

HOPE Teaches Through 'On Job' Training

EDITOR'S NOTE: Lee-Olive Harrison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Harrison, formerly of Birmingham, is serving aboard the goodwill ship S.S. HOPE. This is one of a series of dispatches she is sending The Eccentric explaining the work of the project ship. Also serving on the ship since Sept. 1 has been Dr. Robert S. Knighton, 27486 Lathrup Village, Lathrup. Knighton had been a neurosurgeon at Henry Ford Hospital.

This month's article is a combination of three outlooks from the department of nursing administration and education. Miss Dorothy Aeschliman of San Francisco, Calif., is the jefe de enfermeras. Miss Ann Campion of Waterbury, Conn., is her assistant, and Miss Betty Berry of New Britain, Conn., is educational director.

There is one of the hardest and most frustrating jobs on board of barco HOPE. It is very difficult to be in charge of one group of nurses, not to mention five or six separate programs all at once. Here are their stories.

MISS AESCHLIMAN: "Buenos dias, mees." "Good morning, señorita" are echoed over and over as one walks through our hospital each morning doing what any supervisor does in a hospital at home—answering questions, discussing problems with the nurses (here both Peruvian and Norte Americano), talking to patients, talking to doctors.

After more than five months of working with the people of another country, learning to understand and accept their needs, their ways of working, and in short, their way of life—the questions are less frequent and the problems easier to solve.

NATURE NOW

American Bald Eagle: Faithful Mate, Careful Educator of Young

The year: 1782. The place: Washington, D.C. The setting: a nest of the Congress of the United States. Its purpose: to select an emblem for the Great Seal of the United States.

Under consideration were several native birds; the golden eagle, the American (hobby) eagle and the wild turkey gobbler.

The latter was suggested by honest Ben Franklin who called the American eagle a coward, a bully and a thief. He did not know that this great bird is more attached to his home, is more faithful to his mate and gives more heed to the education of its young than almost any other of its kind.

In the end the American eagle won and on June 20, 1782 it was officially declared our national emblem and was placed on the seal of the United States.

The AMERICAN eagle has real features: a snowy head, a sharp beak, a piercing eye, a powerful body. He mates for a life and each part of him from his faithful companion.

Courtship begins in November and lasts until June.

In mountainous regions the nest or eyrie is built on some inaccessible ledge. Here we find it in the tops of tall trees or high on some old dead snag. A recent nest on Lake Erie which represented years of occupancy was found to weigh nearly two tons.

The structure, which is refurbished each year, is built of sticks, leaves and coarse bichens and is lined with moss, lichens, soft grasses and feathers.

Here two or three white eggs are laid.

THE INCUBATING period which lasts 35 days is shared by both birds. Instances have been known where one of these sat on the nest for as long as 72 hours. If it must be left unguarded the top is ruffed over with dead leaves to give it a deserted look.

The eaglets have a long infancy and a thorough education for their competitive life in the wild.

"The nursing program itself is geared to teaching, as yet all the parts of Project HOPE, are at the same time this teaching must be closely co-ordinated with the care and treatment of patients. How to do this—to provide good nursing care and at the same time teach nursing care and organization—has been challenging, though frustrating at times, to us who are involved in placing both the Peruvian nurses and Norte Americano nurses in the areas where they will be the most effective.

ON THE SHIP itself we have found that the best way to teach and act at the same time is in a counterpart system. A Peruvian nurse is assigned to a U. S. nurse, and they work side by side, sharing the responsibility of our Peruvian patients.

On the shore this is more difficult for we are spread thinner in comparison, though even in the overcrowded and often depressing conditions of the shore hospitals the HOPE nurses often teach by doing.

"In this country where there is so very much to be done—where so many things have the most lasting effects and the need to look to the future instead of despairing when one cannot be all things to all people here are things we try to consider in planning our work. And it is with these things in mind that I try to help plan the daily work of different programs with the fine group of people with whom I work on the S. S. HOPE.

ANN T. CAMPION from Waterbury, Conn.

This is my second voyage with the S. S. HOPE.

When the opportunity to be on the staff for the tour to Indonesia was given me, I felt it was most fortunate because I realized it was the "chance of a lifetime". But to have the offer of a position almost on the ship again for its venture to South America was just as exciting and almost as unbelievable.

"I arrived in Peru the first week of April with several other nurses and the first group of rotating doctors.

"Our purpose in being here ahead of the ship was to try to establish some contacts with the people of the area, the medical profession, the medical school and, if possible, to find 35 Peruvian nurses to work with the American nurses as counterparts for the full time we were to be in this country.

"IT WAS a great challenge from the start.

"The language was one thing to be reckoned with, in addition to different cultural patterns and mode of living.

"I would set out in the morning, knowing exactly what and how much I felt I could accomplish in one day, only to learn that the whole city shut down for "Siesta" from noon until 3 p. m. This, of course, necessitated my spending twice as much time on problems as I would ordinarily have spent.

"In trying to get the commitment for the Peruvian nurses to live and work with, many hours were spent in the offices of the heads of different medical groups as well as the chief nurse of all Peru.

"WE WERE the first people in many instances to explain exactly what HOPE was and its purpose in Peru.

"Because we knew what we had to offer, we were most enthusiastic in selling the idea of our project. It was different, truly a people to people effort—one in which we conveyed the ideas that we felt we could learn as well as teach in this exchange of medical knowledge.

"We were somewhat at a loss in not having the ship as a base of operation because it is much easier to sell something you can see than an idea.

"WE ANXIOUSLY awaited the arrival of the "great white mother," as we sometimes call her, for we felt that teams into the barricades shape and give substance to what we were trying to do for the people of Peru.

"Believe me when I say we greeted her with open arms and happy hearts as she appeared in port at Callao. She was our hope as well as the HOPE.

"The next few days were spent getting to know all the members of the staff who had done such a fine job in readying the ship for operation on the way down from San Francisco.

"WE LEFT Callao after several days of conducting official tours through the ship and attending receptions and arrived in the port of Salaverry.

"This was it.

"The clinics we had tried to set up before the ship's arrival now began to function, the thoughts of some days into the barricades became realities and the hospital wards were alive with patients, doctors and nurses.

"Now our job was to function like any good hospital in the States.

Dorothy Aeschliman, as you know, our chief nurse, and I am her assistant. I work in nursing service assisting the chief nurse in that area.

"SOME OF my duties are assigning personnel and providing for their maximum utilization in ward assignments, interpreting and implementing policies, making frequent ward rounds to help with nursing care as needed or acting as a resource person in solving some of the unusual and interesting situations which arise in the course of the day.

"The time has just flown. If the remaining days are as full as the ones I have already lived through, the year will have passed before I know it, and once again I will be saying I have always felt it a privilege to care for the sick, especially in a country where there is such a shortage of nurses.

MISS BERRY: "Miss Rodriguez, a young graduate nurse, arrives on the S. S. HOPE with a large suitcase. She looks tired from two days of travel from a city in southern Peru. She is one of the 59 nurses who have come since the beginning of June to gain experience by working side by side with the nurses from the United States and also to attend classes planned for the graduate nurse group.

"Who are the nurses who have come?"

"Some are young, like Miss Rodriguez, with little experience as a graduate. Others are older with experience as head nurses and supervisors. Some are only able to stay for one month while others for two or three months. Four nurses will be with us the entire nine months.

"WITH THE varied backgrounds and lengths of time that they stay aboard ship the formal classroom has of necessity been extremely flexible in trying to meet some of the individual needs of the different groups. At the present time seven hours of class are held each week.

The classes cover a variety of areas of interest to nurses, including care of patients with specific medical or surgical conditions, basic principles of organization in a hospital unit, duties of the head nurse and general topics based on the evening.

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"I AM SURE that you will rest easier tonight knowing that the White House lawn has just been completely changed to Merion blue grass.

When this fact was mentioned to a local, excellent professional landscaper, he said "Just wait until the best grass begins to show up in the turf and it browns up this time of year. I can build the best lawn to match any Merion blue lawn by using Kentucky blue grass and red Fescue seed."

"It doesn't require as much fertilizer to keep it in prime condition and it is not as subject to as much disease."

Take your choice.

WHILE EAST I attended the national chrysanthemum show at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington.

Many attended the show from Detroit.

All of the specimens were grown outdoors and the colors and size of the flowers surpassed those I had seen within our fine florist shops. Maybe we should lift our sights, pull out some of the many specimens in our gardens and plant only the fine large flowers which I have seen as recent introductions in our local plant sources.

If you have 2-4D in your garage, be sure that it is tightly enclosed for the winter as it is highly volatile and vapors from it can wither or rot any plant material stored in the same area.

Wipe your stored tools with oil to prevent rust after you have cleaned them out.

MANY OF you enjoy a Christmas cactus and have carried it at houseplant over from other years. Remember it appreciates normal light in the daytime but it will not set its buds for flowering if it has artificial light from sundown to sunrise.

I am keeping mine on an enclosed sunbath as long as the weather will allow to be sure that the plant will not have any electric light during this period when I want it to set buds for the Holiday flowers.

Remember your grandmother always had a parlor where the large turn of Christmas cactus was kept while she sat beside a lamp in a warm part of the house during the evening.

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The Birmingham Eccentric Features

DOWN TO EARTH White House Lawn Has 'Blue' Period

Your columnist has just returned from the World Federation of Occupational Therapists convention in Philadelphia. The purpose of my attendance was to hear the story of rehabilitation and then to adapt the concepts from various countries to our area procedure of horticultural therapy.

There were over 33 countries represented and more than 1000 technicians in attendance.

THE BEST speaker was a psychiatrist from Russia who seemed to have a forward technique for the treatment of the mentally ill. The patients participate in yard

and garden work in a productive manner which is a technique you see used in Europe. In this country we design the task to bring out psychologically the needed factor in a patient.

They do a great deal more for their mental patients living at home than we do in this country.

The greatest value of the treatment in centers, which keeps them motivated. We are just beginning this pattern in this country.

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To the Stockholders of
THE DETROIT EDISON COMPANY:

A special meeting of stockholders of The Detroit Edison Company will be held at the Henry and Edsel Ford Auditorium, 20 East Jefferson Avenue, Detroit 26, Michigan, on Monday, November 19, 1962, at two o'clock p.m., Detroit Time, for the following purposes:

1. To consider and take action on a proposal to amend the Certificate of Incorporation of the Company (i) to decrease the par value of the Common Stock from \$20 to \$10 per share and to increase the authorized shares of Common Stock from 20,000,000 shares to 40,000,000 shares and (ii) to change and reclassify each outstanding share of Common Stock into two shares of Common Stock of the par value of \$10 per share, without changing the aggregate amount of capital of the Company; and
2. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting, or any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

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