

# Morehead City Social News

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Dr. and Mrs. Lee and daughter, Edith left Thursday for their home in Goldsboro, after a ten days visit with his mother.

Mrs. Carl Bell and son, Carl, Jr., left Sunday to spend several days in Raleigh from where Carl, Jr. will go on to Richmond, Va., for a visit.

The Arnold Davis' who have been spending some time at their cottage on Evans Street, left Sunday for Goldsboro.

Miss Ruth Macy left today for Weldon where she will be maid of honor in the wedding of her roommate, Miss Joe Maddrey, which will take place on August 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Guthrie and daughter, have returned from a trip to Connecticut.

George Wesley Williams, of Raleigh, arrived Thursday to spend a week here with his wife who is visiting her mother, Mrs. Clem Oglesby.

Warren Beck's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Beck of Raleigh, are spending several weeks at the Ocean King Hotel on Atlantic Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. George McNeill were visitors in Goldsboro Thursday.

Mrs. Morton Davis and children have returned from a two weeks vacation in Marshallberg.

Mrs. A. C. Monk has returned to Farmville after spending some time here.

Mr. I. E. Pittman has returned from Kenly where he motored Friday to take Mrs. Pittman and Anne and Elbert for a visit with Mrs. Pittman's father, Mrs. S. E. Woodard.

Miss Alice Wince and Miss Christine Vick attended the Lost Colony at Manteo this week end.

Miss Christine Vick, administrator of the Morehead City Hospital, is away for several days on vacation.

Miss Edna Williams and Miss Sarah Boyd returned Saturday night from a trip to Boston, Mass. While away they visited Niagara Falls and Canada.

Mrs. Joe Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Joe DuBois spent last Thursday in Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Leary, Mrs. A. B. Vick and Mrs. S. W. Thompson spent Monday in Wilmington.

Frank Hatton has returned from Boston, Mass., where he spent several weeks visiting relatives.

Dr. John T. Bunn is holding a revival at Conway this week.

Jim McEwen, of Winston-Salem, spent the weekend at his cottage on the Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lipscomb, of Raleigh, were the weekend guests of the Franklin Cannons on the beach.

Mrs. Floyd Chadwick is in Fayetteville, with her son, Floyd, Jr., who is a patient in the hospital there.

Mrs. Fred Damron, of Elora, Tenn., and Mr. and Mrs. Chris Ruch, of Winchester, Tenn., were the guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Windell and Mr. and Mrs. Alwayne Damron. Mr. and Mrs. Alwayne Damron returned with the members of his family to Elora where they will make their home.

Mrs. J. H. Bonneville, of Norfolk, Va., has returned to her home after spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Willis.

Rev. Robert Yost, of Plains, Pa., spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nelson.

Midshipman Herbert F. Colenda, USNR, son of Mrs. Frank Colenda, of 702 Bridges St., is serving aboard the light cruiser USS Pasadena in a task group which includes the light cruisers Astoria and Springfield and the battleship Iowa, in one of the summer's midshipmen training cruises.

## Honorary Debutante Ball Chairman



Mrs. Willis Smith, of Raleigh, who has a summer cottage at Atlantic Beach, has been chosen as honorary chairman of the 1948 Debutante Ball which is presented annually in the capital city by the Trepshichorean Club.

### Eastern Star to Have Supper

The Morehead City Chapter Order of the Eastern Star will serve a supper from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday evening, August 25. Tickets may be obtained from any member of the Eastern Star or from either drug store.

### Brown-Rowles

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Rowles, of Morehead City, announce the marriage of their daughter, Mary Virginia, to Mr. Daniel Roy Brown on Saturday, August 14.

Tuberculosis was the leading cause of death in the United States in 1900 with 195 deaths per 100,000. Today, diseases of the heart are the leading cause of death with about 307 deaths per 100,000.

## Butler-Tillery

St. Stephen's Methodist Church of this city was a scene of loveliness when on Thursday at 6 p.m. Miss Fannie Marie Tillery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Tillery of this city became the bride of Mr. David Watkin Butler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Butler of Salisbury, N. C. The double ring ceremony was used with Rev. Martin of Beaufort officiating.

The altar of the church was banked with long leaf pine and southern smilax was used effectively in the arch overhead and around the altar rail. Tall floor baskets of white gladioli and fern were placed on either side and toward the rear of the altar. Single candles were placed around the altar rail and seven and nine branched candelabra held lighted tapers on either side.

A program of nuptial music was presented by Allean Henderson, pianist, and Miss Ellen Horton and Robert Jones, soloists. Miss Horton sang "Because" and concluded the ceremony with "The Lord's Prayer," while Mr. Jones gave a rendition of "I Love You Truly."

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white duchess satin with sweetheart neck and long pointed sleeves. Her circular skirt extended in a court train and her veil of illusion fell from a tiara of white buds and maline. She carried a white satin prayer book with a cascade of orchids and stephanotis.

Miss Richella Tillery, sister of the bride was maid of honor, and her dress was of pink taffeta with pointed waist and full circular skirt. She carried a bouquet of red roses tied with blue satin streamers and her hair arrangements were of red roses and blue ribbon.

Miss Janice Marie Becton was junior maid of honor and she wore a gown of pink taffeta identical to the maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were Miss Jessie Tillery, sister of the bride, and Miss Ellen Tillery and Hilda Smith, cousins of the bride and Miss Minnie Bell. They were gowned in blue taffeta identical to the maid of honor and their bouquets were also red roses tied with satin streamers.

The groom chose as his best man, Mack Ellis of Salisbury while ushers were George Butler, of Salisbury, John Tillery, brother of the bride, and Isaac and Leroy Tillery, cousins of the bride.

The bride's mother wore a gown of orchid nylon with black accessories with a corsage of pink roses. The groom's mother wore a model of light blue crepe with white accessories and a corsage of red roses.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents where lime ice punch was served with bridal cakes, mints, and salted nuts from a beautifully appointed table with lace cloth and punch bowl flanked on either side by lighted candles.

For traveling Mrs. Butler chose a suit of luggage tan with dark green accessories and lifted the orchids from her bridal bouquet.

The bride is a graduate of the Beaufort High School and is now a senior at Livingstone College in Salisbury. She is pledged to the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

Mr. Butler who is a graduate of Livingstone College, is a member of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity and is planning to work in his field of science and coaching in the fall.

Out of town guests here for the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. William Dixon, Mr. J. Bushee, Mrs. Dennis Tillery, Miss Sarah E. Wooten and Mr. Joseph Barfield of Kingston.

Misses Frances and Carolyn Moore, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Lewis of New Bern.

Mrs. Eunice Carter and daughters, Norma and Cherry of North Hurlow.

Mrs. Fred Cotten and daughter, Minnie, Miss Sylvia Adams and Miss Lillian Reid of Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. Mason Reid of Raleigh, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Butler and daughter, Lydia Mae, Mrs. Harvey Davis, Jr., Mr. Clinton Cowan, Mr. Melvin Reid, Mr. S. L. Hopkin, Mr. George Butler of Salisbury.

### Bridal Parties Given For Fannie Tillery

Miss Fannie Tillery, bride-elect of August 19, was honored at several miscellaneous showers last week by Mesdames Luke and Alex Dudley, James A. Monroe, James Bell, Miss Rachel Dudley of this city and Miss Carrie Davis of Beaufort, N. C. Miss Tillery received many lovely gifts.

On Wednesday night, following the rehearsal Mrs. Starkey Marley, entertained the bridal party with a delightful cake cutting. Arrangement of summer flowers were placed about the party rooms.

### Reds Encourage Workers To Keep Cows, Goats

MOSCOW—(AP)—Soviet workers are being encouraged to acquire and maintain cows, goats, and other livestock as an additional source of cheap food. "Ogonek" reported recently that at the large Urals Machinery Works in Sverdlovsk alone workers and employees now have over 1500 large horned cattle and goats and are receiving 7000 metric centners (one centner equals 220 pounds) of milk yearly. They have set up two livestock cooperative societies in addition.

## Hospital Administrator Comments On Rising Operation Expenses

The problem of keeping North Carolina hospital ledgers free of red ink in the face of a continuing rise in the cost of operation is becoming more and more difficult, Miss Christine Vick, administrator of the Morehead City hospital, revealed today in a statement released by the North Carolina Hospital association and supported by a study of 132 general hospitals in the Carolinas assisted by the Trustees of the Duke Endowment.

The study covers an eleven-year period, ending with 1947. During this period the average per patient per day cost, including newborn, increased from \$3.56 in 1937 to \$7.96 in 1947, a rise of \$4.40 during the eleven years. But in the same period the average daily hospital collections from paying patients increased only \$3.06—from \$0.50 in 1937 to \$3.11 in 1947.

This is made more meaningful by a glance at what has happened to the amount in excess of cost which was paid by full pay patients.

Back in 1937 the Carolinas hospitals collected per day an average of \$1.49 in excess of cost from the average full pay patient, but in 1947 this excess amounted to only 15 cents, a 90 per cent decrease.

What has caused this situation? It's essentially the same thing that has happened to the average household budget—higher prices for everything the hospital buys and increased salaries to everyone the hospital employs. The costs are continuing upward.

In 1937 the average of 118 hospitals spent only \$1.41 per patient per day for salaries, but in 1947 the average of 132 hospitals was \$4.26 per patient per day. In 1937 salaries consumed 38.2 per cent of the daily per capita cost. By 1947 the salary cost per patient per day had reached 48.1 per cent.

Only 1.2 employees were needed in 1937 for each patient hospitalized but in 1947, 1.5 employees per patient were needed. This increase in ratio has been brought about by the trend to shorter working hours and shorter working week.

In 1937 the patient's daily raw food cost was 81 cents. This had increased to \$1.63 in 1947, an increase of 100 per cent.

The per patient nursing cost in 1937 was 59 cents per day, but in 1947 it had reached \$2.36, which is an increase of 300 per cent.

One may wonder how the hospitals continue to operate since practically none of them has any source of income other than that collected for patient care. The answer may be found in part in other transitions within this eleven-year period.

In 1937 the hospitals were donating 29.3 per cent of the cost of free hospitalization, but in 1947 they were donating only 3.6 per cent, indicating that the state and local government units have assumed the major share of free hospitalization, but in 1947 they were donating only 3.6 per cent, indicating that the state and local government units have assumed the major share of free hospitalization. The thing the hospitals were forced to do back in 1937, and continuing

largely through 1942, was to charge enough from those able to pay their hospital bills in order to be able to absorb cost of free hospitalization of the indigents and other wards of the state.

Hospital administrators point out that "free hospitalization" is a myth. Somebody has to pay for it; and if the state or some other agency doesn't, then the hospitals must obtain the money for charity patients from those patients who do meet their bills.

Indicative perhaps of the times is the trend in the ratio of charity service during this eleven-year period. In 1937 it amounted to 43.5 per cent of all services rendered by Carolinas hospitals, from which time it steadily decreased to a low of 13.7 per cent in 1946. It had risen to 14.8 per cent in 1947 and indications are that it will be higher in 1948.

Despite the vastly increased per patient costs, the demand for hospital beds has increased tremendously. See HOSPITAL Page 7

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