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Visitors at Easton Hospital Has Become A Problem

The jerennial visitor problem of Easton hospital has reached such proportions, the personal welfare of the patients is endangered. The number of visitors Easton Hospital has during non-visiting hours and the excessive number of visitors to the bedside of individual patients durng visitng hours is almost unbelievable. It is not uncommon for the nurses and doctors during non-visiting hours to have to practially stumble over visitors to administer to the sick patient, and during visiting hours to see up to six or eight visitors grouped around a patient's bed.

We at the hospital are acutely aware that this condition arises from the affection and concern for the patient of his family and friends, and we accordingly try to be as liberal and gentle as possible in our enforcement of the hospital's visiting rules. Even so, the nurse when attempting to enforce the rule, which in the first place is established for the patient's welfare and not for the convenience of the hospital staff, often enough meets with indignant resentment and surliness on the part of the visitor.

The hospital visiting hours are as follows:

For Maternity patients: from 3:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. and from 7:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

For general medical and surgical patients: from 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M., and 7:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

For Pediatrics (children): from 3:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. Only.

These visiting hours in the best interest of the patient should at all times be observed, and no exception made except in instances where the doctor or the hospital grants permission to a friend or member of the family of the patient to remain at his bedside outside visiting hours. Visitors should also observe the rule that at no time, particularly in a multiple-bed room or ward, should there be more than two visitors at a time at the bedside of the patient.

Obsolete Answer

Writing in the Wall Street Journal, Russell Kirk, the distinguished educator and author, discusses some of the serious problems socialized medicine has created in England—problems adversely affecting patient and doctor alike. At the of his article he makes this important point about the economic aspects of medical care: "In the United States, where the public spends a greater proportion of income on medical attention than in any other country, only about 4.5 per cent of family income goes for medical attention. Nearly an equal amount goes for alcoholic beverages; half as much goes for tobacco; and a good deal more goes for recreation. We are living in an age, in short, in which the average man can afford to pay for whatever medical attention he requires with the exception of the really poor, who are a small minority.

"Yet what has been adopted in Britain, and what is sometimes proposed in the United States, is a doctrinaire nineteenth-century solution, socialized medicine, to a problem the terms of which have altered immensely in the twentieth century. In a society of material abundance, state medicine is an absolute answer."

No one—except the extreme hypochondriac—likes to be ill, or likes to go to the doctor, or likes to pay a medical bill. So human nature being what it is, we often tend to exaggerate the cost of medical care out of all reason, forgetting the far greater sums most of us spend on non-essentials. It is good to bee reminded of the facts, as Dr. Kirk has done.

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ANTHONY — JUMP

Mr. and Mrs. William Paul Jump of Centreville wish to announce the marriage of their daughter, Patricia Lee to Mr. Milton Daniel Anthony, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Anthony Sr., of Queenstown.

The quiet little wedding was solemnizel on Friday evening, March 23 at the Queenstown Methodist parsonage by Rev. Frank O. Baynard. Their only attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Quimby of Centreville.

The bride is a graduate of Centreville High School class '55 and is employed at the 5 and 10c store in Centreville. The groom is employed by the Seney Oil Company. He is a former graduate of Centrville High and returned home last year after serving three years in the Euopean Theatre. The happy couple will reside in Queenstown.

ROBERT JOSEPH WEAVER

Funeral services were held on Saturday morning at 10:30 from Barton's Funeral Home in Centreville for Mr. Robert Weaver, who passed away on Wednesday evening at 9 p.m. at the home of his sister, Mrs. James Embert Boyles.

Mr. Weaver was born in 1880 and lived most of his life in Queen Anne's County. Rev. Frank O. Baynard took charge of the buriel servies and interment was in the Chesterfield Cemetery. The pall-bearers were Harry Barton, Frank Delahay, John Kinnamon, Clyde Embert, John Embert and Gilbert Embert.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has obtained from the Orphans' Court for Queen Anne's County letters testamentary on the personal estate of

SARA V. DRECHSLER

late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 25th day of September, 1956, otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said deceased's personal estate.

All persons indebted to this estate must settle at once.

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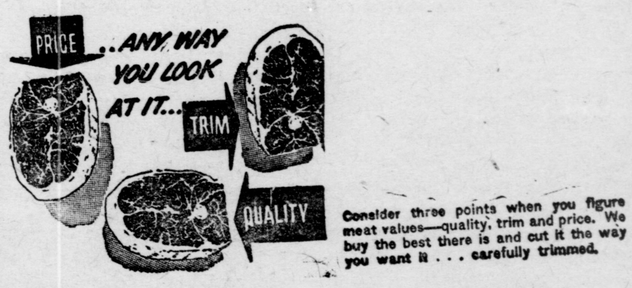

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