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WASHINGTON, D.C. March 27 -- A new 79-bed nursing home care unit will be established at the Veterans Administration hospital in Topeka according to a joint announcement today by Senators Bob Dole, James Pearson and Congressman Chester Mize. #396

They were advised by Administrator of Veterans Affairs Donald E. Johnson that the current schedule calls for completion of the project in September, 1971, with invitations to bid being offered next January 4.

The joint release stated the contract will be awarded by the hospital. Estimated cost is \$130,000.

When the nursing care unit is completed, the Topeka hospital will have an authorized bed capacity of 951.