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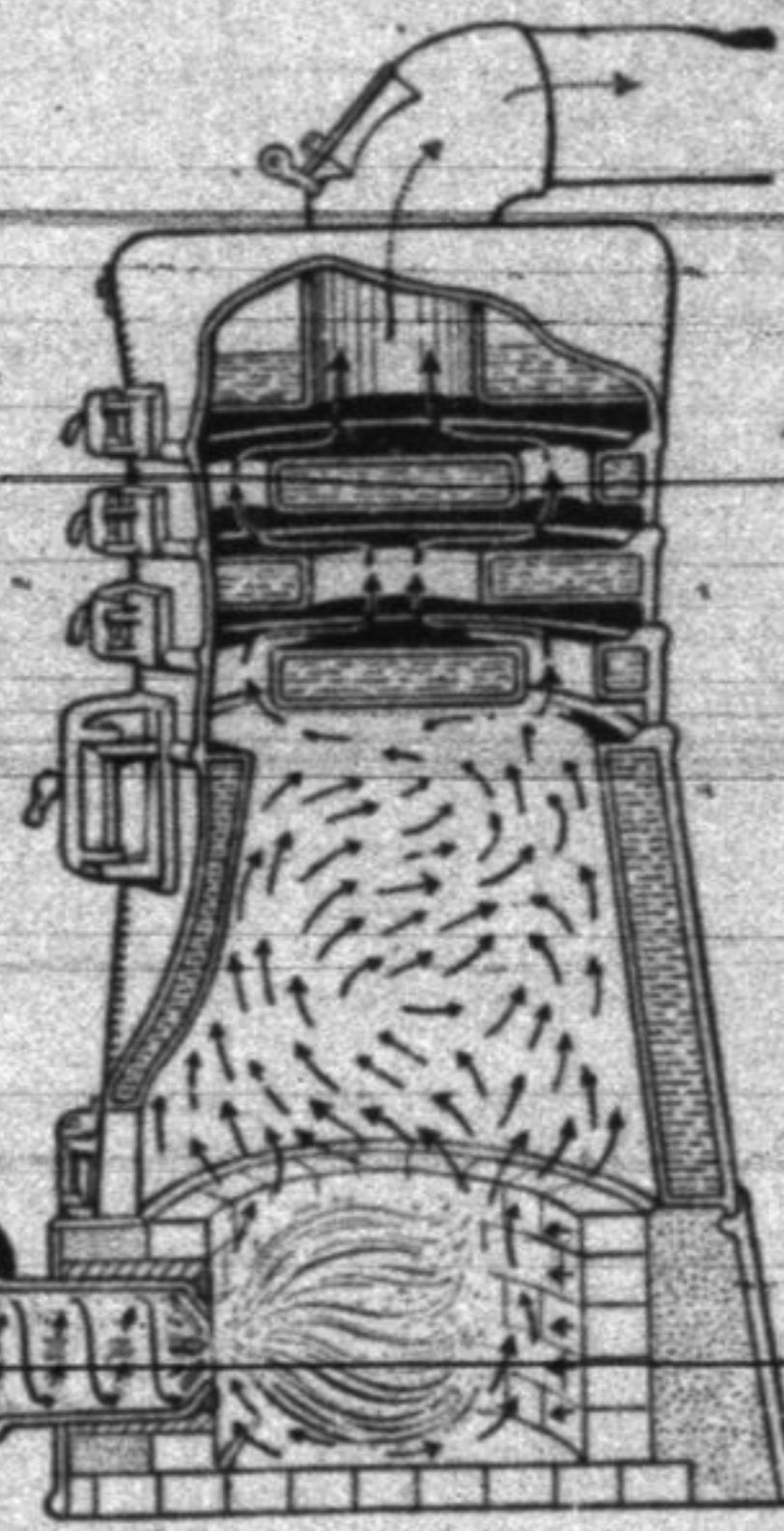
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**ADD 800 BEDS TO NAVAL HOSPITAL**

**Capacity of Veterans Bureau Section to Be Increased; Chindblom Gives Aid**

Capacity of the veterans bureau section of the naval hospital at Great Lakes will be increased to 800 beds it was announced last week by Dr. M. F. Hudson, following the receipt of orders as to an increased allotment allowed by the naval department and the U. S. Veterans bureau at Washington today.

The hospital in the past has been allotted 600 veterans bureau patients but the demand for hospitalization of veterans in the Chicago district has made the increase of 200 beds as necessary.

**Chindblom Aids**

The increase was made possible through the intercession of Congressman Carl R. Chindblom who spent some time recently in Washington conferring with heads of both U. S. Veterans bureau and the naval department relative to the matter. Mr. Chindblom on his return conferred with officials at the hospital outlining the result of his efforts. The orders from Washington bore out his statements.

No extensive changes will be made in the buildings and equipment in order to take care of the increased number of patients, it was declared.

The hospital ordinarily houses from 900 to 950 inmates including the regular naval patients. More than 11,000 releases from the institution is recorded in a year's time, many of the patients merely entering for brief treatment while others are confined in the institution for months.

**Has High Standard**

Veterans of all wars are admitted to the institution for treatment and care and the hospital manned by one of the most capable staffs in the nation is regarded as one of an unusually high standard. Capt. N. A. McLean, U. S. N., is the medical officer in charge.

The navy provides hospitalization for 3,600 veterans in its various hospitals located at training stations and navy yards throughout the nation. Due to the reputation of the Great Lakes hospital as an institution of unusual merit demands for entrance have exceeded the allotted capacity for several years.

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**Roadwork in County Held Up by State Labor Scale Case**

The work being done under the contract with the A. E. Meyers company of Highland Park will be continued, since only two days work remains, Mr. Lobdell said last week.

He pointed out that it would be expensive to have the work halted and readvertise for the remaining two days work. If the contract is held to be invalid, Mr. Meyers may take formal action through a court of claims and obtain payment for the work by a judgment against the county.

The question is purely technical, so far as the lake county work is concerned, since all of the contractors here had been paying the union scale before the law was passed to compel them to do so, Mr. Lobdell said.

The Half Day-Diamond Lake project will be readvertised as soon as the labor scale dispute is settled, Mr. Lobdell said.

The contract letting that had been scheduled for Friday, in which the contract for paving the Half Day-Diamond Lake road, has been cancelled, it was announced last week by R. M. Lobdell, county highway superintendent.

An opinion furnished by Attorney General Oscar Carlstrom to the highway department in regard to the labor scale law was received last week by Mr. Lobdell. The opinion cited supreme court decisions regarding contracts let under laws later held to be unconstitutional.

The state highway department recommended that any scheduled lettings be cancelled until after the pending case is decided.

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