

Missionary Experience Gained By Young Nurse

GREENVILLE, S. C.—Miss Betty Ann Harrell of Edenton is participating in a unique project for medical missionary candidates this summer with on-the-spot training for a group of young nurses on the island of St. Lucia in the Windward Islands group, West Indies.

The project is sponsored by Bob Jones University in Greenville, S. C., where Miss Harrell is enrolled in the medical missions program as a candidate for the bachelor of science degree.

A 1968 graduate of Chowan High School, Tyner, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Harrell, Sr., Route 3, Edenton. Miss Harrell was awarded the Associate of

Arts degree in 1961 from Campbell College, Buies Creek, and completed her training in 1963 at the North Carolina—Baptist Hospital School of Nursing, Winston-Salem.

Dr. John Dreisbach, campus resident physician who spent 17 years as a medical missionary in the Canal Zone and in West Africa, is taking a group of 26 including 13 registered nurses who are pursuing a bachelor of science degree in medical missions at BJU to the village of Soufriere on the southwest coast of the island owned by the British.

A 40-bed "cottage hospital" is being completely turned over to the doctor and his

staff, freeing the regularly assigned doctor and nurses for needed service elsewhere.

The young nurses have never practiced medicine under such conditions though each was a registered nurse before beginning the course.

"Missionary medicine is quite different from the medicine practiced in a highly civilized country," Dr. Dreisbach explained. "We had well trained regular nurses come to West Africa and almost go under from the strain. Customs and culture are very different in these places—we are going to give practical on-the-spot training in all aspects of missionary training."

"We feel," he continued, "from our experience in the jungles of Africa that medical evangelism is one of the most effective ways of ministering to men's souls. Showing concern for the physical welfare of an individual often gives an entrance into his spiritual life. We have a real spiritual mission among people to, clearly, present to them the claims of Christ."

Team members have given the name "Project Compassion" to the summer missionary program. Although Bob Jones University is sponsoring the program, each team member has to pay his own transportation costs and living expenses during the 10 weeks.

Many college students work in the summer to make enough money to help defray expenses during the regular college year, and Dr. Dreisbach feels that giving up an earning opportunity and spending more than \$300 besides clearly shows the dedication which these nurses have to missionary work.

The island of St. Lucia was chosen for several reasons—the presence of numerous tropical diseases, the use of the English language causing no linguistic barrier, the reasonable closeness to the university, etc.

This is a pilot project of medical missionary work and if successful will probably be carried out by the university on a year-round basis. Each nurse will receive six hours of credit for the summer work towards her B. S. degree in medical missions.

QUALITY READERS AT LOCAL LIBRARY

The following students have been doing quality reading at the Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library: Anne Graham, Fred Keeter, Gloria Perry, Roger Shearin, Ida Fayton, Loretta Kiddick, Francis O'Neal, Ivy Lowe, Ellen Cuthrell, Jane Walters, Martha Leary and Curtis Leary.

Teacher Attends ECC Workshop

GREENVILLE — Elizabeth R. Goodwin, second grade teacher at Edenton Elementary School, attended a two-week workshop at East Carolina College which specialized in teaching arts and crafts projects for the elementary grades. There were 17 enrollees.

Under the direction of Dr. Wellington B. Gray, the participants, most of them elementary teachers, experimented with simplified techniques in weaving, print-making and basketry.

Letter To Editor

To the Editor:
Having been born in Edenton, some 60 odd years ago by parents who were of the prime quality, my mother taught for 20 years here and my dad before me served the people as a family dentist for some 30 odd years, also representing the county and the first senatorial district in the State legislature for several terms, I feel that I should inform you something about our little closely knit community that you as a newcomer do not realize.

First: Your particular pa-

per is not the only paper that could be published in this county — please remember this. I have seen several papers come and go here because of not only political unrest but also because there was time for bi-weeklies or daily papers. Our town is too small for a daily now; but there is an opportunity for a bi-weekly. Or perhaps you do not agree.

Competition is the real object of all free enterprise and I am glad to see that our little town has a new bank to come in here. I personally doubt that I will be involved in the new bank as to deposits or loans. There is, however, the possibility of competition and that is always good at all levels.

Now for the real purpose of this letter.

First, let me state that I have served on the Board of Public Works for several years and while this was many years ago. I also wrote to the Attorney General of North Carolina and his ruling at that time was that the board had no way possible under the town charter to transfer any monies they received to the town for purposes other than repairs on the plant and for services to the customer.

Today we live in a new era, and even without any change or up-dating of charter we can do as a new Attorney General approves? B.L.A.

Why don't we re-write our charter and submit it to vote of the people of our town for approval. God knows it does need revision.

After two years on the board, I was able to see a copy, and I understand that about all our city fathers as of present have never seen a copy. Please print at least a part in the next six issues of The Herald and the people will be amazed at the charter.

Sincerely,
Dr. W. S. Griffin,
Citizen

To the Editor:
I write this because of the recent news releases criticizing Congressman Walter B. Jones for failure to vote on the Rent Supplement Bills several other bills affecting the General Legislative process accorded the people he represents. In fairness to Congressman Jones, I think the records should be accurate. According to the Congressional Record for March 29, 1966, on HR 14012 which provided for a \$12,000,000.00 supplement for Rent Subsidy, Congressman Jones was pardoned against the bill, when on May 10, 1966, HR 14921 which contained a \$20,000,000.00 appropriation for Rent

Subsidy, for the last fiscal year on two separate roll calls the Congressman is recorded in the Congressional Record as having voted "No" on both occasions. It is surprising that a Doctor in Political Science apparently can not understand the Congressional Record.

Since becoming a member of Congress on February 10, 1966, there have been 119 quorum and roll calls. Through June 10, 1966, the record shows Congressman Jones has either answered

the roll call or being pardoned in every case, except seven. In looking at the Congressional Record it seems that this is far above the voting average of most congressmen.

I think the "Daily Advance" in an editorial on June 10th covered the situation extremely well:

"Any doubt about the interest of First District Congressman Walter Jones for his area certainly should be dissipated when the record he has established, in the few months he has been in Wash-

ington, is studied." Jones, who was elected to represent the First District a few months ago succeeding the late Herbert Bonner, has shown he is not a rubber stamp for the Administration, and knowing his record during the years he spent in the General Assembly, it is assured that he is not out to bolster his own political glory but to serve all of the people in the area he represents.

Sincerely yours,
L. P. Bloxom

SENATOR SAM ERVIN SAYS



WASHINGTON—"A mood of caution" sums up the feeling of Congress as it heads toward the home stretch and prepares to go home for the fall elections. Agreement which produced a mass of new programs last year is not as apparent as it once was.

This time Congress has taken a less hurried approach in dealing with programs proposed to augment the "better life." Irritations over new federal encroachments in areas once reserved for final decision by the "home folks" is one element of the mood. Tight money, lessened credit, inflation and all of the concerns over the conduct of the Viet Nam war bring caution over legislation for bold approaches to change the habits and

lives of people who still have a reverence for making their own decisions.

So guaranteed incomes and greater controls from Washington are getting a second look. New poverty, health and civil rights laws are getting more study in Congressional hearings. A new cabinet level Transportation Department is undergoing committee study. Auto and highway safety measures have much appeal but Congress wants to make sure government regulation does not become government oppression.

The President's recommendation for four-year House terms has received a lukewarm reception in the Senate. Electoral College changes have brought new hearings but no real agree-

ment on a single plan to win Congressional approval.

Wage and hour amendments that won House approval are experiencing drafting difficulties over which new groups of employees to include and which to exclude. Farmers express concern over inclusion of agricultural employees and want higher price supports to make up any new labor costs added by the proposal.

Mounting war costs have brought restraint on domestic spending proposals unless they fit into categories that the administration deems "must" legislation. Still the cut-backs on domestic programs are mild, and a real effort to prune projects of doubtful values does not have the overall support needed to hold the line on federal spending.

The pull and tug of war and inflation appears to be the restraining factor in dealing with the multitude of programs still on the Congressional calendar. And there is the spectre of a tax increase if federal spending gets too much out of hand, and a realization that new federal aids do cost money which must ultimately be met by taxes. There is a feeling abroad in the land that pouring more treasury dollars into every sector of the economy does not produce the automatic results once predicted. As often as not aids breed new problems which more dollars do not rectify.

So the country and the Congress appear ready to examine panaceas a little more carefully, especially when paternalism has its limits too.

Club Function Slated July 20

A family outing will be held July 20 at Chowan Golf & Country Club. It will be a B & B Party with activities for the children of members as well as adults.

Mr. and Mrs. Benbury Wood and Dr. and Mrs. Richard Hines have made plans for this first social event of the summer at the club.

The party will begin at 5:30 P. M. Wednesday, July 20, on the waterfront. The playground will be in fine shape for the children. Adults are asked to bring yard chairs.

A barbecue dinner will be served with adult plates at \$1.75 and children, 85 cents. Reservations must be made by July 18 by either calling 482-3437 or 482-3605.

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