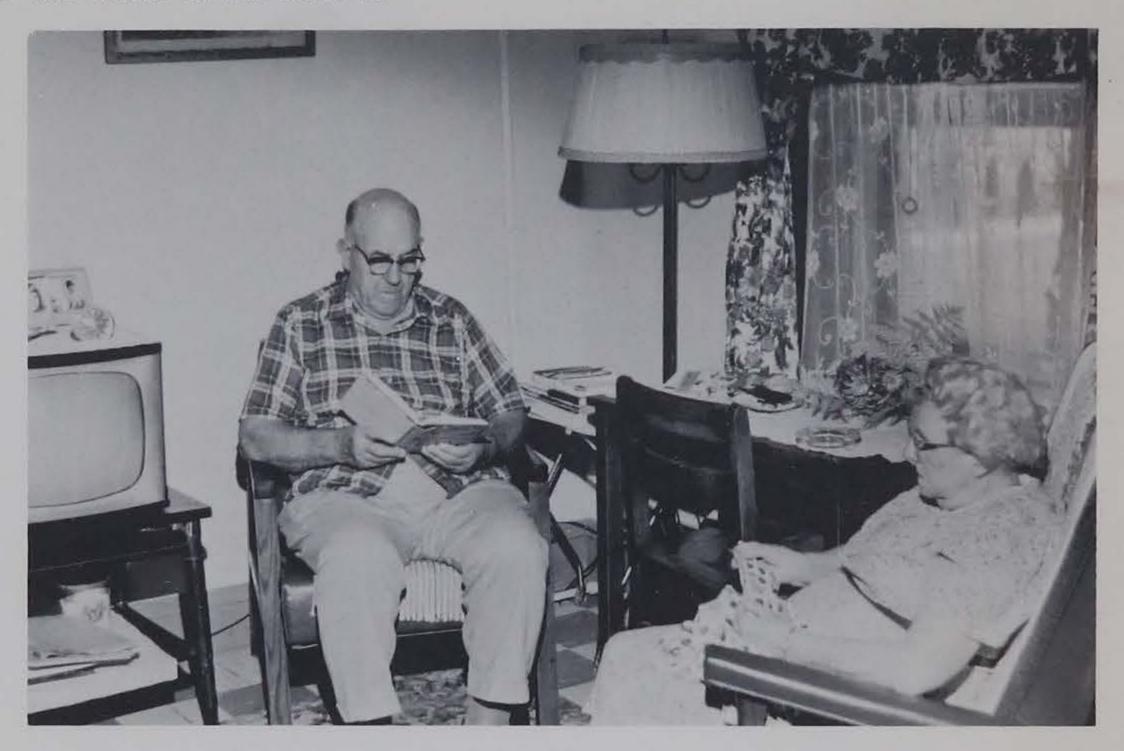
II. To assure continued evaluation of the care needs of the resident and encourage him to move from one level of care to another, as needed.



III. To assist the resident to retain his highest level of functional ability.



IV. To promote a home-like environment, whose routines are adapted to the personal preference and habits of the resident.



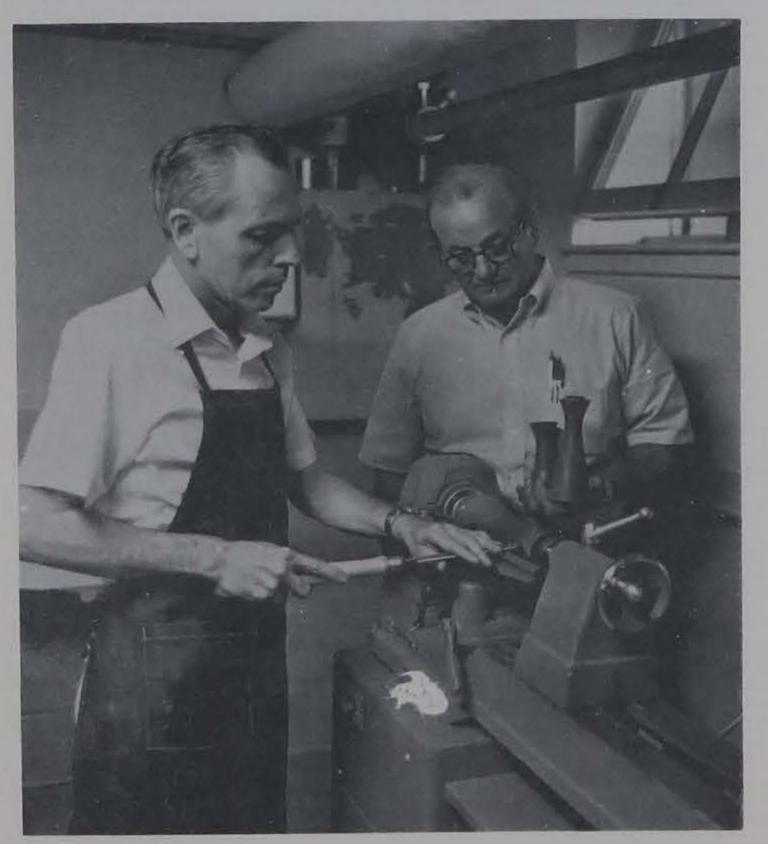
V. To provide an atmosphere conducive to creativity and freedom of individual activity.



- VI. To encourage the resident to participate according to his ability in paying the cost of the services which he receives.
- VII. To encourage the development and use of occupational skills of residents by providing instruction and work positions as therapeutically appropriate.



- VIII. To assist the resident in establishing community interests reading to involvement in community activities.
 - IX. To rehabilitate and prepare residents to return to the community and to assist them as appropriate.



- X. To serve as an exemplary and demonstrative facility in all aspects of program and physical establishment by continuing to evaluate and upgrade programs, methods and attitudes utilized in the care of the resident.
- XI. To serve as a clinical facility for study and student experience.
- XII. To participate in research studies related to the care of the geriatric and chronically ill resident.
- XIII. To cooperate with, assist and seek assistance from other agencies, facilities and groups to provide for the maximum care for the resident.



XIV. To serve for crisis situations.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION

Veteran members are those honorably discharged after wartime service and who have been residents of lowa for three years immediately preceding their application. When a married veteran is or becomes a member of the home, the spouse*, if married to the veteran for one year and otherwise eligible, may be admitted as a member. Dependent applicants who are widows must have been married to the eligible veteran for a period of at least a year ending with the death of the veteran, and a resident of the state for three years preceding the date of application. The dependent must be fifty years old or permanently disabled or lacking means or ability for self-maintenance.

Two copies of the veteran's honorable discharge should accompany the application which should include a report of a recent complete medical history and a physical examination.

In each county there is a Soldiers' Relief Commission, generally located in the county court house. This commission must certify the eligibility relative to residence and wartime service. Application forms, income questionnaires and assistance are available from that office.

*(Effective July 1, 1970)

MARSHALLTOWN

Marshalltown has as its motto "Progress With Purpose and Pride." Since its founding by Henry Anson in 1853 it has grown to its present population of 25,000 and has become the most important commercial community of the adjacent five counties. Fifty-three manufacturing firms employ 7,100 workers who, in turn, support a five-block downtown retail area and two outlying shopping centers. The public schools enroll over 5,000 pupils, a smaller parochial system is maintained by St. Mary's and St. Henry's parishes and Marshalltown Community College and Area VI are located here. Thirty-two churches represent 26 denominations in town. The two hospitals which recently merged in administration can accommodate 239 patients. Cultural advantages include an active art association and a community theater, both based in a community center complex, a concert association and several clubs devoted to study and cultural pursuits. Recreation can be found in a dozen parks and playgrounds, two golf courses, bowling alleys, the YM - YWCA, or the county fairgrounds.

The lowa Soldiers' Home is today an active, contributing organization within the Marshalltown community. Residents participate in various activities of the city's churches, social and service groups and other organizations.

The citizens of Marshalltown community also contribute in many ways to the activities and progress of the Home. Professional people provide medical, dental and other therapeutic and consultative services; and various service and professional groups present programs and give of themselves in several volunteer activities.



A therapeutic dietician assists a resident in planning his diet.



Religious services are in the Auditorium or the Chapel every Sunday afternoon. Individual visits are made by the Chaplains.



Medications are prepared by a registered pharmacist by direction of a staff physician.



Therapeutic work environment encourages residents to remain active and also to earn money.



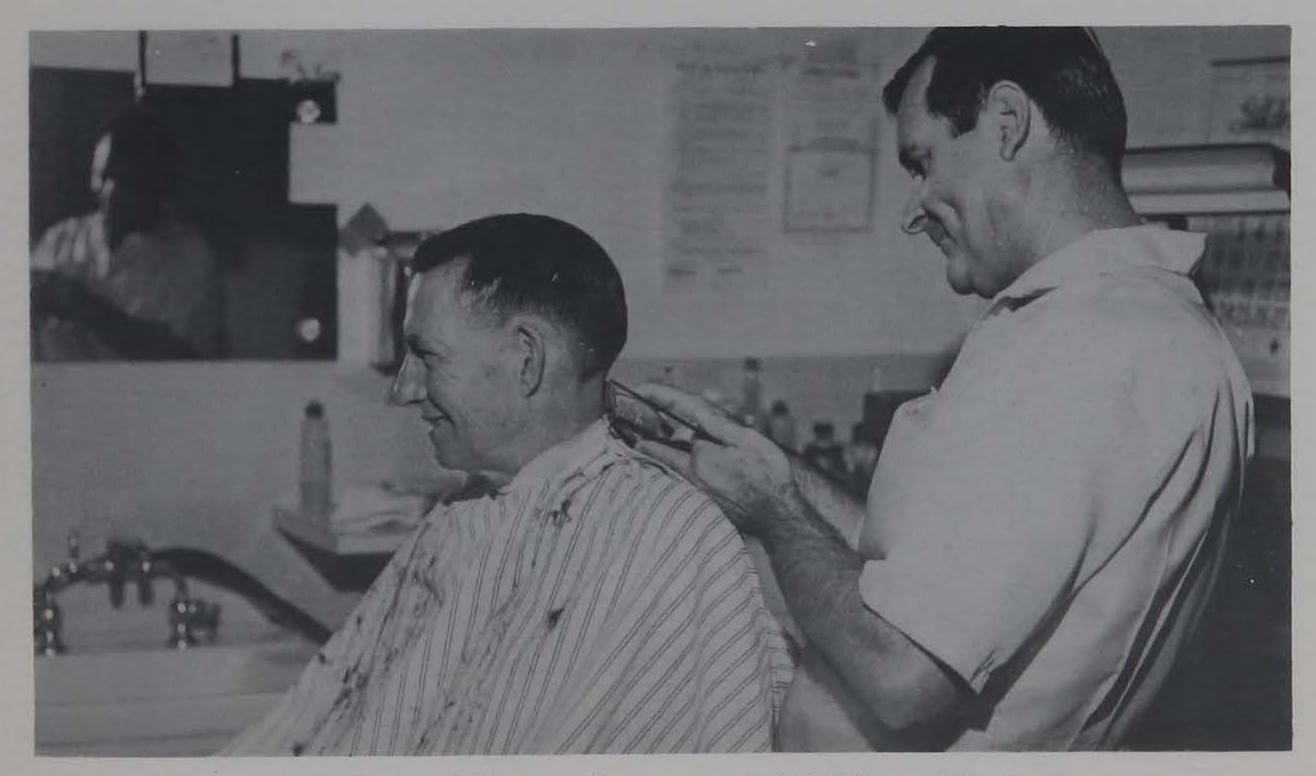
Food is prepared and served under the direction of a staff of professional dieticians.



Residents of the lowa Soldiers' Home assemble approximately one million poppies each year for distribution in lowa and other states. They are sold by the members of the American Legion Auxiliary on Poppy Day in May. Proceeds are used by the Auxiliaries for rehabilitation projects and for scholarships for young people.



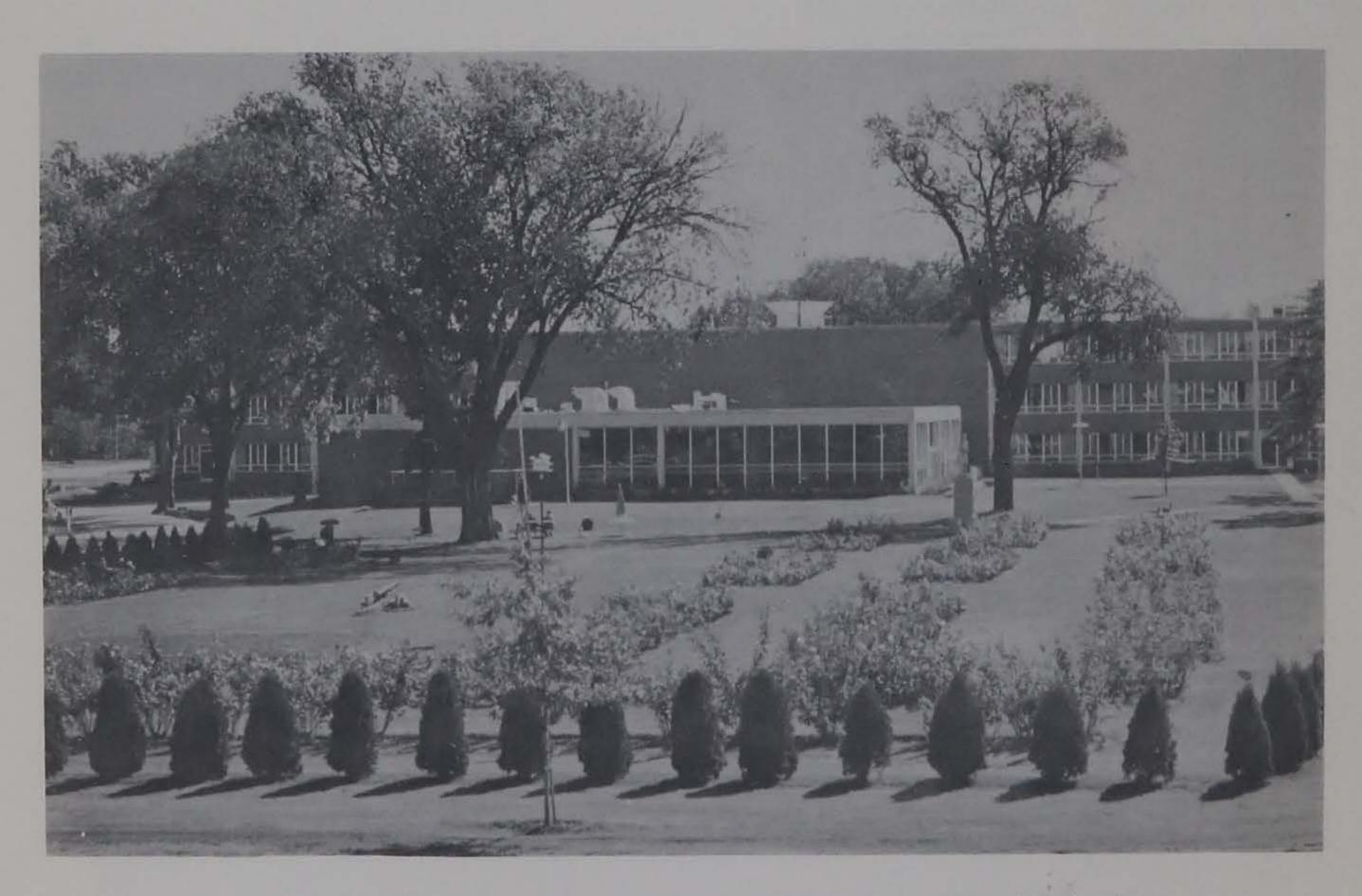
Consulting services available include dental, podiatry, ophthalmology, and psychiatry.



Barber and beauty shops are provided for residents.



Canteen facilities are available for the convenience and pleasure of the members.



The beautiful rose garden exemplifies community participation in the enrichment of the Home setting.



