



PORT CITY NEWS-REEL Above: members of the Junior-Senior classes of Community hospital pose at their Junior-Senior prom-bella Christmas night at Hillcrest Middle. Some of the many baskets given by Johnny Mauley, outstanding business man of Wilmington, to the needy at Christmas time. Bottom: Following its annual tradition of spreading good cheer to others, members of the Mansfield A. Ready Post, 5716 VFW, gave out food baskets. Officials of the post line up with Father F. E. Kirtan, who blessed the baskets, and Mrs. Augusta Conner of the New Hanover County Welfare Department. Chaplain J. J. Gillis was in charge.—All Photos by Vanderbilt Studio.

Singer Likes Silence



Lauritz Melchior (right), famed opera star and outdoorsman, registers appreciation of the quietness and easy accessibility of the new 1953 Evrude Super Fastwin off-board motor being demonstrated by Stephen F. Briggs, chairman of the company that makes it.

HIGHWAY PATROL ISSUES FIGURES

RALEIGH—State Highway Patrol headquarters last week reported 11,903 arrests for traffic violations in November including 743 for drunken driving.

Another 7,903 Tar Heels motorists were handed citations and ordered to appear in court. During the month the patrol activity report showed 3,332 accident investigations, 82,300 vehicle inspections and 135,945 sign drivers license inspections.

In addition to enforcement work the patrolmen performed 18,632 acts of courtesy for motorists they encountered in line of duty.

THIS 'PETTY-PACE'



Dawdle Dell Correspondent SIGHN PAINTER Flavius Nuttelli announces that he had a nice order this past week from a ladies' underwear store up in the city.

Baptist Ministers Conference Reopens

WILMINGTON — The Baptist Ministers Conference of Wilmington and vicinity closed its weekly fellowship meetings recently but will reopen January 14 at the usual hour.

The last meeting was conspicuous for the volume of business accomplished. Brethren who are hospitalized are the Rev. H. Lewis and D. W. Fulwood. Provision was made to keep them mindful of their fellow-pastors.

Dr. J. H. Moore gave a dynamic message on the preeminence of Christ. The meeting the 14th will also be an interesting one, opening with a dinner. Refreshments will be served to all present.

The Rev. J. M. Mallette will give the message. The public is invited. Signed: the Rev. J. M. Mallette, president; Rev. G. P. House.

BRUNSWICK NOTES

WILMINGTON — Home for the holidays were Messrs. William Hardy, Frank Randolph, V. Randolph, Elbert Johnson, D. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Smith and Joseph Evans, Miss Leela Ruth Hankins and Miss Queenie Randolph.

The following persons were seen at the wedding of Miss Alston, our county supervisor; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Green, Mr. and Mrs. Vann Galloway, Mrs. B. Berry Estell, Violet Mitchell and son; Florence Williams and nephew, James Bryant; Mr. Ben Thomas, Edw. C. Clemmons, Misses Viola McKay, A. Rosboro, Phoebe Randolph, Mr. and Mrs. Vann Bellamy, Mr. Sam Bethea, and Mrs. Baldwin.

The wedding was held at Fayetteville Street Baptist church on Saturday evening, six o'clock. The event was a scene of beauty and splendor. The church was decorated in ivy which was interwoven in thatched lattice, with bridal roses, with poinsettia as center of beauty. The lovely palms were centralized to catch the gleams which fell from the candelabra, across the entire rostrum. Candles, lighted every other pole fastened with a white satin tie. The bride wore a white satin, lace trimmed gown with a train which flowed at length and was carried with dignity by the bride. The bride carried a lovely bouquet of white

It's Your Hospital and Your Life

By H. J. WHYIE, Administrator

Got money troubles? Who hasn't these days. Seems everything costs more. Bread — milk — shoes — rent — movie tickets. If your family is typical, bills come in regular as clockwork — week after week, month after month.

Let's take a look at them. You pay your rent bill because you want a home — a roof over your head. You pay your grocery bill because food is a basic want — and you enjoy eating. Junior, now too a make him the envy of everyone at school. Mom's new hat is a morale builder. You don't mind paying those bills. The washer on your radio or electric washer takes quite a bite out of your budget. But it's something you'll appreciate later, and over again something you'll have for years.

But those medical bills. They're a different story. No one likes to be sick. Bills for doctor's services — for hospitalization — for drug items — represent the expense of paying for something you didn't want in the first place — illness or injury. That's why medical bills seem to hit your pocketbook especially hard. You're paying for something you don't want — something you didn't plan on.

HOW ABOUT IT? HOW DO YOUR MEDICAL COSTS STACK UP IN RELATION TO YOUR OTHER FAMILY EXPENSES? LET'S LOOK AT THE RECORD TO BEGIN WITH. Wages have risen a lot faster than medical care prices. This means you have to put in LESS work to pay for the same amount of medical care than ever before.

AT THE SAME TIME, you're paying more for the same medical care. That's your doctor's fee — or as fast — as the cost of bread, milk fuel and other family necessities.

WHILE MOST OF YOUR family expenditures have been skyrocketing, today you spend only four cents out of every dollar on medical care. The price you pay for your doctor's service is only one-tenth of what it was 20 years ago.

But that's only part of the story. When you figure out the cost of a bag of groceries, you add up what you pay for potatoes, butter, and other food items in the bag. To give you a clearer picture of your medical care dollar, let's do the same with medical care. Here's your medical care. You pay not only for the services of your doctor but also for hospital care, drugs and other things.

SO LET'S LOOK AT YOUR DOCTOR BILLS. When Dad has his appendix out — or Mom gets a sore throat — or Junior breaks his arm, your doctor is the fellow who takes care of it. Providing medical services is your doctor's FIRST responsibility. His fee is secondary. But your physician is also an independent businessman with a living to earn. Like any businessman, he must charge for his services.

While most family expenses have been shooting up sharply, physicians' fees have risen only moderately. In fact, your doctor is getting a decreasing share of your medical dollar. That's not all. Your doctor is constantly learning new and better techniques in many

cases these enable him to shorten your illness, so that your TOTAL doctor bill for similar service is less today than it would have been 15 years ago. Because wages have risen so much faster than doctors' fees, you have to put in less work than ever before to pay your family physician, your surgeon, or specialist.

ANOTHER IMPORTANT PART OF YOUR MEDICAL DOLLAR GOES TO PAY YOUR HOSPITAL BILLS. How do they compare with your other medical expenses? Or all your medical care prices, hospital room rates alone have risen faster than prices of the other goods and services you buy. But there's a reason — a good reason.

Just as in your own household, everything the hospital has to pay for is higher. This includes food — bed-equipment — and other supplies. Hospital employees now work a shorter week. This means that more employees are needed today to do the same amount of work as in the past. Most have lagged behind wages in most other service industries have had to be increased. Payroll alone accounts for most of the hospital's increase in daily rates. It costs more to operate a general hospital, more to care for patients than was believed from patients. But here's the important point, although hospital rates are higher — your hospital stay is shorter. On the average, stay ever before. As a result, your TOTAL hospital bill is often lower than it would have been at any time in the past. This is due to improved surgical methods, more effective drugs, new equipment, and better overall care.

THE THIRD ITEM ON YOUR MEDICAL COST LIST IS YOUR DRUG BILL. When you are sick, chances are your doctor will prescribe some sort of medication to help you get well. It may be a drug that was used when Dad was a boy. But note that likely — it'll be the very latest thing science has discovered to help your ailment.

Ten years ago, you never heard of cortisone — ACTH — antibiotic — vitamin B-12 — penicillin — or the newer type antibiotics. Then you couldn't have taken advantage of their healing powers at ANY price. The price you pay on a newly introduced drug HAS TO BE high to cover the costs of making it available to your research pilot plants, clinical testing, distribution. But when the wheels of production start rolling — and competition begins — that original price comes down in a hurry. Right now, drugs as a whole are taking a declining share of your medical dollar.

So when you add up all your medical bills — your physician's bill, your hospital costs, your drug charges, your dentist's fees, and other expenses — you'll see that all of these services more than pay for themselves in time and money saved — and longer productive life.

In short, they're helping you to get THE BEST MEDICAL CARE AT THE LOWEST POSSIBLE COST.



VANK HOLIDAY PARTY — You're taking a peek at some of the little guests at a holiday party given to some 2,000 German children by the staff of the Erding air base in Frankfurt. American male and female personnel staged the party and waited on their guests. (News-press Photo.)

Ford Motor Company Is Fifty Years Of Age; Celebrations Are In Making

DEARBORN, Michigan — Ford Motor Company is 50 years old this year.

To mark its 50th anniversary, the company has planned a series of commemorative events during 1953.

Highlight of the anniversary year will be dedication of the company's \$30,000,000 Engineering and Research Center in Dearborn, Mich. The ceremony is set for June 18, date of the company's incorporation in 1903. It will be followed by a state dinner to be attended by several hundred national dignitaries.

On the same day, local company officials, Ford and Lincoln-Mercury dealers and their wives will attend anniversary banquets in 33 United States cities in which Ford maintains plants, parts depots, and sales offices.

A pictorial book, "Ford at Fifty," will be published by Simon and Schuster in April. A portrait of an industrial enterprise taken in its 50th year, the book graphically depicts the American environment and the people who make possible the growth and success of such an institution.

Approximately 300,000 copies of the book will be produced. Each of Ford's 100,000 employees will receive one. The publication was edited by Joseph J. Tooradic, Jr., formerly managing editor of "Life," and was written by Joe McCarthy, former managing editor of "Cosmopolitan." Pictures for the book were taken by several noted photographers including Philippe Halman, "Life" cover photographer.

Theme of the anniversary, "Fifty Years Forward on the American Road," will be featured in a two-hour television show and an hour-long radio broadcast the evening of June 15.

The telecast will be carried on two major networks. The show will be produced by Leland Hayward, who presented such Broadway hits as "South Pacific" and "My Darling Clementine." The recorded radio program, to be aired on one major network, will be adapted from

the television show. The Ford Archives, largest institution of its type in industry, will be dedicated early in May. Some of the country's leading scholars, archivists, and historians are expected to attend the ceremony.

A motion picture which centers around the anniversary theme will be premiered in Dearborn during May. The first audience will be composed of members of Ford's management and their wives.

The Rotunda, the world's largest privately-owned industrial display building, will be reopened as a public show-place around June 1. It is converted to an office building during World War II.

Theme of its exhibit will be "Progressive Research and Engineering."

United States dealers will add open-house programs for the public in June. Employees and their families will participate in "birthday party" events in the Detroit area and all branch locations in July and August.

In late 1953, the initial volume of an official Ford history will be published. Tentatively titled, "The History of Henry Ford," the publication will cover the period from 1866 to 1920. Author is Allan Nevins, twice a Pulitzer prize winner for biography. Mr. Nevins will write several more detailed volumes dealing with the life of Henry Ford and history of Ford Motor Company during the next three years.

The "Ford Times" and "Lincoln-Mercury Times" company magazines, will feature the anniversary in their June editions.

Approximately 2,000,000 anniversary calendars, featuring seven Norman Rockwell illustrations, were distributed in December. All Ford employees received copies. Ford's worldwide calendar distribution, approximately 1,750,000 of the calendars, which were printed in seven languages.

Former Benedict College Dean Buried After Final Rites At Greensboro, N. C.

GREENSBORO, N. C. (AP) — Funeral services for Gurney E. Nelson, former dean at Benedict College, Columbia, S. C., were held last week at St. Matthews M. E. church. The noted educator died from injuries sustained in an automobile accident when the car in which he and his son, Gurney Jr., were riding enroute to Columbia from Columbus, Ohio to spend the holidays with Mrs. Nelson and their daughter, Phyllis Carolyn.

Nelson was born and reared in Greensboro. He received the B. S. degree from Middlebury University, now Johnson C. Smith; the A. B. degree from Lincoln University and the M. A. from Ohio State University. He had completed all academic requirements for the Ph.D. degree from the latter institution. He was a veteran of World War

inasmuch as he was able to walk and talk about the accident, but death came suddenly from a cerebral hemorrhage a few hours later in Lowman's hospital, Mooresville, N. C.

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Army Program Stresses Need For Morality

ARMY HEADQUARTERS in the Pentagon Building recently issued three startling pamphlets. They established in the United States Army formal instruction in morality.

Character Guidance Discussions Topics, as the new Armed Forces' morality program is entitled, begins with this striking foreword:

"These programs have one common purpose. That purpose is to instill into all the men and women of our Armed Forces, leaders and led alike, a sense of individual moral responsibility. To achieve this purpose the character development programs stress the moral principles that sustain the philosophy of American freedom, particularly as it is set forth in the opening paragraph of the Declaration of Independence. That philosophy regards man as a creature of God. As such, each individual in the Armed Forces is accountable and responsible to his Creator for the way he performs his civic and military duty. Sound morality must underlie all military instruction."

THIS NEW character-guidance program is built around the unchanging principles of the natural law. The course discusses the human conscience, the existence of God, and the 3500-year old Ten Commandments.

With apologies to no one, the author deals with the value of religion in daily life, the need for wholesome thinking, the importance of the Sixth and Ninth Commandments in man's sex life. The case for humility, prayer, and inalienable rights is presented most convincingly.

The pamphlets clearly set before each new recruit the age-old Christian concept of obedience so unpopular with modern minds, that man's use of freedom must be limited by respect for law and moral principles. As the pamphlets emphasize, "Without obedience to God, there is scarcely any basis for obedience to other authority."

THE ARMY is spending thousands of dollars on this new project because it has noticed over the years that a man of religious conviction makes the best soldier.



From many bitter experiences our military leaders know that a man trained in the secrets of the Nation's defense is a dangerous man if he lacks moral integrity, if he is wanting in sound Christian character, or if his patriotism and loyalty do not spring from basically religious principles.

IT SEEMS CLEAR that our Armed Forces find no conflict between religion and the American way of life. In fact the Army hopes to win America's wars by teaching soldiers religious principles. Perhaps we will win the "Battle for Peace" when we begin to bring back into civilian life those religious principles that once gave America her claim to greatness throughout the world. —by Alvin Illeg

Orange County News and Views

ELFLAND—Robt. Fuller is building a new residence west of Elfland and in the Morrow-Green School Community.

Rev. Claude Faucette and wife are getting ready to stock their new store just behind and with electric lights. They hope to soon install telephone service.

Hurley Green has about finished the new dwelling for his son, Hurley Green, Jr. He has a very nice building and is within sight of the new public school building. And the Good Road builders are building some more good roads about the Morrow-Green Public School building.

William Ed Faucette was reported some better Monday, December 29. He has been sick for some time at his daughter and son-in-law's home.

Aut Josephine Harvey was reported some better Tuesday morning.

Miss Bettie Faucette just returned from Washington, D.C. where she has been visiting her brothers.

Miss Marnie McAdoo came home to visit her mother and father Christmas and returned to D.C. Saturday, December 27th.

Sambo Cone and Nancy Cone were the first colored folks to be buried in this community and we hope to soon show the pictures of their graves in an old burying ground on the late John R. Hunter farm.

The next colored burying ground is located on the east side of the Elfland-Cedar Grove highway and is located on the J. Ernest Taylor farm. Many folks were buried here.

Near where the new highway connects with No. 70 just west of Eno River and on the Duke Lands there is a grave holding about 25 Yankee soldiers who were killed during the Civil War days. And there should be a park laid off here so that folks of today could see the second wheat, corn and barley mill which was started in 1610 by Benjamin Forrest and his three sons.

Uncle Daniel Faucette owned a small blacksmith shop and farm on the lands just north of the late Joe Turner Farms, which are now owned by Mrs. Alanzo Kenon and



BACK FROM GERMANY — Mrs. Slav, a daughter of Mrs. George Lipscomb, of Milton, N.C., lived in Franklin, Germany as a dependant of Sgt. Roy M. Slav for three years, during which time she met many of the Dutch people, she admires them for their friendly attitudes and hospitality and in the special interest they showed in colored Americans. As a bride of Sgt. Slav she lived in civilian quarters provided by the United States Government. Their quarters were divided into special zones of the city. They were not segregated from the German population, but the separation between Army ranks. Living quarters were provided only for Officers and Sergeants dependants. DURING Mrs. Slav's stay in Germany she had servants to do general housework. The servants were cheerful about their work and always did a good job. She found the Dutch to be excellent cooks as well as house cleaners. Food for Army personnel was purchased through Army exchange system at the same price we pay here in the United States. Cigarettes were an exception. They were purchased for ten cents per pack. "I learned from the German people many ways to prepare a meal without having a lot of meat and expensive foods like the average American," said Mrs. Slav. The Social phase of her stay in Frankfurt was not at all a dull one. She visited the homes of many American G.I.'s. She attended civilian churches, their movies, clubs at schools. The German School teachers, through the process of diffusion, learned more and seemed willing to learn more about the Americans and their way of life.

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