

The Women's Ward At Morganton

This series of articles was written by a young woman who was patient at the State Hospital for a year and a half ending in December, 1944. She is a member of a prominent state family, was educated at Queens College, and was admitted to the profession of doctors because of a nervous condition. Cultured, refined and sensitive, her experiences there and what she saw with her own eyes make a shocking story.

After I had been at the hospital for six weeks, members of my family came to see me and took me to the hospital for lunch. I was so excited, being outdoors that I stepped and hurt my arm. The doctor looked at it and said that it was afraid that it might be broken. This was on Saturday and he said that he would look at it again on Monday to make certain. He ordered hot salt packs on it on that night, but since there was no hot water, the nurse could not make them. I was in bed and I wanted to get in a bath but Saturday was not the day our ward to take a bath and this was not allowed.

This accident turned out to be the best break that I had at the hospital, for on the Old Infirmary ward, I met a rather well-to-do patient who had a sprain and who had her sprain sent in from the steward's dining room.

A special nurse, I must explain one of the hospital nurses, is assigned to one patient because the patient pays extra for the nurse. The special nurses receive the extra pay, and the nurse is paid the regular rate.

GRAND FOOD FROM THE STERCHIS DINING ROOM

We found ourselves to be content, and she invited me to go to her and her nurse on long walks. To be able to go outdoors was like opening the gates of paradise. Not only that, but I was invited to share her meals. And on these meals they were Country chicken, fresh vegetables, all the delicacies that one could expect for a delicately prepared, excellent meal. From the steward's dining room, observe.

And right here I should like to say a tribute to her nurse. There were many cruel nurses at the hospital, women who take out petty spiteful vengeance on their helpless patients. But not this nurse. Her

placed prone on a bed, with his legs and arms outstretched. He is tied and bound in this position and here he remains, rest for hours, but sometimes for days.

There are many patients on the back wards and in "solitary" who could leave the hospital, if only they were given a decent chance to get well.

While I was in the Center Building an old lady with whom I was friendly became critically ill with pneumonia, and in a dying condition was moved from our room. A new roommate, one of the vilest characters that I have ever known, was given the pneumonia patient's bed, without even the sheets and pillow cases being changed.

(Continued Tomorrow)

Carper Going To Fort Knox

Minister Becomes Chaplain in Army

The Rev. John H. Carper, pastor of the Thrift-Moore Methodist Church, will leave Friday to begin service in the United States Army as a chaplain stationed at Fort Knox, Ky.

The Rev. Mr. Carper, who volunteered for service, attended Eise University, where he was outstanding in athletics and scholarship. He will be joined in Kentucky in the near future by Mrs. Carper and their children, Anna Ruth, John H. Carper Jr. and Dallas Carper.

Bishop Puerell will appoint a minister to fill the vacant position at the recommendation of Dr. Grover T. Bond, district superintendent. Until the pastor is filled, various ministers will supply the pulpit. Approximately 60 ministers in the North Carolina and Western North Carolina conferences have volunteered for service as chaplains in the United States Army and Navy, according to Bishop Puerell. Of these, twenty have reported for duty.

Next Case, Please

—Pauline Guillen has her divorce. She told the judge her husband, Ernest A. Guillen, snored so loud she had to close the bedroom windows to keep the neighbors from complaining.

We called this "snore-raging." It is the most horrible form of punishment I have ever seen. The patient is



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"Have we raised that 55 billion yet? If we have, maybe we wouldn't be unpatriotic if I held out a penny or two for 'em, eh?"

The Everyday Counselor

By REV. HERBERT SPAUGH

For personal reply please send self-addressed and stamped envelope

Those who look upward and outward, think positively and constructively, speak adventurously and cheerfully, walk the road to higher happiness. They are the ones who claim their heritage as sons of God.

A correspondent who has grasped this idea, sends in the following by R. H. Grover:

A PRAYER OF DEDICATION
THIS DAY, AND FROM THIS DAY FORWARD, I DEDICATE MYSELF TO THE HIGH PURPOSE OF KNOWING AND EXPRESSING GOD.

TO MY MIND I HAVE SAID: "Be true. Put aside all unworthy thoughts as are unbecoming garments. Clothe yourself with the riches of spirit, knowing of what lineage you are. Be still in the midst of tumult, staunch in the midst of panic, strong in the face of weakness. Be neither carried nor easily alarmed, but as a soldier poised through the power within you."

TO MY HEART I HAVE SAID: "Be kind. Be tender with those who need strength. Neither count your charities nor number those who need them. Give freely to all. And when you are stirred to compassion, be sincere to action. Love as the will is sought. And above all, be sincere."

TO MY HANDS I HAVE SAID: "Be willing. Do whatever tasks you see to be yours. When they are small and commonplace deplore them not, nor when they are overwhelming, cry out against them. Blessed God is with you at all times, what you should do, you can do."

TO MY EYES I HAVE SAID: "Behold! Behold the newness of the earth, the promise of morning, the comfort of night. Behold your neighbor, the shinningness of him! See beyond all fault and failure his striving soul. Learn to recognize the kindness with which small things are done. Look about you, wherever, and behold the open door to friendly hands."

TO MY SOUL I HAVE SAID: "Reject! Reject! Every form of sin forward you walk in the new way, the higher way that is closer to God. Best indeed is your seeking, for those who seek shall find!"

Servicemen Honored Waikiki Guests Now

Navy Has Taken Over Famous Royal Hawaiian Hotel for Sailors, Marines

HONOLULU.—Spenders men of the Pacific are fighting their off-hours in the luxury of the exclusive, richly-decorated Royal Hawaiian Hotel, which in peacetime times entered to the cream of Hawaii's tourist trade.

Sailors and marines, and some soldiers, too, in need of rest and relaxation after arduous periods at sea or in the air, find both in liberal quantities at the luxurious hotel on Waikiki Beach, now called the "R and R Annex."

Rooms still bear the sign: "18 per day." But now the guests pay only one dollar a day if they're officers, and nothing but a "bunkers fee" of 25 cents a week if they are enlisted men.

The fleet has leased the hotel for the use of its officers and men at a cost of \$1,500 a month. A portion of the hotel's accommodations are for the Army's use.

24-HOUR DEMAND
Limited recreational facilities have existed for much of the past in the form of tennis courts, game centers and swimming pools at Pearl Harbor and Barber's Point, but the war has brought a demand for 24-hour "R and R" facilities.

Extensive blackout regulations and the exigencies of return trips to the naval base and ships made it imperative that some form of overnight and week-end rest and recreation facilities be made available.

Seawell's Case Ends In Acquittal

Judge Webb Directs Not Guilty Verdict

ROCKINGHAM.—Federal Judge E. Yates Webb directed today a verdict of acquittal on all seven of the indictments charging Herbert F. Seawell Jr. of Carriage with embezzlement and filing false reports while serving as a district referee in bankruptcy.

Judge Webb said he had read all the indictments carefully, and had spent all of yesterday listening to arguments by counsel, and that no other verdict was possible under his interpretation of the statutes under which Seawell was indicted.

Referring to the lone charge of embezzlement, the jurist said the law specified that a demand must be made upon a referee before he could be convicted on such a charge and that the evidence failed to show that such a demand was made.

Of the other charges, Judge Webb held there was insufficient evidence to constitute grounds for a criminal action.

The defendant has said "that the defendant is not guilty. I am convinced that you would have found the defendant not guilty if you had been permitted to pass upon the charges at the conclusion of the Government's testimony. And if you had found otherwise, I would have been forced to set aside the verdict," he told the jurors.

VFW Members Offer To Help

Members of Stonewall Jackson Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, volunteered last night as a unit force of 150 men for auxiliary police duties during emergencies here.

A vote on the plan was taken at a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce after Police Officers W. C. Timmons and Allen White explained the need for such police support here. The vote was unanimous.

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Chiang In India To Strengthen Alliance

Seeks To Speed Building of Alternate Route Through Tibet To Replace Burma Road

NEW DELHI, India.—Fuller collaboration in the United Nations cause by the 350,000,000 inhabitants of China and India—one-third of the earth's population—apparently was taking form today through the visit here of Chinese Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek.

What specific mission brought Chiang's war leader and the United Nations' supreme commander in the China war theater here with his staff to confer with Indian officials was not disclosed. Lord Lillithgow, Viceroy of India, however, said the meeting set the seal on the comradeship-in-arms of China and India and that Japan would learn to her sorrow that it "bodes our enemy no good."

Apart from his key post in the United Nations' High Command, Chiang has tremendous stakes in the defense of Burma and India against the Japanese invaders driving toward Rangoon from Thailand.

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