

N. C. Human Resources Department

PART I

In recent weeks several reports, newspaper articles and television programs have pointed to some bad situations that exist in nursing homes in some areas of the nation.

Ernest Phillips, assistant director of the Division of Facility Services of the N.C. Department of Human Resources, said, "While our nursing home program is not perfect, I can assure you that situations that have received so much publicity in the news media

do not exist in our state."

Phillips feels that the North Carolina licensure process for such nursing facilities has some elements built into it which prevent abuses and unsafe conditions for the patient. One important factor is the State Building Code which applies to all institutional buildings constructed in the state and is enforced at the state and not the local level.

A potential nursing home operator must submit his building plans to Human

Resources for review and approval prior to construction. Architects and engineers on the staff make certain that the proposed building is designed to provide a safe environment and will perform the functions for which it is used before a license can be issued. On-site inspections are made at certain intervals of actual construction to assure compliance with approved plans.

"This construction program prevents the 'fly by night' operator from converting an old house, motel or abandoned hospital into a nursing home as is done in many states," stated Phillips.

The state office also has a staff of nurses, dietitians, social workers and other professionals who constantly make survey visits to assist facilities in meeting and maintaining licensure standards. A team composed of an administrator, nurse, dietitian, and medical record administrator makes an annual inspection of each facility in the state. Sometimes a pharmacist or physical therapist will take part in the survey.

A written report on each survey is reviewed by the central office staff and

filed. Any failure to meet program standards is put in writing to the operator and corrective action is required. Follow-up visits are made to determine that corrections have been made.

Homes are visited for investigation of complaints and for consultation during the year. Phillips says, "The visits are not as often as we would prefer but the homes are inspected by local personnel such as the fire marshal, county social workers and sanitarians. We receive copies of their reports."

Phillips says that the toll free "Hotline" (1-800-662-7950) of the Department of Human Resources is a valuable tool in monitoring nursing home service. "While our staff cannot be everywhere, the public is and the use of 'Hotline' gives us hundreds of extra eyes to spot problem situations," Phillips concluded.

Love Affair

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Mrs. Eady concluded, "Dena is coming to Bennett. She can make it on her own."

After a semester of adjustment like the other members of her class, Dena is now a full-fledged Belle with "all the privileges and the anxieties."

She said, "I have fallen several times, but I suffered no broken bones, just injured pride which I soon get over."

Everyone wants to help Dena, who declines nicely. Her roommate has rearranged their room several times trying to make things easier for her.

"I just want to be as independent as I can, although I do allow people to help me. It makes me feel better, I guess. But I don't want people to think that I can't do things for myself."

Dena enjoys sitting in the chapel balcony during lyric programs because it's "quieter up there."

"People on campus, especially the faculty, tell me that I don't have to sit up there and that I should be careful of those stairs. But I think, by now, that I know what I can't or can't do."

Dena stated that the foreign students on campus

Reading Conference At A&T

The Seventh Annual Conference on Reading, sponsored by the North Carolina Council of the International Reading Association, will be held in Greensboro March 13-14, 1975.

The Royal Villa will serve as headquarters with meetings also held in five nearby motels. Registration for the expected 1,000 educators, kindergarten through college, will be held in the Royal Villa lobby both days from 8:00-9:00 a.m.

This year's theme is "Expanding Reading Through Interest, Response, and Achievement." Dr. Lewis Dowdy, Chancellor of A & T University, will present the opening address at 9:00 on Thursday morning. Participants will spend the remainder of the day in

small group sessions on such topic as trends in reading; early childhood preventive curriculum; and titles, authors, controversial books.

Small group sessions continue Friday morning at 9:00, with a general workshop at 2:30 featuring Dr. Edward Fuller, noted reading specialist from Friday, Portland, Oregon, speaking

on "How to Work With People." The final session will be at 6:00 p.m. with Dr. Jules Abrams, Director of Graduate Education in Psychology, Hahnemann Medical College and Hospital, Philadelphia, talking about reading disabilities. The conference will adjourn at 8:30 p.m. on Friday.

ASTRO-DESTINY

ARIES
Mar. 21 - Apr. 19

Money is a problem. Caution is the watchword. If you want to succeed you've got to make an effort. It is worthwhile.

TAURUS
Apr. 20 - May 20

What seemed hard last week proves to be a breeze this week. Give things a second chance.

GEMINI
May 21 - June 20

Happy times this week. Friends and family contribute to the joy. Solitude will have to take a back seat.

CANCER
June 21 - July 22

Romance is not running smoothly. Quarrels and misunderstandings will make it an impossible time.

LEO
July 23 - Aug. 22

It is sometimes the best policy to give the feelings of others first priority. You can benefit greatly from this attitude.

VIRGO
Aug. 23 - Sept. 22

Don't let your dreams and hopes get side-tracked. Nothing is impossible if you keep a goal in mind.

LIBRA
Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

You have a tendency to vacillate this week. Settle down or you're going to find yourself in a muddle.

SCORPIO
Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

The problem that has cropped up can be eased by friends and family. Give them a chance to help.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

The ideas and suggestions of others are worth listening to. You can learn much from the elderly.

CAPRICORN
Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

No one is immune to jealousy, but excessive jealousy can cause much grief. Don't let it become an obsession.

AQUARIUS
Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

A secret has been confided to you, and you are in a pickle because it is thought that you have revealed this confidence.

PISCES
Feb. 19 - Mar. 20

There can be many delays and interruptions this week. You'll just have to roll with the punches.

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This is election year whether you care or not. Have you thought about it?

From The Veterans Administration

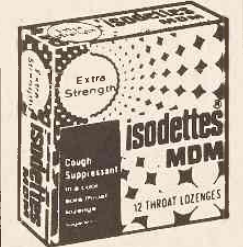
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Aug. 1, 1975 is the deadline for veterans who were separated between Apr. 2, 1970 and July 31, 1974 to apply for Veterans Group Life Insurance (VGLI). The program provides a maximum of \$20,000 coverage for up to five years. Policies are not renewable, Johnson said, since the insurance is designed to provide interim protection during readjustment to civilian life.

Premiums for maximum VGLI amounts are \$3.40 per month for veterans age 34 and under, and \$6.80 for all others.

Information concerning the program and application forms are available from VA offices and veterans service organizations. Completed forms and premiums should be sent to the office of Servicemen's Group Life Insurance, 212 Washington Street, Newark N.J. 07102.

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How Grads Find Jobs

Greensboro - Do colleges get involved in helping their graduates find jobs or do the students get job on their own?

This is one of the questions expected to be answered during a yearlong national research project in which A&T State University has been selected to participate.

The study of the involvement of selected college placement offices is being conducted for the U.S. Department of Labor, Manpower Administration by the Ultrasonics of Newport Beach, Calif.

Joseph Ross, a researcher for Ultrasonics, said 15

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predominantly-white and 15 predominately black colleges, mostly in the Southeastern part of the nation, have been selected for the study.

"We are concerned about career counseling and job counseling and placement and what impact colleges have in placing students on jobs, if any," said Ross.

He said while in

Greensboro, he will talk with faculty about their role in job placement, and with administrators, and graduating seniors. Also included in the study will be companies who recruit students at A&T.

Ross also said that it might be possible to determine if black graduates are as likely to find jobs upon graduation as their white counterparts.

Underway

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Carl Chavis "Y" has an active "Y" Menette Club. This is a group of 28 wives that work together with the "Y" men to put on projects and assist with the Annual Dinner Meeting.

The Annual Awards Day and Special Achievement Program is held at the conclusion of the Membership Campaign.

Join the YMCA - and take an active part in the program - Enroll in the

program of your choice. Supervision and volunteer assistants are available to instruct all classes and groups.

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