

REPAIRING OF OLD DERANGED WARD PUT OFF

Project Probably Will Be Post-
poned Until Budget Is Made

See Out in July 3/7/38

H. L. Carver, chairman of the county board of commissioners, said today that the matter of repairing the old building for the insane at the county home probably would be deferred until the board made a new budget, July 1. The repair question is expected to come up before the board this afternoon or tomorrow, but Carver said he believed the other commissioners also thought it would be best to put off the project for the present.

At present the rooms for Negro inmates in the old building are full, seven Negroes still remaining there, County Manager D. W. Newsom said. There are two Negro patients in the new structure.

On the other hand the white side of the new quarters is full, housing eight white patients. Two white inmates remain in the old building.

In general the older patients and those most seriously affected by insanity are being kept in the old building.

This, however, will be renovated throughout when the county is able to repair it. When these repairs are completed, Durham county, which opened its new insane building only last month, probably will have the best set-up for the care of the insane of any county in North Carolina, Newsom said.

The new structure, which was constructed according to the most modern plans for housing the insane, has proved satisfactory in every particular.

All that remains to be done is to extend the fence now around the old building to include the new structure, so that the inmates may be allowed outside in good weather.