

Former Dean of Med School Started Hospital Saving

By Richard S. Block

Many sick people in the state of North Carolina were refraining from medical care because they were financially unable to meet hospital and surgical expenses. Dr. Manning, a former Dean of the Medical School of the University of North Carolina, recognized this fact and made a trip to Europe to study foreign hospitalization plans. It is from the acquired knowledge of this trip that he formed in 1935 the Hospital Saving Association of North Carolina, Inc., here in Chapel Hill.

Today, thanks to Dr. Manning and to many other spirited citizens of the country, 77 Hospital Saving Associations (Blue Cross Plans) cover the land making medical care without financial burden a reality. The Blue Cross signifies approval by the American Hospital Association of the individual undertakings.

210,000 Members

The Hospital Saving Association of North Carolina, Inc., which has its main office at 165 E. Franklin Street, is the largest Blue Cross Plan in the South boasting a total membership of 210,000 members. It is a non-profit organization which was originally financed by a \$25,000 donation from the Duke Endowment Fund, but it is now completely financed by the small fees of its members. If a surplus is accumulated from the fees it is used for increased benefits to the members.

The association is incorporated under the laws of the state which makes periodic examinations of its methods

and financial standing. The Board of Trustees of the Association is composed of members from the North Carolina Hospital Association, the North Carolina Medical Association and from the general public.

The membership is open to any employee, or members of his immediate family, who is in a group containing the required per cent of subscribers to the plan. The groups represented in this organization differ greatly. Included are such units as factories, business aggregations and institutions of higher learning. The employees of the University are eligible to join the association.

The fees for the individual are 60 cents per month for hospitalization and 60 cents monthly for surgery. The entire family may enjoy the benefits of the plan for \$1.60 per month for hospitalization and 90 cents monthly toward surgical expenses. All of the Blue Cross Plans are mutually recognized, thus making it possible for a member to move from one state to another without losing his membership.

At the present time Hospital Saving Association of North Carolina, Inc., is engaged in a membership drive. Even though the present rate of enrollment is four thousand persons a month Hospital Saving is not satisfied. The ultimate goal of the Blue Cross Organizations is to protect every employed person in the country and his family. It is a big task which they have to face, but the final result will be a healthier and happier America.

ALUMNI

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Battle of Midway and later received a gold star, symbolizing a second Navy Cross award, at the Coral Sea battle. Others who received the Navy Cross are: Rear Admiral O. B. Hardison, class of 1911, Wadesboro; Ensign Carl D. Peiffer, USNR (posthumously) of Wilmington, class of 1937; Major General Allen H. Turnage, USMC, of Farmville, class of 1912, and Cpl. Douglas Crotts, USMC, of Siler City, class of 1943.

Legion of Merit

The Legion of Merit, one of the nation's newest and highest decorations, was awarded recently to Admiral Hardison, who now is Chief of the Naval Air Primary Training Command.

The Silver Star has been received by the following alumni (these include men in both the Army and Navy): Lt. John C. Bower, Jr., USNR (missing in action), Lexington, '37; Captain Walter Clark, AAF, Lincoln, '41; Ensign Randolph Cooner, USNR (posthumously), Asheville, '37; Lt. Comdr. Ernest J. Davis, USN, Beaufort, '24; Lt. Henry H. Fitts, AAF, Warrenton, '39; Capt. E. Graham Gammon, AAF, Charlotte, '37; Capt. Richard B. Johnston, AAF, North Wilkesboro, '36; Lt. William B. Long, AAF, Rutherfordton, '41; Ensign Hunter Marshall, III (missing in action), USNR, Charlotte, '42; Capt. Robert S. Milner, AAF, Cary, '40; Capt. George E. Paris, AAF, Lumberton, '41; Col. Redding Perry, USA, Henderson, '12; Lt. Col. Ramsay D. Potts, AAF, Memphis, Tenn., '38; and Major Raymond H. Wilkins, AAF, Columbia, '38.

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The Distinguished Flying Cross has been conferred on 30 alumni, the Air Medal on 75, and other medals and citations, including two British citations, on 11 others.

Carolina alumni were recognized recently by the Navy Department when four destroyer escorts were named after Carolina men who lost their lives in line of duty. The ships were named for Ensign Randolph Cooner, class of '37, Asheville, who lost his life in the Pacific theatre; Ensign Hunter Marshall, III, from Charlotte, class of '42; Lt. William P. Kephart, of Greensboro, who was killed at Guadalcanal; and Ensign Carl D. Peiffer of Wilmington, class of '37, who was lost in the Battle of Midway.

The gate of the Marine Corps Aviation Base at Edenton has been named Conderman Gate in memory of Lt. Robert J. Conderman of New Bern who was killed in the Battle of Wake Island.

One Carolina alumnus has attained the rank of Major General in the Marine Corps. He is Gen. A. H. Turnage who commanded the Third Marine Division at Bougainville. Seven other University sons now hold the commission of Brigadier General. They are: John Elliott Wood, '11; William L. Sheep, '04; Ely P. Denson, '08; James Stevens Simmons, '13; Early E. W. Duncan, '17; Luther S. Smith, '22; and Kenneth C. Royall, '14.

Incredible World

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I am going to write my congressman about it. If that doesn't do any good I am going above his head and report it to my milkman who knows a choice bit of dirt about one of the undersecretaries of the OPA. In some way or other we are going to get something done about the matter. America is in peril . . . it will no longer be the land of John Doe and Frankie Jones. It will become a desolate place, a never ending wasteland of hamburgers with no onions.

Food reminds me of the way my brother eats soup. It is disgusting. I am not sure what he does to the soup, but it is horrible. We tried in every way to find out what it was. We changed soups, but he did the same thing to Campbell's soup, Heinz', and Phillips'. We even went to the expense and trouble of fixing up several pots of home made soup and it was still the same. It got to the place we would all have to go out when he started eating or else put him in the closet while he ate. My mother thought this might split his personality so we quit having soup for ten years.

Finally the doctors found out that he had something on his lip that made it possible for him to triple lip a trumpet, so now he is playing with a big orchestra and has a private sound proof room for soup eating. Now that my brother is getting along we never mention soup when he comes home for a visit. He might cut off our allowance. Besides who wants to hear anybody like that make noise with a spoon when he can play a trumpet.

PRE-FLIGHT

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(Ret.), to North Carolina to select the best Negro musicians available and get them organized for the specific job of playing for the Pre-Flight School at Chapel Hill. Several men in the educational department were called on to give assistance.

After the men had been selected they were sent to Norfolk, Virginia, for nine weeks of Naval indoctrination. Most of the men were either college graduates or had at least two years of college work to their credit. While in Norfolk the men went through the regular preliminary training period of four weeks, after which they began band practice and field drill in preparation for the job they were to do.

On July 31, the band arrived in Chapel Hill and took up their first headquarters in the building which had been started as a community center for the Negroes of Chapel Hill. The Navy completed the structure and the band began its activities with the knowledge that they were the first all-Negro Navy Band in the country. They started work immediately, playing for baseball games, dances, formations, parades, and church on Sunday. They were a welcome addition to the Pre-Flight school and to the community and gained favor with both the townspeople and the Navy unit.

One of the best liked sections of the band was the swing section which played the hep music for the Pre-Flight dances. The swing band was under the co-leadership of Melvin L. Wall of Albemarle, N. C., and William H. Cole of Hampton, Virginia.

In their spare time some of the musicians found time to enjoy themselves by teaching some of the negro children of the community to play their instruments. One of their favorite sports was baseball. Some of the fellows even found time to fall in love with some of the local girls and start a family. These things, and the friends they made in Chapel Hill are what they regret most to leave behind them.

Most of the 44 boys in the band are from the South. Thirty-one out of the 44 are from North Carolina, 17 of them being from Greensboro and five from Durham.

The final destination of the band is not known, however it may be said that they will take up their work somewhere in the Pacific Area. They made many friends in Chapel Hill; they will always be welcome to return when the opportunity provides itself.

The new band which has arrived has already begun playing for the activities of the Pre-Flight School and is proving itself equal to the task.

Aptitude Tests

The Medical Aptitude Test for all students who plan to enter a medical school in 1944 will be given at three o'clock on Friday afternoon, April 28, in the Auditorium in the Medical Building. The fee is one dollar.

The test is a normal requirement for admission to medical school. It is unnecessary for all pre-medical requirements to be completed at the time the test is taken if the requirements will be completed in time for entrance to medical school in the 1944 class.

Application to take the test should be made immediately to the Dean's office, School of Medicine. Telephone 7266.

RICKENBACKER

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survived a passenger plane crash just over the boundaries of the Atlanta Airport. He still limps from a leg injury.

Born in Columbus, Ohio, in 1890, Captain Rickenbacker became widely known as an automobile racer and won championships in national and international meets. In 1917 he accompanied General Pershing to France as a member of the Motor Car Staff, and three months later transferred, at his own request, to the Air Corps. He became commanding officer of the 94th Aero Pursuit Squadron, which was credited with the largest number of victories of any American unit.

Rickenbacker has received two honorary degrees of Doctor of Aeronautical Science, one from Pennsylvania Military College and one from Brown University, one Doctor of Science in Aviation from the University of Miami, one Doctor of Science from the University of Tampa, one Doctor of Humane Letters from University Foundation and American Theological Seminary, and a degree of Doctor of Laws from Oklahoma City University.

Decorated Many Times

He was awarded the D.S.C. with nine palms, and the Congressional Medal of Honor, the Legion of Honor, and the Croix de Guerre with four palms.

Upon returning home he organized and became vice-president of the Rickenbacker Motor Company in Detroit, and was connected with the La Salle division of Cadillac Motor Car company until 1929 when he joined up with Fokker Aircraft corporation of America in New York. From 1932 to 1934 he was vice-president of American Airways, Inc., and assistant to the president of Aviation Corporation. Later he became vice-president of North American Aviation, Inc., and general manager of Eastern Air Lines, and in 1938 he was made president of the Eastern Air Lines.

Captain Rickenbacker is author of "Fighting the Flying Circus," published in 1919, and of several adventure strips, such as Hall of Fame of the Air and "Ace Drummond."

Since World War II began, Captain Rickenbacker has contacted for the War Department all Air Corps groups in the United States and has made special missions for Secretary of War Stimson covering all war fronts, including England, the Pacific, North Africa, Iran, India, China, Russia, England, Iceland, Greenland and the Aleutians.

HAUNTED

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of unopened books called "Modern Logic" by Henry Horace Williams.

To the left is the parlor, a lovely quiet room that breathes the atmosphere of a late yellow afternoon with ethereal shafts of winter light, or a deep, "Wuthering Heights" night of mystery and knowledge. It, too, has a large fireplace, the climax of the climax of the room. Two ornate chests are settled against one wall—one houses plaster-of-paris hands and feet; the other has not been opened in recent times. Beside the fireplace is a curious wooden chair of carved, clustered bunches of grapes. A china-closet that would be a possession for any lady of the house stands serenely in one corner, holding lovely china, white cups with gold borders, and fancy Oriental dishes. Candleabras, a desk, a bookcase, and a commonplace sofa complete the picture.

Ante-Rooms

Dark passages with the ground for a floor, opening into cobwebby, dusky ante-rooms, are catacomb-like subterranean structures underlying, perhaps, the whole mystery. Some enlightened individuals believe that is where the thing hangs out. Be that as it may, a candlelit trip into the catacombs is not recommended for your children who may, or may not have coffee nerves.

A remarkable study, large kitchen and pantry, and bedroom are the other rooms of the building. The study, where "Horace" spent many a fateful study hour, is a symphony of education and mystery of the past in itself. A shiny, black top-hat and an expensive-looking garbled cane are tossed on the once-velveted-topped desk, piled high with Williams' papers and books. A swivel chair, five book cases, desk, and pictures crowd the study, together with a yellow mounted butterfly, an antique victrola, and unused lamp stands. Darwin books, "The Legend of Gaudama" by Bigandet, "The Logic of Hegel" by Wallace, "A Fatalist at War" by Binding, and "Organic Adaptation to Environment" by Nichols, Woodruff, Petrunkevitch, Coe, Wieland, Dunbar, Lull, and Huntington, are some of the books in the dusty old bookcases.

In the Study

There is a check for \$10.75 made out by Horace Williams to J. F. Pickard on May 7, 1917, hiding in one of the squeaky drawers, right next to a 3-in-one oil can. A faded rug on the dark floor, long dark green window-shades, and a yellowed cushion add to the atmosphere.

An ordinary kitchen with a Magic Chef stove and a Servel Electrolux frigidaire and a bedroom built on the letter "L" plan must also be noticed if we're going to be thorough. According to reliable reports the Williams bedroom's beds, bureaus, fireplace, chairs, and desk are especially attractive to the thing you can feel, but can't touch.

Footsteps in the Dark

The hackneyed, but none the less realistic details of the day-to-day antics of the "ghost" are evasive, if not ethereal. There was the time one of the occupants was mildly surprised to hear definite footsteps approaching the foot of his bed. He (the surprisee), according to best tradition, buried himself beneath the covers. Another incident not to be lightly overlooked is

KAPLAN

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so Sonny Tufts is, including the carrying of his press clippings with him. Chief Kaplan states that he predicted stardom for the handsome brute—"he couldn't miss with so much male 'stuff.'"

At Several Stations

Shortly after December 7, 1941, Bernard Kaplan enlisted in the US Navy and was sent to Physical Instructor School at Norfolk, Virginia, directed by Lieutenant Commander Gene Tunney. He had the pitcher and short-stop of the Brooklyn Dodgers Baseball Team as bunkmates, specifically Pee Wee Reese and Hugh Casey. Kaplan made the rating of Chief Specialist in Athletics and his Navy life began in earnest.

Chief Kaplan's first assignment was the Naval Air Base in Daytona Beach, Fla., where he assisted in setting up an athletic program and coached the boxing team. This duty was interrupted when the V-12 program opened, and after a week of indoctrination at Bainbridge, Md., he came to Chapel Hill as a member of the athletic department for Navy V-12's. He spends his free time taking courses here on the campus toward a Master of Arts degree in Physical Education.

TRACK

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inches in the javelin throw was one of the best marks of the afternoon. Don Elser took two first places for a total of 10 points, and high scorer for the Cloudbusters. He won the all-important discus, and also the shot-put.

The Carolina coaches were well pleased with the progress of the squad, and their performance in the first meet, and they have high hopes for continued improvement in the team.

Results:

100: McKenzie, UNC; Cassidy, P-F; and Muller, UNC. 4:26.

440: Beetham, P-F; Nelson, UNC; and Plechaty, P-F. 49.8.

100: Schultz, UNC; Stevens, UNC; Van Hecke, UNC. 10.

120 hurdles: Finley, P-F; Todd, P-F; and Hathaway, UNC. 14.8.

880: McKenzie, UNC; Camp, P-F; and Duval, P-F. 2:00.9.

220: Nelson, UNC; Beetham, P-F; and O'Tolle, P-F. 2:26.

Two-mile: Miller, UNC; Bruno, P-F; and McKenzie, UNC. 10:17.3.

Broad jump: Grimes, UNC; Owens, UNC; and Finley, P-F. 21 ft. 7 in.

Pole vault: Coleman, P-F; Ward, UNC; and Kirby and Weygang, both P-F, tied for third. 13 feet, 1 1/4 inches.

High jump: Ward and Bock, both UNC, tied for first; Grimes and Fitch, both UNC, tied for third. 6 feet, 2 inches.

Discus: Elser, P-F; Quillan, P-F; and Paige, UNC. 119 feet, 2 inches.

Shot put: Elser, P-F; Twomey, P-F; and Quillan, P-F. 44 feet, 3/4 inch.

Javelin: Panther, P-F; Footrick, P-F; and McLeary, P-F. 199 feet, 3 inches.

FORUM

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cause of democracy in the Western Hemisphere?" Our state department has failed miserably in solving this dangerous problem. The majority of CPU members maintain that fascism in South America must be met by the U. S. with forceful suppression. This opinion is based on the assumption that this war is being waged against fascism in a crusade for democracy. I believe, on the other hand, that this war is not an idealistic battle against fascism, but merely a war between the attacker and the attacked. Fascism is only a side issue.

Our relations with fascist countries in South America must be conducted in such a manner as to prevent aggression and to further democratic enlightenment which would foster peaceful procedures.

—JAY WOLFE

Social Note: The IRC will hold a special weenie roast next Friday night in Battle Park. Positively no drinking, loving, cussing or political discussing . . . ?

SOPHOMORE

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mittees of the sophomore class: John Gambill, Jack Folger, Jim Ficklen, Bob Weant, Al Williams, C. B. Bryant, Charlie Frank Benbow, Bruce Winslow, Dale Dean, Snookie Proctor, Buster Stevenson, Tom Andrews, Phil Taylor, Graham White, Julian McKenzie, Wilson Campbell, Eddie Black, Steve Uzzell, John Fouts, Bob Belamy, Ulysses Cornogg, Leon Ellis, Leon Mitchell, Allen Kaufman, Jim Register and Mannie Alverey.

that of The Door. The much-publicized door slammed itself shut and back against the wall, ignoring the lack of wind that night and its swollen lower rim that must have made slamming difficult.

Present-day occupants of the house have become accustomed to the unruly state of affairs, and have a polite, matter-of-fact way of approaching the whole situation. They do, however, recall the time the water spigot turned itself on full force, startling the fellow who had just firmly turned it off, muttering, "Come on now, Horace, no funny stuff tonight!" Perhaps the most appalling episode of all, though, is the heretofore unrevealed phenomena of The Milk Bottle. This particular Milk Bottle, as far as any human being knows, hurtled, did not fall, from the top of the frigidaire against the other side of the doorway, next which the frigidaire stood, at a height arm's length above the floor. The full quart of milk splattered against its target, clattered to the floor, and lay in the middle of the historical kitchen, quietly spilling its milk, but telling nothing.

Maybe the moral of all this is don't cry over spilled milk, and maybe again, it has something to do with what Horace stated on the verge of his death, "Dying isn't death, it's life."

IRC

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train at 9:20 a.m. Thursday, and he will probably start back to Washington Thursday night after his address. Dr. Lejins plans to meet with various members of Carolina's sociology faculty. His address will be followed by a question period and general discussion.

IRC president Ann West expressed the opinion that the speech will attract wide attention on the campus Thursday evening, in view of the interest shown in past IRC forums and discussions on the Soviet Union and its policy toward Europe.

WELL

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Morgan's Creek" for genuine entertainment value.

We have noticed a need concerning the Honor System that would help matters considerably. It would be a good idea if each teacher would explain the Honor System as it applies to his class and just exactly how he interprets it. Recently, we have noticed that students are asked to write out the pledge completely. This doesn't seem to accomplish too much. However, this and other questions should be considered before any more new students arrive on this campus. The whole system seems to be in need of a definite overhauling, that need being urgent.

We have heard it said by some that the Mechanical Drawing classes are where so many do so much for so little. Since seeing "Lady In The Dark," we have wondered whether people dream in technicolor or not. Perhaps it would be wise if some happy little soul took a little data on the subject. The complaint department is quite empty this week. We wish to state that we are always open for complaints which we will settle as best as possible. We do wish that there would be a lot less Easy Gwynn and more music over WDNC in the morning.

IN THIS CORNER

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was the only sprint man who was capable of running a fast 220. Beetham and Nelson, the two main thin-clads in this event lined up. The gun went off. Both got a good start, and stayed together most of the way during the short distance, when suddenly Nelson put on a sudden burst of speed and finished about a yard or two in front of the former Olympic star. Teammates rushed out to congratulate Nelson on his time of 22.6, and the defeat of Beetham. Nelson smiled, for he knew he had practically done the impossible. We, the sports staff of the TAR HEEL, salute Don Nelson as the athlete of the week.

PORTIA

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smooth tones of the pianist . . . these were well-timed and beautifully presented.

Undergraduates, graduates, scholarship holders, teachers and faculty wives . . . all enjoying their own performance of the newest phase of art to become part of the Workshop program. Other schools have some of these parts, but not many have all, and it's to be expected that if Carolina continues to launch these well-

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